

FEDERAL EQUAL OPPORTUNITY RECRUITMENT PROGRAM (FEORP) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2020

FY 2020 Accomplishments and FY 2021 Plan

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FISCAL YEAR 2020 FEORP Plan Accomplishments and Successful/Promising Practices

The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA) for the District of Columbia, which includes the Pretrial Services Agency (PSA) for the District of Columbia (referred to jointly as the Agency), is proud to present its Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP) accomplishments, as evidence of the Agency's ongoing efforts to recruit and maintain a high-quality and diverse workforce. These accomplishments are particularly notable because this Agency, like most, if not all, federal agencies, had to drastically alter its operations in response to the national pandemic caused by COVID 19. In mid-March 2020, the Agency implemented full-time telework for most of its workforce. For those employees responsible for certain critical functions that could not be performed remotely, the Agency established a plan that limited the amount of time these employees were required to be physically present at the worksite. Notwithstanding these significant challenges created by COVID 19, the Agency made noteworthy progress on the strategies identified in its plan to recruit and maintain a high-quality and diverse workforce, as detailed below.

Recruitment, Retention and Outreach

In FY 2020, prior to the closure of most Agency facilities due to COVID 19, the Agency engaged in a number of efforts designed to increase employee engagement and retention. Those efforts included the following:

- The Director of CSOSA engaged staff by conducting onsite meetings with nonsupervisory staff to address their concerns and issues with recently issued policies. These meetings also provided the Director with the opportunity to offer the guidance needed to implement those policies. As a result of the response to the meetings, the Director recommended holding ongoing quarterly meetings to ensure that employee concerns are addressed and that employees have another forum in which to present their ideas for strengthening Agency operations and increasing employee morale and engagement.
- PSA used what it referred to as its "Chat-N-Chew" sessions to encourage open and frank discussion between employees and management. These sessions were popular and encouraged staff at all levels to recognize and address unconscious and conscious bias in a productive manner to create a more inclusive and fair workplace. PSA is currently considering how to continue this effort in a virtual environment.
- The Agency afforded several employees with the opportunity to take detail assignments working with senior level mentors at other federal agencies as well as within CSOSA and PSA. These detail assignments allowed the employees to expand their knowledge and skill sets. The assignments also allowed the employees to make meaningful

contributions to the work of agencies that had similar goals and objectives as those held by CSOSA and PSA. In addition, these detail assignments significantly assisted in the Agency's efforts to retain and train members of its diverse workforce.

Employee Development and Training Opportunities

In FY 2020, the Agency continued to provide employment development opportunities to its employees. For example, in the first quarter of FY 2020, CSOSA offered qualified employees the opportunity to apply for a year-long leadership program sponsored by the American Probation and Parole Association. This program was designed to assist the participants with developing the knowledge and competencies needed to advance into senior-level positions within the Agency. Four women, three of whom were African American and one of whom was White, were selected to participate in this program. Although the program began in January 2020, it was suspended due to the circumstances created by COVID 19, and the selectees are now scheduled to complete it virtually in FY 2021.

CSOSA conducted a skills assessment survey of its administrative support staff. The goal of the survey was to identify the skills the staff possessed and the skills staff members needed to develop in order to effectively perform their jobs and meet the Agency's needs. The results will be used to develop more training and employee development opportunities for the administrative support staff.

The Training and Career Development Centers for both CSOSA and PSA provided mandatory training courses in the areas of equal employment opportunity (EEO), sexual harassment prevention and the No Fear Act. These courses were completed by 37 supervisors and 562 non-supervisory employees. Training on the new Anti-Harassment and the Reasonable Accommodation policies and procedures is being developed and is expected to be delivered to the workforce in FY 2021, along with the existing mandatory training.

In FY 2020, the Agency also provided other training opportunities and funding for employees to participate in career and leadership programs, such as:

- Aspiring Leaders Program for grade levels GS 4-6;
- the Susan Shaffer Leadership Academy sponsored by PSA for grade levels GS-9 and below, which prepares individuals for potential leadership roles within and outside the Agency;
- Supervisory Mentoring Program, a component of PSA's Career Management System that provides mentors with extensive supervisory, management and leadership experience to new supervisors in their first year; and
- New Leaders Program for grade levels GS 7-11.



