

**Workforce Workshop
Fall 2005
Wrap-Up Report**

The Workforce Development Board staff hosted a day-long Workforce Workshop on Friday, November 18, 2005 at the Roanoke Higher Education Center. More than 45 program operators, case managers and partners, representing more than 20 programs and/or agencies, attended. Twenty-two participants completed session evaluations.

Morning Session (13)	Not helpful		Very helpful		Average	
Program Services Review	0	0	4	6	3	3.92
Universal forms	0	1	2	5	1	3.60
The "new" VWN	0	2	3	5	1	3.50
Training Providers	0	0	2	6	4	4.16
Performance Measures	0	0	3	8	2	3.92
Q&A	0	0	1	8	2	4.09

- Comments:**
- I would like to see a discussion of Customer service/consistency of deliverance among one-stops.
 - If we could see a snapshot of VWN for those of us who do not have access would be helpful.

Afternoon Session (22)	Not helpful		Very helpful		Average	
Who's Who and What's What in WIA.	0	1	4	7	7	4.05
Who's Who in the Workforce Centers (Partner introductions and descriptions)	0	3	2	7	10	4.09
Local Workforce Development focus	1	1	3	6	7	3.94
Common Measures	1	1	5	5	5	3.70
Brainstorming, Q&As	0	0	3	6	4	4.07

- Comments:**
- I would like more information on these items we discussed: More info on STEP and TAP.
 - Networking among partners -- how to better.
 - WIA was very helpful for me in every way. (Leslie Ferguson, PHCC)
 - Linkages of services with partner agencies.
 - Information presented was very knowledgeable for new partners.
 - Although "all attendees" were very helpful, in the future please try to make room "set up" more accessible for wheelchairs, scooters, etc.
 - Very helpful to learn about partner agencies!
 - I really would like to have a copy of the state spreadsheet and the local spreadsheet on workforce groups. (Laura Elliott, JA)
 - I am a single parent and I had to get in several programs that were here and they were really helpful for me. Especially when I had to go back to school. I have 3 girls and I was in need with a lot of help with schooling and WIA and Social Services in Rocky Mount were helpful. (Leslie Ferguson, PHCC Work Study & Training)

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Attendees by Organization

Department Rehabilitative Services	Michele Wells, Toni Hamilton
Experience Works	Linda Epperly, Sylvia Coleman
Franklin County Workforce Development Consortium Center	Kathy Hodges
Goodwill Industries of the Valleys	Linda Matthews, Wendy Byrd, Missy Bray, Wanda Wright, Beverly Amburgey, Denise Stanley, Monika Dixon, Theresa Dudley, Wanda Anthony, Jenny Wright, Donna Wright, Cathy Mullins
Job Corps Outreach	Lisa Meek
Junior Achievement	Laura Elliott
League of Older Americans	Gloria Theckepera
Patrick Henry Community College	Leslie Ferguson, Roxie Gantt
Roanoke City Dept of Social Services	Jane Conlin
Roanoke City Schools Adult Ed	Hallie Carr
Roanoke City Parks & Recreation	Marion Vaughn-Howard
Roanoke Redevelopment & Housing Authority	Melody Stovall
STEP	Joni Tables
TAP	Annette Lewis, Danna Dudding, Ron Jones
VEC	Bruce Johannessen, Jerry Barnett,
Dislocated Worker Program	Judy Griffith, Lucas LaRocca, Lesley Swartz
Trade Act	Mel Fiel
Veterans	Ron Brown
WIA Division	Debbie Hensley
Virginia Workforce Center	Norma Stone, Dorothy Byrd
Workforce Development Board	Wayne Flippen, Doloris Vest, Anne Cooney, Clay Stein