

Dadisi Elliott began his career with the Employment Development Department (EDD) at the Norwalk America's Job Center of California (AJCC) in 2015, where he worked with the Veterans team as a Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) Specialist. When the Norwalk AJCC closed in 2017, Dadisi continued to provide quality services in the Veterans Program in the West Covina AJCC. Due to his outstanding contribution to providing employment services to Veterans, Dadisi was awarded the California Workforce Connection District III Outstanding Service to Veterans Award in 2016 and 2018. He attributes the two promotions he achieved since, Intensive Services Coordinator (ISC) for the Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program, and most recently as the Veterans Program Support Specialist (VPSS) Division Program Coordinator for the LACWSD, to his membership and active participation in the California Workforce Connection.

Dadisi currently serves on the California Workforce Connection (CWC) Board of Directors as the District III Director; he also volunteers as President of San Gabriel Valley Chapter, in addition to the CWC State Membership Chairperson. He is heavily involved in coordinating training, project management, as well as networking and professional development activities. When asked what is his driving force in CWC he states "My goal is to assist CWC members, EDD employees, and partner members to achieve their highest personal and career goals." Below are several of his most noteworthy accomplishments in CWC:

District III Director:

- 1. Directed Project Planning for District III Educational Conference
- 2. Coordinated Denim & Diamonds Gala Awards at the Reef Hotel in October 2019
- 3. Facilitated 2 Officer Training and Leadership Development Symposiums
- 4. Maintained Active Chapter Activities and Viability

San Gabriel Valley Chapter President:

- 1. Increased Chapter Lunch and Learns by 50%
- 2. Expanded Chapter Community Service Activities
- 3. Created Succession Plan for continuous Officer representation (1st VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Office representative)
- 4. Maintained high level fiduciary responsibility as evidenced by robust chapter budget

Chairperson, State Membership Development Committee:

- 1. Developed State Membership Development Plan 2018-2020
- 2. Facilitated 3 Successful Membership Drives
- 3. Implemented Development of Membership Marketing Materials
- 4. Created Member Survey for CWC Website
- 5. Coordinated Major Outreach, Recruitment, and Marketing Efforts (UI Inglewood, DI Van Nuys, WSB Santa Barbara, WSB Buena Park, WSB West Covina, Foothill Workforce Development Bureau, EDD University/Central Office-Sacramento

Prior to joining EDD, Dadisi worked many years in the Human Services public sector field. Some of his notable postings include: Aftercare Program Coordinator for New Directions for Veterans, Inc.; Veteran Intensive Program Case Manager for U.S. Vets Inc.; Long Beach Summer Youth Program Coordinator; D.A.D.S. Program Manager for San Diego Teen Pregnancy Prevention. He has also worked in the private sector as an Employee Assistance Program Consultant for Ann Clark Associates, Inc., providing substance abuse assistance and intervention to executive staff of major San Diego corporations.

He studied Human Services at California State University - Dominquez Hills, and also acquired a Certified Alcohol and Drug Education (CAADE) license from Long Beach Community College, as well as Associates of Arts Degree in Social Welfare from San Diego Mesa College. He has gained considerable leadership experience by serving on several Boards of Directors, including the National Practitioners Network for Fathers and Families (NPNFF), University of San Diego Mediation Center, and the Golden Hills Credit Union, to name a few.

Dadisi is the proud father of two children Kamal and Maya, and recently learned that he is soon to be a grandfather in November 2020. In his spare time, he is an avid reader, jazz aficionado, chess player, and day dreamer who enjoys travel and long walks in nature.

