To: Board of Supervisors

From: Marla Stuart, Employment and Human Services Director

Date: February 28, 2023



Contra Costa County

Subject: Ratify Funding Applications and Approve Acceptance of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

RATIFY the Employment and Human Services Department Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership (RERP) and Regional Plan Implementation (RPI) 5.0 Funding Applications through the California Workforce Development Board and APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director or designee to accept \$1,300,000 for the RERP program for estimated period December 1, 2022 through September 30, 2025, and \$200,000 for the RPI program for estimated period January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures, appropriation and revenue adjustments in the amounts not to exceed \$1.5 million, will be made during FY 2022-2026, when the Department is notified of the grant awards. These funds require a County and partner match of \$1,480,705.

BACKGROUND:

The California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) designated Contra Costa County as the Local Area under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), and established the EBRPU. The EBRPU consist of Contra Costa County, the City of Richmond, Alameda County, and the City of Oakland, to work in partnership to develop and

APPROVE	✓ OTHER
	RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD

Action of Board On: 02/28/2023 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE:	John Gioia, District I Supervisor	
	Candace Andersen, District II 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.
	Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor	ATTESTED: February 28, 2023
	Ken Carlson, District IV Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
	Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	By: June McHuen, Deputy

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implement a Regional Plan, as required by

<u>BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)</u> WIOA.

The CWDB on behalf of the Labor and Workforce Development Agency (LWDA) and in coordination with Employment Development Department announced WIOA Governor's discretionary funds for Regional Plan Implementation 5.0. The grant awards are based on planning estimates for each RPU. Planning estimates are based on the number of Local Workforce Development Boards in an RPU and range from \$75,000 to \$300,000. East Bay's allocation is \$200,000, estimated term 18-months.

In addition, the LWDA and CWDB announced competitive grants to fund Regional Equity and Recovery Partnership (RERP) between Local Workforce Development Boards and Community College Regional Consortia. Building upon existing regional and industry planning efforts, RERP projects will identify quality jobs in the region and build pathways to those jobs in close partnerships community colleges, multiple employers, and other stakeholders in target industries. RERP outlines the amounts being allocated to each RPU and the minimum number of participants that must be served, East Bay's allocation is \$1.3 million, to serve 158 participants, estimated term 34-months.

The Workforce Development Board of Contra Costa County (WDB) approved the Regional Plan 2021-2024, and the two-year modification at the February 7, 2023 full board meeting.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without approval, the WDB will not be able to carry out Regional Planning Unit activities under WIOA.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The revenue and services funded under this agreement supports three of the five Contra Costa County's community outcomes: (1) Families that are Economically Self-Sufficient; (2) Families that are Safe, Stable and Nurturing; and (3) Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families.