



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: April 14, 2020

Subject: Employment Development Department, English Language Learning Pathways to Careers Grant

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Department Director, or designee, on behalf of the Workforce Development Board, to accept a grant in the amount of \$250,000 from the Employment Development Department Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for English Language Learner Pathways to Careers Program services for the period June 1, 2020 through May 30, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

County to receive \$250,000 from Employment Development Department Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, English Language Learner Pathways to Careers Program grant. This grant is entirely Federal funds, with a 40% cash or in-kind County match requirement.

BACKGROUND:

The Employment Development Department, in coordination with the California Workforce Development Board and the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency, announced the availability of up to \$1.4 million in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Governor's Discretionary funds for the English Language Learner (ELL)

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/14/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: April 14, 2020

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Pathways to Careers Program. The

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

funds will support projects that increase access for target populations, align WIOA programs, implement co-enrollment strategies, leverage other program funding, provide supportive services, and create onramps to career pathways and/or

pre-apprenticeship/apprenticeship opportunities for California's ELL population.

Co-enrollment may include enrollment in WIOA Title I, Title II/adult education programs, Title III, and human service programs or other WIOA unified plan programs. Pathways to careers may include onramps into existing career technical education pathways, onramps to existing apprenticeship programs, the establishment of pre-apprenticeship, or other work-based learning opportunities for English learners. The selected ELL projects are expected to work in collaboration with community-based organizations, and other workforce partners (including WIOA Title II/adult education programs, human service organizations where possible, or other WIOA unified plan partners).

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The WDB would not receive funding that could strategically support the efforts in Contra Costa County to support our English language learner population.