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Date: January 31, 2019

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

The Honorable JB Pritzker, Governor

The Honorable John J. Cullerton, Senate President

The Honorable William E. Brady, Senate Minority Leader The Honorable Michael J. Madigan, Speaker of the House

The Honorable Jim Durkin, House Minority Leader

James L. Bennett, Acting Director, Illinois Department of Human Rights

FROM:

Tony Smith, Ph.D.

State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT:

2019 African American, Asian American, and Hispanic American Employment

Plans

The Illinois State Board of Education respectfully submits the 2019 African American, Asian American, and Hispanic American Employment Plans to the Governor, the General Assembly and the Illinois Department of Human Rights in order to fulfill the requirements of Public Acts 96-1341, 97-856, and 94-597.

ISBE, the state agency responsible for primary and secondary education, recognizes that it has a special obligation to practice and promote equality of opportunity in education and employment. One way to work toward this goal is to foster a diverse workforce at ISBE — a goal we work toward each and every day. By striving to employ a workforce that reflects Illinois' rich cultural diversity, ISBE can better serve all the people of Illinois. The African American, Asian American, and Hispanic American Employment Plans outline our efforts to meet this worthy goal.

If you have any questions regarding these reports, please contact Amanda Elliott at (217) 782-6510.

cc:

Secretary of the Senate Clerk of the House Legislative Research Unit State Government Report Center



# 2019 African American Employment Plan

Respectfully submitted to the Illinois General Assembly February 1, 2019

## **Employment Statistics for African American Employees**

Fiscal Year 2018 (as of June 30, 2018)

Region One - Chicago Office

Equal Employment	Number of	African American	
Opportunity (EEO)	Employees in		African Americans
Category	Category/Region	Category/Region	
Officials/Administrators	17	5	29.41%
Professionals	42	12	28.57%
Office/Clerical	4	3	75%

Region Seven - Springfield Office

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EEO Category	Number of Employees in	African American Employees in	Percentage of African Americans
Officials/Administrators	Category/Region 52	Category/Region 1	1.92%
Professionals	225	8	3.56%
Office/Clerical	52	3	5.77%

#### **GRAND TOTAL**

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EEØ Category	Total Number of	Total Number of	Percentage of
	Employees	African Americans	African Americans
		Employed	
Officials/Administrators	69	6	8.70%
Professionals	267	20	7.49%
Office/Clerical	56	6	10.71%
GRAND TOTAL	392	32	8.16%

## **Underutilization of African Americans**

Fiscal Year 2018 (as of June 30, 2018)

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) was at parity in all African American EEO categories, with no underutilization.

# Budget allocation information for African American Employment Plan

The Human Resources and Labor Relations Division expended budget for Fiscal Year 2018 was \$14,717.97, excluding tuition reimbursement and salaries/benefits. The budget for Fiscal Year 2019 is \$45,700, excluding tuition reimbursement and salaries/benefits. This is used to support Human Resources activities and maintain a diverse work environment by recruiting minority candidates.

Strategies are in place to ensure administrative staff responsible for hiring, interviewing, and recruiting employees comply with the legislative mandates of the African American Employment Plan and ensure EEO guidelines are followed.

The ISBE Human Resources and Labor Relations Division has developed practices and procedures to regulate and document agency compliance with fair employment practices and

affirmative action requirements in personnel and business affairs. ISBE monitors all personnel transactions for compliance with state and federal equal opportunity requirements pertaining to employee selection, promotion, grievances, discipline, evaluation, layoff, recall, and discharge. The Human Resources and Labor Relations Division identifies affirmative action staffing deficiencies and makes hiring officials aware of those underutilizations. Human Resources and Labor Relations staff helps hiring officials to identify referral sources for qualified persons with disabilities, minority, and female applicants for agency positions.

The ISBE Human Resources and Labor Relations Division provides employees and administrative staff with information on EEO principles, rights, and requirements through training and the distribution of materials. This includes, but is not limited to, the completion and distribution of yearly Affirmative Action Plans and African American, Hispanic American, and Asian American Employment Plans.

# Strategies to increase selection, hiring, and promotion of African American employees

The ISBE Human Resources and Labor Relations Division actively works to encourage African American candidates to apply for positions with ISBE. ISBE notifies organizations such as the Illinois Association of Minorities in Government and the NAACP that all external vacancy lists can be found on our website and invites them to encourage their members and others to visit the site and submit applications.

Internal vacancies are posted and all qualified employees are encouraged to apply.

