



# Solano County

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## Legislation Text

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Adopt and present a resolution recognizing September 2018 as Workforce Development Month in Solano County (Supervisor Thomson)

Published Notice Required? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

Public Hearing Required? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

The Workforce Development Board (WDB) of Solano County recommends the Board of Supervisors adopt and present a resolution recognizing September 2018 as Workforce Development Month in Solano County.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

In September 2017, U.S. Congress approved a bipartisan resolution that designated September as “National Workforce Development Month” to promote the American workforce and acknowledge the crucial role workforce development plays in growing the U.S. economy.

In Fiscal Year 2018, 9,633 individuals received basic employment services from Solano County’s America’s Job Centers of California, and 576 individuals received intensive employment services and 402 businesses received talent services from the WDB. The WDB works with 38 partners to support the One-Stop infrastructure and provide services through the Job Center system. In addition, the WDB collaborates with local educational agencies, Solano Community College, local governments, local businesses, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations to support workers in attaining family-sustaining wages, while ensuring businesses find the skilled workforce needed to compete in the regional economy. The success of the workforce development system in Solano County could not be achieved without the dedicated workforce development professionals employed at the WDB and throughout the County’s workforce partners.

For this year’s Workforce Development Month, the WDB is hosting *Celebrating Solano’s Workforce Gala* on September 13, 2018 from 6:00pm-9:00pm in Fairfield at the Green Valley Country Club to highlight the importance of talent to our county’s economic and community development and to honor the businesses, program participants, and community organizations that are integral to the County’s workforce system.

Therefore, the WDB is requesting that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution designating September 2018 as “Workforce Development Month” to recognize the vital role that Solano County’s workforce development system plays within our community and the impact it has on economic and community vitality.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The WDB staff time associated with the planned workforce month activities and preparing this agenda item is budgeted within the organization’s FY2018/19 Recommended Budget. The costs associated with preparation and purchase of the resolution materials are included in the Board’s FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board may choose not to adopt the resolution. This is not recommended because the resolution provides an opportunity to further raise awareness of the County's workforce development system and to recognize the staff dedicated to building and maintaining the county's talent infrastructure.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION