

# **Title Report Updates to the Governor's Workforce Development Board**

**August 16, 2023**



# Highlights

- National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) Quarterly Meeting hosted by Workforce Connections.
- Partnership with iFoster.
- Placement of EmployNV Youth Hub staff in six Clark County School District (CCSD) high schools.
- Preliminary Performance Indicators for PY22.

# Nevadaworks Report

- EmployNV Hubs Update
- USED A Tech Hub Grant Proposal
- Good Jobs Northern Nevada Update
- Nevadaworks Open Positions
- USDOL Grant Funding Workshop



# Division of Welfare and Supportive Services Updates

## General Updates

- DWSS Workforce Development Unit turns their focus on Disconnected Youth in 2023
  - Approximately 47,500 Disconnected Youths in Nevada (more than half live in poverty)
  - WDU serves on the Disconnected Youth Campaign with Workforce Connections and other stakeholders
  - Recovery Friendly Workplace initiative “The Blooming Bistro,” in collaboration with DPBH and the SOR (State Opioid Response) Grant are launching a youth café with an EmployNV Youth Hub built into the establishment. This will facilitate training and employment for disconnected, justice involved, and underserved youths. The grand opening will take place in October 2023
  - H2H (Homeless to Housing) is currently perusing a HUD grant application to address youth homelessness
  - SB135 – DWSS’ Homeless to Housing unit will collaborate with the DMV to issue free State IDs to homeless youths
- WDU held job fairs for class of 2023 graduates state-wide (6 have been hired by DWSS so far).
- WDU currently serves on 2 GWDB Subcommittees (Strategic Planning Committee and Underserved Populations)



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## **Statistical Snapshot in Workforce Development – Observing Outcomes**

- Non-degree credentialing to employment. June 2022 through June 2023 (50 Students)
  - June 2022 – June 2023 – 50 vocational trainees gained employment
    - 31 gained employment outside of the field of study – average \$13.81 per hour
    - 19 gained employment in the field of study – average \$19.68 per hour
    - \$5.87 per hour more when employed in the field of study
  - 2023 January - June key stats
    - WDU has provided 244 verifications to assist Title I enrollments for workforce services
    - WDU leveraged \$31,128 toward Non-Degree Credentialing Programs
    - WIOA - Title I contributed \$132,276 of tuition for TANF and SNAP participants (38 partnered contracts)

# Nevada Department of Education

## Adult Education Title II Update

- General Updates
  - Enrollment for the last program year was up approximately 30% from the previous year and close to pre-pandemic level.
- Adult Education Services
  - Programs are delivering in-person and distance education. Contact information is listed on the Nevada Adult Education website, [www.nevadaadulthoodeducation.org/students](http://www.nevadaadulthoodeducation.org/students).
  - Programs run all summer, with the exception of the GBC Adult Education program which will start back up in the late August.
- FY23 Performance (Not Final)
  - Enrollment to date- 5,428
  - Measurable Skill Gains- 51.40%



# WIOA Title III Wagner-Peyser Quarterly Update

## General Updates

- Veterans Job and Resource Fair – On May 2, 2023, a statewide event was held with the Southern Business Solutions office. Held at Reno Town Mall, 97 attendee veteran job seekers looking for employment attended and met with various business throughout the area. Senator Jackie Rosen's office had a representative attend the Veteran's Job Fair at Reno Town Mall in honor of Military Appreciation month.
- Business & Industry: Annual Small Business Resource Fair – On May 3, 2023, in collaboration with Business & Industry, the Business Solutions Office held their annual Small Business Resource Fair at the Sahara West Library. There were over 45 resource providers on hand and over 280 attendees.

## Performance Measure Updates

- 3,256 job seekers registered in June is 32% less than the planned goal. The improving economy with less people looking for work is reflected in a significant decline in the unemployment insurance rate (5.4% in May 2023).

## Program Initiatives

- Grow with Google: DETR invited currently DETR Staff to enroll in Grow with Google courses to take advantage of the training scholarships available during the pilot projects last six months.
- ROADS: currently 119 participants enrolled surpassing the contractual enrollment goal. As the ROADS pilot project ends, DETR/ESD's new contract will begin allow for the successful program to continue the great work it has achieved.
- Early Childhood Education (ECE): This quarter DETR/ESD as successfully added a fourth contract with Great Basin College to provide accelerated certificate training statewide.
- Coursera: DETR/ESD begins working on a three (3) phase project to offer more online training from renowned colleges and universities to individuals looking to upskill and enhance their job skills.



# Quarterly Update

## April

CSAVR Presentation in D.C.

Administrator Elez was invited to the CSAVR Conference to share insights on how VR is maximizing its available resources.

## May

Mental Health Awareness Month

- VR recognized it with employer and public outreach efforts to highlight the prevalence and importance of recognizing accommodation in the workplace and hiring people with mental health disabilities.
- #1 disability group VR serves

## June

Surpassed 42K Web Views

- RSA Monitoring June 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>
- 82<sup>nd</sup> Legislature, no significant program changes
- 42K visits to VRNevada.org website since January 2023



**Nevada**  
Vocational Rehabilitation

For SFY 2023: 07/01/2022 – 06/30/2023  
(all 4 quarters)

# of successful closures: 521

# of cases that were opened:  
June SFY2022: 2,980  
June SFY2023: 3,077

Increase over the prior year: +3.3%

# of new VR applications in SFY23: 3,066