



9th Annual Kentucky
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May 14-15, 2024

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 **Kentucky
Career Center**
Career Training Employer

Why should you attend?

Leadership from the private sector and strong public programs are key to creating a highly skilled workforce. The Kentucky Workforce Summit will focus on key areas where greater employer involvement can make a positive difference for the productivity of their companies and the overall quality of Kentucky's workforce.

Essential Skills for Today's Workforce. These skills are critical for success in life no matter where someone works or goes to school: working well with others, remaining drug free, adapting to new information — just showing up on time every day! How can we improve the essential skills of Kentucky's workforce?

Career Readiness. This is the latest buzz phrase for preparing students to succeed as adults. What does it mean to be career ready in today's economy and for the future? How do we make sure we're preparing students the right way?

Workplace Learning and Apprenticeships. Whether it's called project-based learning, an apprenticeship or a career pathway, the benefit of learning while doing cannot be overstated. Kentucky is picking up the pace on making work-based learning more widely available, but are we moving fast enough?

Plugging In. How, specifically, can Kentucky employers become engaged in meaningful ways to build a stronger workforce in our state?

This summit is essential for ...

- Policy leaders
- Human resources personnel and HR consultants
- Business owners
- Personnel directors and managers
- Employee relations specialists
- Career and technical educators
- Trade association members
- Education professionals from P-



SHRM Professional Development Credits (PDCs)

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 The Kentucky Chamber is recognized by SHRM to offer Professional HRCI recertification

Development Credits (PDCs) for SHRM-CP or SHRM-SCP. This program has been pre-approved for credit toward PHR, SPHR and GPHR recertification through HR Certification Institute.

CEU/CPE

This program may also be eligible for CEU and CPE credits. Contact your professional board to find out what's required.

Money back guarantee

If you are not 100% satisfied with your seminar experience, we will refund your money.

Kentucky Chamber membership

It's not too late to take advantage of the Kentucky Chamber member discount. To learn more about membership, call 502-695-4700 and ask

Praise for Past Conferences

“ Outstanding job mixing context with details.

Awesome program.

Extremely relevant to my job!

Very informative and motivational.

Great panel with real life stories.

TPM is making a difference.

Awesome presentation!!! Very informational.

Very engaging, kept my attention.

Fantastic data we can use in our industry.

Amazing energy and very informative.

Great to hear community involvement and innovation.

Great to hear Kentucky is on the right track. Its refreshing to know we're on the cutting edge.

Loved the diverse panel.

Very engaged with audience, and I gained useful material.

Wow, we will be taking a lot of nuggets back to share with team.

Very engaging, information was very helpful (statistics were awesome).

Very thorough. I would love to learn even more!

Absolutely amazing.”

DAY 1 – Tuesday, May 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. | Registration and Continental Breakfast with Sponsors and Exhibitors

8:30 a.m. | Welcome

LaKisha Miller, Executive Director, Workforce Center, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

8:35 a.m. | The State Opportunity Index: Strengthening the Link Between Education and Opportunity in Kentucky

Stephen Moret, President, Strada

9:30 a.m. | Introduction by Presenting Sponsor

Marty Hammons, Executive Director, Office of Employer and Apprenticeship Services

The State of Kentucky's Workforce

Beth Brinly, Deputy Secretary, Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet

Jamie Link, Secretary, Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet

Moderator: LaKisha Miller, Executive Director, Workforce Center, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

10:30 a.m. | Redesigned Jobs, Resilient Workers: A Kentucky Employer Collaboration

Ann Herd, Associate Professor, University of Louisville

Aleece Smith, Director of Inclusion and Sector Strategies, Kentuckiana Works

Trasee Whitaker, Chief Human Resources Officer, Masonic Homes Kentucky

11:30 a.m. | Strategic Talent Pipeline Building: Navigating Today's Diverse Workforce Landscape

Candra Bryant, Chief Operating Officer, Hanna Resource Group

12:00 p.m. | KAIROS/RECON Champions of Recovery Awards Luncheon

sponsored by Addiction Recovery Care (ARC)

12:38 p.m. | Introductions

Ryan Bowman, Workforce Development Manager, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

Keynote: Innovating Workforce Strategies: The Business Case for Second Chance Hiring

Anne Loehr, SVP, Center for Human Capital Innovation

Presentation of Kentucky Association of Independent Recovery Organizations (KAIROS) Legislative Champions Awards

Tim Robinson, Founder/CEO, Addiction Recovery Care (ARC)

Recipients:

Representative Kimberly Poore Moser

Representative Samara Heavrin

Senator Phillip Wheeler

Presentation of Recovery Consortium of Kentucky (RECON KY) Kentucky Recovery Hall of Fame Awards

