

Please join us at the Workforce Summit on Friday, April 21, 2017, to discuss strategies and action steps for our community. This is an opportunity the community to identify workforce challenges and how education and training can help address them. The objectives of the Workforce Summit are to:

- Describe the major workforce challenges facing the Southwest Connecticut area.
- Discussing sector-specific initiatives or solutions that are working to resolve workforce challenges in the Southwest Connecticut area.
- Identify strategies in each of the following sectors (manufacturing, healthcare, education, information technology, business, and green technology) to pursue in addressing these challenges. Of the strategies identified, prioritize the strategies in resolving the workforce challenges for the Southwest Connecticut area.

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8:00 - 8:30 am Coffee, light refreshments

8:30 – 8:45 am Welcome, **President Paul Broadie**, Housatonic Community College

8:45 - 9:15 am Economic Development in Connecticut and Southwest Connecticut Area

Joe Carbone, President/CEO, The WorkPlace

9:15 – 10:00 am Panel Presentation

George Mitchell, Vice President, Aircraft & Support for Sikorsky's

Defense

Systems & Services, Sikorsky

Melissa Turner, Sr. VP HR for Bridgeport & Greenwich Hospitals, Yale

New

Haven System C.P. for Talent Acquisition's

Jeff Hubbard, CT/Western MA, Market President, Key Bank

10:00 – 10:15 am Break (coffee, tea, water)

10:15 - 11:15 am Breakout Group Discussions

11:15 – 11:30 am Break and Reconvene in Events Center

11:30 - 12:00 pm Reports from Group Discussions

12:00 - 12:30 pm Closing Remarks

Commissioner Scott D. Jackson, Connecticut Department of Labor

Breakout group discussions will cover key questions by sector (manufacturing, healthcare, education, information technology, business, green technology, etc...)

- What are the major workforce challenges facing the Southwest Connecticut region?
- What are examples of initiatives or solutions that are working successfully to resolve workforce challenges in the Southwest Connecticut region?
- What strategies can each of the following sectors (manufacturing, healthcare, education, information technology, business, and green technology) pursue to address these challenges?