

**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT
 LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING
 2150 N. Congress Drive, Court Room A
 Nogales, AZ 85621
 VIA ZOOM MEETING**

Wednesday, June 5th, 2024/ 12:00 pm -1:00 pm

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Board Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff and Guests Present:</u>
Dina Rojas-Sanchez	Dan Doyle	Jesus Valdez (SCC)
Skylie Estep	Victor Heatherington	Zaida Bustamante (Program Manager)
Guillermo Oton	Karen King	Adrian Chamberlain (SCC WIOA)
Greg Lucero	Norma Lucero	Jim Mize (OSO)
Maria E. Kinder	Louis Doyle	Reynolds Negrin
Maya Donnelly	Arizona Commerce Authority/Office of Economic Opportunity - Victor Cardenas	Patricia Azcue (SCC Finance)
Tom McAlpine	Jesse Fontes	Vaughn Croft (Job Corp)
Fernando Sandoval		Arturo Vasquez (Title III)
Olivia Ainza-Kramer		Trevor Stokes (Pathway2Career)
Efrain Triguerras		
Mauricio Chavez		
Richard Brennan		

- A. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 12:06
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**
- C. Roll Call** Quorum was present at the start of the meeting.
- D. Call to the Public - None**
- E. Adoption of Meeting Minutes – January 24th, 2024 Regular Board Meeting**
 -G. Lucero entered a motion to move to approve, seconded by R. Brennan. Approved Unanimously
- F. Budget Report- Finance Department (presented by P. Azcue)**
Overview of funds being spent and reallocated

-Budget report for [expenses up until May 2024](#), goes as follows. For Youth-in and Youth-out, we have spent \$309,563.00 that represents 85% from the awarded amount. For Adult PY22 we have spent 100% from the awarded amount. Adult FY23 we have spent \$152,498 which represents 58%. Dislocated Worker PY22 we have spent 100% of the funding. Dislocated worker FY23 we have spent \$159,324 that represents 85% of the awarded amount. For Administration/youth PY22 we have spent \$40,344.00 that represents rounded percentage of 100%. Administration/Adult PY22 we have not spent for Administration/Adult FY23 we do not have expenses yet. For Administration/Dislocated worker PY22 no expenses yet. Administration/Dislocated worker FY23

no expenses. For the amounts spent is 39%. For Rapid Response PY23 we have spent \$32,357 that represents 26% of the awarded amount. Those are the total reports up until May, 2024 of all account total amount spent is 70%.

-D. Sanchez follows with a question in regards to seeing an ending date for PY22 and FY23 having the same ending date. P Azcue then clarifies that indeed these funding has an expiration date ending in June 30, 2024.

-D. Sanchez then follows by saying she sees great progress in the amount of monies being spent. She follows with a question to P. Azcue to clarify why in the [financial report](#) it says under Dislocated worker, why is there four (4) categories that show zero (0) P. Azcue then responds by stating that the way they handle it is that for each of the programs they assign an amount for administration. Finance handles the finalizing spending per each category.

-D. Sanchez goes on to ask her concern is the available amount of \$61,909.00 in the Dislocated Worker as we are approaching the end date soon. She went on to state she's still confused as to how the zero% (0) and how it plays out.

-M. Chavez responds by stating that 10% out of each funding source has to be allocated to administration, so all the funding sources that are in the financial report that reflect that dislocated worker amount. However, DES requests that we reimburse from one (1) particular source, and we do that by taking it from the top. He then goes on to clarify that it does look odd that it says zero% (0) but really there is no distribution, they ask to start from the last year which is Program Year 2022, upon their request we need to start requesting reimbursement from that funding source and then we move onto the next one, so on and so forth. Ideally, if we had more expenses attributed to those particular funds we would be depleting those funds, however, we don't have any additional allowable expenses that qualify for the administration. Some of the other expenses may be attributed to the other funding's that are in the report.

