

Attachment: Commission on Disabilities Workplan Development 2018-19

List of speakers who have made presentations to the Commission on Disabilities (COD) for 2018-19. The COD would like to develop relationships with the speakers listed, have them network with each other, then incorporate this information into a City Council report. There need to be action items attached to the discussions that are happening on this topic.

1. Commissioner Quezada presented information from the Inland Empire Disabilities Collaborative (IEDC). Connect IE is being developed to make sure resource phone numbers are correct, information the resource is providing is correct and training is available. You can search for specific resources and locations, then information about the resources comes up for use. Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) is filtering all of the resources to make sure the information is current. Eddie Ramirez will be available to make a presentation to the COD on this system. This project is funded by an IEHP grant and open to non-profit organizations. (9/17/18)
2. Dr. Mel Palmer is a homeless advocate and an emotional health counselor. A large number of people who are homeless have mental health issues since they were very young, some being undiagnosed and/or untreated. (9/17/18)
3. Presentation from the University of California Riverside, Human Resources (HR) Department, Director of Talent Acquisition & Diversity Outreach on recruitment of students with disabilities for enrollment purposes. (5/7/18)
4. Presentation from Borrego Health about primary healthcare services at a new clinic for the underserved and uninsured throughout Riverside's Eastside Neighborhood. (5/7/18)
5. Human Resources Director Stephanie Holloman and Sr. Human Resources Analyst Sinclair Dickerson provided an update presentation as requested by the COD. (5/7/18)
6. A Change in Trajectory (CIT) has been in Riverside for 7 years and the business has existed for 8 years. CIT provides services to individuals who primarily are on the autism spectrum, a pervasive developmental disorder. CIT works closely with Inland Regional Center and primary care insurance. (5/7/18)
7. Chairperson Lewis noted that there were a lot of different groups providing great services but it is difficult to track down the services. She would like to see a town hall in the evening, to bring groups together for presentations and to find out what their concerns are. The event could take place in a community center or other convenient location where the COD could invite the public to attend and the event could be promoted. Prospective topics for the community forum:
 - a. Homeless, especially since the City is moving on this topic. (City HR)
 - b. County Office on Aging to deal with aging and disabilities (Speaker from Office on aging scheduled for March 2019)
 - c. Juvenile Incarceration
 - d. Community Forum or Town Hall

- e. Autism Services
 - f. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
8. Lisa Dyan - Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) ages 16-24. There are not have many resources currently available for this group. Why is there no college program for this group with disabilities? Riverside Community College Disabled Student Program and Services and University of California Riverside do have services for the TAY group. Chairperson Lewis will provide names and contact information. Development of local community college programs for this age group are needed. Typically TAY programs get suspended due to bad behavior or lack of funding and the parents move these young adults onto the next program where they have to start over.
 9. Oral presentation from the Riverside University Health System Behavioral Health Housing Region Administrative Services Manager about Homeless Housing Opportunities, Partnership & Education Program. 3/5/18
 10. Lisa Dyan Sagala, Therapy in a Bag, Inc., is a licensed Clinical Social Worker in the City of Riverside. Her primary concern is opportunities for social interaction and employment for TAY. 3/5/18

Upcoming Speakers

1. Department on Aging Speaker scheduled for March 2019. How do you deal with disabled seniors and seniors with insecure housing?
2. Volunteers for Veterans (Kimberly Lopez)
3. Veterans Affairs Speaker
4. Chaffey Community College - HR Statistics, Employment Tracking
5. Rolling Start – Independent Living – Riverside County (Antonia, San Bernardino – physical disabilities)...
6. California Adaptive Technology vendor for the Inland Empire.
7. Community Clergy from various Denominations – delay until after resources are in place. Commissioner Alexander will invite a speaker to address the COD.

Upcoming Projects

1. Discuss and provide input on the video feature on Increasing Employment Opportunities for residents with disabilities in the City of Riverside
2. Tentative schedule for a Town Hall.