Priority 1.1 - Empowering management staff to embrace their roles as leaders and champions of diversity.

In FY 2020, the Agency continued its focus on incorporating diversity, inclusion, and engagement elements into the Agency's ongoing leadership development, supervision, and training activities as set forth in Agency's Objective 1.1.3. To this end, CSOSA and PSA's Training and Career Development Centers continue to attempt to identify opportunities to include these elements in the development and training programs provided to supervisors, managers, and executives. In addition, executive leaders created leadership development plans for mid and upper level managers that included a component focused on equal employment opportunity.

In FY 2021, CSOSA and PSA will continue to support leadership development throughout all levels of the Agency by providing opportunities for employees to attend Executive and Potential Leadership Programs as well as other training programs. All of these efforts will continue to focus on providing supervisors, managers, and employees with the leadership skills necessary to support a diverse and engaged workforce in a positive and productive environment.

Priority 2.1 - Create an actionable plan to build a diverse and high-performing workforce.

The Agency will continue to invite staff from across the Agency to engage in diversity and inclusion discussions that will contribute to effective decision making pursuant to Agency Objective 2.1.4. Both CSOSA and PSA have realized tremendous benefit from their respective discussions with employees from all levels of the Agency, including members of the Special Emphasis Programs, about diversity and inclusion related issues. In FY 2021, CSOSA and PSA will continue to leverage those discussions to explore ways of reducing barriers to employee inclusion and engagement in the workplace.

Priority 3 - Identify, track, and report specific measurable milestones that reflect diversity and inclusion efforts.

In FY 2021, the Agency will continue its review of its recruitment, retention, and promotion efforts aimed at increasing diversity in the Agency's workforce as set forth in Objective 3.1.1. Specifically, the Agency will discuss its effort with members of the Asian Pacific Program Committee, Hispanic Employment Program Committee, and the Disability Employment Program Committee, and external organizations with significant numbers of members from underrepresented groups.



Hispanic employees comprised 4.8% (51 of the 1065 employees) of the Agency's permanent workforce as of September 30, 2020, compared to 9.96% of the civilian labor force (CLF) based on the 2010 Census data, and 7.95% compared to the government-wide participation rate in 2011. Nineteen Hispanic men represented 1.8% of the Agency's workforce in comparison to 5.17% of the CLF. Thirty-two Hispanic women represented 3.0% of the Agency's workforce in comparison to 4.79% of the CLF.

Recruitment, Retention, Training and Outreach

In FY 2020, PSA continued its efforts to provide detail assignments, mentoring, and career development opportunities to develop and retain Hispanic employees. For example, a Hispanic female completed a four-month detail assignment in February 2020 with the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Civil Rights. Also, one Hispanic female and one Hispanic male participated in the League of United Latin American Citizens' "2020 Virtual Federal Training Institute Partnership -- A Month of Professional Development."

CSOSA's Office of Financial Management and PSA's Office of Financial Administration allocated funds for the Foreign Language Award to recognize law enforcement employees who used their bilingual language skills in the performance of their duties. With the issuance of this year's awards, morale among Spanish-speaking employees within the workforce continued to improve.

In FY 2020, the Hispanic Employment Program Committee (HEPC) spearheaded the Agency's efforts to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month. The HEPC provided employees with information about the establishment of National Hispanic Heritage Month, circulated educational materials about the contributions of notable Hispanic and Latino Americans, and promoted virtual educational resources and events commemorating the month.

During FY 2020, the Agency continued its Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Columbia Heights Educational Campus (CHEC), a bilingual-themed school with a majority Hispanic student population. Members of the HEPC and other Agency employees assisted CHEC students by participating on the panels evaluating the senior class members' portfolio presentations in the second quarter of FY 2020. However, as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic, CHEC suspended its activities with the Agency until further notice.

