



Governor's Workforce Policy Advisory Board

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Group D – Established Collaboration

External Partnership Committee – Agencies and Committees

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Workforce Development Relationship</u>
Community Research Partners Executive Committee	Community Research Partners (CRP) is an independent 501(c)(3) organization based in Columbus and served as the Lead Organization of the Ohio Workforce Coalition in 2007. Community Research Partners Executive Committee works in conjunction with the Steering Committee to convene and facilitate Coalition activities advancing its mission to improve Ohio's public policy on adult education and training. As the lead Ohio agency for the national Working Poor Families Project, CRP has built a reputation and expertise in the field of workforce development. CRP has produced several research reports (including Average Isn't Enough and Aligning Workforce Development and Economic Development : Opportunities in Ohio) and conducted several meetings and conferences (including the 2006 <i>Investing in Workers</i> conference).
Ohio Board of Regents	Agency with a vested interest in workforce development, Chancellor Fingerhut is a member of the Governor's Workforce Policy Board
Ohio Department of Aging	Agency with a vested interest in workforce development, Director Riley is a member of the Governor's Workforce Policy Board
Ohio Department of Education	Agency with a vested interest in workforce development, Superintendent Delisle is a member of the Governor's Workforce Policy Board
Ohio Department of Job and Family Services	Agency with a vested interest in workforce development, Director Lumpkin is a member of the Governor's Workforce Policy Board
Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission	The Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission (RSC) is a state agency that serves people with disabilities by providing them with vocational rehabilitation services so they can obtain or retain employment. RSC partners with individuals with disabilities to achieve quality employment, independence and disability determination outcomes.
Ohio Skills Bank	The Ohio Skills Bank (OSB) is an initiative to invest in regional strategies that integrate workforce and economic development activities. The OSB is designed to support regional partnerships in analyzing critical occupation and skill shortages of key industries within regional labor markets and devising solutions to address these shortages, primarily through workforce education, training, and industry-recognized, portable credentialing. The long-term goal of the OSB is to transform the core business practices of state and local workforce and economic development systems by impacting how resources are spent and how stakeholders are interacting. As part of the OSB initiative, the state will provide: 1) funding for research, planning, and initiative implementation; 2) data and information; and 3) training and technical assistance. This will enable regions to design and implement workforce-driven solutions that systemically address the economic challenges facing Ohio.
Ohio Workforce Coalition Executive Committee	The Ohio Workforce Coalition brings together Ohio leaders from the public one-stop system, education and training, business and industry, labor, economic development, and human services to promote state and federal workforce development policies that meet the needs of employers and workers. The Coalition believes building a skilled adult workforce is crucial for Ohio to meet the labor needs of employers, stimulate economic growth throughout the state, and improve the personal prosperity of Ohio families.
The University System of Ohio	The University System of Ohio connects the state's 14 public universities, 24 branch campuses, 23 community colleges, and more than 200 adult workforce education centers and training programs across the state – which together serve more than a half-million students – are working together in opening the doors of higher education to all Ohioans.

