Oregon's Workforce System

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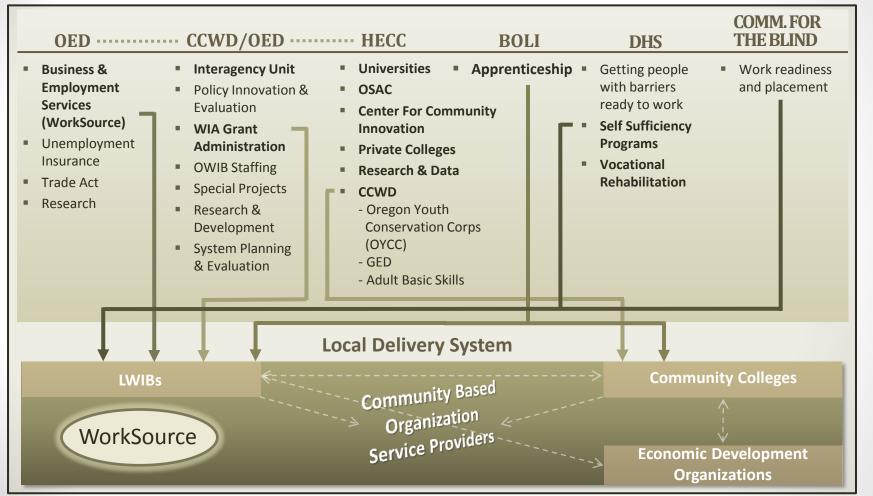
Workforce System Goals

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- Businesses have skilled workers to innovate and grow
- Workforce system is aligned, integrated, efficient and effective to support businesses and job seekers

Workforce System Operating Principles

- Move decision making to the local level
- Develop strategies led by employers
- Optimize all resources available

State Roles In Workforce Development



 Finding workers with the right skills is the number one issue for companies engaged in economic development processes statewide

 The SEDAF transfer is a unique, one-time opportunity to address some of these training challenges, especially focusing on individuals and regions left behind by the economic recovery

 Scaling up industry-focused training efforts to meet these needs is a major challenge of the broader workforce system

 Moving Oregonians from poverty to prosperity means getting more people ready for work, which requires stronger alignment of all workforce resources

Oregon Workforce Investment Board (OWIB)

- Oversight of the workforce system
- Hold system accountable for results
- Recommend policy to Governor
- Feedback on strategies

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Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIBs)

- Private sector leadership
- Convene local partners to develop targeted strategies
- Invest resources to align with local needs
- Pilot new approaches and evaluate

Business Experiences

- Back to Work Oregon- On the Job Training
- Industry Partnerships
- Middle skill training investment
- Connecting to pipeline

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