

Press Release

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Holmes Elected to Board of Trustees US Conference of Mayors Workforce Development Committee

ST. LOUIS—Michael K. Holmes, Executive Director of the City of St. Louis Workforce Investment Board at St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE), was elected to the Board of Trustees for the Workforce Development Committee (WDC) for the United States Conference of Mayors.

Holmes will serve a one-year term on the WDC Board, which is an affiliate of The United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) and serves as the advisory board to develop priorities and recommend policy to the nation's mayors with respect to the urban workforce system.

The WDC, unlike any other national organization, plays an active bipartisan role in representing urban workforce and job training issues and positioning them before mayors, congressional leaders, and members of the Administration. It provides a direct line to Washington, D.C. and assists in defining how the workforce system fits into workforce development initiatives of the Administration and the 111th Congress.

SLATE is a federally funded agency, run by the City of St. Louis, which assists job seekers and businesses with employment and training needs. Thousands of job seekers have benefitted from the services, and hundreds of businesses in the St. Louis area use SLATE for their recruiting needs, as well as upgrading current employee's skills through training, and many other career-based services.

Holmes is also involved in other national organizations including Partnership for Environmental Technology Education (PETE), where he serves as the National President; he is also a Commissioner for the American Association of Community Colleges for Workforce Development.

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