



County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, Community Services Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign retroactive revenue agreement, Contract Number K594759-02 (County Agreement 366-F1511), with Golden Sierra Job Training Agency for the provision of Workforce Investment Act Program activities with a term beginning October 1, 2014 through May 31, 2016 and with an initial allocation amount of \$698,526;
- 2) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute any future amendments thereto, that increase the estimated total maximum dollar amount of the funding allocation to a maximum of \$1,100,000 with no change to the term, and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management;
- 3) Authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Director, or designee, to administer Agreement K594759-02, as amended, and execute any subsequent documents relating to said Agreement including required fiscal and programmatic reports; and
- 4) Authorize the Health and Human Services Agency to incur expenses claimable to Agreement K594759-02's start date and prior to final execution of said Agreement to allow for the continued provision of services.

FUNDING: Federal Workforce Investment Act Funds.

BUDGET SUMMARY:	
FY 2014-15 Program Budget	
Initial Funding Available from 2014 - 2016 Agreement.....	\$698,526
Estimated Additional Funding	\$401,474
Total Estimated Funding.....	\$1,100,000
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

There is no Net County Cost associated with this revenue Agreement. Sufficient appropriations were included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 Budget and it will be adjusted upon receipt of anticipated additional funding during FY 2014-15. Further funding will be included in future FY Budget Requests for the duration of the Agreement.

Background

Golden Sierra Job Training Agency (GSJTA) is the Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA) administrative entity designated by the State of California to administer Federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services in Placer, El Dorado, and Alpine counties. GSJTA receives WIA Federal funding from the California Employment Development Department and then allocates funding for each county within the LWIA.

On September 7, 2005 and effective July 1, 2006, the Golden Sierra Governing Board approved the establishment of the County of El Dorado as the first Consortium Operator under the Local WIA Program. On June 20, 2006, the Board of Supervisors approved establishment of a budget and approved staffing for implementation of WIA Program activities also to be effective July 1, 2006. The Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has been the Connections - One Stop Operator for El Dorado and Alpine counties since 2006.

As an Area Partner Operator of the GSJTA Consortium, the County, through HHSA, uses WIA funds to provide job training services, leverage additional federal and state funding, and help strengthen the Connections - One Stop system, thereby ensuring the ability to meet the multiple needs of the County's unemployed individuals, with a special focus on serving veterans, displaced homemakers, mature job seekers, long-term unemployed, and persons with disabilities. Its youth program serves low income and at-risk youth (aged 18-21 years). This program also offers business services to local employers, can place subsidized employees into a business, assess layoff aversion potential and strategies, conduct business service workshops, and offer space to local business to conduct recruitment and interviews activities.

The Connection - One Stop Program offers computers with internet access, copy and fax machines, and job information boards. For those who meet certain qualifications and need more intensive services to find employment, WIA offers employment and training services that include paid tuition to a vocational training program and subsidized employment such as Work Experience and On-the-Job Training. WIA can also pay for the costs associated with training or employment, such as textbooks, mileage reimbursement, and interview or work clothing.

The Agreement is retroactive to October 1, 2014. It was received from the GSJTA on December 24, 2014, and processing was expedited.

Reason for Recommendation

HHSA recommends approval of Contract K594759-02 as it provides the necessary funding needed to operate the Connection - One Stop Program for the residents of El Dorado and Alpine counties. Without this funding, this program will be unable to provide WIA-funded training to obtain the employment skills necessary for clients to gain employment.

Clerk of the Board Follow Up Actions

1. Clerk of the Board to obtain signature of the Chair on two (2) originals of Contract Number K594759-02.
2. Clerk of the Board to return all signed original documents to HHSA at 3057 Briw Road.

Contact

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Concurrences

County Counsel and Risk Management