

## Local Plan Comments:

<b>Comment 1</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Dwayne Hatchett, One Spartanburg Inc. Director of Existing Industries</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>OneSpartanburg, Inc. would like to work with Sector Strategies Partnerships. His goal is to increase by a minimum of four (4) new employers participating by 2023.</i>
<b>Comment 2</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Craig Jacobs, Upstate Workforce Board Chairman</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Some of the levels of education for the three counties were somewhat surprising. He thought there would be more with BA or higher degrees.</i>
<b>Comment 3</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Judy Horton, Upstate Workforce Board Member, and owner of Horton Consulting LLC.</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Local initiatives are in the works to help veterans needing assistance for school and entering employment. SC Works can enroll veterans as Dislocated Workers and provide supportive services to assist.</i>
<b>Comment 4</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Nikki Burgess, SC Works Project Director</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Participants must go through the DSS Voucher process before becoming eligible for SC Works childcare supportive services. Even though there was an increase in the rate, this has caused a barrier for participants needing this assistance.</i>

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<b>Comment 5</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Ethan Burroughs, Vice President of Economic Advancement at the SCC Spark Center</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>SCC will be adding an instructor and has procured automatic trucks for training as a solution for the long waiting lists and to help increase the output of CDLs.</i>
<b>Comment 6</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Cherie Pressley, Upstate Workforce Board Member and Workforce Advisor for the SC Department of Commerce</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Asked to incorporate the Gap Analysis with the plan. The Gap Analysis will be added to the plan as Attachment I-C.</i>
<b>Comment 7</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Warren Snead, Cooper Standard Human Resource Manager</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>2023 would be an exciting year with all the initiatives included in the plan. He felt it was a solid plan and appreciated the resources available to support local manufacturers.</i>
<b>Comment 8</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Dave Wheeler, Upstate Workforce Board Disabilities Committee Member and AbleSC Community Training Coordinator</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>It might be worth reaching out to Bombas. They donate socks, t-shirts, and undergarments and could be a resource for the ACHIEVE t-shirt drive.</i>

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<b>Comment 9</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Lisa Thomas, Upstate Workforce Board Disabilities Committee Member</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Noted an error to be corrected on page 26. It currently reads on example is a \$27,400 grant from Women Giving for Spartanburg. On should be One.</i>
<b>Comment 10</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Dana Wood, Upstate Workforce Board Associate Director</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>A grant was secured to purchase new ADA equipment to upgrade the existing equipment in the resource rooms of the SC Works centers and better serve clients needing accommodations.</i>
<b>Comment 11</b>
<b>Originating Entity:</b> <i>Hannah Drew, Project SEARCH Instructor</i>
<b>Comment:</b> <i>Noted the changes she planned to suggest were already corrected. Her comment was regarding the mentions of meetings that occurred in 2020/2021.</i>