2004
Governor’s Awards for Excellence in Workforce Development

Nomination Procedures and Forms

Commission on Workforce Development
North Carolina Department of Commerce
4327 Mail Service Center
(STREET ADDRESS: 301 N. Wilmington Street – 27601)
Raleigh, NC 27699-4327
Dear Workforce Development Community:

Attached are the nomination forms and procedures for the *2004 Governor’s Awards for Excellence in Workforce Development* and for the *Wayne Daves Award For Outstanding Achievement In Workforce Development*.

The Awards will be presented at a banquet on October 28, 2004 at the Sheraton Four-Seasons/Koury Center in Greensboro, as part of the 2004 Workforce Development Partnership Conference, October 27-29, 2004.

Nominations will be accepted for the following award categories:

Outstanding Workforce Development Employer
Outstanding Workforce Development Adult (2 awards)
Outstanding Workforce Development Older Youth Award.
Outstanding Workforce Development Younger Youth Award

A new award, the *Wayne Daves Award For Outstanding Achievement In Workforce Development* has been added this year to recognize the outstanding efforts of a front-line staff person that has contributed to the continuous improvement within a local JobLink Career Center or other workforce development program. The North Carolina Workforce Development Board Directors’ Council sponsors this award.

All nominations are due to the Commission on Workforce Development by Monday, June 28, 2004.

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Questions or comments may be directed to Stephanie Deese at deeses@ncccs.cc.nc.us or 919.807.7159, or Hollie Allen at hallen@nccommerce.com or 919.715.1025.

Please note that it is the responsibility of the nominating agency to provide the necessary transportation and lodging for the individuals selected to receive awards.
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NOMINATION PROCEDURES

OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT EMPLOYER

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS: Nominations not in compliance with all specifications will not be considered:

B. Nominations must not exceed two and one-half single-spaced typed pages in addition to the nomination form.
C. Complete nominations must be received by the Commission on Workforce Development, Attn: Hollie Allen, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 2004. Faxed nominations will not be accepted.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE NOMINATION FORM:
Sections I and II. Nominee/Nominator Information: Please provide the appropriate identification information on the attached form. The Chief Executive Officer of the nominating organization must sign this form.

Section III. Synopsis: Attach a brief synopsis (no more than one-half single-spaced typed page) that describes the business nominated, including the type of business or organization, number and type of employees, and whether the business is a subsidiary/local branch of a national business. Emphasize the types of training offered and include other pertinent descriptive information.

Section IV. Nominee Accomplishments: Please describe the accomplishments of the business and explain why the business should be considered for this award. Describe how the business has positively contributed to the local/state economy and improved workforce training and employment opportunities. Limit the narrative to no more than two single-spaced typed pages. Each of the following criteria must be addressed in separate paragraphs:

A. The extent to which the business has demonstrated a continuing commitment to the workforce development system through donation of employee time and services, exemplary hiring practices and the encouragement of business involvement in workforce development efforts.

B. The extent to which the business has demonstrated involvement/use of public education and training programs. Examples include work with School-to-Careers, JobLink (One-Stop) Career Centers, vocational training or other training offered through the public school system, community colleges, apprenticeship training, supported employment, on-the-job training, older worker training, workforce literacy training, Workforce Investment Act program, the Work First program, the Workfare program and the Food Stamp Employment and Training program and other workforce development programs.

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C. The extent to which the business has promoted positive community/public relations for workforce development programs and supported/encouraged individuals in need of workforce development.

D. The extent to which the business has improved workforce development opportunities for specific populations including youth, displaced workers, disabled individuals, public assistance recipients, veterans, older workers, ex-offenders, economically and educationally disadvantaged, and/or other populations.

E. The extent to which the business has implemented and practiced employee-centered work practices including employee professional development, employee assistance programs, educational training/workplace literacy, family-centered work policies, and other related efforts.

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NOMINATION FORM

OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT EMPLOYER

I. NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Business Nominated:_____________________________________________________
Mailing Address:  _________________________________________________________
 Telephone Number: ________________________ FAX:__________________________
 Person to be notified if selected for an award: _________________________________
 E-mail address:  __________________________________________________________
 Number of employees employed at this site: ____________________________________

II. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Organization Name: _______________________________________________________
 Contact Person/Job Title: ___________________________________________________
 Mailing Address:  _________________________________________________________
 _________________________________________________________________________
 Telephone Number: ________________________ FAX: _________________________    
 E-mail address:   _________________________________________________________

Chief Executive Officer of the Nominating Organization: 
 Name / Title / Signature

III. SYNOPSIS (Attach separate page.)

IV. NOMINEE ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Attach separate pages.)

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OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ADULT

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS: Nominations not in compliance with all specifications will not be considered:

A. Nominees must be gainfully employed during July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004 after completing a workforce development program/activity.
B. Nominations must not exceed two and one-half single-spaced typed pages in addition to the nomination form and support letter(s).
C. Awards will be presented at a banquet on October 28, 2004 at the Sheraton Four Seasons in Greensboro. If the nominee is selected to receive this award, it is the responsibility of the nominating agency to provide the necessary transportation and lodging for the nominee.
D. Complete nominations must be received by the Commission on Workforce Development, Attn: Hollie Allen, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 2004. Faxed nominations will not be accepted.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE NOMINATION FORM:
Sections I and II. Nominee/Nominator Information: Please provide the appropriate identification information on the attached form. The Chief Executive Officer of the nominating organization must sign this form.

