A Better Way to Recruit for Missouri

A Collaborative Cross-departmental Pilot for Recruiting Essential,
High-Turnover Positions





Missouri's Turnover Rates are Staggering Compared to the Private Sector

MO Executive Branch Turnover Rates vs. Turnover Rates of Other			
Sectors			
Highest Other		Highest Other Sectors in	2017
Missouri	24 20/	Technology (Software)	13.2%
Oct. 2017 -	21.2%	Retail/Consumer Products	13.0%
Sept. 2017		Media & Entertainment	11.4%

21.2% turnover rate is nearly twice the 11.2% for the government/education/non-profit sector



Missouri's Executive Branch Agencies have a Recruitment Crisis

Turnover Rates Oct. 2017 through Sept. 2018			
Mental Health	30.0%		
Public Safety	29.8%		
Corrections	23.2%		
Social Services	21.5%		
Labor & Industrial Relations	18.4%		
Revenue	18.2%		
Health & Senior Services	16.0%		
Economic Development	15.9%		
Elementary& Sec Educ	15.8%		
Ins, Fin Inst & Prf Reg	14.8%		
Office of Administration	14.7%		
Agriculture	14.1%		
Higher Education	13.9%		
Natural Resources	13.8%		
Missouri Transportation	12.7%		
Conservation	8.7%		

These positions account for over 1 in 5 full-time state workers

Vacancy by Department and Position Fall 2018				
	Number of Facilities	Number of Positions	Number of Vacant Positions	Vacancy Rate
Department of Corrections – CO I	21	4,889	788	16.12%
Department of Mental Health - DSP	14	3,158	686	21.72%
Missouri Veterans Commission (DPS) – CNA I	7	678	107	15.78%
Department of Social Services-Youth Specialist	37	620	92	14.84%
Total	79	9,345	1,673	17.9%

Nearly 1 Out of Every 5 Positions Authorized is Vacant



These positions also suffer from high turnover rates

Turnover Rates by Department and Position Fall 2018			
	Turnover Rate		
Department of	31.43%		
Corrections – CO I			
Department of	43.94%		
Mental Health - DSP			
Missouri Veterans	128.78%		
Commission (DPS) –			
CNA I			
Department of Social	48.41%		
Services-Youth			
Specialist			
Total	41.85%		

All four of these departments need to recruit candidates with similar backgrounds and qualifications

Minimum Qualifications for Essential, Entry-level positions (2018)				
	DOC	DMH	DSS	DPS (MVC)
Position	Corrections Officers	Direct Support	Youth Specialists	Certified Nurse Aids
		Professional		
Qualifications	High School	High School	High School	Two or more years of
	Diploma/GED	Diploma/GED	Diploma/GED & 60 hours	work experience or
			from an accredited	
	Age: 19	Valid Driver's License	college or university or 2	High School
			years of experience with	Diploma/GED or
	Valid Driver's License by		direct care	
	Assignment			Possession of a nursing
			Valid Driver's License	assistant certificate
	Ability to Maintain			and/or possession of a
	Firearms Certification			medication technician
				certificate
	Essential Functions			
	Evaluation			
Background	Pass Background Check	Pass Background Check	Pass Background Check	Pass Background Check
Check	and Drug Screen	and Drug Screen	and Drug Screen	and Drug Screen



Current State Recruitment Strategies are NOT Working

The State of Recruitment — November 2018				
	DOC	DMH	DSS	DPS (MVC)
Recruitment Focus	Statewide and Facility (3 dedicated regional recruiters, recruitment teams within each facility)	Facility	Facility	Statewide and Facility
Training for the Recruiters	No	No	No	No
Time Dedicated to Recruitment	Statewide-100% Facility-55%	Statewide-0% Facility-60%	Statewide-25% Division/Facility- 5%	Statewide-150% Facility
Standardized Tracking of Recruitment Data	No	No	No	No



Current State Recruitment Strategies Compared to Private Sector and Other States

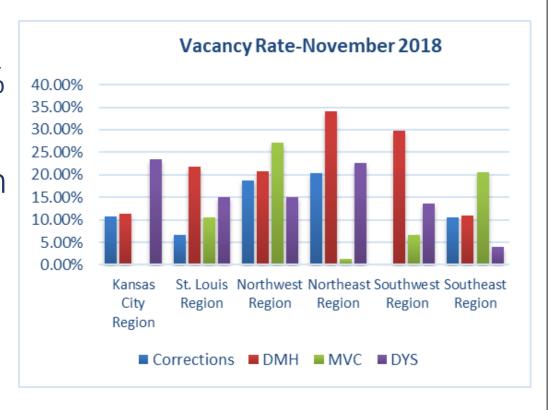
Missouri Executive Branch Agencies	Private Sector	Other State Correctional Facility
Word of Mouth	Targeted Demographics	Virtual Job Fairs
Decentralized	Launch Pads for Coordinated Efforts	Incentives-Sign On Bonus
Social Media-Department Exclusive	Improve Reputation of Business to drive	Centralized Recruiting
Facebook Page	Recruitment	Database for Tracking recruitment
Radio Ads	Meet and Greets	statistics/information
Local News Papers	Applicant Focus (what is in it for the employee)	Targeted Demographics
Walk Ins		Social Media Ad Blasts
Job Fairs	Centralized	
300 1 airs	Different approach by Geographical	
Digital Ads	Regions	
	Analytics and Data to drive Recruitment Process	
	Varying of Messaging-Never use the	
	same message twice and	
	Social Media Ad Blasts	

A Better Way to Recruit for Missouri

- ➤ Recruiting Capabilities should be focused on geographic locations and/or target demographic
- Establish standardized recruitment best practices that are delivered at the departmental level
- Establish standardized processes of tracking data
- Incentives to make jobs more appealing
- Linkages for cross-departmental recruitment capabilities

A Cross-Departmental Pilot Project in Northwest Region

- Why the Northwest Region?
 - Cumulative Vacancy Rate of 20%
 - Unemployment Rate 2%
 - Covers 10 Facilities in the Region



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The State of Missouri needs to take a new collaborative approach to recruiting for these essential, entry level positions

Proposed Collaborative Approach	Benefits of Approach
 Dedicated Recruiters & Training 	 Collaborative
 Messaging & Marketing 	 Applicant Focused
 Best Practices in Rural Area 	 Efficient
 Standardize Tracking of Data 	 Centralized
	 Targeted
	 Improved Reputation



Measuring Success of the Cross-Departmental Pilot

- Decrease the vacancy rate by 3% or more by the end of the pilot
 - Assuming Similar Vacancy and Turnover as in 2018



Questions?