Planned Activities for FY 2021

In FY 2021, the HEPC will continue to work with the Agency's executive leadership on barriers that affect Hispanic employment, particularly at the GS-12 through SES grade levels, as referenced in OPM's latest Hispanic in the Federal Workforce Report. The HEPC will continue to discuss strategies aimed at increasing participation rates of Hispanic employees in the Agency's workforce

in compliance with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Management Directive 715, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and other statutes and regulations that govern the Federal Government's equal employment opportunity activities.

In FY 2021, the HEPC will continue, through its partnership with CHEC, to encourage students and alumni to consider the employment opportunities available at the Agency. The Agency will continue to research and build relationships with organizations having significant Hispanic constituencies in an effort to develop and attract a larger pool of Hispanic applicants.

In FY 2021, the HEPC and the Agency will continue to monitor and assess the impact of providing a monetary award versus a time off award to recognize law enforcement employees who use their bilingual language skills in the performance of their duties.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF People with Disabilities

The Agency is committed to being a model employer for People of Disabilities including People with Targeted Disabilities. In FY 2020, the Agency continued to implement and identify a number of strategies to meet the goals set forth in Executive Order 13548, *Increasing Federal Employment of Individuals with Disabilities*. Listed below is a statistical analysis of the number of employees with disabilities in the Agency's workforce, as well as some of the Agency's strategies and accomplishments related to the employment of people with disabilities.

Statistical Analysis

During FY 2020, the number of Persons with Disabilities (PWD) as well as Persons with Targeted Disabilities (PWTD) employed by the Agency decreased slightly. Specifically, the number of PWD decreased from 82 of 1103 employees, or 7.43%, in FY 2019 to 73 of 1065 employees, or 6.85%, in FY 2020. The number of PWTD decreased from 17, or 1.54%, in FY 2019 to 14, or 1.31%, in FY 2020. When the participation rates of both PWD and PWTD are combined, 8.17% of our Agency's workforce had a disability.

<u>Hiring</u>

The Agency utilizes the EEOC's 12% and 2% benchmarks for PWD and PWTD, respectively, as targets for the percentage of employees with disabilities and targeted disabilities in the workplace. The Agency communicates these goals to hiring officials. The Agency also strongly encourages hiring officials to utilize Schedule A hiring authority whenever possible to increase the number of PWD and PWTD in the workplace.

Outreach and Recruitment

Over the last fiscal year, even with limited resources, the Agency continued to utilize a variety of recruitment strategies designed to increase the number of qualified applicants with disabilities and with targeted disabilities. These multi-pronged recruitment strategies, which the Agency will continue to use in the upcoming fiscal years, include the following:

- Partnering with Virginia's and the District of Columbia's Vocational Rehabilitation Services and disability resource centers at local colleges and universities;
- Partnering with the Workforce Recruitment Program, a recruitment and referral program that connects employers with post-secondary students and recent graduates with disabilities;

- Partnering with the Operation Warfighter Program and the Wounded Warrior Regiment, M4Life Program;
- Developing collaborative recruiting partnerships with other community, academic and governmental groups that can reach individuals with targeted disabilities to increase the pool of potential candidates at the GS-11 level and above, including managerial and supervisory positions at grades GS-13 to SES;
- Increasing the Agency's presence at meetings, conferences, and career fairs sponsored by organizations serving individuals with targeted disabilities to reach a larger pool of potential candidates; and
- Sending job announcements in real-time to government, state, and local agencies serving persons with disabilities.

Training and Education

During FY 2020, members of the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, Diversity, and Special Programs and the Agency's Disability Employment Program Committee Manager continued to receive training with respect to their disability program duties. Collectively, they received the following training:

- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Section 501 Affirmative Action Plan instructional guidance;
- EEOC's 2020 Excel Training Conference courses on disability law and Reasonable Accommodation;
- Mandatory online EEO training on Reasonable Accommodation and the No FEAR Act;
- EEOC's Disability Program Management Training course; and
- FDR Training course on the nuts and bolts of disability law and Reasonable Accommodation.

