

***Minnesota Association of Workforce
Boards - CareerForce Systems -
Vocational Rehabilitation Services -
State Services for the Blind***

**Joint Statewide Meeting
April 15, 2021**



Introductions via Chat

Name, Title, Organization

Welcome!

Check-In Activity

You'll see a question on the screen. Type your answer in the Chat and send when you're ready.



Question #1

Are you a
morning person
or night owl?

Question #2

Do you prefer
dogs or cats?



Question #3

Do you prefer
coffee or tea?



Mission & Purpose

- **Mission:** To strengthen collaborative relationships between these entities in order to more efficiently prevent and/or resolve issues that arise during service delivery and joint future initiatives.
- **Purpose:** To share knowledge and best practices; identify and eliminate discrepancies in service delivery around the state; and develop a network of peers to use as a resource to answer questions about services and programs that pertain to all parties.

Veterans Employment Services

Ray Douha and Barry Platt

- 15th Annual Veterans Career Fair
- July Hire Vets Month!
- Virtual Platform
- Transitioning Service Members

Veterans Employment Services Projects

- Native American Veterans – Yogi Montry
- Homeless Veterans – Robert E. Willis
- Veterans Reintegration – Andrea Dunn
- Justice-Involved Veterans – Lee Okerstrom
- Virtual Services – Shannon Sprouse

Statewide Transition Specialist – Alyssa Klein

- Discuss Pre-ETS Transitions
- Spring is an important time for youth programs
- Best practices by region or best practices around Pre-ETS?

Updates

CareerForce Systems – Mike Lang

- Job Service Updates
- Review of UI Calls
- Referral Database

Vocational Rehabilitation Services – Dee Torgerson

- Updates

Updates

State Services for the Blind – Natasha Jerde

- Pre-Employment Transition Services: A “Spec”-tacular Summer!

Minnesota Association of Workforce Boards – Tammy Biery

- Discuss referral process: 3-way phone call, virtual handoff, review eligibility criteria

Upcoming Meetings

- Thursday, July 15th at 1:30 PM
- Thursday, October 21st at 1:30 PM