

## Jobs and Workforce Development Minutes February 28, 2024, 1:30 – 3:00PM Daniel Boone Regional Library (100 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201)

Attendance: Steve Smith (Job Point), Nikki Carter (MU Healthcare), Donna Shatterly (JBS Prepared Foods), Jesus Olguin (JBS Prepared Foods), Conrad Hake (Love Columbia), Lisa Buxman (Love Columbia), Bailey Stock (Central Missouri Community Action (CMCA)), Leslie White (CMCA), D'Markus Thomas-Brown (Good Dads), Gina Jenkins (Boone County Community Services Department (BCCSD)), Verna Laboy (BCCSD), Lenna Peterson (BCCSD), Joanne Nelson (BCCSD), Alvin Cobbins (Minority Men's Network)

Meeting Objective: Review action steps ranking to prioritize next steps for workgroup.

**Results Statement:** Boone County is a flourishing community where everyone can live, learn, and grow.

Welcome and Introductions
 Verna opened the meeting and welcomed the group with introductions.

2. Review and Synthesize Action Steps Ranking

A spreadsheet of the Strategic Actions was shared with the workgroup. Joanne and Lenna shared a summary of the development of Strategic Actions and the process of rankings. The group started the review of the fifteen potential actions at the bottom of the list with 15. Increase support for entrepreneurship.

Discussion occurred within the group to come to consensus for each of the potential actions, allowing time to share additional information and perspectives throughout the process. Progress was made working up the list, with consensus rankings developed for items 7-15 on the list.

- During the discussion Steve gave an overview of Workforce Investment Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds and mentioned the potential to invite a board member to talk to the workgroup about WIOA funds and their effect in Boone County.
- 3. Discussion of Next Steps for Workgroup

  The workgroup will continue to come to consensus on Action Step Ranking for items 1-6 on the list at the next meeting.
- 4. Closing
  - Partner Updates
     None were reported due to time dedicated to Action Step Ranking.
  - b. Comments and Questions
     Thank you to Donna and JBS Prepared Foods for bringing snacks for the workgroup today.
     The next meeting will be on the third Wednesday of March back at Boone Electric.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 1:30 – 3:00PM, Boone Electric, Volt Room



