

CENTRALINA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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**Innovation Café #2** 



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The Silver Tsunami and the Millennial Multiplication are Here: Preparing Your Community and Workforce



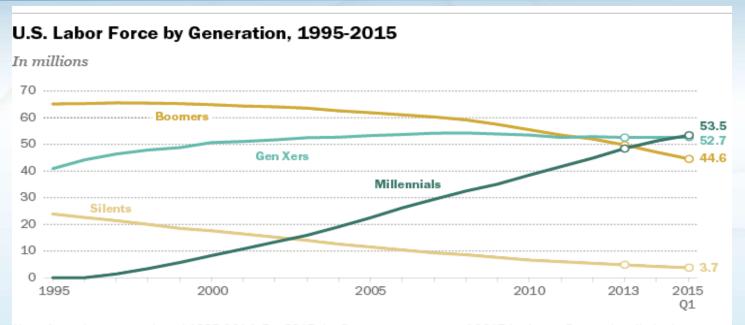


#### **Session Take-Aways**

- Multiple Generations impact on the workplace/workspace
  - Hard & Soft Skills
  - Challenges
- Demographic shifts and the impact on community services
- Consumer resources via Centralina Council of Governments
  - WIOA & SCSEP
- Opportunities
  - Host Agency/OJT/NexGen Council







Note: Annual averages plotted 1995-2014. For 2015 the first quarter average of 2015 is shown. Due to data limitations, Silent generation is overestimated from 2008-2015.

Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of monthly 1995-2015 Current Population Surveys, Integrated Public Use Microdata Series (IPUMS)

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#### Millennials:

The majority in the workplace in 2015

Care more about the people they work with, good mentorship, and less about money

Prefer-require non-traditional work spaces (remote access, non-traditional hours)

Hard skills reign (over soft skills)

Instigate change



# Millennials will be the largest generation in the workforce in 2015... - Bureau of Labor Statistics Of hiring managers say it's difficult to find & retain millennials. (Only 14% say easy, 33% say neither) Narcissistic Open to change open to ch



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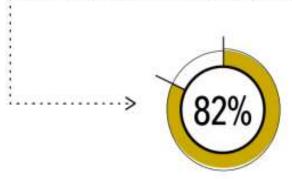
Team player

Entrepreneurial

MYTH Millennials demand praise and a raise from day one.



Millennials want career growth, but they don't expect instant rewards.



felt that being in the same postion at the same level for one to three years is reasonable.



expected their first merit raise or bonus after one to two years in their role.





MYTH Miller	nials ne	ed hand-holding and directives on the job.	
	FACT	Millennials want some control over their v	vork.
Millennials	want ded	cision-making authority over:	
	5	1% Deadlines	
	77.1	72% Career development planning	
	An	d they want equal input on: <	
		Workload 47%	
		Performance evaluations 54%	



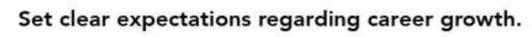


Takeaways for organizations seeking to better recruit, advance, and retain Millennials:





Provide access to development opportunities, fair promotion requirements, and penalty-free flexible work arrangements.





Establish transparent paths and timelines for advancement, and connect Millennials with sponsors to help navigate opportunities.

#### Empower Millennials to achieve their aspirations.



Encourage Millennials to make decisions related to their own work and career development, and clarify how different opportunities may impact advancement.





Takeaways for organizations seeking to better recruit, advance, and retain Millennials:



Connect junior employees with sponsors and high-visibility opportunities to help them achieve their goals.





Avoid making assumptions about Millennials as a whole.

Listen to individual employee aspirations to better support all employees and retain the best talent.

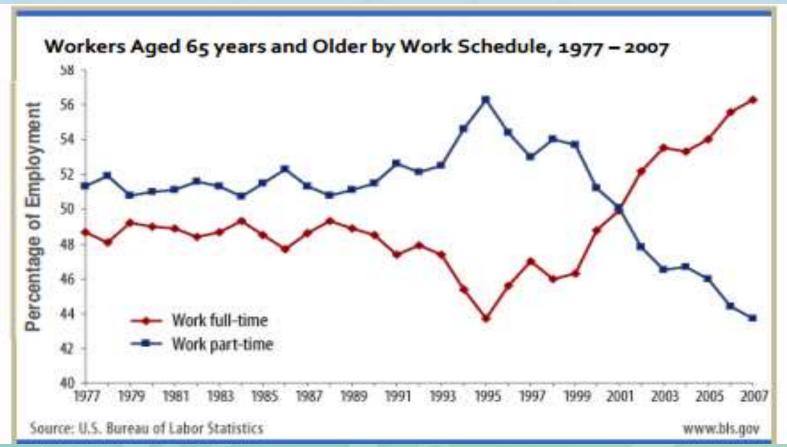
#### Recruit Millennials by providing flexible work arrangements.

Allow employees to arrange their work and personal lives in ways that allow them to achieve family, personal, social, and career success.





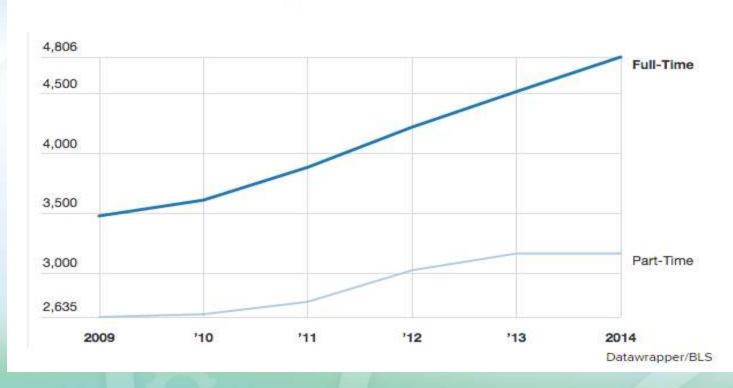








#### Workers 65 and Over, by Work Schedule (in thousands)







#### Commonalities

#### 1. Challenges:

- Transportation
- Childcare
- Hard skills
- Soft skills
- Generational "clashes"





#### **Commonalities**

- 2. Work Conditions
- 3. Training

"what if I invest in training and they (millennials) leave?"

What if you don't and they stay?

3. Its not **ONLY** about the money!





### Demographic shifts and the impact on community services

Access to Parks and Open Space

**Transportation Choices** 

**Commuting Costs** 

**Local Farms** 

Water & Air Quality

Housing (includes Aging in place)

Jobs Closer to Home

\*Health and Long Term Care





#### Centralina COG Resources

#### **Employment & Training**

**Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)** 

Low-Income, 55 and older

**Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA)** 

Youth, Adults, Dislocated Workers

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#### **Opportunities for involvement**

On the Job Training

**NexGen Council** 

**Volunteer Transportation Service** 





### Comments and Questions?





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Disruptive Demographic
Trends and the Implications
for Your Community and
Workforce





#### **Guiding Questions**

- 1. What organizational adjustments are necessary to accommodate the four generations of workers that will staff your organizations in the foreseeable future?
- 2. What adjustments in your organization's culture will be required to successfully attract a more diverse workforce and respond to a more diverse customer base?
- 3. Given the Millennial generation's interest in technology and innovation, how might they change how our organizations do business as both employees and customers?
- 4. What plans are in place to successfully respond to the impending wave of retirements among your workforce of boomers and pre-boomers?
- 5. What recruitment strategies will you employ to recruit the next generation of workers?
- 6. Are specific changes in human resource policies, procedures, and practices necessary to address employee preferences for work environment, technology, and schedules?
- 7. What are barriers that you have encountered, or anticipate encountering, while trying to meet these challenges?



