

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Alliance Worknet

BOARD AGENDA # *B-2

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE July 23, 2013

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval of the Stanislaus County Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program Years (PY) 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan for the Delivery of Employment and Training Services to WIA Eligible Stanislaus County Residents.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the Stanislaus County WIA PYs 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Stanislaus County WIA PYs 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Local WIA programs are Federally funded. The funds are distributed annually to the State, which then distributes the funds to the local workforce investment areas through a pre-established formula. Stanislaus County Alliance Worknet (AW) has been allocated the sum of \$6,485,093 for PY 2013-14. The Board of Supervisors approved receipt of these funds at the June 11, 2013 Board meeting.

Approval of this item will have no impact on the County General Fund.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-369

On motion of Supervisor Withrow, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

and approved by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Withrow, Monteith, De Martini and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

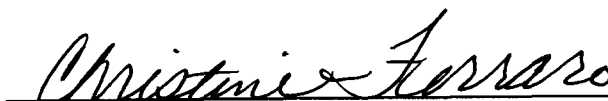
1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

Approval of the Stanislaus County Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program Years (PY) 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan for the Delivery of Employment and Training Services to WIA Eligible Stanislaus County Residents.

DISCUSSION:

Upon the initial implementation of the Workforce Investment Act in 2000, Local Workforce Investment Areas (LWIAs) were required to submit a plan for the provision of services over the five year life of the Act. The Workforce Investment Act was set to expire in 2005, but has since been extended seven (7) times and each time it was extended each LWIA was required to submit their local plan modifications as mandated by the State.

During PY 2012-13, the State Board and Employment Development Department (EDD) instituted a completely revised Local Plan development process resulting in the new PY 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan format. As a result of new leadership at the State level, the statewide strategy for workforce investment is now focused on ongoing skills attainment targeted at regional growth industry sectors and clusters. The State's vision is that by braiding education, training, and employment services together to support these sectors, the workforce system can both effectively address employer's needs for a high-quality, appropriately skilled workforce, and support worker's needs for well-paid, steady work.

The attached Stanislaus County Strategic Five Year Local Plan has been developed to accommodate the State's new LWIA Strategic Five Year Plan development process. It describes how WIA program services will be delivered in Stanislaus County over the five (5) year scope of the plan.

The Alliance Worknet is a member of the Central California Workforce Collaborative, which commissioned a region-wide study that identified the following industry clusters as those with the most potential for growth:

- Agriculture
- Energy
- Health and Wellness
- Transportation/Logistics
- Manufacturing
- Water Technology
- Public Sector Infrastructure

The Local Plan describes how labor market data will be used as the basis for working with our local education, business, and labor partners to focus resources on preparing individuals for employment in these industries.

The level of success in meeting this objective will be measured annually based on the Alliance Worknet's attainment of performance of the following performance measures: (Continued)

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DISCUSSION: (Continued)

ADULTS AND DISLOCATED WORKERS

- Entered Employment Rate
- Employment Retention Rat
- Average Earnings Increase

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- Placement in Employment or Education
- Attainment of a degree or certificate
- Literacy and numeracy Gains

The level of performance that the Alliance Worknet is asked to reach for each of these measures has not yet been established by the State for the 2013-14 program year. The Alliance Worknet will work to continue to be a top performer state-wide regarding meeting the levels established by the State.

As approved in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Adopted Proposed budget, It is anticipated that approximately 14,500 Stanislaus County residents will be provided services at the four Career Resource Centers located throughout the County.

The State requires two public hearings to take place during a 30 day public comment period. The first public hearing conducted by the Stanislaus County Alliance Worknet (AW) with respect to the PY 2013-17 Strategic Five Year Local Plan took place on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, from 5:00 pm at the Kirk Lindsey Center, 1020 10th Street, Suite 102, Modesto. There were no attendees at the public hearing. The second public hearing took place on June 4, 2013, from 10:30 am at the same location. There were also no attendees during the second public hearing. In addition, no comments regarding the plan were received during the comment period.

POLICY ISSUE:

The recommendation action supports the Board of Supervisors' goals and priorities as follows:

1. A STRONG LOCAL ECONOMY

WIA funds are invested in workforce development in coordination with economic development through the Alliance Board. This represents a unique approach to improving the general economic conditions in Stanislaus County.

2. EFFICIENT DELIVERY OF PUBLIC SERVICES

Approval of the plan allows for the continued operation of the Stanislaus County Alliance Worknet (AW) Career Resource Centers, as well as, AW service providers and training providers that provide training and employment services to Stanislaus County residents.

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POLICY ISSUE: (Continued)

1. EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIP

Approval of the recommended action allows the Alliance Worknet (AW) to deliver employment and training services in cooperation with the community partners:

- Stanislaus County Community Services Agency (CSA);
- Employment Development Department (EDD);
- Stanislaus County Economic Development and Workforce Alliance (The Alliance);
- Modesto Junior College (MJC);
- California State Department of Rehabilitation (DOR);
- Central Valley Opportunity Center (CVOC);
- Area Agency on Aging (AAA);
- Stanislaus Literacy Center (SLC);
- Ceres Unified School District (CUSD);
- Friends Outside (FOS);
- Computer Tutor Business and Technical Institute;
- Stanislaus County Office of Education (SCOE), and
- The Modesto Police Department (MPD)

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no additional staffing impacts associated with approval of this item.

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ATTACHMENTS AVAILABLE
FROM YOUR CLERK