EEO Utilization Report

Organization Information

Name: Connecticut Department Of Correction

City: Wethersfield

State: CT

Zip: 06109

Type: State Correctional Department and/or Institution

Step 1: Introductory Information

Policy Statement:

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY STATEMENT

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Step 4b: Narrative of Interpretation

The Equal Employment Opportunity Director reviewed the Utilization Analysis (comparing the Departments workforce to the relevant labor market) and noted the following:

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Step 5: Objectives and Steps

- 1. White Males. The Connecticut Department of Correction's (CTDOC) objective is to provide equal employment opportunities for White males when filling vacancies that become available in the Protective Sworn, and Administrative Support job categories.
 - a. The Affirmative Action Unit will continue to monitor all hiring and promotions for CTDOC. The Affirmative Action Unit reviews and approves all recruitment packages for each selection which includes the interview panel, job posting, interview questions, applicant pool, and reasons for selection and non-selection of all candidates in the pool.
 - b. The Affirmative Action Unit in collaboration with Human Resources will target recruitment for non-minority men in an effort to ensure that the CTDOCs practices offer full equal opportunity.
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 - h. The Affirmative Action Unit will continue to review monthly demographic statistical reports.

- 2. Hispanic Males. The objective of the CTDOC is to provide equal employment opportunities for Hispanic Males when filling vacancies that become available in the Administrative Support, Skilled Craft, and Service Maintenance job categories.
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Step 6: Internal Dissemination

The following are ways we plan to disseminate our EEO Utilization Report Internally:

- 1. Place a copy of the EEOP Utilization Report in the Grant Award file.
- 2. Post information on bulletin boards in the Departments Affirmative Action Division, Human Resources Division and Best Practices (Grants) Unit about how to obtain a copy of the EEOP Utilization Report.
- 3. Send electronic memorandum to employees stating that a copy of the EEOP Utilization Report is available on request in the Departments Affirmative Action Division.
- 4. Post information on bulletin boards at each DOC facility with instructions for obtaining a copy of the EEOP Utilization Report.

5. Post the EEOP Utilization Report on the DOC Website and Intranet communication system.

Step 7: External Dissemination

The following are ways we plan to disseminate our EEO Utilization Report externally:

- 1. Notify applicants, vendors, and contractors in writing that the Department has developed an EEOP Utilization Report and that it is available on request to review.
- 2. Written notice of available employment opportunities to recruiting sources and organizations that are capable of referring qualified applicants for employment.
- 3. Post a copy of the EEOP Utilization Report on the DOC Website.
- 4. Copies of the EEOP Utilization Report will be made available upon request in the Department's Affirmative Action Division.

