

Section 1: Consortium Information



"Getting Adults into Training & Education"



"Adult Education is one of the cornerstones of social investment effort, not only for our own people, but also for people in the community."

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Section 2: Comprehensive Regional Three-Year Plan

2.1 Executive Summary

The Gateway Adult Education Network Consortium (GAEN) is one of the 71 adult education consortia in the state of California. The GAEN region consists of a large, but lightly populated area in the San Joaquin Valley and includes Chowchilla (Northern Madera Co.), Mariposa, and Merced counties; an area of mountainous, agricultural, semi-urban, urban and rural communities. Such a diverse area provides opportunities for adult education expansion, but also raises challenges that such a diverse territory encompasses. GAEN regional demographics show that more than 55, 000 out of 206, 907 adults do not possess a high school diploma or equivalent Merced Community College, Merced County Office of Education and the six school districts in the region will continue to assist hundreds of people to become educated and trained people through the efforts of the Network entering 2020. GAEN top priorities are continuing and restoring basic education services after many were eliminated during flexibility, including English-as-a-Second Language, Adult Basic Education, High School Diploma and Equivalency (GED).

In order to address the needs of the students within the region, GAEN has created a three-year plan to improve adult education services beyond the year 2020. GAEN has selected goals to focus its efforts on maintaining an effective collaborative process, enhancing successful transitions to college and career for students and better serving students with disabilities. This three-year plan also involves the implementation of new strategies, such as adding an Individual Learning Plan that will be used across the region, increasing workforce and career services, and strengthening partnerships with local and regional agencies to increase student success.

Realistically, for the next three years, most of the districts in this consortium will be working to continue developing lasting programs to meet the needs of adult learners.

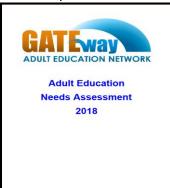




2.2 Pre-Planning Assessment

Gateway Adult Education Network Consortium (GAEN) pre-planning process began fall 2018 with the GAEN Needs Assessment. GAEN members, community partners, students and the community as a whole were surveyed and which helped GAEN members start the goal setting process. Each GAEN member completed the Self-Assessment provided by CAEP. All eight members participated in a Self-Assessment session and they carefully analyzed the needs of the region, their individual communities, adult learners, faculty, staff and other stakeholders.

GAEN Needs Assessment Click the picture to read the full assessment



GAEN Program Quality Self-Assessment Click the picture to read the full assessment

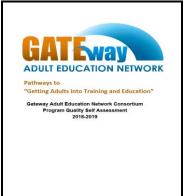






Table 1. Regional Service Providers

Provider Name	Provider Type	Address or location(s) where AE services are	Program Areas							
		provided	ABE	ASE	ESL	СТЕ	AWD	WR	PA	ACS
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified School District	School District	22368 South 6 th St. South Dos Palos CA 93665								
Gustine Unified School District	School District	685 Wallis Ave. Gustine CA 95322								
Le Grand Union High School District	School District	12961 Le Grand Rd, Le Grand CA 95333								
Los Banos Unified School District	School District	1717 South 11 th St. Los Banos CA 95635	\boxtimes							
Mariposa County Unified School District	School District	5082 Old Highway North Mariposa CA 94338								
Merced Community College District	Community College	630 West 19 St. Merced CA 95340								
Merced County Office of Education	County Office of Ed.	732 West 13 th St. Merced CA 95340							X	
Merced Union High School District	School District	50 East 20 th St. Merced CA 95340								





