



Workforce Solutions

Brokering Workforce Solutions For Business

WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS: A Fact Sheet

A business-driven initiative of the

- Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce
- Workforce Alliance of South-Central Kansas
- Sedgwick County Workforce Development
- Kansas Department of Commerce

Why does Wichita and south-central Kansas need Workforce Solutions?

1. **Trends:** Aging workforce, baby boomers retiring, economic development driven by skilled employee availability
2. **Global competition:** Our industries – and their workers – represent a valuable commodity
3. **Changing technology:** Challenge to keep workforce trained
4. **Complex system:** Multiple training options available– difficult for businesses and industries to navigate

What does Workforce Solutions do?

1. **Simplify** the system
 - Single point of contact
 - Employer driven (customized v. industry)
 - Regional
 - Customer service
2. Serve as **broker** for regional businesses seeking workers or workforce training
 - Business growth and retention
 - Added value as relocation incentive

What does each partner bring to Workforce Solutions?

- Chamber – employers
- Authority – training
- Commerce – state and federal funding
- Alliance – facility