

<b>Missouri: New Innovators' Professional Learning Network</b>	
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GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE OF AREA (CITY, SUB-COUNTY, COUNTY, OR MULTI-COUNTY)	7-County Region surrounding one complete MSA (Joplin), and taking in part of a multi-state MSA (Bentonville, Ark.).
POPULATION OF AREA	279,521
PRIMARILY URBAN, RURAL, SUBURBAN?	Primarily Rural
IS BOARD INCORPORATED?	Yes
NUMBER OF STAFF DEDICATED TO BOARD WORK	5
EMPLOYER OF RECORD FOR BOARD STAFF (i.e., the incorporated board, county government, community college, etc.)	Workforce Investment Board of the Southwest Region, Inc.
TOTAL BOARD BUDGET	\$350,000
WIA DOLLARS BUDGETED FOR BOARD WORK	15%
PERCENT OF TOTAL WIA ALLOCATION	12%

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LIST NON-WIA FUNDING SOURCES FOR BOARD WORK, IF ANY	TANF, state workforce agency discretionary grants, industry sector consortium funds, some small sources from local foundations
NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS	28
STANDING COMMITTEES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive</li> <li>• Youth Council</li> <li>• Personnel</li> <li>• Sector partnerships comprising various geographies and targeted sectors for Adv Manufacturing, Healthcare, Energy/Utilities, Transportation/Logistics, Construction, Information Technology, and Customer Service</li> <li>• SW MO WIB uses various short-term workgroups as needed for various initiatives</li> </ul>
MAJOR BOARD GOALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soft Skill Development/Work Readiness Credential</li> <li>• Increase Business Market Share in Targeted Sectors</li> <li>• Assess Business Needs of Immigrant WF Employment</li> <li>• Sector projects in seven targeted segments (see above)</li> <li>• Quad-States Regional Transformation (regional innovation grant and implementation of WIRED framework)</li> <li>• Diversify funding; expand fee-for-service and other non-traditional resources</li> <li>• Business retention outreach; economic development integration</li> </ul>
Y/N: DOES THE BOARD HAVE....	A firewall between the board's staffing/work and one-stop services? <u>Yes</u> Fiscal agent role? <u>Yes</u>
Y/N: DOES THE BOARD HAVE.....	By-laws? <u>Yes</u> Strategic plan for the board's work (as opposed to one for the one-stop's work?) <u>Yes</u> Written agreement between board and CEOs? <u>No</u> Written charter agreement between board and one-stop operator? <u>Yes</u> Contract with a competitively procured one-stop operator? <u>Yes</u>

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IS THE BOARD OR  
DIRECTOR A  
MEMBER OF...

NAWB Yes

NACO \_\_\_\_

The Workforce Alliance \_\_\_\_

A State WIB Association Yes

NAWDP Yes

Other National Organizations: International Economic  
Development Council, Society for HR Management  
(SHRM), American Society for Training and Development  
(ASTD)

Other State Organizations: Missouri Economic Development  
Council, Missouri Association for Workforce Development,  
Missouri Association for Customized Training