



FEDERAL EQUAL OPPORTUNITY RECRUITMENT PROGRAM (FEORP) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022

FY 2022 Accomplishments and FY 2023 Plan

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FISCAL YEAR 2022 FEORP PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SUCCESSFUL/PROMISING PRACTICES

The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA) for the District of Columbia is an independent Executive Branch Agency. CSOSA is composed of the Community Supervision Program (CSP) and the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA), an independent and separately funded entity within CSOSA. The Agency is proud to present its Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP) accomplishments, as evidence of its ongoing efforts to recruit and maintain a high-quality and diverse workforce. Throughout this report, CSP and PSA will be referred to collectively as the Agency but will also be referred to individually as appropriate.

In FY 2022, the Agency's operations continued to be impacted by the national pandemic caused by COVID-19. The Agency continued with a significant level of enhanced telework for its workforce, consistent with the guidance of the Office of Personnel Management and the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force. Notwithstanding this significant challenge, 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 2022, the Agency engaged in a number of efforts designed to continue to increase employee engagement and retention. Those efforts included the following:

- The Agency continued with a significant level of enhanced telework for its workforce, consistent with the guidance of the Office of Personnel Management and the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force.
- In response to employee feedback about feeling disconnected and isolated at the beginning of the pandemic, the CSP Director created a weekly newsletter to engage staff. In FY 2022, the Director continued to use the weekly newsletters to keep employees abreast of the changes in the operation status of the various CSP program offices, provided updates about the work of the program offices, shared information about current and future events and priorities, encouraged employees to avail themselves of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), and other activities and resources to assist employees with navigating the emotional, mental, familial, physical and other challenges presented by the pandemic, and offered employees the opportunity to share their stories and ideas.
- The CSP Director also conducted various onsite visits during which he engaged employees directly.

- o PSA hosted an "All Hands" meeting for all of its employees. The meeting celebrated the accomplishments of PSA and its employees, outlined the state of PSA operations, and set forth PSA's initiatives for the next fiscal year. The PSA Director also used the meeting as opportunity to engage employees directly.
- o PSA implemented "Motivation Mondays." PSA used Mondays as a day to motivate employees by emailing employees words of encouragement and inspiration, personal growth tips, and information about upcoming training opportunities.
- o The Agency afforded several employees the opportunity to take detail assignments within CSP and PSA. These detail assignments allowed the employees to expand their knowledge and skill sets. The assignments significantly assisted in the Agency's efforts to retain and train members of its diverse workforce.

Employee Development and Training Opportunities

In FY 2022, the Agency continued to provide employment development opportunities to its employees. Both CSP's Training and Career Development Center (TCDC) and PSA's Training and Career Development Unit (TCDU) provided mandatory training courses in the areas of equal employment opportunity (EEO), sexual harassment prevention, and the No Fear Act. The Agency continued providing training on its new Anti-Harassment policy and procedures in its New Employee Orientation. In addition, the Agency continued to incorporate diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility principles into its New Employee Orientation. New Employee Orientation also included a review of Executive Order 14035, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) in the Federal Workplace (and the definitions included therein), a discussion of how DEIA principles are embedded into the Agency's culture and operations, and provided examples of how DEIA principles are applied in different scenarios.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES RELATED TO HISPANIC EMPLOYMENT

Hispanic employees comprised 5.81% (60 of the 1033 employees) of the Agency's permanent workforce as of September 30, 2022, compared to 13.00% of the 2018 Civilian Labor Force (CLF). Twenty-three (23) Hispanic men represented 2.23% of the Agency's workforce in comparison to 6.80% of the CLF. Thirty-seven (37) Hispanic women represented 3.58% of the Agency's permanent workforce in comparison to 6.20% of the CLF.

Recruitment, Retention, Training and Outreach

In FY 2022, the Agency continued its efforts to recruit Hispanic employees, including by using the HEPC's network as well as social media to publicize vacancies. The Agency also continued its efforts to provide career development opportunities to develop and retain Hispanic employees. For example, one Hispanic female employee attended training provided by the League of United Latin American Citizenship. One Hispanic female attended the Latina Symposium.

In FY 2022, the Hispanic Employment Program Committee (HEPC) continued to spearhead the Agency's efforts to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month. The HEPC created and disseminated a newsletter in which they shared their vision for the committee, spotlighted the accomplishments of two Hispanic female employees, and shared recipes. In addition, the HEPC promoted local events commemorating the month.

During FY 2022, the Agency continued its ongoing partnership with the Columbia Heights Educational Campus (CHEC), a bilingual-themed school with a majority Hispanic student population. The Agency's partnership with CHEC was memorialized with a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in FY 2012.

Planned Activities for FY 2023

In FY 2023, 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. 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 2023, 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 2023, the HEPC and the Agency will continue to monitor and assess the impact of providing a monetary award versus other types of awards 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 2022, 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 self-identified 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 2022, the number of Persons with Disabilities (PWD) employed by the Agency decreased by five (5). Specifically, the number of PWD decreased from 91 or 8.77% of the workforce in FY 2021 to 86 or 8.32% of the workforce in FY 2022. The number of Persons with Targeted Disabilities (PWTD) remained at 14, which was 1.35% of the workforce in both FY 2021 and in FY 2022.

Hiring

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 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

In FY 2022, the Agency continued its initiative to encourage employees to update their disability status. As part of this initiative, the Agency shared with employees the reasons the Agency needed that information and the benefits of providing it. The Agency also provided employees with the Form 256, which sets forth the list of conditions that are considered disabilities, and on which employees could update their disability status.

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 over the last year. These multi-pronged recruitment strategies, which the Agency will continue to use in the upcoming fiscal years, include the following:

o Using social media to publicize vacancies;

- o 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;
- Expanding outreach 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; and
- O Sending job announcements in real-time to federal, state, and local agencies and organizations serving persons with disabilities.

Training and Education

During FY 2022, members of the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, Diversity, and Special Programs continued to receive training with respect to their disability program duties. Collectively, they received the following training:

- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)'s Management Directive 715 and barrier analysis;
- o EEOC's 2022 Excel Training Conference, including courses on Reasonable Accommodation;
- o Mandatory online EEO training on Reasonable Accommodation and the No FEAR Act; and
- o EEOC's Disability Program Management Training course.

Reasonable Accommodation

During FY 2022, the Agency continued to implement the Reasonable Accommodation policy and procedures it issued in FY 2021. The Agency continued to work with supervisors and employees to improve their understanding of the policy and procedures. The Agency will continue these efforts in FY 2023.

Annual FEORP Plan Certification

For the Fiscal Year 2022

A. Name and Address of Agency:
B. Name and Title of Designated FEORP Official (Include e-mail address, telephone and fax numbers. In addition, please include address):
C. Name and Title of Contact Dorson (Include a mail address, talenhous and face number. In
C. Name and Title of Contact Person (Include e-mail address, telephone and fax number. In addition, please include address):
Certification
I certify the above agency: 1) Has a current Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP) plan and the program is being implemented as required by Public Law 95-454 and subsequent regulations and guidance issued by the U.S. Office of

Personnel Management; 2) All field offices or installations with fewer than 500

are available on request from field offices or installations.

employees are covered by a FEORP plan; 3) All field offices or installations with 500 or more employees are covered either by this plan or by a local plan; and 4) Such plans

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