

THE BOARD SOURCE



Happy spring! I look forward to joining you tomorrow at Disney's Yacht Club Resort for our annual board meeting and strategic retreat. We are so grateful for the incredible amount of effort and talent dedicated by our chair Jody and her team. They have an exciting day planned!

We will keep the board meeting brief, so that we may spend most time in the strategic retreat. We'll forego my President's Report presentation, so I thought you'd enjoy seeing some of our team's recent community highlights via email. Enjoy!

-Pam

INSIGHTS

[Exchanging National Best Practices](#)

Board chair Jody Wood and some of our executive leaders compared best practices with peers across the U.S. at the annual National Association of Workforce Boards forum in Washington D.C. It was a productive investment of our resources as we discussed new insights, trends and innovations in the workforce industry that will help inform our strategic planning.

[Level Up Orange Debuts](#)

This month we soft-launched the Orange County \$10.3 million ARPA grant as the "Level Up Orange" program. Our new Neighborhood Navigator team is in action, registering residents for services through community gathering centers in nine priority zip codes. We're meeting with local not-for-profits to work together. On the business side, we're working with Orange County HR recruiters to help fill 1,300+ urgent vacancies and position the county as an employer of choice.

In all, we've hired 15 team members since January to manage the grant; developed training, operation and tracking plans and structures; and launched the website www.LevelUp.Orange.com.

We look forward to sharing more in the coming weeks as we roll out in full force!

[Summer Youth Program Launches](#)

CareerSource Central Florida's annual Summer Youth Program has kicked off, and registration is now open for 2,000 Central Florida high-school students. The popular program helps high-school students explore career paths in multiple high-growth industries. They can also "earn while they learn" with financial incentives for completing learning modules, and hundreds of paid internship opportunities.

We're honored to have outstanding support from our all-star sponsor, **Walt Disney World Resort**, and also sponsor partners **Valencia College**, **Orlando Health**, the **City of St Cloud**, **Bank of America**, and the **Orlando Business Journal**. We'd also like to extend our sincere gratitude to Board Members **Matt Walton** and **Jody Wood** for their generous contributions towards this year's program. If you'd like to sponsor a student, please visit CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Community Impact

As we raise awareness of our benefits to the region, just a few highlights:

- I had the opportunity to participate in the Orlando Business Journal's *Community Impact* roundtable on education and workforce training opportunities for businesses.
- We partnered with Spectrum News 13 for Women's History Month to share the on-going impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on working women, especially those with children.
- CareerSource was featured in the City of Orlando's press event with Mayor Buddy Dyer and Commissioner Regina Hill for a key partnership that will expand the reach of our Summer Youth Program.
- Our leadership team toured the The Sharing Center in Seminole County to collaborate on community projects and initiatives.



SPOTLIGHT

Success Story

The largest population we serve is female, as women represent about 55% of current customers. One of those customers is Stephanie Johnson, a beauty salon owner, impacted by the pandemic, who wanted to shift careers to truck driving to better provide for her family. Our career consultant helped find support and resources for Stephanie to

create a new career path in the trucking industry. She successfully completed her training and certifications, landed a dream job and is now thriving in her new career!

[Prior-Year Annual Report](#)

For our most recent annual report, including organizational achievements and more success stories from customers and businesses, click [HERE](#)

Upcoming Board and Committee Meetings

- Community Engagement - Thursday, May 12, 2022 | 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
- Career Services – Thursday, May 19, 2022 | 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
- Governance - Wednesday, May 25, 2022 | 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
- Budget Workshop - Thursday, May 26, 2022 | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- Revenue Diversity - Wednesday, June 1, 2022 | 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
- Finance - Wednesday, June 8, 2022 | 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.
- Executive - Thursday, June 16, 2022 | 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Consortium & Board Meeting - Thursday, June 23, 2022 | 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

[PY 2021-2022 Board and Committee Meeting Schedule](#)

Reminder

If you did not attend or review February's Board Orientation video, please be sure to view video prior to Thursday, June 30 and notify Kaz Kasal once you do. This is now an annual requirement. Please use the link below and use access code: **W\$L9wkXm**

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