-D. Sanchez thanks M. Chavez for the clarification and then asks if it is safe to say that we are a few weeks out from the ending date that the \$61,000 that we show still available be returned? M. Chavez responded by stating that we don't believe so, that it is more of a programmatic question, we would have to rely on staff to understand what is pending on their end however, we do have three (3) weeks left in the month and then we are going to have a sixty (60) day accrual period that still qualifies all of July and August if its expenses that are happening on or before June 30th those expenses would fall under this category.

-R. Brennan then follows up for clarification on the Fiscal Year and Program Year 22 and 23, he asks if 23 is going to roll over for one (1) more year? M. Chavez answers that these will not they will end on June 30th, 2024. There is different allocation that we have like PY 23 and FY 24 that doesn't show in the [financial report](#) that does come into effect on July 1st, 2024.

-F. Sandoval then asks that on the Youth and Adult funds if there is anyway we can do with the programs that are available to invest those monies differently so we don't return the funding. M. Chaves then replies by stating that we do have an opportunity to do that, but it comes down to the programmatic portion. That's more of a question related to staff to identify what is coming ahead, what type of programs they have in place, and what type of expenses they have pending. Finance in-turn just processes what the program provides, knowing that everything has to be allowable so that we do not have any issues with audits or anything like that. The program is very careful as to how the allowable expenses are stated per the grant guidelines.

-G. Lucero wanted to add that he believes it would be beneficial to the board if they were given a budget session, so the board can better understand how the funds work. In particular, if we are in the process of setting next year's budget it would have been beneficial for us to have some comment or involvement in setting the budget so that way the board wouldn't have so many questions towards the end of the program and fiscal year.

-D. Sanchez then follows up by stating that with Mauricio and Patricia, they are just paying out what they are receiving. From a programmatic stand point, we need to know from Zaida and staff for example, for Youth we have a set amount and it falls under a specific category and what the dollar amount is for each category and how it can be used. She goes on to say that this has been a conversation of topic for quite a while now. As the board keeps asking the same questions, she understands their frustration with the details of each category and its spending regulations. She then goes to reclarify that Mauricio and his staff simply process what they receive and processes payment. The detailed picture to what the board has been asking is more of a programmatic stand point. She then goes to ask Zaida that she takes each category and to give a detailed report to show the awarded amount and how we are allowed to spend within the guidelines for each category. That way the board understands what they are looking at, what category does it fall under, and the dollar amount. So that from a program standpoint theirs a better understanding.

-S. Esteph wanted to ask one (1) more question going back to the administrative costs. From her understanding the state mandates 10% cost from each category to be allocated to those administrative expenses or is that something that the

board or the program determine threshold and is their potential to go back and look to whether or not we realized the full amount of those administrative costs and if not, how can we funnel them back into the programs so that the funds can be used to benefit the community. M. Chavez then replies by letting the board know that, it is a Department of Labor requirement so the funding source from the federal government that provides guidance and it's in law that we must allocate 10% of each funding source to administration. Administration can be multiple things, it can provide partial salaries of certain employees of the program, it can provide certain functions, from the board, professional development trainings, trainings, and different types of resources to pay for those.

-D. Sanchez then asks the board if anyone has any other questions. G. Lucero then follows up by saying that by clarifying the guidelines from the federal government and if we are not exhausting the 10% is there a possible way to roll it back into the program? M. Chavez answers that they can look into those options. He goes on to make one last comment, just to compare year to date from last year, we were at 55% spent on the program and today we are at 70% and you can see that the programmatic portion and staff have been doing their due diligence in promoting the program and being active in the community and trying to put the program out their to work and expend those funds. We are getting there and it's a much better improvement then the year prior. D. Sanchez added on to say that she agrees with Mauricio as you can definitely tell the difference when you start to look at the percentages, we are definitely seeing progress. She then adds on that she is going to work with Z. Bustamante to present a clearer picture on the report and budget for next board meeting.

