



Board Agenda Item 33

DATE: September 25, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Blake Konczal, Executive Director, Workforce Development Board

SUBJECT: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Mandated Partner Memorandum of Understanding

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Retroactive Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) and the State Center Community College District effective February 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019 (\$0).

On February 2, 2016, your Board approved the use of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Mandated Partner Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) template. Approval of the recommended action will authorize execution of an MOU with the State Center Community College District (SCCCD).

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

There is no alternative action. If this item is not approved, Fresno County will be out of compliance with WIOA requirements and could lose funding for WIOA activities that benefit the residents of Fresno County.

RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT:

The recommended MOU is retroactive to February 1, 2017 as these MOUs were originally developed in 2016. The Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) staff interpreted the regulations and State guidance available that an MOU with SCCCDC was not required because there was a signed MOU with State Center Adult Education Consortium. SCCCDC is a member of that consortium.

FRWDB staff recently received further direction from the State Employment Development Department (EDD) and the California Workforce Development Board, that there must be an MOU with SCCCDC. As such, FRWDB staff entered into discussions to finalize the Mandated Partner MOU document with SCCCDC.

Since February 1, 2017, SCCCDC has continued its long-standing relationship with the FRWDB staff and partners, as if they were a partner. SCCCDC had an MOU with the FRWDB under the previous regulations, the Workforce Investment Act.

In an effort to formalize this relationship and have all Partner MOUs consistent, it was decided to use the exact same template and term as was previously approved by the Board of Supervisors and the City of Fresno. This will also allow for the updating and renewal of all MOUs at one time in July, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The FRWDB is 100%

funded by non-County sources. These have their origin primarily with the United States Department of Labor, being supplemented by other federal and State of California grants.

DISCUSSION:

The WIOA mandates that certain Federal, State, and local agencies formally partner with local Workforce Development Boards at what is now known as America's Jobs Centers of California (AJCC), in order to refer clients between the partners for specific services to better serve the community and leverage resources from multiple sources, as appropriate.

The MOUs are required to be signed by the Chief Local Elected Officials (County of Fresno and the City of Fresno) and submitted to the California Employment Development Department's Workforce Services Division.

The Board at its meeting on February 2, 2016 approved a previous version of the template. The template has been updated to incorporate mandated elements not known prior to that meeting.

The mandated updates were:

- Added new Section I - Vision and Mission
- Added new Section VI - The Customers To Be Served
- Added new Section VII - Americans With Disabilities Act Compliance
- Added new Section XXI - Shared Information and System Security
- Added new Section XXII - Public Communications and Branding Related to WIO Services

Your Board utilizing the updated template has approved the following MOUs:

- June 21, 2016; MOU with the Department of Social Services
- August 9, 2016: MOU with the State of California Employment Development Department, Department of Rehabilitation, AARP Foundation, Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission, Proteus, Inc., Job Corps, State Center Adult Education Consortium, and West Hills Adult Education Consortium
- September 13, 2016: MOU with the West Hills Community College District
- June 6, 2017: MOU with the California Indian Manpower Consortium and the National Council on Aging

Approval of the first recommended action will authorize execution of a MOU with the California Indian Manpower Consortium.

Every five (5) years, the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) procures providers for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (Title 5, Older Americans Act).

On February 1, 2017, the National Council on Aging was selected by the USDOL to replace the AARP Foundation to carry out the Senior Community Service Employment Program in Fresno County.

The Board at its meeting on July 25, 2016 approved the Partner MOU between the FRWDB and the AARP Foundation.

Approval of the second recommended action formalizes the mandated partnership between the FRWDB and the National Council on Aging.

OTHER REVIEWING AGENCIES:

Fresno City Council

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #37, June 6, 2017
BAI #38, September 13, 2016
BAI #32, August 9, 2016
BAI #23, June 21, 2016
BAI #16, February 2, 2016

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - MOU

CAO ANALYST:

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