Ryan Bowman, Workforce Development Manager, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

Tim Robinson, Founder/CEO, Addiction Recovery Care (ARC)

Recipients:

Hal Rogers Hall of Fame Award – Nancy Hale, Former President/CEO, Operation UNITE

Jay Davidson Award for Person in Recovery – Burns Brady, MD posthumous (award accepted by his wife Kasey Brady)

Second Chance Employer of the Year – Logan Aluminum (award accepted by Teresa White, Employee Relations and Teresa Hayes, Human Resource Manager)

2:00 p.m. | Labor Force Participation: Trends and Opportunities for the Commonwealth

Samuel Keathley, Senior Workforce Analyst, Kentucky Center for Statistics

2:30 p.m. | Youth Registered Apprenticeship: Three Employers' Perspectives

Laura Arnold, Director Workforce Development, Nelson County Schools

Kenneth Hammons, Assistant Director, The Department of Workplace Standards, Division of Wages and Hours, Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet

Hope Harp, Outreach Specialist, Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters

Heather Stevenson, Workforce Development Coordinator, Kentucky Rural Water Association

Mary Taylor, Industry Training and Development Specialist, Office of Career and Technical Education, Kentucky Department of Education

4:00 p.m. | Day One Adjourns

LaKisha Miller, Executive Director, Workforce Center, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

DAY 2 – Wednesday, May 15, 2024

8:00 a.m. | Registration and Continental Breakfast with Sponsors and Exhibitors

8:30 a.m. | Welcome

LaKisha Miller, Executive Director, Workforce Center, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

8:30 a.m. | Cracking the Code of Employee Satisfaction: Key Insights and Strategies

Kelley Bright, Office Leader, Mercer

Kaylan Caufield, Compensation Analyst, Mercer

9:15 a.m. | Removing Barriers to Employment Within Kentucky's Workforce

Scott Koloms, Founder & CEO, Canopy

10:15 a.m. | Enhancing Workforce Strategies: Insights from Kentucky's Business Leaders

Gary Blinth, Director of Talent Acquisition, Humana

Kim Halbauer, Kentucky Regional President, Fifth Third Bank

Kristen Kaelin-Campbell, SHRM-CP, Director, Talent & Culture, HJI Supply Chain Solutions

Moderator: Beth Davisson, Senior Vice President, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

11:00 a.m. | The Business Case for Community-Based Grassroots Partnerships

Gina Stough, VP Human Resources, CVG Airport Authority

12:00 p.m. | Lunch

sponsored by RETAIN Kentucky

Introductions

LaKisha Miller, Executive Director, Workforce Center, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

Keynote: Let's Stay at Work, Kentucky!

Cora McNabb, Executive Director, Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

Mykal Leslie, PhD, LPC, CRC, Director of Evaluation and Data, Human Development Institute, University of Kentucky

1:30 p.m. | Unlocking the Potential: Strategies for Attracting, Hiring, and Retaining Military Talent and Spouses

Kellie Burke, Diverse Strategy Advancement Talent Lead, Humana

*Tiffany Purrington, Senior Program Manager, Amazon
Gina Stough, Vice President of Human Resources, CVG Airport Authority*

Tim Vibbert, Executive Director of Plant Management, GE Appliances

Moderator: Callie Miracle, Workforce Development Manager, Kentucky Chamber Foundation

2:15 p.m. | Equitable Inclusion: Embracing Blindness in the Workplace

Montreعه Payton-Hardy, Director of Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity, American Printing House for the Blind

Bruce Sexton, Director of Access and Belonging, American Printing House for the Blind

Moderator: Erin Sigmund, Community Relations and Policy Advisor, American Printing House for the Blind

Moderator: Greg Gibbons, Business Development Manager at American Printing House for the Blind

2:45 p.m. | Creating and Maintaining Infrastructure for Job Quality Recognition

Aleece Smith, Director of Inclusion and Sector Strategies, KentuckianaWorks

Correy Eimer, Director, Northern Kentucky Workforce Investment Board

3:30 p.m. | 9th Annual Kentucky Workforce Summit Adjourns

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Location

May 14-15, 2024 (81561)
Central Bank Center
430 W Vine St.
Lexington, KY 40507

Lodging

Hilton Lexington/Downtown
369 West Vine Street
Lexington, KY 40507
Ph: 859-231-9000
Room Rate: \$149*
Room Cutoff Date: April 13, 2024

**The advertised Kentucky Chamber room rate cannot be guaranteed after the cutoff date.*

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