2014 LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS
PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL WORKSHOP

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US Department of Commerce & US Census Bureau
Washington, DC

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

We invite you to submit a proposal to present at the 15th annual LED Partnership Workshop. The LED Partnership is a collaborative partnership between state data agencies and the Census Bureau to leverage existing data in the development of new sources of economic and demographic information for policy makers and data users. The workshop provides professional development and networking for Labor Market Information directors, data analysts and data providers at state and federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and other data users. The focus of presentations at the workshop is useful and new applications of new data made possible through the LED State/Federal partnership, The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (LODES).

Presentations selected for the workshop will be featured on plenary panels or in targeted breakout sessions during this popular learning event. Topics could be from a wide variety of disciplines, including, but not limited to: workforce development, economic development, transportation planning, and emergency management. We are particularly interested in examples from our state partners and strongly encourage LMI shops to apply.

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 16, 2014

ONLINE SUBMISSION:
All presentations must be submitted via email to CES.Local.Employment.Dynamics @census.gov. Please provide the following information:
- Your name and contact information
- Brief bio
- Proposed title
- Brief abstract of the presentation (3 sentences/50-60 words)
- 200-300 word description of the presentation
- Any special audio/visual needs (Conference management will supply PC, digital projector, and high-speed internet)

Proposals must include all requested information and must be received by the deadline. You will receive an email confirmation upon receipt of your submission.

SELECTION PROCESS:
The LED Partnership seeks presentations that reflect:
- Case studies, innovations, best practices using LED data, including OnTheMap, OnTheMap for Emergency Management, QWI Online, Industry Focus or VRDC data download
- Integration of LED data with other sources
- LED-based programs and initiatives that demonstrate measurable impact and results
- Outstanding success stories

Proposals will be judged on the following criteria:
- Relevance
- Informing decision-making and/or problem solving
- Usefulness to other data users
- Presentations must *feature* the use of Local Employment Dynamics data, alone or in combination with other data sources.

Presentation proposals are eligible for inclusion in the Poster Session (see Poster Session information).

NOTIFICATION:
Submitters will be notified of selection status via e-mail by May 30, 2014. Once selected, presenters must confirm their ability to present NO LATER than June 6, 2014.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:
1. Visual representations (PowerPoint, maps, graphs, data visualization) and online demonstrations are strongly encouraged.
2. Presentations may be posted to the LED Partnership website and used in promotional materials.
3. The LED Partnership reserves the right to edit all submitted presentations for publication on the web site and in the Workshop program.
4. The Workshop Program Team will determine the day and times for the presentation panel.
5. Presentations should be approximately 20-30 minutes in duration, with an additional 10 minutes for questions and answer; a discussant will moderate and encourage discussion of potential/similar uses of the LED data in the winning presentations.
6. The Census Bureau will provide two nights lodging and airfare (using Government contract carrier) for selected presenters. Other costs will be at the expense of the presenters.

Poster Session
The Local Employment Dynamics Partnership Annual Workshop will also offer a poster session featuring large-format documents that inform attendees about recent research findings and practical applications of LED data, alone or in combination with other data sources.

Posters, provided by the submitter, are displayed for attendees to read at their leisure during the meeting and a scheduled "poster session" will allow poster authors and attendees to discuss the work in person.