Table 2: List of Adult Education Providers and Program

Member	Area of Service	Program Offerings		
Dos Palos- Oro Loma Joint Unified School District	Dos Palos South Dos Palos Oro Loma	Adult Basic Education/Adult Secondary Education High School Diploma ESL Citizenship		
Gustine Unified School District Gustine	Gustine Santa Nella Stevinson	Adult Basic Education/Adult Secondary Education High School Diploma ESL		
Le Grand Union High School District	Le Grand Plainsburg Planada	Citizenship ESL GED Preparation High School Diploma CTE Beginning Welding		
Los Banos Unified School District	Los Banos	High School Diploma GED		
Mariposa County Unified School District	Mariposa El Portal	High School Diploma ESL		
Merced County Office of Education Education	Atwater Los Banos Merced	CTE Foundations in Early Education Marketing and Customer Service Construction Technology	Automotive Technology Logistics and Warehousing Culinary Experience	





Merced Community	Atwater	College Pre/Math I, II. II, IV	Bus Driver Training
College District	Chowchilla	ESL	College Prep English 1 Reading
	Delhi	Career & Life Planning	College Prep English 2 Writing
AARDORD	Livingston	Intro to Microcomputers	Citizenship Preparation
MERCED	Merced Planada	Microcomputers & Business	Introduction to Microcomputers and
College	Winton	Basic Skills and GED	Basic Computers Applications
	Los Banos	Preparation	Daily Livings Skills
		Medical Assisting	Reading and Computers I & II
Merced Union	Atwater	ESL	Computer Fundamentals/IC3
High School	Livingston	VSEL	Certification
District	Merced	Conversation Café	Google Basics
MERCE AUGUS MENCE	Winton	Citizenship Preparation	Green Technology & Energy
The second of th		ABE/AES	Conservation
		High School Diploma	CPR/First Aid
		GED Preparation	Serve Safe Certification/ Workplace
		Family Literacy	Safety
		Medical Administrative	Computerized Office Technology
		Assistant	Career Foundations
		Introduction to Office	Clerical/Microsoft Office Specialist
		Administrative Assistant	(MOS)





Table 3. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Gateway Adult Education Network Consortium

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22				
State / Federal Funding							
AEP	\$3,385,649	\$3,385,649	\$3,385,649				
CalWORKs	\$341,194	\$341,194	\$341,194				
CCD Apportionment	\$247,631	\$247,631	\$247,631				
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0				
LCFF / District Funds	\$1,173,006	\$1,301,654	\$1,363,236				
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0				
WIOA II	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000				
Other			99				
State and Federal Grants	\$999,439	\$999,439	\$999,439				
In-kind	\$1,927,660	\$1,927,660	\$1,927,660				
	\$0	\$0	\$0				
	\$0	\$0	\$0				
	\$0	\$0	\$0				
	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Total	\$8,254,579	\$8,254,579	\$8,254,579				





Table 4. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services Dos Palos- Oro Loma Joint Unified School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22
State / Federal Funding			
AEP	\$80,056	\$80,056	\$80,056
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other			99
	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$80,056	\$80,056	\$80,056





Table 5. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Gustine Unified School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22				
State / Federal Funding							
AEP	\$187,646	\$187,646	\$187,646				
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0				
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0				
LCFF / District Funds	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000				
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0				
WIOA II	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000				
Other							
In-Kind	\$215,994	\$215,994	\$215,994				
Total	\$478,640	\$478,640	\$478,640				





Table 6. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Le Grand Union High School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22
State / Federal Funding			
AEP	\$78,573	\$78,573	\$78,573
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other			50
	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$78,573	\$78,573	\$78,573





Table 7. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Los Banos Unified School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22
State / Federal Funding			
AEP	\$41,769	\$41,769	\$41,769
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other		50	50
	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$41,850	\$41,850	\$41,850





Table 8. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Mariposa County Unified School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22				
State / Federal Funding							
AEP	\$197,040	\$197,040	\$197,040				
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0				
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0				
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0				
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Other			90				
	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Total	\$197,040	\$197,040	\$197,040				





Table 9. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Merced Community College District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22				
State / Federal Funding							
AEP	\$614,470	\$614,470	\$614,470				
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0				
CCD Apportionment	\$247,631	\$247,631	\$247,631				
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0				
LCFF / District Funds	\$1,173,006	\$1,231,657	\$1,293,239				
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0				
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Other	50	- 50	99				
In-Kind	\$1,288,306	\$1,288,306	\$1,288,306				
Total	\$3,323,413	\$3,382,064	\$3,443,646				





