U.S. Customs and Border Protection National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2012 "A Strong Workforce is an Inclusive Workforce: What Can YOU Do" Diversity and Inclusion Program Gallery of Events

During the month of October, U. S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will sponsor the following events in program offices throughout the Nation:

Headquarters-Washington D.C.

On Tuesday, October 30, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Headquarters will celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month with a program featuring Jason Olsen, Senior Policy Analyst at the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy. This program will be held at U.S. Department of Commerce Auditorium. For additional information, please contact Robert Dingle, at (202) 344-1613.

Headquarters-Washington D.C.

Office of Diversity and Civil Rights, Office of Human Resources Management, and Office of Information and Technology

On Tuesday, October 16, 2012, the Office of Diversity and Civil Rights, Office of Human Resources Management, and Office of Information and Technology will be hosting the Disability Mentoring Day event at Gallaudet University. For additional information please contact Ann Kaufman, Disability Program Manager at (202) 344-2727.

Headquarters-Washington D.C.

Office of Information and Technology (OIT) Section 508 Team

On Thursday, October 25, 2012, the Office of Information and Technology (OIT) Section 508 Team will celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month, with a program featuring key note speaker Ashley Bramlett. This program will be held at the CBP Falls Church Facility, 7799 Leesburg Pike Falls Church, VA 22043. For additional information please email 508CBP@dhs.gov.

Caribbean Air and Marine Branch, the Office of the Border Patrol, and the Office of Field Operations

On Thursday, October 25, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Caribbean Air and Marine Branch, the Office of the Border Patrol and the Office of Field Operations will celebrate the National Disability Employment Awareness Month. There will be a visit by Ms. Mercedes Olivieri-Valle, a former CBP employee who will talk about her experience when she became legally blind. Also included will be Ms. Aslyn Gonzalez, representative of the Puerto Rico Office of Rehabilitation. The activity will be held at the Office of the Border Patrol Conference Room located at 722 Belt Road, Aguadilla, PR 00603. For additional information, please contact Geraldine Hickman, DCR Officer at (504) 670-2107.

Champlain Port of Entry

On Thursday, October 18, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., the Champlain Port of Entry will celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month with a program featuring CBPO

Jamey Goheens. CBPO Goheens served in the U.S. Army and upon his release from active duty he enlisted into the U.S. Army National Guard in Morrisonville, NY. He served in Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Jamey will be discussing Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) based on personal experience, public information and the challenges of PTSD on everyday life. This program will be held in the Trade Conference Room at the CBP Cargo Processing Center, located at 237 West Service Road, Champlain, NY. For additional information, please contact Geraldine Hickman, DCR Officer at (504) 670-2107.

During the month of October, the following CBP Offices will celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month with a muster module briefing by their Port Directors, Patrol Agents in Charge, or their designees.

Baton Rouge Port of Entry

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Gulfport Port of Entry

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St. Croix Port of Entry

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Shreveport Port of Entry

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