

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAYBOOK:

ACE Ideas for MOs and Companies to Expand **Workforce Development Activities**

K-12, Higher Education, Talent Attraction Resources

K-12 Outreach

- Partner with K-12 schools to expand the awareness and interest of opportunities in the engineering industry.
- Increase awareness of civil engineering by increasing STEM outreach (classroom visits, college and career fairs and community events) during National Engineers Week and throughout the year.
- Connect with school administrators to address pipeline challenges and establish internship opportunities.
- Develop new materials that reflect the modern industry that appeal to kids and young adults.
- Establish regular communication with state educators through a quarterly newsletter.

Higher Education Partnerships

- Partner with higher education institutions that develop career opportunities for the services
- Fostering stronger relationships with collegiate and industry partners that support growth and retention of engineering talent.
- ▶ Increase enrollment in civil engineering programs and related fields and in-state retention of graduates.
- Increase the number of civil engineering graduates completing the "FE" exam.
- Support colleges and universities by engaging in capstone coursework and recruiting interns.
- ► Increase and diversify applications for ACEC [insert your state] Scholarship programs.

Talent Attraction Resources

- ▶ Develop indirect recruiting assistance through building a case for engineering opportunities in [insert your state].
- ▶ Opportunities include civil, electrical, environmental, mechanical, and structural engineering in [insert your state].
- ▶ Develop talent attraction resources.
- ► Increase awareness of engineering within communities through new volunteer program.
- ► Partner with state and industry leaders to raise awareness of industry challenges. Friday Celebration & Legacy