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# Commission on Disabilities

**TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS** **DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2016**

**FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**SUBJECT: NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH - PARTICIPATION WITH UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE**

## **ISSUE:**

The issue for Commission on Disabilities consideration is participation in National Disability Employment Awareness Month with the University of California, Riverside (UCR) Human Resources Department.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Commission on Disabilities discuss participation in National Disability Employment Awareness Month with the UCR Human Resources Department.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In May of 2016, UCR Human Resources Associate Vice Chancellor and the Disability Management Coordinator met with Mayor Rusty Bailey's office to discuss plans for National Disability Employment Awareness Month events at UCR in October 2016 - "Celebrating Abilities". Mayor Bailey invited the Commission on Disabilities (COD) Chairperson and the City's ADA Coordinator to attend the meeting.

UCR representatives requested a collaboration with the City in their upcoming event plans. Representatives from the COD and the Mayor's Office have attended planning meetings which also include various UCR departments and the Department of Rehabilitation. The Department of Labor's theme is #InclusionWorks and the planning committee's goal is to bring awareness of employment opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities and showcase a collective dedication to diversity and inclusion.

The series of events will include a kick off walk on the UCR campus, fine arts event, an educational workshop and other outreach activities during the month. The month long events will be sponsored by UCR Human Resources, Workplace Health & Wellness with participation by the City of Riverside, faculty, staff, students and the Community.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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