

BARC COMMITTEE MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Committee Name: Employment and Training

Month/Reporting Period:

Please provide an update of your committee's goals, activities and accomplishments for the month. Report

Goal	Activities	Resources Used (Outputs)	Partners/Agencies
Community Engagement and Education	Community Information Sessions		Community Partners
	Improve awareness and utilization of the Virginia Career Works System.		Virginia Career Works
	Citizen support and Identification – How can the Community Support Agape, LCM, BCM neighbors		Community Partners
	Bridges out of Poverty Training		Trained Trainers
	Church involvement		Patrick Henry Family Services
	Volunteer Support		Patrick Henry Family Services

Barrier Identification	Focus groups - What is it like for those we are trying to help? Citizen Feedback Loop		Angela Hill lead for LCM
	2Gen Screening Tool - Pilot Intake Assessment and Teaming.		Amanda Powell at DSS
	Getting Ahead Class		Lake Christain and Agape
Employer Human Capital Building	Employee Resource Network (ERN) Employer/Employee Support.		County Economic Development and DSS
	COPE (Cost of Poverty Experience)		
	Care Portal Champion Development		Patrick Henry Family Services and Bedford Chamber
Education Human Capital Building	Central Virginia Community College		
	Adult Career Education		Kathy Smith
	Bedford County Public Schools		
Data Collection	To collect monthly data to track progress.		VCW, LCM, DSS, DARS, Bedford Couty Schoolsand Bedford County DSS

Submitted By: Andy Crawford

Members Present

Andy Crawford Social Services
Greg Modzelewski Citizen
John Fedor Department Of Corrections
Amanda Powell Social Services
Sherie Fulcher Virginia Department of Workforce Development and Advancement.
Christian Wiscovitch Dartment of Aging and Rehabilitation Services
Kathy Smith Adult Career Education
Kayla Waller Bedford Chamber of Commerce
Holley Scheffel County Economic Development

Keith Cook

Virginia Career Works

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ort due last day of each month.

Outcomes

The Chamber of Commerce is having a Job Fair Preparation Day on March 6, 2023 at the Bedford Library and a Job Fair March 15, 2023 at Timberlake Chirstian School from 10-1:30 pm. The Office of conomic Development and Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring a Business Roundtable about Artifical Intelligence For Business Owners on March 7, 2024.

Chirstian reported having 15 participants so far from the colaboration with DSS. DARS has been comign to Bedford DSS one day a month to meet with new referrals. The partnership is growing and they may need to expand to two days a month.

Another meeting is scheduled with Agape and LCM on Februrary 29, 2024.

Bridges Out of Poverty was completed on Februrary 13, 2024.

No update

PHFS is still working to build this concept and it may flow well with the ERN when we can get those started.

Tecora and Angela will meet next week after BARC Reentry meeting.

VDSS has moved the start date for VIEW participants no new date has been provided.

Agape starts a class in February 2024

Pam Bailey has reached out to some folks about the ERN nothing definite yet. She is still working on the topic.

There are two possible "Cost of Poverty Experience" C.O.P.E. one in town and one in Moneta.

No update

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Kathy Smith reported a new grant to for people who are seeking citizenship.

No update

No new Data to discuss.