Table 10. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Merced County Office of Education

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22
State / Federal Funding			
AEP	\$251,707	\$251,707	\$251,707
CalWORKs	\$0	\$0	\$0
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0
WIOA II	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other			90
Other State Grants	\$999,439	\$999,439	\$999,439
In-kind	\$423,360	\$423,360	\$423,360
Total	\$1,674,506	\$1,674,506	\$1,674,506





Table 11. Funding for Adult Education Programs and Services

Merced Union High School District

Source and Type of Funds	Funding Estimates FY2019-20	Funding Estimates FY2020-21	Funding Estimates FY2021-22						
State / Federal Funding									
AEP	\$1,930,081	\$1,930,081	\$1,930,081						
CalWORKs	\$341,194	\$341,194	\$341,194						
CCD Apportionment	\$0	\$0	\$0						
Corrections	\$0	\$0	\$0						
LCFF / District Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0						
Perkins V	\$0	\$0	\$0						
WIOA II	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000						
Other									
	\$0	\$0	\$0						
	\$0	\$0	\$0						
Total	\$2,446,275	\$2, 446,275	\$2, 446,275						



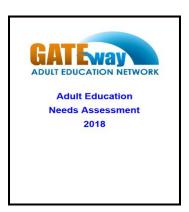


2.3 Community Need and Customers

Gateway Adult Education Consortium conducted a Needs Assessment by an independent consultant. A copy of the complete assessment will be attached to the 3 Year Plan. Below is the Executive Summary.

GAEN Needs Assessment EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this document is to paint a current and accurate picture of the Adult Education System within the region served by the Gateway Adult Education Network (GAEN). In order to best serve its current students and attract new students, GAEN must be able to recognize and quantify its strengths and opportunities. As GAEN embarks on the development of its next 3-Year Plan (2019-2022), it was agreed by the GAEN Board that a comprehensive needs assessment should be undertaken in order to inform the Plan and to ensure that any future actions are directly responsive to community needs. The process of conducting the assessment took place between May 2018 and December 2018. During that time period, 27 individuals were interviewed (some on multiple occasions) and 395 individuals were surveyed. In tandem with the survey/interview process, a review of demographic information, existing literature, and best practices were undertaken. The resulting document includes suggestions for action that the consortium can take, both in the short and long-term, to address the gaps identified herein.



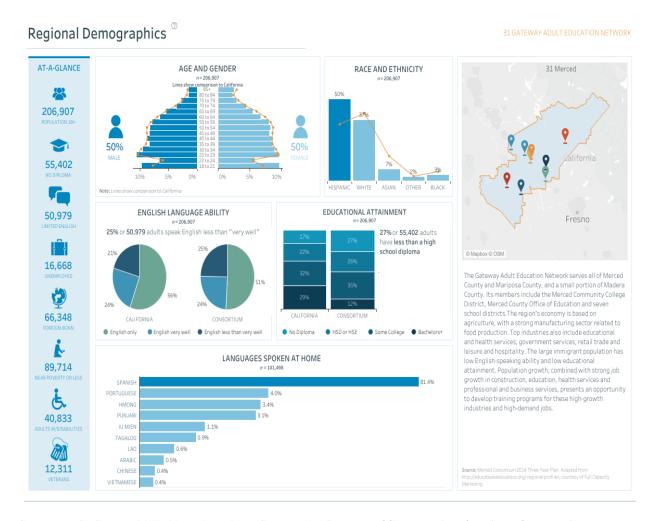
GAEN Need Assessment Click the picture to read the full assessment





Figure 1: Regional Demographics

Gateway Adult Education Network Consortium evaluated the regional demographics and compared to the current students to decide what specifics populations should be observant during the next three years. Please see the figure below.



