

## Welcome/ Member Sharing

- **PathStone**
  - Mentor for Youth Program- community projects with the Center For Youth Services
    - Currently collecting toiletry items for CFY and will be providing along with cookie trays for the Holidays
- **United Way**
  - Currently working with Labor Unions
- **RW**
  - New York's Workforce Association NYATAP 2019 Youth Academy Conference March 18-20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs
  - Career Pathway Sector Marketing- researching Childcare as a Pathway
    - Long term to gain relationships to get relationships and get some supportive legislation and providing resources
- **Monroe County Department of Workforce Development**
  - Recruiting on Road-15 events held, upcoming one is the last on for 2018
  - Special recognition to the NYSDOL and RWI for help with getting job recruiters on board
- **UPREP**
  - Offer programing in IT, Culinary, Build Trades
  - Student operated Restaurant open Tuesdays and Fridays from 1130am-1pm
    - Menu posted on UPREP website
- **Job Corps**
  - Turnaround time
  - Application turnaround is about 3 weeks after submission
    - Youth must be 16-24 years of ages
  - 39 State Street- Central Location
    - Open interviews held every Wednesday 12noon
- **Monroe County Department of Human Services**
  - Chuck Allan- Education Liaison between county system and RCSD
  - County working on Grants- multidisciplinary team forming for specific populations
    - Recently posted opening for Coordinator position
    - Looking for agencies to partner with
    - Target population will be youth under 18 years old, run-aways and youths with barriers
- **ACCESS-VR**
  - 1/1-2019- Will offer new services CORS2
    - Expanding youth services across the board
    - Serving more and providing more internships and work experiences
  - Working with high school transition counselors to connect with youth prior to graduation
- **Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce Work force development**
  - Internship/mentorship program partnered with East High School
    - Dual focus- skill set for workplace- soft skills program
      - Assign mentors to youth within program to help navigate life

- Working with other school districts- 9 county service areas
  - Economic development- 1.5-million-dollar report on how we as a region can attract more developers to the area
- Pilot for East High School- will take in 10 youth and bring 10-12 employers
  - How to put the knowledge into practices to build models to connect with

## **SYEP/SOOP**

- Program officially starts July 8, 2019
- Just released RFP- 11/28/2018
  - Information and document retrievable on RW and SYEP website
- Bidders Conference held- 12/4/18
  - 17 employers attended
  - Will offer a 2<sup>nd</sup> date to attend 1/7/19
- Mandatory to attend Bidders Conference to be eligible to submit RFP
- Can also request youth for DP- simple application process
  - Contact Delia Smith, Youth Career Services Coordinator
    - (585) 258-3500 ext.5235, dsmith@rochesterworks.org
- Looking for volunteers to help with SYEP process
  - Will partner with Ameri Corps
    - Assistant from program will start 1/22/19 and will help assist with SYEP
      - Will assist with the document management system
- Timeline- 3, 000 youth typically apply online- easily accessible
- Challenge with youth following through with the document collection
- March 1- 30 (application go live date), All youth applying must submit application online
- Providers Fair in May- after selection process is completed for RFP- funded programs will attend to meet with youth and talk about program
  - Currently looking for a venue to hold 250-300 youth and have parking available for parents and staff, Blue Cross Arena is no longer available for usage
- Week of March 18, 19, 20<sup>th</sup>- RW staff attends national conference- same week as document collection- will need some Youth Committee Members to help assist with the document collection
- Document Collection
  - Youth required to submit documents in person
  - In the near future looking to make document submission electronic
- RFP due on January 30, 2019- will be putting together a review team and will form a committee to review all proposals for a recommendation to the board
  - Representation from RW, City and County
  - Will need volunteers wanting to be a part of the Proposal Review Committee
    - Anticipating February 6, 2019- to form Review Committee
  - Rating sheets to be submitted 2/15- 2/20 will meet for review and discussion
  - Will send email with information and confirmation
- Will implement into SYEP 2019 Contracts, “any vouchers received after 9/30/19 will not be accepted, programs will be responsible for any incurred costs”

- Previous program year receive 1.3 million and spend down 1.21 million dollars
  - If programs are not spending down, money will be left on the table and less funding will be provided for next program year

### **WIOA Updates**

- Upcoming updates and changes with OSOS (One Stop Operating System)
  - Refresh of the application will take place over the course of the early part of 2019
    - Mobil/ User friendly
- Safe Zone Training, presented by Shalym O. Nater, Ibero-American Action League
  - Attended at the United Way Building on 10/23/18 by 17 participants
- 7/1/19- TABE Testing will move from 9/10 to 11/12
  - Currently looking into other options that can be substitute for initial testing
- Active youth goal is 400, as of October's report, currently at 319 active youth enrollments
  - Number could be greater, report does not reflect exited youth
- New Navigator to start at RWI St. Paul Career Center
  - Will bring Navigator total to 16
- Currently half-way through three-year cycle as of this month (December)
  - Planning for what is next, in the past funded 9 agencies
  - Decided to consolidate to 5 agencies
    - Monroe 2- BOCES Orleans, The Center for Youth Services, The Community Place of Greater Rochester, Starbridge, Urban League of Greater Rochester
  - Could potentially bring services in house, but likes the idea of working with
  - Recommended to stipulate a minimal salary for Navigators
    - To resolve high turnover
    - When Navigators leave, youth on their caseload tend to drift off
    - Goal is to be pro-active to stay ahead with performance measures
- Recognizable Credentials
  - CDOS credential- students going for regents/advance regents wanting to get in conjunction with degree
  - Trying to get work-based hours tracked on high school transcripts
  - Students can walk the stage with CDOS credential
    - Does not supplement for High School Diploma
    - CDOS pathway can obtain 5<sup>th</sup> regency
  - Rhonda Neal to be on next meeting agenda to speak to

### **Adjournment**

- Next Meeting- March 14, 2019 at 3:00PM, United Way RochesterWorks! Conference Room