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Fox Valley Workforce Development Board Releases Local and Regional Plan for Public Comment

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit based in Neenah with a focus on workforce training and job search assistance, has posted its Local and Regional Workforce Development Plan for the 2022-2023 years. It will remain open for public comment until November 1, 2022.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 ("WIOA") mandates regional workforce planning as does the State of Wisconsin. Each of the 11 Workforce Development Boards in Wisconsin have drafted a local plan for its specific workforce development activities. In addition to the local plan, the Workforce Development Areas 4 and 5 (Fox Valley and Bay Area Workforce Development Boards) have also completed a regional plan.

The Local Workforce Development Plan for the Fox Valley Workforce Development Area describes how the workforce development system will be implemented in the counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago. The Local Plan will be implemented to assist the FVWDB in meeting its mission of: "Working collaboratively in our communities to create and sustain a fully engaged, talented workforce for tomorrow, and beyond." Funding for the workforce development system is primarily through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act administered by the United States Department of Labor.

FVWDB operates five job centers in the region, all currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Individuals who are permanently unemployed are invited to use the data collection form on the job center web site to find a supportive professional ready to assist at <u>foxvalleyjobcenters.com</u>. Alternatively, individuals can reach staff at the Fox Cities Job Center/Menasha at (920) 997-3272.

For more information on the Fox Valley Job Centers or the work of the Fox Valley

Workforce Development Board, please visit www.foxvalleywork.org or call 920-720-5600.

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Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) is a not-for-profit working to build a world-class workforce in northeast Wisconsin. Serving six counties — Calumet, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago — FVWDB collaborates with a number of state and local agencies to help job seekers gain the skills needed to find employment, and to help businesses find the highly skilled workers they need.

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