



National Talent Collaborative Chicago Fall Gathering | September 8-9, 2022

Over 20 organizations came together in Chicago last week to discuss their shared commitment to talent and workforce development across the United States. These regional leaders of business-led groups have created a coalition that represents millions of people across the United States.



CEO Leadership Alliance
Orange County

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development Alejandra Castillo joined our gathering to provide insight on place-based funding opportunities from the Federal Government.

Our Outcomes and Next Steps:

Continue our Collaboration – Our group will have in-person gatherings biannually each year. We will also host virtual quarterly meetings to share our work. Greater Washington Partnership will be hosting our group on April 20-21, 2023. NY Jobs CEO Council has stepped up to host our coalition in Fall 2023.

Use our Voice – Regional leaders will work to create a collective voice of business to gain national attention to critical issues such as the widening talent gap that hinders economic growth, US competitiveness, and national security. We will advocate to support government programs and funding that are place-based, business-led community initiatives starting with the need to build large diverse future skilled talent pools to close our talent gap.

Establish A Common Data Platform – Leverage best practices in data collection, analytics, and metrics at the regional and national level. The purpose is to develop insights that inform and focus decisions, tracks progress, measures progress, builds consensus on best practices, and supports funding.

Focus Programming as a Collective – A path to scale and fund related regional efforts that would appeal to large foundations, corporations, and federal, state, and local governments. We will work together to leverage current initiatives that drive system change in building our future talent pipeline to good jobs.

“A big part of our success is that top CEOs are at the center, working with industry and community leaders,” says Doug Wilson, CLAOC Chair. “We believe the business community is uniquely positioned to drive solutions that work for everyone. We have the best chance to succeed if we work collectively to secure resources and funding at the national and state levels to advance our regional and local community efforts.”

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