

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorization to accept \$2,480,333 in Los Angeles County Youth Jobs Program funds for implementation of youth work experience programs.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), or designee, to accept \$2,480,333 in funds from the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services and to execute grant agreements and/or unilateral amendments with the County of Los Angeles for receipt of funding for implementation of a youth work experience.
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, EWDD, or designee to contract with the providers listed in Attachment A of the April 21, 2016 EWDD report, attached to the Council file, to provide youth services from April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The EWDD reports that there is no negative impact on the General Fund as all items are funded through this grant award. The recommendations contained in the April 21, 2016 EWDD report, attached to the Council file provide for full cost recovery for all related costs.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On May 11, 2016, your Committee considered an April 21, 2016 EWDD report relative to securing authorization to accept \$2,480,333 in Los Angeles County Youth Jobs Program funds for implementation of youth work experience programs. According to the EWDD, in February 2016, the County of Los Angeles Department of Community and Senior Services advised the EWDD of its award of \$2,480,333 in County funds for provision of youth work experience services and program evaluation services. Program participation is targeted to youth 14-18 years old who receive Temporary Aid to Needy Families funds, foster youth 14-21 years old, and low income youth age 14-24. The term of the award is April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

The program goals are to provide 1,115 youth with the opportunity to gain work experience, to participate in personal development workshops on topics that include work readiness and financial literacy, and to earn wages. Participants will be placed in work experience with non-profit, governmental, and private sector worksites and will work toward completion of 120 hours. Supportive services, such as transportation assistance, background checks, and uniforms will also be provided.

The program will be implemented through the EWDD's YouthSource system contractors and through organizations procured through the 2013 Youth and Young Adult System Support Request for Qualifications (RFQ). A notification of available additional County funding for the provision of youth jobs program services during the April-June 2016 period was sent to the 18 eligible Program Year 2015-16 youth jobs program contractors on March 11, 2016. Of the 18 eligible youth jobs program contractors, 15 contractors requested to participate. A program

allocation was developed, and the 1,115 youth jobs to be funded through the program were allocated by area using percentage of poverty data.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the EWDD report and detailed above. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
PRICE:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES

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