-D. Sanchez asks the board if anyone else has any further questions.

-J. Valdez did want to comment that in regards to the coming budget, we still do not have an executive director since March of 2024. So, some of the available balance is also in regards to not having the position yet filled. J. Valdez did notify the board that interviews for the executive director will be held tomorrow, June 6th, 2024 and there are three (3) applicants.

-D. Sanchez wanted to add that she and the county management will be conducting interviews for the director position. She mentioned that she is there to ensure and inform the board that they are looking different pieces of ARIZONA@WORK and how it will best formulate to work together with the board to move projects forward. We do have a lot of great momentum on the board and a lot of positive moment so just to rest assure the board we will be choosing someone who will represent us well, push our initiatives, get to the budget and what does it look like, to insure we have that momentum moving forward.

G. Action Items:

- a. Tuition Assistance Amount & Gas Reimbursement
- b. Sonoita Office

-Chairman determined action items are not action items and will be presented at the next board meeting.

-D. Sanchez did want to discuss the top on Tuition Assistance, gas reimbursement, and the Sonoita office. D. Sanchez said as they were going through the details with Z. Bustamante and at the time former director I. Olvera to talk about what reimbursement we have, their limitations and why are they set at a certain amount. We really ended up determining that it is very low. As we reflect as a board with the monies that are there, we keep stating why are we not doing things to spend and instead of return. There is a lot detailed work that the staff is working on to focus on that issue. We will be putting it on the next agenda because we did not have it formally for this board meeting with the details for movement. D. Sanchez then added to give the board an idea, when we have a student that meets the qualification and they get reimbursement for gas to go to Tucson, AZ all week for their training they get \$50 per week. As most of us know \$50 will not fill your tank for one (1) trip to Tucson much less a week. With gas prices being high you can only do so much with \$50 in a week. That's just an example on one of things being worked on. Another piece to that is tuition cost, as most of us know tuition can be extremely expensive and there is a cap to that as well. So, we are seeing these caps to these categories that we need to look at, and as a board we have the authority and capability to do so. The team will do the homework to be able to present the information to the board and then the board will consider what those limitations are, does it make sense, and if it is enough and provide discussion and feedback for actionable items. These are important topics and things we need to continue to support this community and do it at the level we should

be doing it, especially when we look at funding the way we do. That will be for the next meeting so the board is made aware.

-D. Sanchez then asks Z. Bustamante to speak on the Sonoita office. Z. Bustamante gave a status on the satellite location as staff has been going since March and the program has only seen one (1) client is Vocational Rehabilitation, all other titles have been going twice a week and have not really seen any benefit as nobody really goes into the office. We have only seen one (1) person. We bring this conversation to see if we should still continue going and visiting the location in the event that somebody does go. At the moment we currently do not see a benefit of us being there. D. Sanchez then states that we need to be smart with our resources and maximize on where the need is. D. Sanchez is turning the decision back over to Z. Bustamante unless the board has other feedback.

-R. Brennan then followed up by asking if the general public in Sonoita is aware of our office there? Z. Bustamante replied by letting the board know we have done different marketing strategies from being on the radio station, podcasting, banners, flyers, billboards, and also speaking to businesses out in the Sonoita area to let them know we are there; however, we have not seen any type of movements.

-S. Esteph asked if we stopped staffing that office is there a mechanism to schedule in office support if someone needs it? Z. Bustamante answered by saying yes and that is something we have discussed as staff where we would be more than happy to go and serve the community in Sonoita. S. Esteph then asked that discussion at this time is not to shut down the office, it is just the staffing component where Z. Bustamante confirmed its is just the staffing.

-D. Sanchez then asked if the building in Sonoita if we loan, rent, or own? M. Chavez then responded by saying it's a county owned building. No further questions were asked and moved onto the next item.

H. Local Plan – Trevor Stokes, Pathway2Careers

ARIZONA@WORK Santa Cruz County Five (5) year local plan

-T. Stokes gives his presentation for the local plan. T. Stokes gives the board the opportunity for any questions.

