

# State of WDA 10 as of **January 10, 2011**

Presentation to WRC  
January 20, 2011



# Area served in WDA 10

- Columbia
- Dane
- Dodge
- Jefferson
- Marquette and
- Sauk Counties



# WDA 10 organization

- ✦ Lorie Walker, VR-Supervisor, is leader coach of two service delivery teams – one in Dane County, the other a combined Jefferson/Dodge County team
- ✦ Les Mirkin, WDA Director, is leader coach of two service delivery teams in Dane County
- ✦ Bob White, VR-Supervisor in WDA11, is leader coach of the Columbia/Sauk County team

# WDA10 staffing

- ◆ 1 Director
- ◆ 1 VR-Supervisor + temporary assignment of a second VR-Supervisor
- ◆ 37 field staff
  - 2 new VRC positions not yet assigned
  - 25 VRCs
    - ◆ 20 permanent
    - ◆ 5 project
  - 10 CCCs
    - ◆ All permanent
    - ◆ Two retirements (12/30/10 and 2/11/11)

# WDA10 Goals for 2011

- ✦ To provide DVR consumers with timely vocational rehabilitation services in accordance with their individual goals and in accordance with the Rehabilitation Act
- ✦ To train 9 new staff (4 permanent and 5 project) and assign them to active caseloads, so case loads are manageable and evenly distributed amongst counselors
- ✦ To increase employment outcomes and employer relations

# Specific WDA 10 ongoing projects

- ✦ Supported Self Employment – in collaboration with Dane County
  - Over 29 supported self-employment businesses established
  - Currently serving 10 consumers
  - 8 new referrals will be made this year
- ✦ PACT – Program for Assertive Community Treatment
  - The goal of this interagency collaborative agreement is to improve integrated and comprehensive vocational opportunities for people with severe and persistent mental illness through increased access to DVR services. This project seeks to make a significant impact in the availability of vocational and support services and the access of persons with severe and persistent mental illness to successful employment outcomes.
  - Serve at least 25 DVR/ PACT consumers during the year.
  - At least 8 consumers are expected to complete their VR services successfully annually.

# More WDA 10 ongoing projects

- ◆ CLA – Community Living Alliance
  - Provide onsite VR services through a liaison counselor
- ◆ Project Search
  - Provides on-site training at the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital to high school students one year prior to graduation
  - Funding through DVR, Dane County and MMSD
  - Students offered permanent employment at the training site, or other suitable sites upon graduation
  - 6 permanent hires made through the project

.....from Becky Kordahl,  
Acting Director of William S. Middleton Memorial  
Veterans Hospital

- ✦ "this program has opened my heart in a new way. I was skeptical about the students ability to work in a high pace environment and I am happy to say I was absolutely wrong."
- ✦ "I believe this program is one of the few real transformations that I have experienced in my career."

# Still more WDA 10 ongoing projects

- ✦ GMASHRM employability skills training
  - Provides employability training to consumers, provided by HR managers
- ✦ State Internship Program Coordination
  - 75 consumers participated in this program
  - 32 consumers entered into a second LTE Internship
  - 8 Consumers hired permanently or in project positions in the same or another State agency
- ✦ Mentoring of Graduate students
  - 2 to 3 graduate students each semester from the Dept of SE & RP
- ✦ Implementation of Windows to Work
  - Initiation of partnership with WDB, DET, and DVR to provide reintegration/employment services to offenders

# Statistical data as of January 10, 2011

✦ 3,633 Consumers are currently served

– Breakdown by status



✦ Applicant	216
✦ Counseling Only	172
✦ In Employment	93
✦ IPE Development	353
✦ OOS Waiting List	616
✦ Post Employment	5
✦ Training	1,117
✦ Physical & Mental Restoration	43
✦ Ready for Employment	1,018

# Statistical data as of January 10, 2011

- ✦ IPE Goals for open cases of consumers in WDA10
  - Accounting
  - ADHD/Life coach; rehabilitation counselor, or related- self-employment or placement
  - AODA counselor or related
  - art sales, therapy, or related (to be further explored)
  - ASL interpreter or related
  - Architectural Technology
  - Assembly
  - Barbering/Cosmetologist
  - Building Inspector
  - Business Administration
  - Carpenter/Teaching

.....see hand out for entire list

# Statistical data as of January 10, 2011

- ✦ Utilization of special hiring incentive programs
  - 49 consumers participate in the State LTE OJT Internship Program
  - 101 consumers participate in the OJT Initiative in the Private Sector
  - 80 consumers participate in Temporary Work Training (TWT)

# Statistical data as of January 10, 2011

## ◆ Break down of consumers by:

### – OOS category

◆ Category 1      1,236

◆ Category 2      3,344

◆ Category 3      343

### – Consumers who are SSA Beneficiaries

◆ SSI Recipients      814

◆ SSDI      843

### – Veteran status

◆ 99

# Statistical data for consumers closed successfully in FFY 2010:



◆ Total cases closed successfully	394
◆ Closure Goal	371
◆ Total Service Costs	\$3,533,132
◆ Anticipated Earnings/PA	\$5,229,728
◆ Average Hourly Wage	\$11.48
◆ Average Hours Worked/Week	22.23
◆ Return on Investment	148%
◆ Rehab Rate	47.2 %

# Statistical data for consumers closed successfully in FFY 2010:

## ✦ IPE Goals of cases closed

- Actors
- Administrative Law Judges, Adjudicators, and Hearing Officers
- Administrative Services Managers
- Agricultural Equipment Operators
- Animal Breeders
- Animal Trainers
- Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other
- Audio and Video Equipment Technicians
- Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics
- Bill and Account Collectors

.....see hand out for entire list

# Statistical data for consumers closed successfully in FFY 2010

## ✦ SSI/SSDI recipients

– SSI Successful Closures	129
– SSDI Successful Closures	121

## ✦ Veteran status

– 21 veterans' cases closed successfully