Section III. Biographical Information: Please provide a brief (no more than one-half single-spaced typed page) biographical description of the nominee. Include nominee characteristics and previous education and work history.

Section IV. Nominee Accomplishments: Please provide a brief (no more than two single-spaced typed pages) summary describing the accomplishments of the nominee utilizing the following format:
A. Explain why the nominee should be considered for this award.
B. Describe the nominee’s accomplishments.
C. Specify the workforce development activity the nominee completed during the July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004 time period.
D. Discuss any barriers or hardships the nominee has overcome in order to successfully participate in and complete a workforce development program/activity.
E. Identify the current status of the nominee (i.e. in school and/or training, whether nominee is employed, name of employer, work/job title, rate of pay, etc.).

Section V. Support Letter(s): The nomination must include letter(s) of support from the entity nominating the participant and the local grantor agency.

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NOMINATION FORM

OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ADULT

I. NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Individual Nominated: ____________________________ SSN: ____________________
Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
Telephone Number: _______________________________________________________
Identify the workforce development program/activity that the nominee completed:
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

II. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Organization Name: _______________________________________________________
Contact Person/Job Title: ___________________________________________________
Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
Telephone Number: _______________________ FAX: __________________________
E-mail address: ____________________________________________________________
Chief Executive Officer of the Nominating Organization:
_________________________________________ / __________________________
Name                                     Title                                Signature

III. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION (Attach separate page.)

IV. NOMINEE ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Attach separate page/s.)

V. SUPPORT LETTER(S) (Attach letter/s.)

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OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OLDER YOUTH

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS: Nominations not in compliance with all specifications will not be considered:
A. Eligible older youth nominees in this category are individuals who at the time of enrollment into a workforce development program/activity, had not yet reached their 22nd birthday and were at least 18 years of age.
B. Older Youth eligible for this award must have completed a workforce development program/activity during July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004 and either:
   - continued in another training activity/program; or
   - continued their education; or
   - are currently gainfully employed, or
   - are currently serving in the armed forces.
C. Nominations must not exceed two and one-half single-spaced typed pages in addition to the nomination form and support letter(s).
D. Awards will be presented at a banquet on October 28, 2004 at the Sheraton Four Seasons in Greensboro.
   If the nominee is selected to receive this award, it is the responsibility of the nominating agency to provide the necessary transportation and lodging for the nominee.
E. Complete nominations must be received by the Commission on Workforce Development, Attn: Hollie Allen, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 2004. Faxed nominations will not be accepted.

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Section III. Biographical Information: Please provide a brief (no more than one-half single-spaced typed page) biographical description of the nominee. Include nominee characteristics and previous education and work history.

Section IV. Nominee Accomplishments: Please provide a brief (no more than two single-spaced typed pages) summary describing the accomplishments of the nominee utilizing the following format:
A. Explain why the nominee should be considered for this award.
B. Describe the status of the nominee’s accomplishments against his/her established goals.
C. Specify the workforce development activity the nominee completed during the July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004 time period.
D. Discuss any barriers or hardships the nominee has overcome in order to successfully participate in and complete a workforce development program/activity.
E. Identify the current status of the nominee (i.e. in school and/or training, whether nominee is employed, name of employer, work/job title, rate of pay, etc.).

Section V. Support Letter(s): The nomination must include letter(s) of support from the entity nominating the participant and the local grantor agency.

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OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OLDER YOUTH

I. NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Individual Nominated: _______________________________ SSN: _____________________

Date of Birth: _________ Date first enrolled in a workforce development activity: __________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: _____________________________________________________________

Identify the workforce development program/activity that the nominee completed:
__________________________________________________________________________

Identify the completion date of the workforce development program/activity: _____________

II. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Organization Name: ____________________________________________________________

Contact Person/Job Title: _________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: ________________________ FAX: _________________________________

E-mail address: _________________________________________________________________

Chief Executive Officer of the Nominating Organization:
____________________________________ / ________________________________ Signature

Name       Title

III. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION (Attach separate page.)