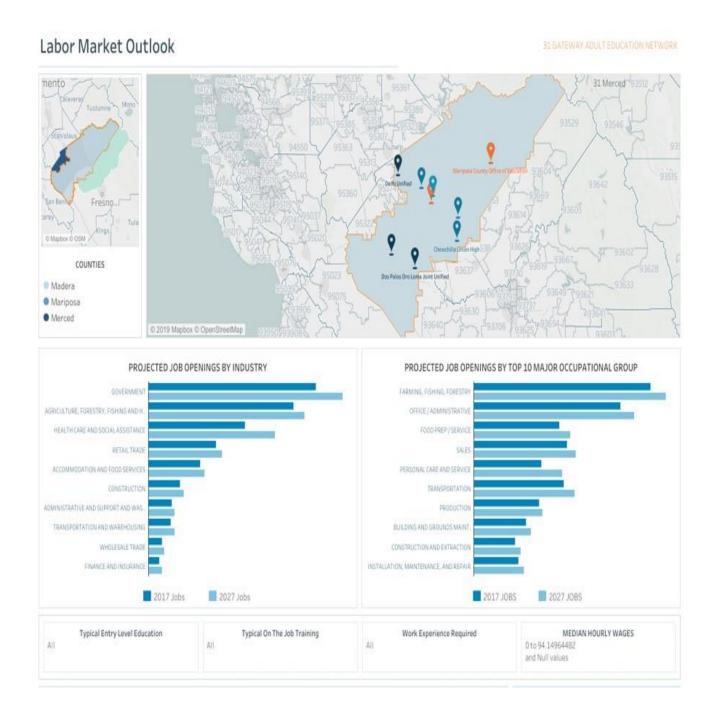
Source: U.S. Census 2013-2017. American Community Survey Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS)

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Figure 2: Labor Market Outlook by Industry



Source: U.S. Census 2013-2017. American Community Survey Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS)
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Figure 3. Top Occupations and Top 10 Fastest Growing Occupations

