



**NIAGARA COUNTY
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD**

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Dear Community Business Organizations,

I invite you to nominate a business representative to serve on the Niagara County Workforce Investment Board (WIB). The WIB is the advisory and policymaking body for federal workforce training and employment services funded by the Workforce Investment Act. We currently are seeking representatives of Niagara County businesses to bring their expertise and views to the Board.

The Board is comprised of a majority of business representatives who each have policymaking capacity at their respective businesses. The Board also maintains public sector members reflecting the community service partners through our One-Stop System, as well as labor and economic development representatives. Members are chosen to reflect the diverse employment opportunities in Niagara County, and are appointed to terms by the Niagara County Legislature. I've included a current membership roster to acquaint you with the Board's public and private sector representation.

The overall vision of the workforce investment system is to improve the quality of the workforce, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of our nation. The WIB oversees budget priorities, selects providers, evaluates proposals for programs serving young people, and determines training priorities.

The Board meets on Wednesday mornings at the Niagara County Center for Economic Development approximately five times a year. Members also attend subcommittee meetings at the discretion of the committee members (about four times a year).

If you have any questions regarding the WIB, you may also contact me directly at 278-8251. Our website can be found at www.niagarawib.com.

I encourage you to refer the names of businesses that you see as being a good representation of business needs and expansion for Niagara County. We will be adding four new business representatives in the near future, but I welcome your referrals at any time. Through the expertise that your organization provides, we will strengthen workforce development in Niagara.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

David See
Executive Director