

Meeting Summary for AJC Monthly Meeting (04/08/2025)

Quick recap

The meeting began with informal greetings and small talk, followed by a roll call and confirmation of the team's full attendance. Stephanie Robinson led the discussion, presenting updates on the AJC reports, potential for more in-person meetings, and various recruitment events and workshops scheduled for April and May. The team also discussed the status of programs from partners, the need to update the fiscal year 25 mou, and the upcoming workforce summit.

Next steps

- All partners to submit direct linkages to Tammy by April 10th.
 - All partners to submit section 7 of the MOU to Tammy by May 8th.
 - Adult Ed partners to respond to Sandy's email regarding updating their section of the MOU.
 - Stephanie to add Crystal Bowls to the AJC listserv and meetings.
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Summary

River Flooding Discussion and Updates

The meeting begins with informal greetings and small talk. Stephanie and Sandy discuss recent flooding in their area, with Sandy mentioning that her husband's workplace near the river is affected. Sandy reports that the river is expected to crest at 36.5 feet late the following day, which is close to the highest level ever recorded at 37 feet. Stephanie calls the meeting to order at 8:30.

Full Team Attendance Confirmed

In the meeting, Stephanie Robinson led the roll call, confirming the attendance of various team members including Sandy, Crystal Hosselton, Stasko, Van Zant, Saracen, Pyle, Jablonsky, Shelton, Hammond, Reba Utley, Gillespie, Michael, Wernsman, Hoekstra, Wilkerson, Irvin, Corbett, Keelan, Jones, Day, Rehnna, and Debbie. The team also discussed the presence of some members who were not initially listed, such as Veronica and Scott. The conversation ended with a confirmation of the team's full attendance.

Ajc Reports and Assessment Discussion

Stephanie Robinson led the meeting, starting with the approval of the minutes from the last meeting. Sandy made the motion, and Joan seconded it. The team then moved on to the order of the day, with Stephanie Robinson presenting the Ajc reports. She mentioned that March was a better month than January and February, and they had

attended a job fair at John A. Logan College. The interview workshop was also discussed, with Stephanie expressing her satisfaction with Shantae's performance. She also mentioned that two work experience people would be done at the end of May and they would start looking for others. Stephanie also shared that they had an assessment from KEB, who was visiting 10 different Ajcs to assess their operations. She expressed her hope for getting feedback from this assessment. Sandy asked about the total number of Ajcs in the State of Illinois, to which Stephanie replied that there were 22 workforces, each having at least one Ajc. Deb clarified that they were only visiting 10 of them. The conversation ended with Stephanie expressing her appreciation for the team's participation in answering questions during the assessment.

AJC Meetings and Office Updates

Stephanie Robinson discussed the potential for more in-person AJC meetings, possibly hosted by different partners each month. She also shared updates on the Southern Illinois Multimodal Station and Carbondale office, which is expected to open in April or May. The office will house WIOA and Cedar grants and will have a resource room for customers. Stephanie mentioned ongoing hiring processes for office support specialists, a CJ manager, a youth specialist, and a follow-up specialist. She also expressed excitement about the upcoming workforce summit and the recent Mou partner meeting.

Recruitment Events and Program Updates

Stephanie Robinson provided an update on various recruitment events and workshops scheduled for April and May. She mentioned that intermountain electronics and Walgreens distribution centers are hosting walk-in recruitment events, while Pepsi Midamerica will be at the Mount Vernon office on April 15th. Southeastern Illinois College is hosting a job fair on April 16th, and Dhs has a virtual recruitment event on the same day. Off-base transition training will be held in Mount Vernon on April 20th, and Stephanie is hosting a reentry virtual job fair on April 30th. Stephanie also mentioned that the wheel summit has been discussed previously. Sandy provided an update on the status of programs from partners, stating that they are in their last term and will not be enrolling new students until June. Linda from Rin Lake College reported that they have enrolled students in March and are currently testing them for the upcoming session. Michelle from Adult Ed reported that they have finished their last registration and will not be having another one until July. Lastly, Stephanie mentioned that they need to update the fiscal year 25 mou with Tammy and requested that the direct linkages be submitted by April 10th and the section 7 by May 8th.