

## SUMMARY OF Colorado Workforce Development Council Work

The Colorado Workforce Development Council (CWDC) serves as the **impartial third party coordinator and convener** of cross-agency, cross-system work and public-private partnerships, through the **Talent Development Network**.

- here is an **overview** of how Colorado utilizes the CWDC to **achieve cross-system alignment of efforts**. [https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/CWDC\\_overview\\_v4.2\\_WEB.pdf](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/CWDC_overview_v4.2_WEB.pdf)

In 2014 the CWDC was charged by legislation (SB14-205) to create a cross agency Annual Talent Pipeline Report, we used that align goals and efforts and use data to better inform our goals. This legislation also stabilizes talent development around proven strategies of Sector Partnerships and Career Pathways. You can find all three reports at this link.

- <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cwdc/colorado-talent-pipeline-report>

The CWDC convenes a cross-system WIOA Implementation team which ensures that the federal law, state law and Colorado's State Plan are implemented effectively and efficiently across systems.

- <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cwdc/wioa>

We have created a statewide Talent Development Brand and are working to create an electronic gateway to all talent development programs tools and resources in Colorado. You can learn more here.

- [www.talentfoundco.org](http://www.talentfoundco.org)

Additionally, we have created a dashboard to demonstrate the work that we are doing to align education and training to meet the needs of the economy, this is a result of an NGA Policy Academy. You can find the TalentFOUND data dashboard here:

- [www.coloradotalentdashboard.com](http://www.coloradotalentdashboard.com)

**Core to Colorado's cross-system collaborations is our critical work in public-private partnerships.** That work has established strong state-regional, cross-local area, industry-led partnerships, championed by the CWDC.

1) Sector Strategies and Industry-led Career Pathways are the two strategies that guide the framework for our efforts at the state, regional and local levels. Most everything that we have done is documented on our Sectors Summit Website.

- *Oregon and Colorado's work provided the foundation to a national toolkit which was launched at a National Academy to help other states implement sector strategies and career pathways. You can find information on that here.*
- <http://www.nextgensectorpartnerships.com/>

2) The Governors Business Experiential Learning Commission is a public-private partnership with a laser like focus on work-based learning. Utilizing the Swiss Model of apprenticeships the BEL Commission is guiding the development of a youth apprenticeship system in Colorado through a non-profit, CareerWise Colorado.

- Learn about Colorado's Youth Apprenticeships at [www.careerwisecolorado.org](http://www.careerwisecolorado.org)
- BEL Commission information can be found at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cwdc/bel-commission>

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