

Pacific Gateway Workforce Development Board – Local Plan Modification

Improving Services to Individuals with Disabilities through Competitive Integrated Employment

Location: Michelle Obama Public Library

5870 Atlantic Avenue

Long Beach, CA 90805

Date: December 5, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Discussion Notes

What kinds of programs or services might better help individuals with disabilities?

- Financial literacy and financial management services
 - Earned Income Tax Credit
 - Diffuse the myths about losing benefits
- Streamline services
- Workshops tailored to individuals with disabilities
- Educate employers on hiring individuals with disabilities
 - LEAP Program
 - Windmills training
 - WorkAbility Program
- Educate parents of disabled children on the available programs and services within the community

What type of partnerships should the workforce board develop or strengthen?

- Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)
- Business Leadership Network – partner and build presence with employers
- Collaborate with Chamber of Commerce and local businesses on the hiring of individuals with disabilities
- Occupational Centers
- Veterans Administration (VA)