A hiring or promotion monitor form is completed and monitored for every vacancy, both external and internal, by Human Resources and Labor Relations staff.

ISBE has not identified specific numerical goals, but will strive to increase the number of African Americans employed in supervisory, professional, and managerial positions and to increase the number of African American employees in all EEO job categories in its Springfield office (Region Seven). ISBE will attempt to achieve this goal by continuing its efforts to notify relevant recruitment sources and organizations of vacancies to assist in attracting qualified applicants.



# 2019 Asian American Employment Plan

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### **Employment Statistics for Asian American Employees**

Fiscal Year 2018 (numbers as of June 30, 2018)

Region One - Chicago Office

Equal Employment	Number of	Asian American	Percentage of
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Opportunity (EEO)	Employeesin	Employees III	Asiali Allielicalis
Gategory	Gategory/Region :	Category/Region	
Officials/Administrators	17	1	5.88%
Professionals	42	6	14.29%
Office/Clerical	4	0	0.00%

Region Seven - Springfield Office

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EE® Category	Number of	Asian American	Percentage of	
	Employees in	Employees in	Asian Americans	
	Category/Region	Category/Region		
Officials/Administrators	52	1	1.92%	
Professionals	225	15	6.67%	
Office/Clerical	52	2	3.85%	

#### GRAND TOTAL

Total Number of	Total Number of	Percentage of
Employees	- Asian Americans	Asian Americans
	Employed	
69	2	2.90%
267	21	7.87%
56	2	3.57%
392	25	6.38%
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#### **Underutilization of Asian Americans**

Fiscal Year 2018 (as of June 30, 2018)

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) was at parity in all Asian American EEO categories, with no underutilization.

# Budget allocation information for Asian American Employment Plan

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Strategies are in place to ensure administrative staff responsible for hiring, interviewing, and recruiting employees comply with the legislative mandates of the Asian American Employment Plan and ensure EEO guidelines are followed.

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ISBE has not identified specific numerical goals, but will strive to increase the number of Asian Americans employed in supervisory, professional, and managerial positions across the agency and to increase the number of Asian American employees in all EEO job categories in its Springfield office (Region Seven). ISBE will attempt to achieve this goal by continuing its efforts to notify relevant recruitment sources and organizations of vacancies to assist in attracting qualified applicants.



# 2019 Hispanic American Employment Plan

Respectfully submitted to the Illinois General Assembly February 1, 2019

## **Employment Statistics for Hispanic American Employees**

Fiscal Year 2018 (numbers as of June 30, 2018)

Region One - Chicago Office

Equal Employment	Number of	Hispanic American	Percentage of
Opportunity (EEO)	Employees in		Hispanic Americans
Category	Category/Region	Category/Region	
Officials/Administrators	17	3	17.65%
Professionals	42	4	9.52%
Office/Clerical	4	1	25.00%

Region Seven - Springfield Office

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EEO Category	Number of	Hispanic American		
	Employees in	Employees in	Hispanic Americans	
	Category/Region	Category/Region		
Officials/Administrators	52	0	0.0%	
Professionals	225	5	2.22%	
Office/Clerical	52	0	0.0%	

#### **GRAND TOTAL**

EEO Category	Total Number of	Total Number of	Percentage of
EE© Category	Employees	Hispanic Americans Employed	Hispanic Americans
Officials/Administrators	69	3	4.35%
Professionals	267	9	3.37%
Office/Clerical	56	1	1.79%
GRAND TOTAL	392	13	3.32%

## **Underutilization of Hispanic Americans**

Fiscal Year 2018 (as of June 30, 2018)

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) was at parity in all Hispanic American EEO categories, with no underutilization.

# Budget allocation information for Hispanic American Employment Plan

The Human Resources and Labor Relations Division expended budget for Fiscal Year 2018 was \$14,717.97, excluding tuition reimbursement and salaries/benefits. The budget for Fiscal Year 2019 is \$45,700, excluding tuition reimbursement and salaries/benefits. This is used to support Human Resources activities and maintain a diverse work environment by recruiting minority candidates.

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ISBE has not identified specific numerical goals, but will strive to increase the number of Hispanic Americans employed in supervisory, professional, and managerial positions and to increase the number of Hispanic American employees in all EEO job categories in its Springfield office (Region Seven). ISBE will attempt to achieve this goal by continuing its efforts to notify relevant recruitment sources and organizations of vacancies to assist in attracting qualified applicants.