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INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

To: Employer Breakfast Participants
From: SLMC Diversity Committee

Hello all,

The Diversity Committee has prepared the final documentation following the Employers Breakfast Gathering of February 10, 2005. Attached for your reference are two documents, which are a compilation of the information collected from the morning brainstorming session. Thank you for your input, energy and suggestions during the activities. The attachments are as follows:

Question and Answer Activities
Wrap-Up

Based on the input on the wrap-up forms, it appears that employers are eager and willing to advance workplace diversity. The SLMC Diversity Committee can offer the following supports:

Recruitment of Employees with a diverse background
Resources and Contacts of Organizations that work with individuals of a diverse background
Best Practices networking

The Diversity Committee will be reconvening in September to discuss further activities and opportunities to network with employers. In the meantime, you should have received an email from one of our committee members about your priority of needs that the Diversity Committee will address.

The current members of the SLMC Diversity Committee include:
SEARCHS- employment marketing of persons with a disability
Saskatoon Open Door Society- employment services for New Canadians and persons of a visible minority
Saskatoon Tribal Council- employment services of persons who are First Nations
HRSDC- Federal Government representative, involved with youth, persons with a disability and foreign workers
Can/SK- Provincial Government representative, involved in employment of persons on social assistance and employment insurance eligible

The Diversity Committee has strong partnerships in the Saskatoon and area community. It is a sub-committee of the Saskatoon Labour Market, and therefore networks and connects with information, activities, and initiatives to enhance employment opportunities and simultaneously meet the Labour Force and Labour Market needs.

You are most welcome to contact myself as Chair of the Committee; with any questions or to request any of the supportive services we can provide to you as Employers interested in Workplace Diversity. My direct number is 306.343.3461, address is 524 2nd Avenue North, Saskatoon, SK S7K 2C5.

Thank you once again for involvement in the first formal activity of our Diversity Committee. The sharing of information and networking of employers that was observed certainly indicated success and a start of more to come.

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Chairperson
SLMC Diversity Committee