-D. Sanchez says that as we reflect on the exercise that is required, I think we need to recognize the fact that we are moving a step above. I credit it that to M. Chavez and J. Valdez's leadership in making that happen, Z. Bustamante has been very involved with Mr. Stokes as well and we always have to do a plan and we have someone come in and to do a plan but I think we are at a different level now and bringing in Mr. Stokes and his team really indicates that, just with the presentation given alone. We are at another level, he comes with the expertise that we need for this in particular to really drive this board and the programs that really go along with ARIZONA@WORK to a different level. That was our goal not to be status quo but to take us to the next level and I certainly have a strong feeling that by having T. Stokes and his team put the plan together, involve the board on the next steps is going to be vital to make it happen. Thank you to T. Stokes and team for being here and virtually. It is an exciting time, there is a lot change, a lot of great things happening, a lot of engagement from our board and I think we are going to see great results with this plan moving forward. D. Sanchez then opens the floor for any questions.

-F. Sandoval asks Mr. Stokes if the plan will include engagement with the schools? T. Stokes responds that it will absolutely will, he hasn't had the chance to meet with M. Donnelly but will be reaching out and having conversations with. With a side note T. Stokes mentioned that he has been having conversations with Z. Bustamante about the youth services, as he does a lot of work with workforce boards not just in Arizona but across the country and something a lot of boards have in common is struggling trying to figure out how to spend their youth dollars, many times they cant figure out how to connect with the school district to provide in-school youth services. Then he goes on to say that, that is the exact type of engagement we need, because we should have an intentional and well-developed partnership, if there are things we can fund with the in-school youth services that we are suppose to be delivering that should not come to a surprise to our k-12 education partner and it should not be happening outside their strategic input. So, the K-12 and closest post-secondary education system, training providers, and then of course core partners such as adult education, vocational rehabilitation, and DES. We will certainly be engaging with them, exactly how we do that may vary a little, but what we are hoping for is face to face meetings and conversations so that we develop an intentional engagement that goes beyond just checking that compliance box.

- D. Sanchez then added that the benefit is he has the expertise, and this isn't a new area for him and so he brings that expertise to the table. She goes on to state that she is confident he will include all the vital core partners we have to

make it the most robust plan we can have. G. Lucero then went on to add the emphasis on the school districts being a big partner in this and inform Mr. Stokes that all school districts are independent of each other and there is career technical educational (C.T.E.) districts throughout the state and our county is split into two. That was one of the things G. Lucero said he was looking into, we do not really have any school district representation on the board. Looking at what Mr. Stokes was proposing it looks like they need to have the C.T.E program managers involved somehow because they all are doing their own C.T.E. training programs in respect with what the other district is doing. We need to get them involved in this discussion. D. Sanchez then went on to add that maybe we can add M. Donnelly to that piece as they all “roll up” to the county school superintendents office. G. Lucero then added that the school districts in fact do not.

-M. Donnelly then added that they do not but that through some of their grant programs for example, Gear-up Program they have close relations will all school districts, middle and high schools and the C.T.E. programs. Then D. Sanchez added that she thinks that the point that is coming from G. Lucero is that all the C.T.E programs are different and that it is not a cookie cutter approach and we want to make sure we understand that from the get go that you do have different districts in this area but they all have very different programs, formats, etc.

-T. Stokes forgot to add earlier but he actually chairs the state’s C.T.E. quality commission which is responsible for approving all the instructional framework for the C.T.E. programs of study and recognizing the industry recognized credentials that qualify individuals in that program. He is very much familiar with the programing of C.T.E. and very much a “champion” of C.T.E. and he looks forward to working with the C.T.E. programs here locally.

-J. Valdez then asked after looking at the program itself, especially Title- IB some of the barriers and after discussions with the County Board of Supervisors one of their concerns is how can we make the program more robust. Then went on to add that if the board wants to include a program to be more inclusive and willing to contribute funds does it need to be included in the plan?