Reasonable Accommodation

During FY 2020, the Agency completed the process of revising its Reasonable Accommodation policy and procedures including the procedures for processing requests for Personal Assistance Services. The Agency submitted its revised Reasonable Accommodation policy and procedures to the EEOC for its review in the third quarter of FY 2020 and is awaiting the EEOC's comments.

FY 2020 FEORP Progress Tracker

Type Agency Name Below (Replace Text)

Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency

Mentoring					
Mentoring Qualitative Qu	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide a detailed explanation.				
Agency has a Formal Mentoring Program	Response	*			
	Yes Response	Due to the COVID-19 and the Agency in a telework mode, no mentoring			
Mentoring Training provided	No	training was provided in FY 2020.			
Program is evaluated	Response No				
Frequency of Program Evaluation (e.g. annual, semiannual,	Response				
quarterly, other)	Annual Response				
Feedback is provided	Yes				
Program is announced to all qualified individuals	Response Yes				
Agency collects demographic data of mentoring participants	Response				
(Race, National Origin, Veteran, People with Disabilities, etc.)	Yes				
Mentoring Quantitative Ques	stions (# or %)				
Percent of employees involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0.00%				
Percent of SES involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response0.00%				
Percent of managers involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0.00%				
Percent of supervisors involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0.00%				
Count of employees involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Count of SES involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Count of managers involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Count of supervisors involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Γotal number of employees eligible to participate in FY 2020	Response 0				
Diversity and Inclusion Training					
Diversity and Inclusion Training Qualitative Qu	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide				
Qualitative Qu	Response	a detailed explanation.			

Formal Diversity and Inclusion Training provided	Yes		
Frequency of Diversity and Inclusion Training per year (e.g. annual, semiannual, quarterly, other)	Response Other		
All employees briefed on agency's Diversity and Inclusion Policies	Response Yes		
Diversity and Inclusion Training Quantitative Quest	ions (# or %)		
Percent of employees who have participated in formal Diversity and Inclusion Training in FY 2020	Response 0.02%		
Percent of Senior Leadership that have participated in formal Diversity and Inclusion Training in FY 2020	Response 0.00%		
Count of employees who have participated in formal Diversity and Inclusion Training in FY 2020	Response 16		
Count of Senior Leadership that have participated in formal Diversity and Inclusion Training in FY 2020	Response 0		
Total number of employees eligible to participate (this should not be equal to the total count that has participated unless 100% of workforce has participated) in FY 2020	Response 736		
Diversity and	d Inclusion (Council	
Diversity and Inclusion Council Qualitative Que	estions (Text)	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide a detailed explanation.	
Agency has a Diversity and Inclusion Council	Response Yes		
Diversity and Inclusion Council has a charter	Response Yes		
Council members have received training	Response No	Due to the COVID-19 and the Agency in a telework mode, no mentoring training was provided in FY 2020.	
Council's mission aligns to agency mission	Response Yes		
Frequency of council meetings (e.g. annual, semiannual, quarterly, other)	Response Other		
Diversity and Inclusion Council Quantitative Quest	ions (# or %)		
Percent of employees on council	Response 86.00%		
Percent of Senior Leadership on council	Response 14.00%		
Count of employees on council	Response 19		
Count of Senior Leadership on council	Response 3		
Total number of people on council	Response 22		
Development Programs			
Development Programs Qualitative Question	as (Vas ar Na)	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide	

