

# OKLAHOMA WORKS CONFERENCE

April 20 - 22, 2016 Renaissance Oklahoma City Convention Center Hotel by Marriott

### WELCOME

On Wednesday, April 20, 2016, more than 500 Workforce Partners from across Oklahoma will come together for this three-day conference to learn, share best practices, and network. Attendees will have access to instructional presentations and useful materials to help them continue to build the future of Oklahoma.

Learn how Oklahoma system partners are promoting a state-wide vision to connect education and training systems with the needs of Oklahoma's economy; aligning and using state data to help determine skills gaps, workforce issues and trends; supporting and expanding partnerships to better connect education and training providers to the needs of business; and modifying use of resources and incentives to support integrated vision. Plan now to attend!

Our conference location this year will be held at the Cox Convention Center located at 1 Myriad Gardens, Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Works Conference 2016 is sponsored by these Workforce Development System partners:

WIOA Title I, Adult & Dislocated Worker Programs Tribal Native American Programs

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Oklahoma City Branch

Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education

Oklahoma Department of Human Services

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services

Oklahoma Employment Security Commission

Oklahoma Office of Workforce Development

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Workforce Oklahoma Employment and Training Association

#### HOTEL AND PARKING INFORMATION

## RENAISSANCE OKLAHOMA CITY CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL BY MARRIOTT

10 North Broadway Avenue Oklahoma City, OK 73102

P 405-228-8000

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To obtain the special group rate of \$130 per night for a double room, please say that you are with Oklahoma Works Conference. Call the hotel directly at 405-228-8000. All hotel room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 13.875%). These rooms are available for reservations made by April 1, 2016. Rooms and discounted rates may not be available after this date. The Renaissance will accept purchase orders, but they must be guaranteed with a credit card for reservations. Purchase orders will need to be sent directly to accounting and must clearly note the expected information.

If you must cancel your reservation(s), it must be done 48 hours prior to arrival.

Valet parking is available for a discounted value of \$20 for overnight parking, or \$15 for daily parking for members of your group who are not staying at the hotel. The hotel is connected to a public parking facility via skywalk; the hotel does not have control over public parking facilities. does not have control over public parking rates.



#### **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

#### WEDNESDAY APRIL 20

9:00	4:30 pm	Registration Open
9:00	NOON	Vendor Move In
1:00	5:00 pm	Exhibits Open
1:00	2:00 pm	Opening General Session
2:30	4:00 pm	General Session

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 21

7:30	8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00	5:00 pm	Registration Open
8:30	9:45 am	Breakouts Round 1
9:45	10:00 am	Break
10:00	11:15 am	General Session
11:15	1:00 pm	Lunch/Visit the Exhibits
1:00	2:15 pm	Breakouts Round 2
2:15	2:45 pm	Break
2:45	4:00 pm	Breakouts Round 3
4:00	5:00 pm	Break with Vendors

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 22

8:00	NOON	Registration Open
8:00	8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:30	9:45 am	Breakouts Round 4
9:45	10:00 am	Break
10:00	11:15 am	Breakouts Round 5
11:3 <b>O</b>	1:15 pm	Closing General Sessio Luncheon

#### WORKSHOPS AND FEATURED PRESENTERS

This year's new Oklahoma Works Partners Conference has an exciting lineup of presenters to help partners navigate new initiatives and programs, while also learning of best practices.

Wednesday afternoon includes an Opening Session welcome and remarks by Natalie Shirley, Secretary of Education and Workforce Development. Accompanying her for the afternoon program will be motivational speaker, Patrick O'Dooley. Vickie Choitz, Associate Director of the Economic Opportunities Program at the Aspen Institute, will close the day with a session on what can be done to improve the security and quality of jobs in addition to facilitating career advancement.

Thursday's general session will include an overview of WIOA from USDOL regional system partners. This day also includes 18 different workshops. These technical workshops will provide the tools staff needs to go back to local communities and transform the workforce system.

On Fridays' closing session participants will leave energized by motivational speaker and humorist Karen Vandino. Karen will explore how humor impacts our self- concepts, relationships, work, stress management, and our health.

## Breakouts sessions on Thursday and Friday look to be some of the best ever! Topics include:

- Economic Demographics, Tools for Community Workforce Planning
- Oklahoma Planning Regions
- How to Ensure Effective Customer Service
- Uniform Guidance: Navigating the Super Circular
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse and how it affects the Workforce
- Oklahoma Career Guide demonstration
- OESC Labor Market Tools
- Cherokee Nation Entrepreneurship
- Common Measures
- Case Management
- Oklahoma Service Link
- Financial Education, Your Money & Your Goals
- Disability Law
- Engaging Business
- Financial Management
- Felony Expungement
- Unemployment Insurance
- Engaging Business
- Apprenticeship Programs
- USDOL Facilitated Workshops
- Much, Much More!

## OKLAHOMA WORKS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Participants are encouraged to register online at http://www.okhighered.org/partners-conf/

You may also register using this form and submitting by email to kmanning@swb-ok.com

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PHONE	FAX	EMAIL
SELECT REGISTRATION \$200 Early-Bird Registration Registration must be received o to receive this discounted rate for conference. \$75 Wednesday Session \$150 Thursday Session Orl \$75 Friday Session Only \$235 Regular Registration	or all three days of the  Only  sly	Cancellation Policy In order to receive a full refund cancellation must be submitted in writing to Kerry Manning, before April 1, 2016. Any written cancellation received after this date will incur a \$50 processing fee. Substitutions for registrants are allowed. No refunds will be made without written notification of cancellation. Email requests to kmanning@swb-ok.com
Have you attended this conferer  YES NO  Do you have any dietary restrict  Do you have any special accom  Interpreter, large print, braille, etc. Reg must be received by April 8.	ons? Please specify:	PAYMENT METHODS  PURCHASE ORDER  If using a Purchase Order for payment, please include all registrant names on the Purchase Order.  PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER (WOETA FEI No. 73-1251960)  CHECK  All checks should be made payable to WOETA.

#### **SUBMIT REGISTRATIONS AND PAYMENTS**

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