-T. Stokes responded by saying that one of the ideas behind WIOA at its inception was that we should be able to braid multiple funding streams and multiple programs in order to optimize the impact. To answer the question yes, we can absolutely look at the way those programs and services are funded. There are restrictions on how we can use WIOA dollars but we should be able to find ways to braid multiple funding streams to make sure these tops of services are available to all the students that we serve. In particular career literacy and career awareness.

-D. Sanchez let the board know they were running short on time and any further questions to be asked at the end and they will be moving to the next item on the agenda.

I. Partner Reports

Title I: Santa Cruz County Workforce Development

PY 2023

July 01, 2023- June 30, 2024

Enrollments

Out of school youth: **10** Adult: 26 Dislocated Worker: **6 (pending 12)**
In Training and Completed Training: **17** (CDL, CNA, LPN, Billing and Coding)

Audits

Data Validation Review PY23 2nd Qtr March 4th
Programmatic Audit PY23 March 11th
Title IA Governance Monitoring March 15th
State Monitor Advocate Audit April 17th
Data Validation PY 3rd Qtr June 3rd (Ongoing)

Business Service

Employment/ Outreach Related Services

- **Sectors:** Manufacturing, Produce House, Local Government, logistics, Hospitality, transportation and healthcare.
- **Total Openings:** 39

Employment Hires:

- Tepeyac (1) – Bobtail Driver
- Santa Cruz County (1) - Detective
- City of Nogales (2) – Library Clerk & Finance Accounting
- Eagle Eye Produce (5) - Repack
- Green Point Produce (1) – Receptionist
- Big Chuy (1) – Office Clerk
- Intactics (2) – Warehouse Agent & Warehouse Cleaner
- Pacific Tomato Grower (1) – Warehouse Operations

TOTAL: 14

Rapid Response visit:

- Casa Alitas
- Forever 21
- Little Red School District #28

Hiring Events

- AAA Landscape, March 28, 2024 (13 – Hired) (2)
- Wholesum, April 8 & 22, 2024 – Results Pending

Marketing Initiatives:

- WeLoveNogales – Podcast
- Radio, Maxima 99.1

- Billboards throughout Nogales
- Banners
- OS3 Movement Health Fair Marathon

Outreach Events:

- Rio Rico High School Career Fair
- WeloveNogales
- Southern Arizona Critical Minerals Symposium
- Nogales Parks and Rec Driving Range Grand Opening
- Family Resource Night – Nogales High School
- Family Resource Night – Rio Rico High School
- Sonoita Building Reopening
- College Fair: Provisional College
- Pima Community College tour – Downtown Campus
- Nogales High School Senior Exhibition Presentation
- Ed Options presentation to seniors
- OS3 Health Fair marathon
- Calabasas School Career fair
- Grand Opening Teyechea Park
- Youth on the Border – Boys and Girls Club
- Circles of Peace Youth Program

-D. Sanchez asked the board if anyone had questions. No questions asked, moved to next Title report.

Title II: Santa Cruz County Continuing Education

Report presented by M. Donnelly

Enrollment

Goal is 200 students

By the end of the spring session of classes in March we had 301 students. There were 81 enrolled in ABE and 220 in ELA.

Progress exam test rate

Goal is 75% by June 30th

We are on pace to reach 75%, at the end of March 2024 our test rate was 52%.

Progress exam success rate

Goal is 43%

At the end of March 2024 our success rate was 58%.

