



# WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT CONNECTION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday, August 17, 2023; 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Employment Connection Center – 4025 West Noble, Visalia

## 1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2) **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Three minutes per individual/organization, fifteen minutes total).** Any member of the public wishing to address the Employment Connection Committee on a specific matter under its jurisdiction, please notify WIB staff of your name and provide a brief description of the subject matter before the meeting. The Employment Connection Committee will not be able to act on any item not appearing on the agenda.

3) **CONSENT ITEMS** – All under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be approved in one action without discussion. If a committee member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, or a citizen wishes to speak on an item, the item will be considered under Action Items.

a) Employment Connection Committee Meeting Minutes

- i. Approve February 16, 2023, Committee Meeting Minutes.
- ii. Approve May 18, 2023, Committee Meeting Minutes.

## 4) REGULAR ITEMS

a) Employment Connection Partner Handbook

Approve the Employment Connection Partner Handbook for Employment Connection System staff and colocated partners at the comprehensive Employment Connection Centers in Visalia and Porterville.

## 5) ONE-STOP OPERATOR (OSO) ITEMS

a) PY 2023-24 Infrastructure Funding Agreement with Employment Connection Partners at the Employment Connection Centers in Porterville and Visalia

b) Cross-Training Sessions Outcomes

c) Employment Connection Open House & Ribbon Cutting

## 6) PARTNER PRESENTATION

Root & Rebound

Ivet Soria, Employment Coach for Root & Rebound, will provide an overview of Root & Rebounds resources and the Breaking Barriers Programs available in our region.

## 7) DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

a) WIB Executive Director Report

b) New Talent Pool Initiative Discussion

The Talent Pool Initiative was established with a primary goal of aiding workers in acquiring the necessary skills to secure high-quality employment opportunities. Under this initiative, Employment Connection customers are guided to achieve various milestones that play a vital role in assisting them reach their employment and educational objectives. Jennie Bautista, Deputy Director of Operations, will

provide an overview of the Talent Pool and engage committee members in discussion to explore strategies for braiding resources to support the shared customer base.

c) Business Services Updates

- Recruitment Assistance – Job Connect
- Rapid Response

d) Employment Connection Center and OSO Reports (*Handouts*)

**8) ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

**9) ECC Meeting Dates – 2023 - November 16, 2023**

**10) ADJOURN**

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