



# REGIONAL INDUSTRY SKILLS EDUCATION

## Workforce Policy Forum

February 19, 2008  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Inn on the Park

### Agenda

- 10:00 am**      **Welcome and Opening Presentations**
- Secretary Roberta Gassman
    - Partnership with the Joyce Foundation and Shifting Gears
    - GROW WI III -Opportunity Grants and Skills Jump Start
  - Sue Gleason, DWD RISE Co-Lead
    - Objectives for the Day and for the Coming Year
    - Review *Career Pathways Guidelines & Operational Elements*
- 10:45 am**      **Changing how we serve low skill workers in Wisconsin**
- Julie Strawn, Center for Law and Social Policy
    - Goals for the Shifting Gears Initiative
    - Review of other state/regional efforts
- 11:45 am**      **SOUTHWESTERN LUNCH BUFFET PROVIDED**
- 12:30 pm**      **RISE Workforce Policy Matrix and Policy Gaps**
- Julie Strawn, Center for Law and Social Policy
- 1:00 pm**      **Rolling out RISE in Wisconsin and in your Region**
- Julie Strawn, Center for Law and Social Policy
- Small Group Discussions**
- Question 1 - Policy Gaps
- Supporting policies or barriers?
  - Federal, state or local law, policy or practice?
- Question 2 - State and Regional Engagement
- What activities are you already engaged in?
  - How to engage businesses and which ones?
  - How can current resources be re-directed?
  - Additional information, tools or resources needed?
- 2:15 am**      **Report out and take-aways**
- 2:45 pm**      **Next Steps and Closing Comments**
- 3:00 pm**      **Adjourn**