

Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation



IDAHO LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATION

IDVR Program Structure



- **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**
- **EXTENDED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**
- **COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING**



VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Organizational Chart



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



**OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION
SERVICES (OSERS)**



REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (RSA)



IDAHO STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (SBOE)

Delivery System



Region 1 Coeur d'Alene

Region 2 Lewiston

Region 4 Twin Falls

Region 5 Pocatello

Region 6 Idaho Falls

Region 3 Treasure Valley Special Programs

Region 7 Caldwell

Region 8 Boise

Treasure Valley
Regions

IDVR Regional Offices



VR Accomplishments



- **3% INCREASE IN SUCCESSFUL EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES**
- **IN 2016 THERE WAS A 506% INCREASE IN CUSTOMER WAGES AFTER RECEIVING IDVR SERVICES**
- **84% IDVR CUSTOMERS WHO ACHIEVED OR MAINTAINED EMPLOYMENT REPORTED THEIR WAGES AS THEIR PRIMARY MEANS OF SUPPORT**

Range of Customer Wages



\$7.25/HR

CHILD CARE WORKERS & NURSING AIDES

\$10/HR

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPS & OFFICE CLERKS

\$15/HR

ELECTRICIANS & FINANCIAL ANALYSTS

\$18/HR

POLICE OFFICER & WELDER

\$20/HR

SOCIAL WORKER & TEACHER

\$25/HR

REGISTERED NURSE & TRUCK DRIVER

\$40/HR

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER & POWER LINE INSTALLER

\$55/HR

PHARMACIST

Northern Idaho Success Story

Felix Fosselman



- **Associates of Applied Science – Occupational Therapy Assistant Program**
- **Bachelor of Science –Occupational Therapy**
- **Full-time employment in the field he was trained**
- **\$22/hour and employer sponsored benefits**



Eastern Idaho Success Story

Colin Williams



- **ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN WELDING**
- **STARTING WAGE \$15.50**
- **EMPLOYER PAID BENEFITS**



Reauthorization VR Program



WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITIES ACT (WIOA)

PUBLIC LAW 113-128

Key Elements WIOA



- **PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES**
- **ENHANCED EMPHASIS ON COMPETITIVE INTEGRATED EMPLOYMENT**
- **ENHANCED COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION WITH EMPLOYERS**
- **ENHANCED COLLABORATION WITH CORE PARTNERS**
- **COMBINED PLAN & MEASUREMENTS WITH CORE PARTNERS**
- **COORDINATION WITH EDUCATION OFFICIALS**

Pre-Employment Transition Services

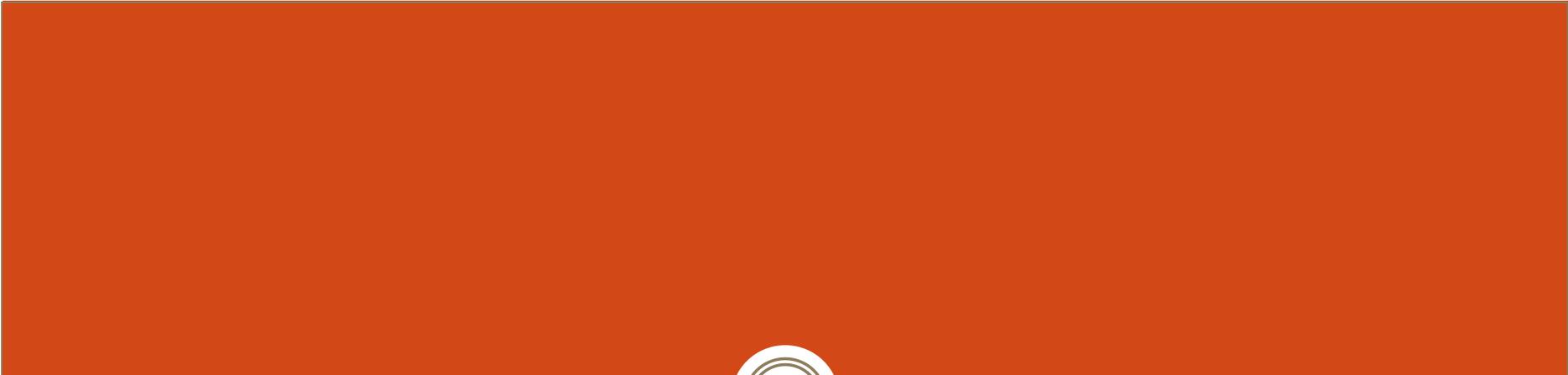
- **SUMMER EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**
- **U OF I MCCALL OUTDOORS SCIENCE SCHOOL (MOSS)**
- **BSU PREP ACADEMY**



