

Homeland Security-Emergency Management

Center of Excellence October 2017 News

2016-17 WORK PLAN ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS FOCUS AREAS OF INDUSTRY SECTOR STRATEGY, EDUCATION, INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & SUPPLY AND DEMAND



Women in Leadership Forum
November 1, 2017
Highline College

Women's Leadership Forum, November 1

Over 100 people registered to attend the Forum. CyberWatch West has agreed to pitch in \$1,000.00 to help pay for the food. Their logo will be on handout materials and will be acknowledge for their contribution at the Forum. The theme of this year's Forum will be on Women in Technology and will coincide with October's Cyber-Security month. Technology is constantly changing and more women are entering into the field. The Forum will also debut the Center's online mentoring program called Leadership Circles. The Leadership Circles will provide a space for women looking for mentors. Leadership Circles will offer secure conversations for mentors and mentees, real-time chat, stand-alone-modules for online mentoring for mentors and mentees to work through, and will even help to match mentors with the right mentees.



The Natural Hazard Mitigation Association (NHMA)

<http://nhma.info/> announced on October 17, the selection of Pierce College, in Washington State, to establish a Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Specialty Certificate. The Association brings together individuals and organizations interested in Hazard Mitigation and

Climate Adaptation. Members are individuals and organizations including engineers, planners, practitioners and community officials. NHMA received funding from FEMA to address natural hazard education and Pierce College will be working with them to establish a Specialty Certificate that will carry academic credits for students completing their DRR Ambassador Curriculum. These Certificates would be eligible for both college academic credit and/or continuing education credit upon completion. The Center, Ron May, Pierce College Dean for the HSEM Degree Program and Rachelle McGinnis, Pierce College's Continuing Education Manager, will work to establish an "certificate" which awards transferable academic credits and/or continuing education credits a Pierce College. The Certificate program will be a specialty certificate available as part of the College's Homeland Security Emergency Management (HSEM) Degree Program.

Developing and Expanding Apprenticeship Programs for Our CTC colleges and programs

Members of the RAISE Grant Team, Labor & Industries, State Board, and State Labor along with Pierce College and Center staff have scheduled meetings with Belfor a national mitigation company, Corrections State Programs, and the Insurance Industries to continue discussions to establish apprenticeship programs with these industries. Meeting is scheduled for November 3, in Tukwila with the Belfor Regional Director, Kurt Davis court to discuss the apprenticeship process and models. Additional meetings are scheduled for mid-November with the Insurance Industry. The Center was able to secure the support of the North Central WA Workforce Development Council, STEM and Wenatchee Learns for inclusion in their planning grant proposal for the Governor's apprenticeship funding.

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NEW ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER



Lorraine Churchill, Emergency Management Coordinator, Cowlitz Department of Emergency Management joined the Center and the HSEM Degree Program's Advisory Board in October. Lorraine is working with Lower Columbia College's Security, Safety and Emergency Manager to provide ICS training for their staff and will be working with the Center of Excellence HSEM to help the College offer the HSEM AA degree program. Lower Columbia College already has a MOU w/Pierce

College but has not yet offered the degree program locally. Lorraine has already been in consultation with our other new SW WA Board Member Ed Colson about identifying employers and internships for HSEM students. Look forward to meeting Lorraine at the HSEM Board meeting on November 8, at Pierce College.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Join the Center's Boards, staff and volunteers for its Annual Holiday Open House, December 8, from 3:00 to 7:00pm at the International House in room IH-103.

This year's theme is "Soups for the Winter Soul". We are creating a cookbook of our Board and staff's favorite soups from which we will choose several to serve at the Open House along with other Holiday Goodies. Everyone is welcome to attend and bring family and friends.

We are collecting non-perishable food items for the Pierce College Food Pantry and our "Soups for the Winter Soul" cookbook holiday card will be available for purchase and proceeds will be donated to the Pantry. If you have any questions please contact Kellie Hale khale@pierce.ctc.edu. Card watercolor by L. Crerar.



The Center's Strategic Framework for 2018

The Center's Strategic Planning session with the Board, staff and volunteers will be scheduled for late January.

The session will have three goal areas:

1. Resources: Increase/diversify revenue sources to support the Center.
2. Program: Support the building of effective HSEM programs statewide.
3. Infrastructure: Create a consistent statewide COE HSEM brand and operations platform that communicates and markets our program services and resources using outreach and education activities that may utilize our website, social media,

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webinars, and other multi-media opportunities to highlight the career field, our employers, our state's programs and Center/state accomplishments.

2017-2018 COE Schedule of Events

November 1	Women's Leadership Forum
November 3	Belfor Apprenticeship Meeting, Tukwila WA
November 7	Criminal Justice Working Group, statewide conference call regarding core curriculum
November 8	Advisory Board Meeting – Location IH Conference Room; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
November TBA	Insurance Industry Apprenticeship meeting w/ industry
December 8	Holiday Open House International House Conference Room 3:00 – 7:00pm
January 2018 TBA	Center's Strategic Planning Session