Comments

- We just completed our 2nd spring cohort on May 23rd with both teacher and student orientations. The orientations included participation from Pima CC, Arizona@work, and Circles of Peace.
- The summer session will begin on June 3rd and run Monday – Thursday until June 27th. There will be ABE and ELA classes available.
- We still have 0% teacher turnover.
- As established in our Technology Strategic Plan for program year 23-24, 60 of our students laptops now operate Microsoft Office and students had at least three assignments to complete using Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

- In Quarters three & four, one class completed a semester of Computer Ed Essentials. After review of students & instructor feedback, it was determined to increase the Computere Ed Essentials course during the fall quarters of program year 24-25.
- Performance evaluations for the Continuing Education staff will be completed by July 31st and will be available for review.
- The Santa Cruz County School Superintendent’s Office was awarded a new round of funding for four additional years beginning July 1, 2024. The total award is \$2,007,704.

Moving Forward

- The SCCCE program will increase enrollment to 400 in the upcoming 24-25 SY with expanded locations and flexible scheduling. The program will offer additional IET and IELCE + T (Integrated Education and Training) opportunities in home healthcare and supply chain and warehousing.

-D. Sanchez asked the board if anyone had questions. S. Estep asked what the attrition rate is for the GED students and if there is anything South32 can do to assist in completion of those programs? M. Donnelly responded that there is definitely attrition, between March and the end of May there were about 20 students we lost. These students are adult learners, they have families, full time jobs, and other things that do happen in their life’s. Those are things that we do keep in mind although we are brainstorming in trying to address the retention in students.

-No further questions asked.

Title III: Employment Services

March-May		
	2024	2023
Staff assisted Registration	493	235
Average Age	44	48
Total Services Provided	11,515	5,092
Job Orders	1	400
Job Openings	1	869
Job Referrals	1136	234
WIOA Referrals to Title I	10	24
Job Placements	378	356

The state went through a Tri-Annual DOL Jobs for Veterans State Grant (JVSG) audit. We received our results on 5/31/24 in which an area that was identified for improvements was "case management."

We also went through a State Monitor Advocate Audit in Nogales and passed with only one finding which will be addressed with all staff.

We hired a Lead Position for the Nogales office and will start on 6/10/24- Karina Guerrero

-D. Sanchez asked if the reporting is correct as it doesn’t make any sense that only one (1) job order was entered and one (1) job opening was made also. – Z. Bustamante responded that the reporting was a mistake as the reporting given by A. Chamberlain by job orders created alone on Title 1 reporting. D. Sanchez then asked Z. Bustamante to reach out to V. Cardenas to get the accurate reporting for the next board meeting.

Title IV: Vocational Rehabilitation

FY 2023 – 2024

Data search: 7/1/2023 – 05/30/2024

Nogales

New Referrals: 91

Compared to last year with the same date range: 97

Number of Individualized Plans of Employment completed with job seekers with chosen vocational goal: 51

Compared to last year with the same date range: 46

Exits with employment/ successful closures: 12

Compared to last year with the same date range: 16

Note: The above numbers were generated from filtering VR's internal data management system and cross-checking internal tracking systems.

Highlights:

Vocational Rehabilitation staff are working closely with 22 High School students who are enrolled in the Sonoran Institute Pre-ETS UCEDD Summer Work Program with local Nogales, AZ employers. This is the second year in a row where students with disabilities from Nogales are enrolled in a paid summer work program facilitated by the VR program.

Outreach events completed:

2/15/2024	VR DCS Presentation
2/20/2024	Exploring Collaborative Opportunities for Vocational at RRHS
2/22/2024	NHS Family Resource night
2/29/2024	We Love Nogales Interview
3/4/2024	RRHS Vocational Rehab - Orientation
3/5/2024	RRHS family resource night (gear up)
3/6/2024	VR/TWS DSMS presentation
3/8/2024	C-Creo Gear up meeting
5/2/2024	VR Presentation for Mariposa CHC Parent Support Group at 5-6:30pm

5/9/2024	Rio Rico HS Presentation @ 1:45pm
5/15/2024	Calabasas School Career Day Event 8am-12 noon
5/17/2024	WCMS VR/TSW presentation
5/30/2024	Youth on the Border Conference Boys and Girls Club

Cross referrals with AZ@Work (Titles) – continues.