Utilization Analysis Chart Relevant Labor Market: Connecticut

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Job Categories	White	Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	Other	White	Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	Other
Officials/Administrators																
Workforce #/%	49/46%	10/9%	5/5%	0/0%	1/1%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	33/31%	1/1%	7/7%	1/1%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%
CLS #/%	119,050/5 2%	5,590/2%	5,360/2%	110/0%	5,830/3%	0/0%	690/0%	465/0%	78,985/34 %	4,800/2%	5,495/2%	130/0%	3,235/1%	50/0%	725/0%	520/0%
Utilization #/%	-6%	7%	2%	-0%	-2%	0%	-0%	-0%	-3%	-1%	4%	1%	-1%	-0%	-0%	-0%
Professionals		····	·										, , ,			
Workforce #/%	408/40%	87/8%	96/9%	3/0%	7/1%	1/0%	0/0%	0/0%	277/27%	47/5%	91/9%	0/0%	7/1%	2/0%	0/0%	0/0%
CLS #/%	135,175/3 7%	6,860/2%	9,190/2%	180/0%	12,835/3 %	0/0%	1,045/0%	765/0%	166,995/4 5%	10,340/3 %	12,755/3 %	145/0%	9,590/3%	65/0%	1,520/0%	745/0%
Utilization #/%	3%	7%	7%	0%	-3%	0%	-0%	-0%	-18%	2%	5%	-0%	-2%	0%	-0%	-0%
Technicians			·····							r	r				,	
Workforce #/%	15/52%	1/3%	2/7%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	5/17%	0/0%	6/21%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%
CLS #/%	16,680/34 %	1,365/3%	1,350/3%	45/0%	1,565/3%	0/0%	145/0%	75/0%	21,360/43 %	1,850/4%	3,000/6%	35/0%	1,100/2%	100/0%	260/1%	185/0%
Utilization #/%	18%	1%	4%	-0%	-3%	0%	-0%	-0%_	-26%	-4%	15%	-0%	-2%	-0%	-1%	-0%
Protective Services: Sworn													,			
Workforce #/%	1878/51%	494/13%	575/16%	10/0%	27/1%	3/0%	0/0%	0/0%	308/8%	119/3%	244/7%	1/0%	2/0%	1/0%	0/0%	0/0%
CLS #/%	19,910/66 %	2,665/9%	2,915/10 %	75/0%	175/1%	0/0%	185/1%	70/0%	2,555/8%	535/2%	1,035/3%	25/0%	25/0%	0/0%	100/0%	15/0%
Utilization #/%	-14%	5%	6%	0%	0%	0%	-1%	-0%	-0%	1%	3%	-0%	-0%	0%	-0%	-0%
Protective Services: Non- sworn								,								
Workforce #/%	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/	0/
Civilian Labor Force #/%	1,535/38 %	235/6%	215/5%	4/0%	0/0%	0/0%	45/1%	15/0%	1,390/35 %	145/4%	300/8%	0/0%	10/0%	30/1%	49/1%	20/1%
Utilization #/%																
Administrative Support		,	•						·					-		
Workforce #/%	12/5%	2/1%	9/4%	0/0%	1/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	151/62%	23/9%	46/19%	0/0%	1/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%

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CLS #/%	124,890/2 7%	15,080/3 %	14,090/3 %	395/0%	5,380/1%	80/0%	1,040/0%	910/0%	224,165/4 9%	29,515 <i>/</i> 6 %	27,710/6 %	340/0%	6,375/1%	215/0%	2,945/1%	1,605/0%		
Utilization #/%	-23%	-2%	1%	-0%	-1%	-0%	-0%	-0%	12%	3%	13%	-0%	-1%	-0%	-1%	-0%		
Skilled Craft									,						,			
Workforce #/%	124/82%	8/5%	9/6%	1/1%	1/1%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	6/4%	2/1%	1/1%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%		
CLS #/%	106,105/7 4%	18,950/13 %	6,420/4%	265/0%	1,775/1%	0/0%	900/1%	1,285/1%	5,500/4%	1,385/1%	595/0%	0/0%	355/0%	20/0%	50/0%	30/0%		
Utilization #/%	8%	-8%	1%	0%	-1%	0%	-1%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-0%	-0%	-0%	-0%		
Service/Maintenance															r	,		
Workforce #/%	135/66%	13/6%	17/8%	1/0%	4/2%	2/1%	0/0%	0/0%	26/13%	1/0%	4/2%	0/0%	1/0%	0/0%	0/0%	0/0%		
CLS #/%	143,040/3 4%	49,865/12 %	25,755/6 %	415/0%	8,155/2%	45/0%	1,835/0%	2,020/0%	114,260 <i>/</i> 2 7%	37,010/9 %	28,070/7 %	295/0%	8,430/2%	160/0%	2,115/0%	2,160/1%		
Utilization #/%	32%	-5%	2%	0%	0%	1%	-0%	-0%	-14%	-8%	-5%	-0%	-1%	-0%	-0%	-1%		

Significant Underutilization Chart

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Protective Services: Sworn	1						✓	~							✓			
Administrative Support	✓	✓																
Skilled Craft		/																
Service/Maintenance		1							✓	1	1							

I understand the regulatory obligation under 28 C.F.R. ~ 42.301-.308 to collect and maintain extensive employment data by race, national origin, and sex, even though our organization may not use all of this data in completing the EEO Utilization Report.

