



Education and Industry Consortium

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Fort Myers, Florida 33912



Agenda

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Welcome And Introductions

CareerSource Southwest Florida
Board of Directors
Mike Biskie-Chair





2024-2025 Education and Industry Consortium Members



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Glades County School District

Blanca Beauchamp
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Shaw Development

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Evelyn Valdes
Lee County Economic
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Florida Gulf Coast University

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Advance Hurricane Technology
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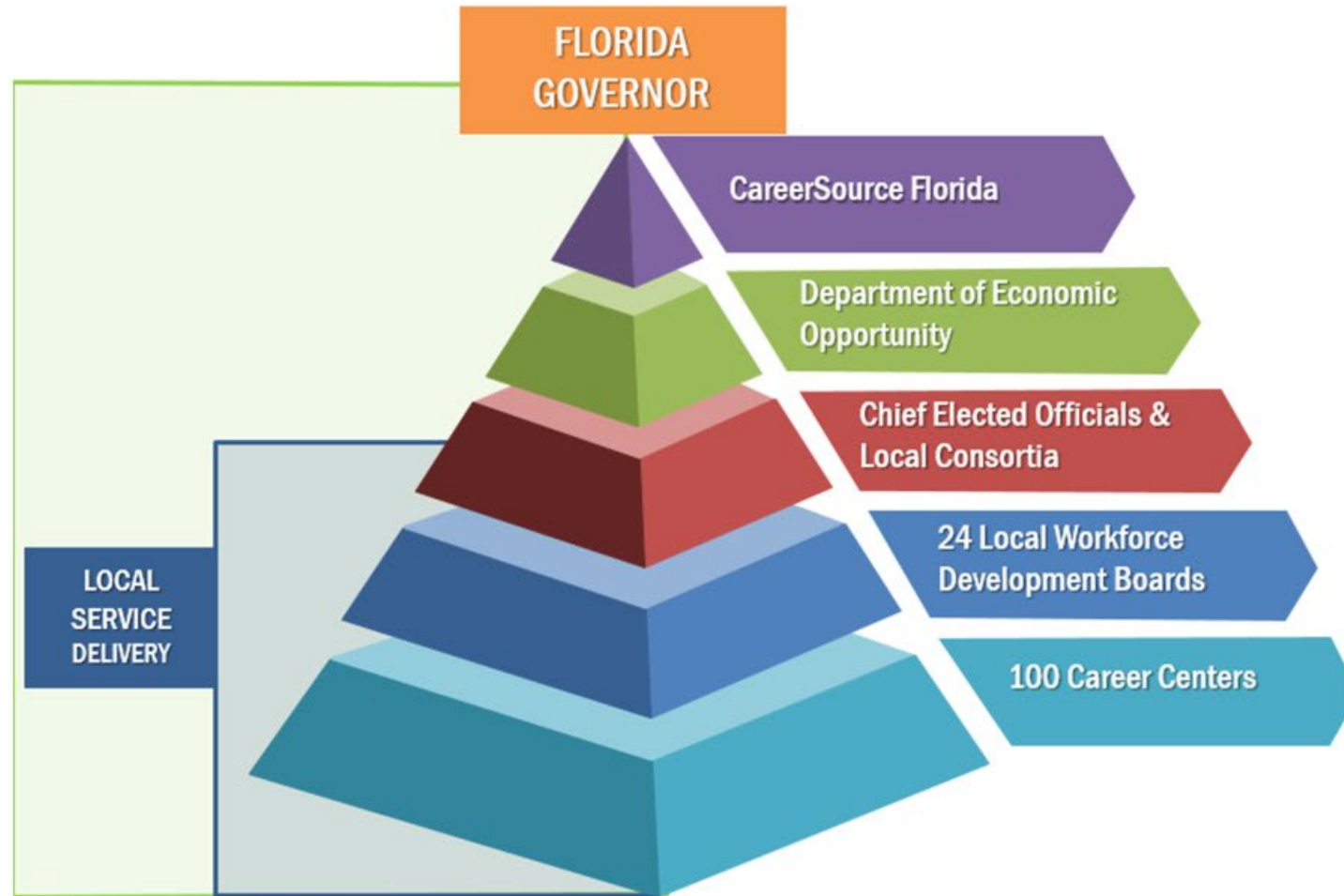


Purpose and Scope of the Consortium

CareerSource Southwest Florida
President and CEO
Peg Elmore



Florida's Workforce System



Eligible Training Providers/Programs

- ✦ Training tied to Targeted Occupations
- ✦ Licensed or Approved by DOE or CIE
- ✦ Proven Performance
- ✦ Results in a credential on the Master Credential List



The Challenge



- 🔗 Technical Colleges are expanding
- 🔗 Business needs are ever changing
- 🔗 What programs should be created or expanded?



Reporting Requirements of the Consortium

**Consortium Facilitator
Yolanda Flores**





Election of Consortium Chair & Vice-Chair



2024 Meeting Dates & Locations





Economic Data Tools Overview

- **How can we use our tools to identify community and industry education needs?**

**Lee County Economic Development
Office**

**Senior Research Analyst
Evelyn Valdes**



Next Steps

