



**DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCES SERVICES
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TO: Local Area Board Chairs
Chief Elected Officials
Local Area Administrators

SUBJECT: Local Workforce Investment Board Annual Reports

1. **Purpose:** To issue guidelines for submitting local workforce board contributions for the annual reports for Program Year 2013.
2. **References:** Section 136(d) and Section 185(d) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.
3. **General Information:** Arkansas Workforce Investment Board policy set April 9th 2013 and Arkansas Integrated Workforce Plan.
4. **Action Required:** Each local board shall submit an annual report narrative by August 30th for the previous program year (July – June). All local boards should provide information on the activities listed below:

Arkansas Workforce Centers

List of the locations workforce centers operated throughout the program year. Indicate if any new workforce centers were opened during the year and if any centers were closed. Indicate the type of each center, i.e., comprehensive, satellite, affiliate. For new centers, submit a jpeg photograph file separately.

Employer Services

A discussion of the programs and strategies for serving employers at the local level that were employed during the year. Highlight activities, events, and outreach to engage employers, improve services and align services with partners. Describe the business service teams, location, membership, indicating team lead and specific coordination efforts.

Innovative Service Delivery

Provide a discussion of the local area's unique programs and recent accomplishments. The local area should highlight any innovative service delivery strategies, including program activities that support dislocated workers, low-skilled/low income adults and disadvantaged youth.

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Describe what specific efforts, by target population, that have been taken to increase services to that that population.

<u>Adults</u>	<u>Dislocated Workers</u>	<u>Youth</u>
Not a high school graduate	Displaced Homemaker	Out-of-School
Veteran	UI Exhaustee	Dropout
Low Income	Veteran	Basic Skills Deficient
TANF	Single Parent	Offender
Receives Public Assistance (not TANF)		Pregnant / Parenting
Offender		Disabilities
Single Parent		
Disabilities		

Services to Veterans

Include a discussion of the programs, initiatives and strategies for serving Veterans at the local level, including integrating service delivery and a description of how Veteran's priority of service is being implemented for all training programs.

Leveraging Resources

Efforts to Leverage Additional Resources – identify the local board's efforts to identify additional funding sources, including state and federal agencies, corporate and philanthropic foundations.

Continuous Improvement

Provide a narrative of the local area's efforts for continuous improvement of the services offered in the in the Arkansas Workforce Centers. Include the local performance goals and actual area's outcomes for each of the common measures. If a goal was not achieved, include strategies implemented to achieve those goals.

Waivers

Submit a list of any of the state's approved waivers that the local area is utilizing and a narrative of how those waivers are assisting the local area in providing services more effectively.

Success Stories

The local area should highlight significant successes experienced by their customers and provide media releases for those individuals. Pictures of the individuals are highly encouraged and should be submitted as JPEG file attachments.

Submit to the ADWS Program Monitor by email with attachments: Narratives of Success Stories in MS Word and pictures as JPEG files.

5. **Inquiries:** Questions regarding this issuance should be directed to the local area's DWS Program Monitor or Lily Kersh at 501-683-1781 / lily.kersh@arkansas.gov
6. **Attachments:** Media Release.
7. **Expiration Date:** Continuing.

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(Date)

(Printed Name)

(Date)

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(Parent/Guardian's Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian's Printed Name)