As of now, getting Releases of Information (ROIs) signed by mutually enrolled clients allows the partners to share program updates.

J. One Stop Operator

Zaida and I continue to talk on a regular basis.

We continue to hold our monthly Community Partner meetings.

I continue to represent Santa Cruz County at the weekly Business Services reps weekly meetings. I attended four in May.

Tim Tucker Deputy DES Administrator is now holding the weekly meetings. These weekly meetings generally have over 80 business services reps from around the state.

Financial services and Insurance is the sector of the month. There was no new WARN Acts issued since the last meeting. The 99 Cents Stores are still being serviced by the Rapid response group. Another feature of the services being offered is that the Rapid Response Group is servicing clients virtually.

99Cents Stores were closing their 40 stores around Arizona. There will be 1,400 employees impacted. Closure of stores is expected to be 4-26-2024. Most of these stores are located in Maricopa County.

Vaughn Croft announced a Workforce Summit that Job Corps is hosting on June 26th. I have been asked to moderate a panel with representatives from Pima, Cochise, Santa Cruz, Pinal and Yuma counties. Zaida Bustamante has agreed to represent Santa Cruz County at this event.

Tina from Coconino County announced a job fair for May 10th. Twenty-two employers are expected. Gila County has a new VSR. Her name is Laurie Weishman.

We held our monthly Community Partner meeting on May 28th. Victor Cardenas with DES reported that he was looking for a State Coordinator for the Veterans program. Victor interviewed a few people but did not hire any of them. He did however hire a supervisor for the program representing Nogales and Pima counties. He also hired Katrina Guerro as “lead “of the Santa Cruz office.

Karina with Hope will be holding a LGBTQ event on June 21st, in recognition of LGBTQ month.

Adrian Chamberlain from the Nogales One Stop reported from the Sonoita Center. He said that business was kind of slow but with outreach they are expecting the program to start ramping up. He did report that hiring in Nogales was picking up.

Christine Nelson from PPEP is reported that Reynold Negrin is now the contact for Santa Cruz One Stop.

Todd Weber with Linkages is holding a job fair June 19th. He has been hosting a job fair weekly. Patty Molina reported that her summer institute program starts in June. This program has 30 students signed up.

Zaida Bustamante program manager for the Nogales One Stop reported that they are concentrating their efforts on Dislocated Workers and Out of School Youth.

I would like to report that Santa Cruz Partners have the first interpreter hired for our meetings. One of our Partners is deaf and needed an interpreter. Thanks to the hard work of Zaida Bustamante we now have an interpreter that will attend our meetings on an as need basis.

Thanks for the work. Let me know if you need anything else.
Jim Mize One Stop Operator, Santa Cruz County

K. Board Reports/ Round Table

- D. Sanchez opens the floor for the round table to board members.
- V. Croft wanted to let the board know that on June 26th the Fred Acosta Job Corp is hosting a workforce development summit at their Tucson main campus.
- S. Estep wanted to announce that in February South32 board of directors approved a \$2.16-billion-dollar investment in the Hermosa project. Centro which is the main operating remote center for the mine will begin its construction.
- G. Lucero wanted to announce that he also chairs a chamber of workforce development. While looking at industries at whole they began at the healthcare industries. The college and local school districts have been working with Mariposa and Carondelet and have identified several technician and administrative positions. Local school districts are looking into duo-enrollment programs with the community college more specifically with Pima Community College. The goal is to bring the certification programs locally and healthcare providers are looking also to all the possible opportunities.
- G. Lucero also noted that the new location is much better than in previous meeting locations and requested that for future meeting if it can be held again at the county complex that would be great. Other board members also reiterated and agreed with Mr. Lucero.

L. Next Meeting -- September 11, Nogales AZ. 85621

M. Adjournment

- D. Sanchez entertained a motioned to adjourn the meeting, G. Lucero motioned to adjourn seconded by F. Sandoval. Motioned carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.