

2014 LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL WORKSHOP

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CALL FOR SESSIONS

We invite you to submit a proposal for a session 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).

Sessions 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.

SESSION ORGANIZER RESPONSIBILITIES:

As a session organizer, you will be responsible for:

- Designing your session. A typical session would include Individual session of approximately 20-30 minutes in duration, with an additional 10 minutes for questions and answer. There should be at least one chair or discussant to moderate and encourage discussion of potential/similar uses of the LED data. However, alternative formats such as panels or roundtables are also invited.
- Selecting participants.
- Monitoring preparation of your session participants and ensuring deadlines are met.

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 16, 2014

ONLINE SUBMISSION:

All session proposals must be submitted via email to CES.Local.Employment.Dynamics@census.gov Please provide the following information:

- Your name and contact information
- Proposed title
- Session participant names and brief bios
- Brief abstract of the session (3 sentences/50-60 words)

- Time needed for the session (60-90 minute limit)
- 200-300 word description of the session
- 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
- Sessions must *feature* the use of Local Employment Dynamics data, alone or in combination with other data sources.

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. 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.