



Missouri Association for Workforce Development

APRIL 26-28, 2023 BRANSON, MISSOURI

2023 MAWD CONFERENCE AGENDA

MAWD PRE-CONFERENCE SESSIONS

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

NAWDP Fiscal (invite only)	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
EO (invite only)	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

NAWDP Fiscal (invite only)	8:30 am - 11:30 am
EO (invite only)	8:30 am - 11:30 am
Concourse Registration Open	8:30 am - 4:30 pm

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Lunch, Colorguard, Opening Remarks - **Dana Keller, MAWD President**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Ken Chapman, "Creating Culture Shock in Missouri's Workforce"

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm BREAK

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Strengthening Equity in Registered Apprenticeship: Strategies to Embed Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility in RA programs	Ginger Allison
Changing Lives Through the Power of Education	Heather Harden
Community Development: Where the Connection Starts	Tim Dunville, Allen Hedrick, Jessica Tate, Vickey Bonney
Grants and Other Opportunities with the DOL Women's Bureau	Jenna Johnson, Danielle Smith

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm BREAK

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS

It Starts With Us... and Large Doses of Caffeine	Ken Chapman, Jeriane Jaegers-Brenneke, Justin Logan
Goal Setting: The Key to Supporting Motivation and Resiliency	Erin Melvin
Creating a PATHWAY for Justice Involved Individuals	Jenny Lourwood, Jennifer Biri
Bringing Employees and Employers Together with Vocational Rehabilitation	Missy McGaw,

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

7:00 am – 8:30 am BREAKFAST

Registration Open	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
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8:30 am – 9:45 am BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Sowing and Growing Hope in the Workplace Starts with You	Amber Allen, Jessica Trussell
Reimagining Career Pathways for Youth: Building an Ecosystem that Supports Youth Apprenticeship	Ginger Allison
DES & DHEWD: Empowering Our Customers through Reemployment Services (RESEA)	Jenn Adams, Katie Shofler
Time Management – Where does all my time really go?	Debra Thomson, Denise Shimweg

9:45 am – 10:00 am BREAK

10:00 am – 11:15 am BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Engaging Youth, What is the Missing Link?	JJ Gosrau and Dana Silverblatt, Bella Blackburn
Progressive Employment: Building a Future Workforce while Braiding Services.	Elizabeth Perkins, Jessica Bloch, Jackie Jenkins
DES & DHEWD: Empowering Our Customers through Reemployment Services (RESEA)	Jenn Adams, Katie Shofler
It REALLY does start with us: How a Culinary Arts program can change the culture by empowering student chefs	Carmel Dare

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

General Session & Awards Luncheon

KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Jerry Balistreri , "Empowering Workers and Employers Through Body Language"

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm BREAK

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Ready, Release, Retention: How Department of Social Service Resources Support Justice Involved Individuals.	Marty Meyer
Getting Missourians on the Fast Track to Success: an overview of the Fast Track Workforce Incentive Grant	Erik Anderson
Better. Faster. Smarter. Insights that Empower the Future	Andrea Wilson
Farming with a disability	Jim Brinkman

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm BREAK

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative	Ann McCauley, Dr. Doug Swanson
Work Smart: Automated Workflow for Effective Service Delivery	Erica Davis
Credentialing Matters: Become a CWDP	David Barch
Empower with Journey Mapping: The Success of Collaboration for Adult Learners	Dr. Kara Cahill, Blake Bixler

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FRIDAY, APRIL 28

7:00 am – 8:30 am BREAKFAST

8:45 am – 11:00 am

Closing Session

KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Matt Booth, "Basically Incredible"

11:00 am – 11:30 am

Membership Meeting (Updates, Door Prizes)