

Good morning –

As always, the content of these emails is focused primarily on employer-related information and resources.

p.s. – this month's list is not color-coded. Feel free to share this info with anyone – employers, neighbors, staff and even complete strangers.

In no particular order...

1. **The MN Chamber's 2030 Report** – It's very good and has workforce-related components. Take a look at the report at [Minnesota: 2030 | Minnesota Chamber of Commerce \(mnchamber.com\)](https://www.mnchamber.com/minnesota-2030)
2. **Apprenticeships**. They'll be a featured topic at the June meeting. In the meantime here are some resources:
 - [DLI Youth Skills Training program guide](#)
 - [Midwest Manufacturers' Association youth skills/apprenticeship resources](#)
3. **Entrepreneurship** was another hot topic this month. Here are a few of the organizations we talked about.
 - [Open to Business program](#)
 - [1 Million Cups – Mankato Chapter](#)
 - [University Enterprise Laboratories website](#)
4. The Department of Labor and Industry's **calendar of events** includes: [DLI Dual Training Pipeline 101 Webinar on June 8th](#) and [DLI Dual Training Pipeline All-Industry Forum on June 15th](#)
5. [Creating a diverse and inclusive workforce through employment-based training \(mn.gov\)](#) – check here for slides from DoLI's May 12th event.
6. And for something fun, check out the [Big Ideas USA – Providing Opportunities to Discover, Explore & Learn Real World Trades](#) – virtual reality in construction and welding.
7. Finally, the **sizzling hot topic** continues to be the struggles many employers are facing to get applicants for jobs. Local approaches include drive-through job fairs, in-person hiring events, and having a presence at libraries. Have an innovative approach you'd like to share? Please let us know and you can be on the next meeting's agenda!
8. If you've read this far, here's this month's surprise. The committee will have a new member in June. Stay tuned for that update. And, thanks to Becky Accettura for the notes and research which makes these updates possible and helpful.

Best Regards,

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