# SDCCD & SDWP Joint Partnership Committee Summary

The Joint Partnership Committee continues to meet monthly with representatives from all four colleges, District, and multiple divisions/departments across the San Diego Workforce Partnership.

SDCCD leadership for this joint partnership committee is housed within District Educational Services and is assigned to the Dean of Career Education & Workforce Development. A joint partnership resource page is maintained on the district website. All committee notes and activities are shared with Vice Presidents of Student and Instructional Services.

Workforce Partnership participation includes their business services, sector initiatives, client services (career centers), special populations initiatives, data/research, outreach, and education & training. SDCCD college roles participating regularly in committee efforts include: CTE Deans, Career Center Leadership, Outreach, Employer Relation Liaisons, Job Placement, Work-Based Learning, and Research.

### **Background:**

The committee was endorsed in spring 2021 and aligns with the SDCCD Board of Trustees goal #14.4 as well as the SDCCD's strategic plan Goal C – Workforce Development efforts.

Approved Committee Focus Areas:

- 1. Referrals and Recruitment
- 2. Program and Process Awareness
- 3. Job Placement & Employability

#### 2023-24 Priority Projects

- 1. Outreach & Community Engagement
- 2. Employer Engagement
- 3. Sector Connections
- 4. Career Center Collaboration (Customer/Student Facing Services)
- 5. Data Exchange & Engagement

Our partnership model has been recognized by the CA Workforce Association & CA Workforce Development Board as a promising practice and is being replicated in other regions. Committee leads were invited to present to Orange County's Workforce Collaboration Cross Training Work Session, CCCAOE fall conference, and a past CA Workforce Associate & CA Workforce Development Board meeting:

- Joint Presentation to CCCAOE, Oct. 2023
- Joint Presentation to Orange County Workforce Collaborative, Aug. 2023
- <u>Joint Presentation to the CA Workforce Association & CA Workforce</u> Development Board, Mar. 2022

## **Committee Accomplishments – Highlights:**

- Relationship building & program/support services awareness
  - Presentations on key college and workforce partnership services, divisions, and roles (employer services, career centers, etc.)
  - Meeting activities focused on interpersonal connections:
    - Regular small group and paired ice breakers
    - In-person networking events
    - Committee member spotlights
- Data Engagement
  - Data sharing MOU
  - Term based file exchange
  - Shared customer/student insight dashboard
- Employer Engagement
  - Established monthly meetings for all employer facing roles from all four colleges and Workforce Partnership Business Services Representatives.
- Career Center Partnership Exploration
  - College-specific meetings held with Career Center SDWP leads regarding opportunities to collaborate and expand services to students
- Community Outreach & Engagement
  - A wide variety of collaborative community outreach and engagement events have been held where colleges and the workforce partnership tabled together and/or co-represented services.
- Regional Engagement
  - One of the initial goals of the joint partnership was to utilize the committee as a pilot for possible regional expansion, to help inform strategies for regional community college engagement by the Workforce Partnership. This past year, we leveraged the committee to host two regional activities where all community colleges in the region were invited to participate:
    - Sector Initiative Updates
    - ETPL training

Review 2023-24 Meetings, Events, and Activities here.

#### **2024-25 Planning**

Senior-Level Strategic planning will occur summer 2024 to inform 2024-25 joint partnership priority activities.

Currently, committee members have expressed interest in:

- Cross training and collaborative events for career center roles
- Exploration and development of special population specific initiatives and adult education WIOA/CAEP collaborations
- Development of expanded communication tools/mechanisms monthly workforce partnership newsletter focused on community colleges
- Continuation of monthly employer engagement meetings
- Continuation of data sharing and engagement