

Pima County Local Workforce Development Plan 2016-2020

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Message Subject Workforce System & Partners; g. Career Technical Education

Comment It is estimated that by 2020, 68% of all jobs in Arizona will require a postsecondary certificate or degree. Currently, only 42% of Arizona's adult population has the requisite postsecondary education for our workforce. That rate drops to 18% among Hispanics. The Metropolitan Education Commission's Regional College Access Center (RCAC) was established by the County and the City in 2008 to facilitate the access to and success in college for all Pima County students, with a special focus on students from low-income households or who are the first in their family to attend postsecondary education programs. This Center was the first in Arizona and was used as a model for a Center in Phoenix and Flagstaff. The Center is utilized by the Pima County population, funded by both the County and the City (as well as foundation/state/federal funding) and fits under the workforce development plan.

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| Message Subject | Metropolitan Education Commission - Related Workforce Development Programs |
| Comment | <p>WORKFORCE SYSTEMS & PARTNERS The Metropolitan Education Commission (MEC), which is funded partially by the Pima County Community Development & Neighborhood Conservation Department, has two workforce and education-related programs worth mentioning: I. The Regional College Access Center (RCAC), a description of which follows: Mission: • To facilitate the access to and success in college for all Pima County students, with a special focus on students from low-income households or who are the first in their family to attend postsecondary education programs. Goals 1. Preparing for College ♣ Increase awareness of college and career preparation opportunities provided by public and private elementary, middle and high schools, colleges, universities, and community programs available throughout Pima County. 2. Paying for College ♣ Provide information on federal and state financial aid and a listing of scholarships offered by local and national organizations. 3. Graduating from College ♣ Increase awareness of college and university summer transition and on-campus support programs designed to help students adjust to the first year in college, receive academic and social support, and guide students toward college graduation. 4. Supporting Workforce Development ♣ Facilitate the access to career preparation resources, and promote the development of a highly qualified, diverse workforce. II. The Key to Employment for the 21st Century Symposium (K2E) The Key to Employment for the 21st Century Symposium is an annual event that brings representatives from high-tech firms, University of Arizona, Pima Community College, and other post-secondary school academic representatives, and other CTE-related representatives together with Pima County high-school CTE and JTED students, to learn about high-tech career opportunities. 2017 marks the 20th year of the K2E Symposium, which is held at the University of Arizona Student Memorial Union each February. The Key to Employment for the 21st Century Symposium is a Signature Event of the state-wide Arizona Sci-Tech festival.</p> |
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