

As we look ahead to the New Year, we can't help but look back at our work throughout 2022. Dr. Lisa Bly-Jones joined Chicago Jobs Council (CJC) as CEO at the beginning of the year and shared her vision for "<u>Charting the Path</u> <u>Forward</u>."

We engaged in a year-long partnership with Design B&B to update our mission and vision statements and refresh our brand. (We hope you've been liking the new logo and colors!) We recognized that this has been a period of transition, for ourselves and for the field, with <u>June's Annual Meeting</u> theme of "The View From The Bridge: Learning From Our Past & Co-Creating The Future."

Other highlights include:

- Continued advocacy for equitable policies and platforms that remove barriers to employment alongside partners on the <u>Transit Table</u> and <u>IL</u> <u>Skills for Good Jobs Table</u>
- Filled 326 seats in 15 public trainings throughout the calendar year
- Celebrated the capstone projects of 14 <u>Workforce Professionals</u> <u>Credential</u> cohort graduates and 15 <u>Chicago College and Career</u> <u>Advising Credential</u> cohort graduates in June
- Introduced our Anti-Racist Workforce Development Framework at the Chicagoland Workforce Development Symposium and the SHIFT The Future of Workforce Conference in Minneapolis, each in September

• Joined with our community at Midwest Coast Brewing Co. for our first fully in-person event since the beginning of pandemic



With all of this great work behind us, we're looking forward to 2023, as we continue to partner with community and institutional leaders to re-imagine our workforce system so all people can thrive through employment. **By donating to our end of year campaign you will ensure that we can continue advancing**

our vision to create an anti-racist workforce development system and employment equity so that everyone can realize their unique pathway out of poverty.

I support the Chicago Jobs Council because we aim to create a more equitable society as we strive to dissolve structural inequities contributing to racial, ethnic, and gender disparities in employment. I invite you to support CJC as well." Anita Jenke, Executive Director of Career Transitions Center, and CJC Board Member

To contribute to our campaign, visit our <u>Wishboard</u> where you can select a donation amount from \$1 to \$100. Once we have received a donation in a specific amount, it will be "out of stock," so donate early to make sure the amount you'd like to give is available!

Ready to donate now? You don't have to wait. <u>Make your tax-deductible</u> <u>donation today</u>!

We appreciate your continued partnership in advancing this critical work.

In gratitude,

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Andrew Hertzberg Development Associate, Chicago Jobs Council

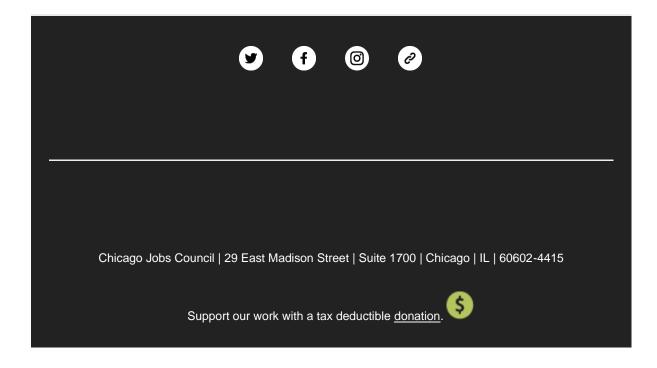


Our Mission

Together with community and institutional leaders, Chicago Jobs Council is reimagining our workforce system so all people can thrive through employment.

Our Vision

Our vision is to create an anti-racist workforce development system and employment equity so that everyone can realize their unique pathway out of poverty.



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