D&I Element in en Yes or No	Percentage	Count	The Agency has no	ot required D&I language within performance plans, although it does that pertains to the consideration or employee perspectives when making
D&I Element in employee performance plans Yes or No Percentage Count				on to provide additional response or explanation as D&I element in performance plans (required for es)
No	23.89%	0	require language that pertains to the consideration or employee perspectives when making decisions. Overall, 27 of the 113 performance plans reviewed (24%) contained language	
			Use this section to provide additional response or explanation as it relates to a D&I element in performance plans (required for "No" responses) The Agency has not required D&I language within performance plans, although it does	
No	0.00%	count	based on recommendations from the D&I Council.	
D&I Element in SES performance plans Yes or No Percentage Count			Use this section to provide additional response or explanation as it relates to a D&I element in performance plans (required for "No" responses) The agency is currently reviewing proposed D&I elements for SES performance plans	
Performa Does your agency have a Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) element incorporated in the leading people element)?			mance Plans	
Count of employees who participated in a Career Development Program in FY 2020			12	
Count of employees who participated in the SES Candidate Development Program in FY 2020			0 Response	
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participants (Race, Disabilities, etc.)	•••		Yes	
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The Career Develop			Response	
all qualified individ	luals (this is a CDP	gram that is announced to that is different from the the lower grade levels)	Response Yes	
The SES Candidate	Development Prog	ram is evaluated regularly	Response No	
	announced to all qualified individuals			

FY 2020 FEORP Progress Tracker

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Pretrial Service Agency

Mentoring					
Mentoring Qualitative Qu	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide a detailed explanation.				
Agency has a Formal Mentoring Program	Response Yes	Example: The agency is in the process of launching a new mentoring program in the first quarter of FY 2020.			
Mentoring Training provided	Response Yes				
Program is evaluated	Response Yes				
Frequency of Program Evaluation (e.g. annual, semiannual, quarterly, other)	Response Annual				
Feedback is provided	eedback is provided Response Yes				
Program is announced to all qualified individuals	ogram is announced to all qualified individuals Yes				
Agency collects demographic data of mentoring participants (Race, National Origin, Veteran, People with Disabilities, etc.)					
Mentoring Quantitative Questions (# or %)					
Percent of employees involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 4.02%				
Percent of SES involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0.00%				
Percent of managers involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0.00%				
Percent of supervisors involved with mentoring in FY 2020 6.38%					
Count of employees involved with mentoring in FY 2020	unt of employees involved with mentoring in FY 2020				
Count of SES involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Count of managers involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 0				
Count of supervisors involved with mentoring in FY 2020	Response 3				
Total number of employees eligible to participate in FY 2020	Response 323				
Diversity an	d Inclusion T	raining			
Diversity and Inclusion Training Qualitative Qu	uestions (Text)	If "No" or "Other", please use this section to provide a detailed explanation.			

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The SES Candidate Development Program is evaluated regularly			Response	-
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Agency has a Career	Development Pro	ogram that is announced to	Response	-
		that is different from the s the lower grade levels)	Yes	
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The Career Develop	ment Program is o	evaluated regularly	Yes	
		development program	Response	
participants (Race, M Disabilities, etc.)	National Origin, V	eteran, People with	Yes	
Development Prog	ram	Quantitative Quest	tions (# or %)	
Percent of employee	es who participate	ed in the SES Candidate	Response	
Development Progra	am in FY 2020		0.00%	
Percent of employee	es who participate	ed in a Career Development	Response	
Program in FY 2020			1.55%	
Count of employees	who participated	in the SES Candidate	Response	
Development Progra	am in FY 2020		0	
Count of employees	who participated	in a Career Development	Response	
Program in FY 2020			5	
		Perfor	mance Plans	5
Does your agency have a Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) element in incorporated in the leading people element)?			ent in the follo	wing groups' performance plans (this may also be
D&I Element in SES	S performance p	lans		on to provide additional response or explanation as D&I element in performance plans (required for es)
Yes or No	Percentage	Count	Ex. The agency is currently reviewing proposed D&I elements for SES performance pla based on recommendations from the D&I Council.	
Yes	100.00%			
			Use this section to provide additional response or explanation as it relates to a D&I element in performance plans (required for "No" responses)	
Yes or No	Percentage	Count		
Yes	100.00%			
D&I Element in employee performance plans				on to provide additional response or explanation as D&I element in performance plans (required for es)
Yes or No	Percentage	Count		
No	0.00%			

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