

AIHEC-TCU CONVENING

Strengthening Workforce Development and Economic Sustainability in Indian Country

Building Career Pathways & Partnerships at Montana TCUs

Billings Hotel & Convention Center—Yellowstone Room

November 7, 2018



AGENDA



November 7, 2018—Wednesday Morning (Yellowstone Room)

8:00 am	BREAKFAST
8:30 am	Welcome & Meeting Overview/Context Carrie Billy and Kathy Isaacson, AIHEC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening Prayer• Introductions
8:45 am	Sharing & Listening: TCU Apprenticeship Program Stories ROUNDTABLE 1: Overview & Context for Program: Brief overview of each TCU workforce development program, including program's focus and identified need. <i>(25 minutes)</i> ROUNDTABLE 2: Program Experiences & Learnings: Each TCU will share what is working well with its program and partnership(s), program strengths, challenges and roadblock encountered, and how the TCU is building on its experiences and learnings internally. <i>(45 minutes)</i>
10:00 am	Reflecting & Summarizing: Clearing the Way for a Path Forward As a group, we will reflect and summarize what we have discussed this morning and experienced through program implementation. We will document what we are learning: best practices shared, what's working well, what should be institutionalized, what can be improved, and where opportunities for change exist
10:45 am	Learning & Sharing: Potential Opportunities and Pathways Building on the foundation of best practices for workforce development programs, which is one key element of economic sustainability, we will learn in greater detail about other potential components of economic and program sustainability in rural America and Indian Country. These include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evidence-based Apprenticeship Program Elements• Mentor-Mentee Relationships and Communities of Practice• TCU/Industry Partnerships for Program Alignment

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Noon	WORKING LUNCH A Learning Partner's Commitment to Self Determination & Economic Opportunity in Indian Country Jennifer Racho, Northwest Area Foundation
1:15 pm	Visioning & Planning: Shaping Our Own Pathways <i>The Future of TCU Apprenticeship & Sustainable Workforce Development in Indian Country</i> We will take a deep dive into the potential for true apprenticeships at TCUs—envisioning a successful program, articulating each step needed along the path, and identifying partners and resources need to make the journey successful.
2:30 pm	Moving Forward Together: Opportunities & Commitments Closing discussion, commitments, and next steps.
3:30 pm	Prayer for Safe Travels and the Journey Ahead

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