

## BARC COMMITTEE MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Committee Name: Employment and Training

Month/Reporting Period: Mar-24

*Please provide an update of your committee's goals, activities and accomplishments for the month. Report due last day of each month.*

Goal	Activities	Resources Used (Outputs)	Partners/Agencies	Outcomes
Community Engagement and Education	Community Information Sessions		Community Partners	No update

	<p>Improve awareness and utilization of the Virginia Career Works System.</p>		<p>Virginia Career Works</p>	<p>March 15 2024 Bedford Chamber will have a job fair at Timberlake Chirstain. March 12 - 10AM – 2PM: Hiring Event with Buffalo Air Handling at the Virginia Career Works Lynchburg Center  March 19 - 10AM – 2PM: Hiring Event with Blue Ridge Regional Jail at the Virginia Career Works Lynchburg Center  March 19 - 10AM – 2PM: Hiring Event with People Ready at the Virginia Career Works Lynchburg Center  March 20 – 10AM – 4PM: Hiring Event for the Old Dominion Job Corps Center at the LynCAG Opportunity Center  March 20 – 9AM – 3PM: Peacemakers Job Fair with Adecco at 1601 12th Street</p>
	<p>Citizen support and Identification – How can the Community Support Agape, LCM, BCM neighbors</p>		<p>Community Partners</p>	<p>No update provided.</p>
	<p>Bridges out of Poverty Training</p>		<p>Trained Trainers</p>	<p>March Probation and Parole and April at Central</p>

	Church involvement		Patrick Henry Family Services	Bedford Schools and LCM are making referrals to the Care Portal. COPE at the lake is being planned.
	Volunteer Support		Patrick Henry Family Services	No update provided.
Barrier Identification	Focus groups - What is it like for those we are trying to help? Citizen Feedback Loop		Angela Hill lead for LCM	Tecora is planning to make this a task for her summer intern.
	Getting Ahead Class		Lake Christain and Agape	Agape is having one now.
Employer Human Capital Building	Employee Resource Network (ERN) Employer/Employee Support.		County Economic Development and DSS	Meeting held with the Chamber Board at the end of February . Visits with two employers has been scheduled.
	COPE (Cost of Poverty Experience)			There are two being planned. One at the lake and one in Town.
	Care Portal Champion Development		Patrick Henry Family Services and Bedford Chamber	Claudia stated that she is still working on this at this time. She has been asked to attend a Chamber Board Meeting.
Education Human Capital Building	Central Virginia Community College			No representative present.
	Adult Career Education		Kathy Smith	Kathy Smith notified thr group of an upcoming Hospitally Corse via email last week.
	Bedford County Public Schools			No representative present.

Data Collection	To collect monthly data to track progress.		VCW, LCM, DSS, DARS, Bedford Couty Schoolsand Bedford County DSS	Andy gave a quick up date on Medicaid Unwiding and the Benefit Programs Case Load.
Case Presentations				Tammy Lawhorn gave an update for two cases presented in Janaury. She also talked about a new case registered to VIEW. Recommendations were given to help.

Submitted By: Andy Crawford

Members Present

Andy Crawford      Social Services  
 Greg Modzelewski      Citizen  
 Tecora Davis      Department Of Corrections  
 Tammy Lawhorn      Social Services  
 Keith Cook      Virginia Career Works  
 Denny Huff      Bedford Health Foundation  
 Mary Zirkle      Town of Bedford  
 Claudia Fletcher      Patrick Henry Family Services