

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
QUARTERLY MEETING  
Amended Agenda**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2022 from 9:00 – 10:30 A.M.**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS** Frank Tecumseh, Chair
- II. **SHINING STAR AWARD (Exhibit A)** Jakki Bungart-Bibb
- III. **CITIZENS' TIME**
- IV. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - A. **DART Committee** John Fiore
- V. **NEW BUSINESS** None
- VI. **STAFF REPORTS**
  - A. **Business Services Update** Ashley Iovieno
  - B. **Labor Market Update (LMI) & Operations Update** Jakki Bungart-Bibb
  - C. **Director's Report (Exhibit B)** Jakki Bungart-Bibb
- VII. **PROGRAM: Economic Development Updates**

Audrey Tappenden, Economic Development Coordinator, Coldwater Area Economic Development  
Robert Corder, Vice President, Attraction, Battle Creek Unlimited  
Cathy Knapp, Partner, Southwest Michigan First
- VIII. **OLD BUSINESS**
- IX. **CITIZENS' TIME**
- X. **MEMBERS' TIME**
- XI. **UPCOMING MEETINGS**
  - A. **Executive Committee** –  
February meeting – Date & Location to be determined  
March meeting - Thurs, March 17, 2022, from 9:00-10:30 a.m.
  - B. **Full Workforce Development Board** – Thurs, May 19, 2022, from 9:00-10:30 a.m.  
Location to be determined
  - C. **Monitoring & Evaluation Committee** – Tues, March 22, 2022, from 3:30-5:00 p.m. (Note Time)
  - D. **Career Educational Advisory Council (CEAC)** – Monday, March 21, 2022, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.
  - E. **Disability Awareness Resource Team (DART) Committee** – Tuesday, April 12, 2022, from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- XII. **ADJOURNMENT** Frank Tecumseh, Chair



# SHINING STAR AWARD

## Purpose

The Shining Star Award celebrates Michigan Works! Southwest front line staff who, through dedication and outstanding contributions to workforce development, personify the Michigan Works! mission.

## Selection Process

Staff can submit nominations each month for their peers. Each month, the Operations Team will select a winner via an electronic poll. A certificate, along with a traveling plaque and trophy, acknowledging the individual's efforts and successes, will be presented to the winner at the monthly Workforce Development Board Meeting.



**Directors Report**  
February 17, 2022

**State Update**

Governor Whitmer released her 2023 budget recommendations. Below is a brief summary of workforce-related items that are worth noting:

**\$85.8 million for innovative workforce development programs** - A range of new investments in Michigan's workforce aim to address businesses' needs for talent and to ensure Michigan residents have the skills, training, and opportunities they need for good paying jobs, including:

- **\$20 million for talent retention and expansion in key Industries** to convene employer-led collaboratives and develop customized solutions to fill identified talent gaps in key industries and business sectors.
- **\$15 million for barrier removal and employment supports** to remove barriers to employment for low-income, poor, and working poor residents, including those who earn above the poverty level but not enough to adequately sustain a household.
- **\$15 million for Young Professionals Plus** to prepare young people for self-sustaining employment.
- **\$11 million for the attainable homeownership and apprenticeship program** to support the acquisition, renovation, and resale of properties in both urban and rural land bank inventories, increasing access to attainable housing while expanding apprenticeship training opportunities.
- **\$10 million for the Statewide Pre-Apprenticeship Program** to expand Michigan's talent pool and prepare individuals for entry into federally registered apprenticeships.
- **\$10 million for the MI Local Heroes Marketing Campaign** to conduct a comprehensive statewide marketing campaign that highlights the benefits of public sector employment and attracts more individuals to critical jobs.
- **\$2.5 million for the Tri-Share Child Care Program** to continue support for an innovative program that increases access to high quality and affordable childcare through a unique collaboration that leverages both state and business support.
- **\$1 million for Focus: HOPE** to support workforce development, youth development and community empowerment and advocacy programs.
- **\$700,000 for a Statewide Language Access Plan Program** to ensure limited English proficient residents have reasonable access to the same services as English-speaking residents.
- **\$600,000 to Support the MiSTEM Advisory Council** and its efforts to create a strong STEM workforce in Michigan.

Governor Whitmer also proposed the following as part of a FY22 supplemental budget:

- **\$250M Capital Projects Fund** to improve access and adoption of broadband to ensure all Michigan residents and businesses can compete in a 21<sup>st</sup> century economy,
- **\$88M for Unemployment Fraud Detection and Prevention**, including \$75M to modernize the UIA IT system,

Additional information can be found: [FY23 executive budget](#)

**Federal Update**

The federal government is currently funded through February 18<sup>th</sup> with a continuing resolution. The House of Representatives voted last week [to pass a short-term funding bill](#), this is the third FY 2022 CR and it would extend funding through March 11, 2022. The Senate must also pass the measure before it can be sent to President Biden's desk to be signed into law. They are hoping for a decision by the end of the week.