	TOP 10 OCCUPATION	ONS WITH THE MO	ST JOB OPE	VINGS				ng Povert		Vhar hasam.	
SOC	DESCRIPTION	PARATION AND SERVICE 7,157 \$11.30 23,494		MEDIAN HOURLY WAGES MEDIAN ANNUAL WAGES		For many, the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) has become increasingly problematic and outdated as a measure of income adequacy. The most significant shortcoming of the official poverty measure (OPM) is that for most families, in most places, the poverty level is simply too					
35-3021	COMBINED FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVICE			3,494							
37-2011	JANITORS AND CLEANERS			2	29,512		low. While the Standard changes by family type to				
39-9021	PERSONAL CARE AIDES	9,914		\$12.39	2	5,775	account for the increase in costs sy family member—whether this pers child, and for children, by age—the			s person is an adult or —the Federal Poverty	
1-2011	CASHIERS	7,919		\$11.73	2	4,409			THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA		
1-2031	RETAIL SALESPERSONS	4,502		\$12.73	2	6,482	Guideline (FPG) increases by a constant \$4,160 for each additional family member and therefore does no				
3-9061	OFFICE CLERKS, GENERAL	3,527		\$16.93	3	5,224	adequately account for the real costs of meeting needs.		meeting bas		
15-2092	FARMWORKERS AND LABORERS, CROP, NURSE.	28,177		\$12.05	2	5,063	SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD AND FED		DEEDERAL		
3-3032	HEAVY AND TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCK DRIVERS	3,209		\$18.00	3	7,432	C. C. C. C. C. C.		Y LEVELS FOR SELECT FAMILIES		
3.7062	LABORERS AND FREIGHT	3,521		\$15.55	3	2,351					
53-7064	PACKERS AND PACKAGERS, HAND	3,259		\$11.41 23,74		3,741	\$28.10		\$32.31		
	TOP 10 FAS	STEST GROWING OCC	CUPATIONS				Shirt part No.	\$2.00 \$7.01	\$9.99	\$12.07	
SOC	DESCRIPTION	2017 JOBS	2017-2027 CHANGE	2027 JOBS	MEDIAN HOURLY WAGES	MEDIAN ANNUAL WAGES	1 Adult	1 Adult, 1 preschooler	1 Adult, 1 preschooler, 1 school-aged c		
39-9021	PERSONAL CARE AIDES	552,622	261,988	814,610	\$12.75	26,511		iciency Stand			
31-1014	NURSING ASSISTANTS	103,345	27,682	131,054	\$22.39	46,578	accurately reflect the income needed to mee needs-including housing, food, child care, hi				
21-1093	SOCIAL AND HUMAN SERVICE ASSISTANTS	58,419	14,598	73,017	\$29.52	61,401		transportation and taxes. The figure above shi			
31-1011	HOME HEALTH AIDES	31,461	35,789	67,329	\$14.99	31,175	the income needed to meet basic needs is often above the OPM, indicating that families can have incomes above the federal poverty measure and lack sufficient resources to adequately meet the				
9-9051	ELECTRICAL POWER-LINE INSTALLERS AND REPAIRERS	7,250	1,979	9,263	\$57.12	118,811					
31-2021	PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS	5,114	2,596	7,710	\$38.49	80,063	basic needs.				
7-2231	SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLERS	4,224	4,024	8,286	\$26.49	55,109	Source: http://		cestandard.org/		
17-3015	HELPERS-PIPELAYERS, PLUMBERS, PIPEFITTERS, AND	3,026	1,347	4,411	\$25.29	52,601	Source: http://www.selfaufficencestanderd.oru/				
31-2011	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS	1,955	1,135	3,209	\$40.30	83,832	Explore how occupations and wages compare to the California Self-Sufficiency Standard				
29-2099	HEALTH TECHNOLOGISTS AND TECHNICIANS, ALL OTH.	24,221	9,010	33,231	\$37.56	78,130					

Source: Center for Women's Welfare, University of Washington. For more information, see http://www.selfsufficiencystandard.org/california

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Figure 4. Job Openings 2017-2027

Job Openings 2017 - 2027 by Median Hourly Wage



OCCUPATIONS WITH THE MOST JOB OPENINGS 2017-2027



***Data sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Employment Statistics and Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. ***

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2.4 Identifying Goals and Strategies

Figure 5.

Goal Statement: 1. Consortium to maintain an effective collaborative process for planning, implementing and accountability.

Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Immediate (Short-Term) Outcomes	Intermediate Outcomes	Long-Term Outcomes / Impact
All Consortium members understand their role as a Board member; thoroughly read and understand the Needs Assessment document; lead us to understand the main purpose of the consortium.	 Environmental Scan of what is being offered and what is being spent by whom including as much as we know about the community resources outside GAEN. Using the Needs Assessment as a resource to evaluate programs being offered, gaps in services and potential solutions. Ensure that all spending is promoting the Seven Elements of Quality Adult Education. 	 New Proposal for Funding Template that details program specifics and what the money is being spent and on which of the seven categories. Community Advisory Committee to address what is currently being done by the consortium and get feedback on what is still needed. 	Better address gaps in service in order to generate an appropriate program plan	Yearly program plans will address need gaps in our region.	All programs show growth or will be re-evaluated.





Goal Statement: 2. Consortium students to complete an individualized learning plan that reflects an informed understanding of the educational and career options.

Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Immediate (Short-Term) Outcomes	Intermediate Outcomes	Long-Term Outcomes / Impact
GAEN consortium members need to have an Individualized Learning Plan(ILP) to be used regionwide.	 GAEN members will identify areas to be addressed on the individualized learning plan. 	 GAEN students will have a detailed plan of how to accomplish their goals, as stated in the ILP. 	GAEN members will use the ILP will all the "new" incoming students.	Each Adult Learner will have a defined ILP which can be used as the students transition to another adult school, community college or work.	 Adult Learner will be meeting the goals established in their ILP.

