

Filling the Skills Gap: Pathways to Manufacturing Careers

Case Study Forum

July 24th, 2012 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Erie Community College City Campus, 121 Ellicott Street, Buffalo

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Jack Quinn, President of Erie Community College

Howard Zemsky, Managing Partner Larkin Development Group

Manufacturing Opportunity and Workforce Challenges

- Bruce Katz, Vice President of the Brookings Institution and Director of the Metropolitan Policy Program
- Robert Shibley, Dean of the University at Buffalo's School of Architecture and Planning

Case Study Presentations and Discussion

Overview of Manufacturing Workforce Challenges and Initiatives

- National Association of Manufacturers presented by Jacey Wilkins, Director of Communications, The Manufacturing Institute

Forming Industry Partners

- National Fund for Workforce Solutions presented by Fred Dedrick, Executive Director of the National Fund for Workforce Solutions

Discussion

Break

Manufacturing Technology High School Models

- Austin Polytechnical Academy presented by Dan Swinney, Founder of the Austin Polytechnical Academy
- Charter School for Applied Technologies presented by Efrain Martinez, Superintendent of the Charter School of Applied Technologies

Promoting Manufacturing Jobs

- Dream it. Do it. presented by Todd Trantum, Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce

Discussion

Next Steps/Closing Remarks

Robert Shibley