



Illinois Workforce Innovation Board

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IWIB Strategic Planning Task Force March 16th, 2017 Report

The IWIB Strategic Planning Task Force has continued to meet since the December IWIB meeting to lay the foundation for the upcoming strategic planning efforts. Baseline information has been gathered to inform future discussions such as Illinois Unified State Plan, the roles and responsibilities required by WIOA, the Final Rules and other guidance, performance requirements of WIOA, and data from training providers and training programs.

In February 2017, USDOL Region 5 awarded a grant for Technical Assistance and Training to support the efforts of the IWIB and IWIB Strategic Planning Task Force. Through the expertise of Maher & Maher, this grant will provide valuable and necessary information to the IWIB members. At the upcoming meeting of the IWIB on March 16, 2017, the stage will be set for the board to actively participate in the development of the Strategic Plan, Vision and Mission. The process for such developments will be outlined, as well as the role the board members should take to ensure a collaborative effort.

Maher & Maher staff will facilitate all formal meetings of the Strategic Planning Committee and Interagency Team and offer support to Strategic Plan Goal Teams, using a combination of onsite and virtual facilitation. All board members will be invited to these meetings to ensure the broadest scope in discussions.

Meetings outside of the Strategic Planning Task Force were held to develop the materials that will be shared at the IWIB Spring Meeting (March 16, 2017) in Springfield. The final structure of the meeting was presented to the IWIB Executive Committee for their consideration. With minor changes and assurance of the strong commitment to invite all board members throughout the process, they approved of the final presentation and supporting information.

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