Business Engagement



- Untapped pipeline for talent
- VR has skilled job candidates
- We provide additional support in training, coaching, and assistive technology to your employees with disabilities
- IDVR is here to assist businesses in hiring and retaining qualified employees



**EXTENDED
EMPLOYMENT
SERVICES
PROGRAM**



Extended Employment Services



EES



**COMMUNITY
SUPPORTED
EMPLOYMENT**



**WORK
SERVICES**

Extended Employment Services



ANNUAL PROGRAM TOTALS (SFY 16)

- **373 CUSTOMERS ARE WORKING IN COMMUNITY JOBS**
- **295 CUSTOMERS ARE IN WORK SERVICES**
- **60 CUSTOMERS ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK**
- **71 CUSTOMERS CURRENTLY NEED EES FUNDING TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT, FUNDING IS NOT AVAILABLE**

Steven Snow, Executive Director



**IDAHO STATE
COUNCIL FOR THE
DEAF AND HARD
OF HEARING**

CDHH Statutory Obligations



WHAT IS CDHH?

- **“THE INTERDEPARTMENTAL AND INTERAGENCY PLANNING AND ADVISORY BODY FOR THE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES OF THE STATE FOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AFFECTING PERSON WITH A HEARING IMPAIRMENT.”**
- **ESTABLISHED IN 1991**

Why Should You Care?



HOW MANY DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PEOPLE IN IDAHO?



203,000+



CDHH Board of Directors

Representing Deaf
Community



Steven Birkby
Organization



David Wilding
Citizen



Heidi Jeffs
Parent

Representing
Hard of Hearing
Community



Gretchen Fors
Parent



Emilie Banasiak
Organization



Russ Patterson
Age above 60

Representing
Professionals



Joelynn Ball
Interpreter



Jacob Robison
Physician



Shannon Gower
Audiologist

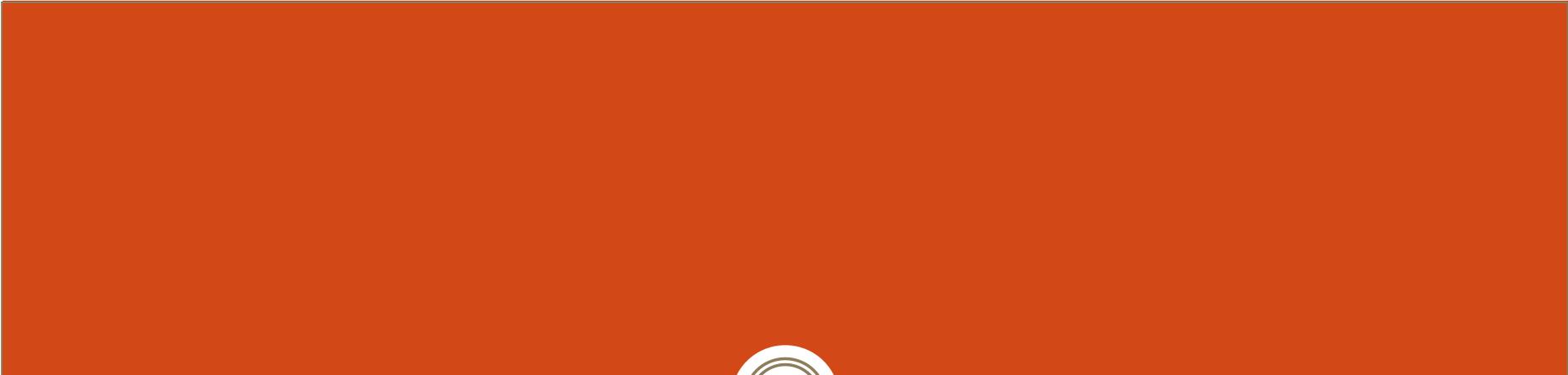
CDHH Ex-Officio Members

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- Idaho Department of Labor
 - Idaho Hearing Aid Society
 - Office of Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division
 - Idaho Office on Aging
 - Department of Education, Special Education
 - Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and Blind
 - Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Idaho Public Utilities Commission
 - Department of Health and Welfare
 - Bureau of Occupational Licenses

CDHH Functions & Activities



- Advocacy
- Legislation and Policy
- Assistive Device Demonstration and Loan
- Research and Reports
- Public Awareness/Education
- Information Clearinghouse
- Resources and Referrals
- Outreach, Training, and Consultation
- Monitor Consumer Safety/Protection



QUESTIONS?