

Commission on Disabilities Memorandum

TO: COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES DATE: MARCH 6, 2017

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKABILITY PROGRAM - WORKING

TO EDUCATE AND TRAIN STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES FOR THE

WORKPLACE

ISSUE:

Receive a presentation from the Workability Program at Riverside Community College about how students with disabilities are prepared for employment after high school.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Commission on Disabilities receive this presentation.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission on Disabilities' (COD) mission is to identify the needs of persons with disabilities and create a public awareness of these needs in the areas of employment, housing, transportation, media, physical, and communication accessibility. The mission also includes public outreach to the disability community.

The COD goals and workplan include topics and initiatives relating to Employment, Housing, Transportation, Employment Training and Education, Micro-Enterprise (Federal and State Grants), Recreation Programs for the disability community, and Continued Community Awareness through outreach and Public Service Announcements.

DISCUSSION:

As the community learns that the COD exists to raise awareness about persons with disabilities, it is important that COD members have access to resources specifically related to disability issues and workplan goals.

Staff from the Riverside Community College's (RCC) WorkAbility Program will be providing a presentation regarding the information on educational and/or vocational training to increase the number of employment ready workers. The presentation will provide an overview about how students with disabilities move from high school to community college, outline accommodations

available to help students succeed and provide information about how to forward this information to the community during COD outreach activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment: RCC Brochure – Disability Resource Center