

# Coffee & Conversation

Metro Area Workforce Boards



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# Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions.
- Gratitude for partnerships.
- Overview – State, Regional and Local Plan.
- Regional 4 Plan.
  - Content Overview.
  - Strategic Efforts.



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# Metro Workforce Development Boards

	Anoka	Dakota- Scott	Hennepin – Carver	City of Mpls	Ramsey County – Saint Paul	Washington County
Board Chairs	Paul Johnson, Aggressive Hydraulics	Mike Forbord, Schmitt & Sons	Nicole Mattson,	Jonathan Weinhagen, Mpls Regional Chamber	Elisa Rasmussen, Xcel Energy	ADD
Locally Elected Officials	Commissioner Scott Schulte	Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland	Commissioner Irene Fernando	Mayor Jacob Frey	Commissioner Rena Moran	Commissioner Stan Karwolski

- Collectively the boards have representation from all mandated partners and over a thousand employers in the Twin Cities metropolitan area representing all industries.



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# Metro Directors



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# WIOA State 2024-2027 Goals

- Increase interagency and local area coordination.
- Build employer-led industry-sector partnerships.
- Create a more inclusive, equitable, accessible, and proactive workforce system.
- Current work to date:
  - WIOA State Plan for 2024-2027 just closed for public comment.
  - Regional Plan (includes Workforce Development Areas Ramsey–Saint Paul, Hennepin–Carver, Dakota–Scott, Washington and Anoka Counties and the City of Minneapolis) is being drafted.
  - All Local Area Plans are being drafted currently as well.

[https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-2027-wioa-state-plan-draft\\_tcm1045-606934.pdf](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-2027-wioa-state-plan-draft_tcm1045-606934.pdf)



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# Regional Goals

- Increase and deepen community partnerships.
  - Work closely to support regional workforce efforts to better align and coordinate with other partners and systems.
- Remove barriers for employment for all.
  - Skills-based hiring efforts.
  - Outreach and promotion of population specific hiring events.
  - Support for inclusive employer strategies.
- Regional coordination for “no wrong door” service delivery enhancing equitable access and opportunity for all Minnesota job seekers.
- Deepen coordination with economic development partners.



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