

Ethics, EEO, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

Quarterly Workforce Development Update

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Subject

Quarterly Workforce Development update

Purpose

Regular, high-level update on Workforce Development activities to the Equity, EEO, and Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee (EEDEI)

Recommendation and Fiscal Impact N/A

Workforce Development Priorities







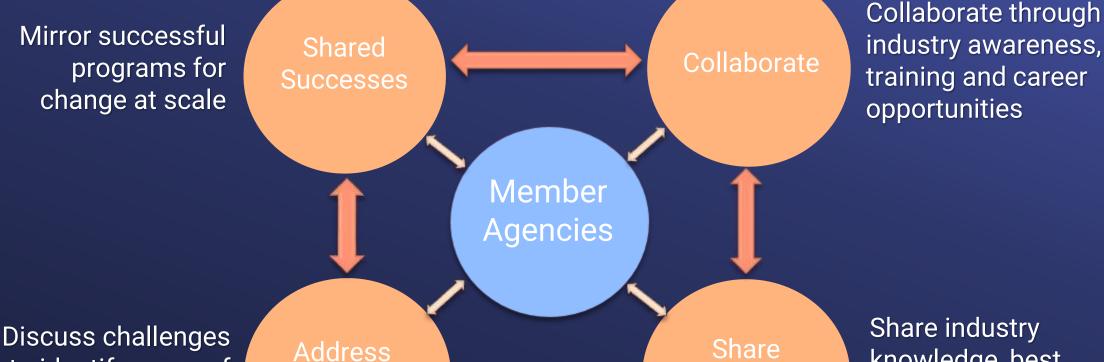






Workforce Development

Member Agency Collaboration



Challenges

Share industry knowledge, best practices, data and information

Knowledge

to identify areas of

improvement

Community Engagement & Member Agency Collaboration

Goal PureWater Southern California Workforce Development MOU for internship program, K-12 career pathways, and industry awareness

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In Progress Exploring expansion of current MOU model to other qualifying communities in service area

Accomplishments MOU finalized and approved

- City of Carson
- West Basin MWD
- South Bay Workforce Investment Board
- LAC Sanitation District

Community Engagement

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Goal Collaborate with career centers, Employment Development Department (EDD), and utilize the Diversity Catalyst Circa outreach system

In Progress Identify resources, training, and career development that enhance access, and prioritize engagement with veterans, and individuals with disabilities

- **Accomplishments** Met with EDD offices in 4 of 6 counties
 - Data-informed prioritized outreach
 - Instituted regular monitoring and use of the Circa Outreach System

Training, Skill Development, Internships & Career Pathways

Goal Engage with WorkSource/America Job Centers of California, One Stop Centers, CSU and local Community Colleges

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- **In progress** Development of certification training programs
 - Development of internal upskill initiatives

- **Accomplishments** Met with management and SMEs
 - Expanding internship opportunities

Desert Outreach & Engagement

Goal Build deeper connections, trust and better understand needs of Native Nations and other desert community partners

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- **In Progress** Skills training, K-12 career pathway events, community tours and sponsored community events
 - Welding training program

Accomplishments •

- CRIT Council MWD Tours: 10/29, 11/19, 2/12
- Meeting with additional Native Nations, community organizations and educational institutions
- Resume/Interview Skills Workshop at Parker High School
- Industry Awareness at Palo Verde College, (Blythe, CA); Needles Community College, (Needles, CA)

Next Steps



Discussion