IV. NOMINEE ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Attach separate page/s.)

V. SUPPORT LETTER(S) (Attach letter/s.)

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OUTSTANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT YOUNGER YOUTH

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS: Nominations not in compliance with all specifications will not be considered:
A. Eligible Younger Youth nominees are individuals who at the time of enrollment into a workforce development program/activity, had not yet reached their 18th birthday and were at least 14 years of age.
B. Younger Youth eligible for this award must have, during July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004 either:
   - completed or demonstrated excellent progress toward the attainment of a high school diploma or equivalent; or
   - completed or demonstrated successful work experience(s); or
   - completed or demonstrated community leadership qualities and positive social behaviors.
   (See additional information for this award on the next page)
C. Nominations must not exceed two and one-half single-spaced typed pages in addition to the nomination form and support letter(s).
D. Awards will be presented at a banquet on October 28, 2004 at the Sheraton Four Seasons in Greensboro. If the nominee is selected to receive this award, it is the responsibility of the nominating agency to provide the necessary transportation and lodging for the nominee.
E. Complete nominations must be received by the Commission on Workforce Development, Attn: Hollie Allen, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 28, 2004. Faxed nominations will not be accepted.

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Section IV. Nominee Accomplishments: Please provide a brief (no more than two single-spaced typed pages) summary describing the accomplishments of the nominee utilizing the following format:
A. Explain why the nominee should be considered for this award.
B. Describe the status of nominee’s accomplishments against his/her established goals.
C. Specify the workforce development activity the nominee completed or demonstrated success during the July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004 time period.

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D. Discuss any barriers or hardships the nominee has overcome in order to successfully participate in or complete a workforce development program/activity.

E. Identify the current status of the nominee (i.e., in school, military, and/or training, and if appropriate, employment). A younger youth does not have to be employed to be eligible to be nominated for this award.

Section V. Support Letter(s): The nomination must include letter(s) of support from the entity nominating the participant and the local grantor agency. The nomination may also include letters of support from agencies that demonstrate the youth’s success.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE YOUNGER YOUTH CATEGORY**

As you consider nominations for the Younger Youth award, please consider the following:

**Work experiences** are planned structured learning experiences that take place in a workplace. Work experiences are designed to enable youth to gain exposure to the working world and its requirements—providing an opportunity for career exploration and skill development. Work experiences should help the youth acquire the personal attributes, knowledge, and skill needed to obtain a job and advance in employment.

A work experience can be broadly designed and does not necessarily mean paid employment, but can include other work-based activities such as job shadowing, internships, service learning, and community service projects.

**Leadership development opportunities** are opportunities that encourage responsibility, employability and other positive behaviors such as community and service learning; peer mentoring and tutoring, teamwork training, decision-making and citizenship training.

**Positive social behaviors** are often the outcomes of leadership opportunities and include building a positive self-esteem and positive attitude; openness to working with individuals from different racial and ethnic backgrounds; maintaining healthy lifestyles; maintaining positive relationships with responsible adults and peers; maintaining a commitment to learning and academic success; avoiding delinquency; postponed and responsible parenting; and positive job attitudes and work skills.

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I. NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Individual Nominated: ____________________________ SSN: _____________________

Date of Birth: ________ Date first* enrolled in a workforce development activity: ________
(*This date will establish the youth’s status as a younger youth, it is not necessarily the date the youth entered the program/activity for which they are nominated)

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: _______________________________________________________

Identify the workforce development program/activity for which the youth is being nominated:
________________________________________________________________________

II. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Organization Name: _______________________________________________________

Contact Person/Job Title: ___________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: ____________________________ FAX: _______________________

E-mail address: _________________________________

Chief Executive Officer of the Nominating Organization:

Name    Title    Signature

III. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION (Attach separate page.)

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WAYNE DAVES AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
(Sponsored by the North Carolina Workforce Development Board Directors’ Council)

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS: Nominations not in compliance with all specifications will not be considered:

A. Nominees must be gainfully employed as a front-line staff person during July 1, 2003 - June 30, 2004.
B. Nominations must not exceed two and one-half single-spaced typed pages in addition to the nomination form and support letter(s).
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Section IV. Nominee Accomplishments: Please provide a brief (no more than two single-spaced typed pages) summary describing the accomplishments of the nominee utilizing the following format:
A. Describe the main responsibilities of the workforce development job held by the individual.
B. Describe significant contributions made to the workforce development system above and beyond the normal professional duties and responsibilities of providing services.
C. Discuss how the individual has impacted or contributed to continuous improvement within the local JobLink Career Center or other workforce development program.
D. Give a narrative description of the nominee’s exceptional customer service.
E. Describe innovation and creativity in delivery of workforce development services.
F. Demonstrate how the nominee developed and promoted a positive image for the workforce development delivery system.

Section V. Support Letter(s): The nomination must include letter(s) of support from the entity nominating the participant and the local grantor agency.

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I. NOMINEE INFORMATION:
Individual Nominated: ____________________________ SSN: ____________________
Title: ___________________________ Agency/Organization: __________________________
Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
Telephone Number: _______________________________________________________
Identify the workforce development job that individual holds:
________________________________________________________________________

II. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:
Organization Name: ________________________________________________________
Contact Person/Job Title: ____________________________________________________
Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
Telephone Number: ___________________ FAX: ___________________________
E-mail address: ____________________________________________________________
Chief Executive Officer of the Nominating Organization:
________________________________________ / ______________________________
Name                               Title                               Signature

III. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION (Attach separate page.)

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