



Workforce Issuance

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To: MassHire Workforce Board Chairs
MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
MassHire DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: June 7, 2024

Subject: **White Cane Awareness Day Celebration**

Purpose: To invite MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and MassHire Career Center staff to join Massachusetts Commission for the Blind and Perkins School for the Blind to celebrate the independence of the white cane and help raise awareness of the [White Cane Law in Massachusetts](#) which requires drivers to identify and yield to pedestrians using a white cane or guide dog at street crossings.

Background: The white cane is recognized around the world as a means for identifying and empowering people who are blind or have low vision. On October 15, 1964, White Cane Day became a national observation in the United States to celebrate their abilities and achievements.

The Governor will issue a proclamation to commemorate the observance of White Cane Day in Massachusetts.

An equal opportunity employer/program.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

TDD/TTY 1-800-439-2370 - Voice 1-800-439-0183

Announcement of the winners of the 4th Annual Meg Robertson Mobility Award, which recognizes people who demonstrate mobility skills at their level and incorporate the white cane into their lives to increase independence, will be made in October.

Date: Friday October 18th, 2024

Time: 10:00am-1:00pm

Where: Massachusetts State House -Great Hall, 24 Beacon Street Boston, MA

Register to Attend: [REGISTER](#)

Action

Required: Please share this issuance with all appropriate staff.

Effective: Immediately.