Goal Statement: 3. Consortium members to provide educational and career services for Adults with Disabilities.

Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Immediate (Short-Term) Outcomes	Intermediate Outcomes	Long-Term Outcomes / Impact
GAEN consortium members need to have an individualized learning plan to be used regionwide.	 Align ABE courses across the consortium to develop a program of study for adults with disabilities Develop a CTE culinary program to serve mid to moderated adults with disabilities. 	 GAEN students eligible for the program will be identified and they will receive the counseling and guidance needed to get the students enrolled in the program. Community Agencies will have a program of study that they can use to refer to students. 	 Course offerings in place for Aw/D that provide them with employable skills needed by the local job market. Summer short-term culinary course (6-weeks) started for approximately 12 students 	 Be able to run a culinary course year-round, increasing the number of students served. Bring on several industry partners that will employ students for internships. Work with community agencies to add paid internships to the program. 	 Increased number of the Consortium's Aw/D program completers that are gainfully employed in the local job market. Culinary programs can grow to other communities by either working with Wired Café's extended locations or finding other partners. Employ adults with disabilities through the ABE and CTE POS.





Goal Statement: 4. Consortium members to have aligned and articulated programs.

Inputs	Activities	Outputs	Immediate (Short-Term) Outcomes	Intermediate Outcomes	Long-Term Outcomes / Impact
 MAS continues the discussion with MCCD on articulation with Computer and Office Technology class and Administrative Office Management program. MCCD VPI, Director of Adult Education & Noncredit, MAS Superintendent, faculty input, student feedback. 	 Develop an articulation agreement between MAS and MCCD. MCCD: Administrative meeting to discuss next steps; meeting to discuss changes with faculty & obtain feedback. 	 MAS students can receive MCC credits when completing articulated courses. MCCD: Articulation agreement between MCCD & MAS 	 MAS students can receive MCCD credits when completing articulated courses. MCCD: Improved services for students; partnership among discipline faculty 	 Students in MAS's Computer and Technology class will transition to MCCD's AOM program. MCCD: Increase in the number of feeder students from MAS 	 Students in MAS's Computer and Technology class will transition to MCCD's AOM program. MCCD: Data collection that shows higher student numbers.





Table 12. Progress Indicators

- 1. By November 2019 an Advisory committee will be created to provide input on the programs being offered, gaps in services and potential solutions.
- 2. By December 2019 a consortium-wide Individualized Learning Plan and Program of Study will be created to ensure successful transitions to college and career for adult learners.
- 3. By June 2020 we will have an educational and career program for adult learners with disabilities.
- 4. By June 2022 we will have in place an articulation agreement with Merced Community College District that includes multiple career pathway opportunities.





2.5 Piloting and Implementation

GAEN has selected new strategies to be implemented in order to close any gaps and meet the needs of our students and potential students in our region.

- GAEN consortium plans to work on recruiting more community partners, industry and
 educational agencies. These partners will be part of the Advisory Committee that will be
 meeting at least once per year. During the Advisory Meetings, the partners will have the
 opportunity to provide input on the programs being offered, gaps in services and
 provide potential solutions.
- 2. GAEN Consortium plans to work on completing an Individualized Learning Plan and Program of Study for every student within the region. This ILP/POS will shows aligned and articulated work and the transition from course to course, program to program and to post-secondary or the workforce.
- 3. GAEN consortium will be working directly with Merced County Special Education Department, Central Valley Regional Center, Department of Rehabilitation, and other agencies that provide services to Adults with Disabilities to create an educational and career program for Adults with Disabilities. This program is specializing in helping adults with disabilities to learn the necessary skills to work in the Food Industry. The students will learn hands-on customer services, point of sales experience, food preparation, opening and closing procedures, catering, inventory, and other skills that will help the students get a job in the Food Industry.