I have reviewed the foregoing EEO Utilization Report and certify the accuracy of the reported workforce data and our organization's employment policies.

Certified As Final By: Holly Darin	Equal Employment Opport	04-24-2017			
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Scott Semple Commissioner

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Affirmative action is a policy or a program that seeks to redress past discrimination while taking positive steps designed to eliminate existing and continuing discrimination, and to create systems and procedures to prevent future discrimination. It identifies and eliminates policies or barriers to equal employment opportunity and the achievement of full and fair utilization of all protected class persons we find to be underutilized in the workforce or to be adversely affected by any department policy or practice. The plan identifies imbalances and establishes programs, hiring and promotion goals and good faith actions to eliminate discrimination and attain full and non-discriminatory participation in all our programs and hiring and promotional activity.

Internal Complaint Process

The Department of Correction has established internal complaint procedures to be utilized in the investigation of internal complaints of alleged discrimination. These procedures are set forth in

Administrative Directive 2.1 and Administrative Directive 2.2 which are available on the Department's website.

Employment Process

Affirmative Action plays an important and necessary role in all stages of the employment process, including but not limited to, the areas of recruitment and selection, training, promotion and upgrading benefits. compensation, counseling, personnel policies, grievance investigation, evaluation, layoff, termination and all other vital areas to assure, promote and protect equal opportunity. The role of affirmative action is to provide an environment for the application of equal opportunity principles and to monitor the employment process to prevent illegal discrimination from arising or existing.

The Department also identifies sexual harassment as a form of sex discrimination and reiterates to all employees that unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal and/or physical conduct used either as a condition of employment or which has the effect of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment will not be tolerated.

We also recognize the hiring difficulties experienced by the physically disabled and by many older persons. In order to ensure the full and fair utilization of these persons in our workforce, we will set program goals for action as necessary.

The Department of Correction Affirmative Action Office will use viable affirmative action measures in all stages of the employment process. A list of federal and state constitutional provisions, laws, regulations, guidelines and executive orders that prohibit or outlaw discrimination are posted on the Department's intranet http://docweb/ under the Affirmative Action link.

Our policy is posted and distributed annually to all employees of the Department. Each employee has the right to review and comment upon the Affirmative Action Plan. Holly Quackenbush Darin, Equal Employment Opportunity Director, has been assigned Affirmative Action duties. She may be reached at the Department's Central Office, 24 Wolcott Hill Road, Wethersfield, Connecticut. The telephone number is (860) 692-7633.

Commitment

As Commissioner of the Department of Correction, I pledge that services and programs of this agency will be provided in a fair and impartial manner consistent with Affirmative Action. All education and training programs conducted by this agency will be open to qualified persons. Each contractor, supplier, union, or other cooperative agency with which we do business shall support this policy by complying with applicable State and Federal Equal Opportunity laws, regulations, guidelines and executive orders prohibiting discrimination. The Department of Correction shall not be a party to any agreement or contract which has the effect of sanctioning discriminatory practices. I expect all supervisory personnel to adhere to this mandate by carrying out their affirmative action responsibilities, as set forth in this plan, with the same effort as their other responsibilities.

Scott Semple

Commissioner, Department of Correction

Attachment for Step 4b: Narrative Underutilization Analysis

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The agency workforce data currently does not reflect Two or More Races (male or female) in its workforce. However, this is due to the fact that the data is derived from a centralized state employee record system (CORE) which does not utilize this race/sex category. In addition, state exams and the state employment application used by the Department for purposes of recruitment and selection of candidates currently do not utilize this race/sex group.

A review of the EEOP Utilization Report that was filed two years ago reflects significant improvements in the recruitment and retention of females as well as Hispanic and Asian Males in the Protective Services Sworn category. This was largely the result of aggressive recruitment efforts when the last Correction Officer exam was held. The Department held its own Career Fair, conducted presentations and educational seminars at libraries, colleges, churches, and community organizations throughout the state and sent flyers and related information to the Permanent Commission of the Status of Women, Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission, Urban League, Connecticut Job Center, colleges, and community groups.