



Legislation Text

File #: 19-314, **Version:** 1

Approve the final Solano Local Workforce Plan modifications, including newly negotiated Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) performance measures

Published Notice Required? Yes ___ No X
Public Hearing Required? Yes ___ No X

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the final Solano Local Workforce Plan modifications, including newly negotiated WIOA performance measures.

SUMMARY:

The Workforce Development Board (WDB) and the Solano County Board of Supervisors approved the 5-Year Regional and Local Plans in 2017. Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), a biennial update of regional and local workforce plans is required to ensure plans remain current and account for “changes in labor market and economic conditions or in other factors affecting the implementation of the local plan.” The State of California has modified their state plan, which requires that local boards update their plans to keep them consistent with the policy direction of the state plan. The state plan, approved by the U.S. Department of Labor on June 11, 2018 can be viewed online at:

https://cwdb.ca.gov/plans_policies/state-plan-modifications/.

Solano County must submit a modified local workforce plan to the state that is signed by the Workforce Development Board and the chief locally elected official. The Solano Board of Supervisors has the authority to approve and sign the local plan on behalf of Solano County. As part of the local plan revision, the Board of Supervisors approve the locally negotiated Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) performance measures for Program Year 2018-2019 and Program Year 2010-2020.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The WDB does not receive general funds from the County. The WDB submits a plan for grant activities, service levels, and use of funds, to the State of California on behalf of the County. The State allocates Federal money to the WDB through the County based on predetermined funding formulas. The local workforce planning process has been funded through Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds.

DISCUSSION:

The California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) and the Employment Development Department (EDD) released a directive outlining procedures required for a two-year modification of the regional and local workforce plans under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

The required and optional modifications to the local workforce plan are as follows:

- Required and optional modifications arising from regional or local partnerships with county human service CalFresh programs

- Required and optional modifications arising from regional or local partnerships with Local Child Support Agencies (LCAs) to provide workforce services to unemployed, underemployed, and payment-delinquent non-custodial parents
- Required and optional modifications arising from regional or local partnerships with programs that serve individuals with disabilities, including detail on strategies to implement Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)
- Required and optional modifications pertaining to services for English Language Learners, the Foreign Born, and Refugees
- Optional additional changes in labor market and economic conditions or other factors affecting the implementation of local plans, including modifications to negotiated performance goals

The Solano Workforce Development Board approved the proposed local plan modifications on January 18, 2019. A public notice was posted in the Daily Republic, the Vacaville Reporter, and Vallejo Times Herald on February 1, 2019. The Local Plan was presented to the Board of Supervisors on February 5, 2019 and a public hearing was held at that meeting. The Local plan was available for public comment from February 4 - March 6, 2019. No content changes or comments in disagreement were received from the public. The Solano Workforce Development Board authorized the Board Chair to sign the final local plan modifications on March 22, 2019.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board may choose not to approve or authorize signature of the local plan modifications. This is not recommended because the local workforce plan modifications have completed the Workforce Development Board approval process, initial Board of Supervisor review, and public comment process as required by WIOA.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

No other agencies were involved.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION