# UNLEASHING THE POTENTIAL OF YOUR MULTI-CULTURAL WORKFORCE: HOW TO GIVE AND GET BACK MORE FROM YOUR HISPANIC WORKERS Gary Krokker Benton Harbor, MI

## Retaining

- · Friendly Interview
- · Professional Hiring
- · Continued Training
- Personalized Support
- · First Class Worker

#### Tools for Success - Interview

- · Multi-Cultural Diversity Information Sheet
- · Get Information About Their Skills in Their Country
- · Talk About Your Courses Support
- Explain Your Courses Culture and Goals

### Tools for Success – The Application

- · Help Them to Understand the Process
- · Review the Form with Them in Their Language
- Be Flexible for Future Interviews
- Show Them that You are Happy to Listen to Their Concerns

# Tools for Success - Hiring Process and Paperwork

- Have a Welcome Sign Ready
- Help Them with Their Paperwork (I-9)
- · Introduce Them to Everybody
- · Walk with Them and Show Them Your Facility
- · Be Sure Their Countries Flag is on the Wall

#### Tools for Success - Orientation

- · Be Simple and Clear
- · Review All Policies with Them
- · Answer All Questions
- · Show Videos and Slides in Their Language if Possible
- · Show the "Fun" Side of Your Company
- · Invite Your Senior Employees to Talk
- · Let Them Talk About Their Country

## Tools for Success - Adaptation Period

- · Talk with Them as Often as You Can
- Offer Help to Find the Tools or Their Group
- · The "Buddy" Technique
- · "Home Sick" Problems
- · Remind Them how Important They are for Your Golf Course
- Complete All Paperwork (tax forms, insurance forms, etc.)
- Make Sure They Have Transportation to Work

# What is the Magic Formula for Retaining Employees? Training, Training, Training!!!

 "Don't worry about the cost of training your employees and watching some of them leave...worry about training NO ONE and watching them all stay!"

## The "4 Quadrants" to Success

- Family
- · God
- Support
- Country

Taking advantage of the "4 Quadrants" that motivate your Hispanic Workers

#### Family

- The Extended Family Concept
- · Use the "Uncle" as Authority
- Ask for Family Pictures
- Talk with Their Family
- · Non Work Conversation
- What you know is the bedrock qualification. Whom you know is equally important.

#### God

- · Respect Their Beliefs
- · Honor Their "Special Days"
- · Share with Them Your Beliefs

## Country

- · International Corners
- · Patriotic Wall (Flags)
- · Posters, Magazines
- · Sign to Honor Independence Days
- · Show and Tell from Them
- · Music in the Break Room
- · Lunch under the Tree
- · Ethnic Food
- · Keep an Updated Board

## Support

· Help them to Understand:

Legal Issues (Court) Immigration Status (H2B) Credit History Driver's License

Be with Them

#### **Rewards and Promotions**

Remember the "4 Quadrants"

## **Family**

- Calling Cards
- · Free Local Calls from the Office
- · Dinner for the Employee and Their Family
- · Field Day with the Kids
- · Open House with Family and Friends
- · Remember...You are Their Family Now!

#### God

 Let them know that their spiritual beliefs are helping your golf course to achieve success!

# Support

- · Be Their Driving Trainer
- Help Them with Driver's License or ID's
- Employment Permit, Status Changes
- Notary
- Building Their Financial Credit
- · Be Their Confidant and Friend

## Country

- · Free Tickets to Concerts
- · CD or Audio Cassettes with Their Music
- · Tickets to Sporting Events
- · Movie Tickets
- · Focus your Parties on Their Culture