



REGION FORWARD COALITION

Friday, April 28, 2017

11:00 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

[TechShop DC-Arlington](#) – 2110-B Crystal Dr. Arlington, VA 22202

AGENDA

- 11:00 A.M. 1. COALITION MEMBER UPDATES**
Sheryl Bass, Region Forward Coalition Chair
- A. Introduction
 - B. COG Updates
 - C. Partner Updates
- 11:10 A.M. 2. WELCOME TO CRYSTAL CITY**
John Vihstadt, Arlington County Board
Angela Fox, President and CEO, Crystal City Business Improvement District
- 11:25 P.M. 3. BRIEFING ON OFFICE BUILDING REPOSITIONING AND REPURPOSING**
John C. Cook, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
Scott Sizer, P3/Joint-Ventures Policy Coordinator, Fairfax County Office of the County Executive
- Receive briefing on Fairfax County's efforts to [study and implement ways](#) to repurpose empty or obsolete commercial space for residential uses; urban schools or other public facilities; art and cultural purposes; live/work/manufacture uses; and/or start-up companies.
- 11:50 P.M. 4. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE REGION'S LATEST RESEARCH ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**
- [CAREER PATHWAYS FOR MIDDLE SKILL JOBS IN THE GREATER WASHINGTON REGION'S LEADING INDUSTRY CLUSTERS](#)
Mark C. White, PhD, Deputy Director, Center for Regional Analysis, George Mason University
- [MAXIMIZING WIOA'S POTENTIAL: A REGIONAL ANALYSIS OF THE STATE PLANS OF MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, and WASHINGTON, DC](#)
Judy Berman, Ph.D., Deputy Director, DC Appleseed
Chris Duncombe, Policy Analyst, The Commonwealth Institute for Fiscal Analysis
Christopher Meyer, Research Analyst, Maryland Center on Economic Policy
- Receive briefings on two reports on workforce development in metropolitan Washington. Researchers will be invited to share a short summary of their reports and participate in dialogue with the Region Forward Coalition.

12:30 P.M. 5. STRATEGIC DISCUSSION ON FURTHERING REGIONAL COLLABORATION TO SUPPORT, DEVELOP, AND ATTRACT TALENT

Sheryl Bass, Region Forward Coalition Chair

Nicole McCall, Senior Regional Planner, COG

Following a short briefing of COG's past and current activities related to human capital and talent, Coalition members will discuss what the region can do to support workers as well as attract and develop talent. The conversation will serve as a response to the previous briefings as well as a brain-storming session for the COG Board's resolution for staff to advance and implement collaborative workforce development strategies throughout the region.

1:00 P.M. 6. TOUR OF CRYSTAL CITY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Angela Fox, President and CEO, Crystal City Business Improvement District

1:30 P.M. 7. ADJOURN

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday July 21, 2017.