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Broome Talent Task Force releases progress report

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Binghamton, NY The Broome Talent Task Force released a report on its progress to address workforce development and talent attraction needs in Broome County. The report highlights the objectives established in the Broome County Workforce & Talent Attraction Strategic Action Plan 2017-2020.

The progress report highlights the process the group conducted to develop a workforce strategy, as well as successes from the first year of plan implementation. The report also outlines the goals and objectives for this year's efforts, which includes pursuing funding for programs through monies allocated to workforce development by the state.

"This group has been amazing to work with," said Stacey Duncan, executive director of The Agency. "We've been able to pull together a group of professionals with tremendous knowledge and expertise in their fields and as a result, we are turning our strategy into a product with tangible outcomes."

The Agency, which began this effort with a comprehensive data analysis of Broome's workforce stated that the group has become a powerful voice in workforce development in the region.

Peter Newman, regional president of M&T Bank and Anthony Paniccia, president of Delta Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors have served as co-chairs of the Task Force since 2017. "This report demonstrates that the unprecedented effort to bring together critical community partners is working," said Newman. "We have made great strides to create new partnerships and programs with organizations that might not have been working together prior to this effort."

"I am very proud of the work that we done as a community," said Paniccia. "We are building a vibrant workforce and strengthening our talent pipeline and telling our young people that we have valuable opportunities here in Broome."

Some of the highlights of the Progress Report includes the launch of a "there are jobs" campaign as part of the Broome County Good Life program; the creation of a state-recognized Warehouse Opportunity Impact Program; and the Greater Binghamton Education Outreach Program (GBEOP) launched the Your Futures website to link students, parents, educators and industry to job and internship opportunities.

The report can be downloaded at The Agency's website:

<https://www.theagency-ny.com/economic-development-resources>.

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