

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorization to accept and expend \$1.4 million in US Department of Labor (DOL) Youth Reentry Grant funds to provide training, placement and supportive services to justice-involved individuals.

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 \$1,400,000 in funds from the DOL Youth Reentry Grant through the lead agency Family Health International (FHI 360) to be expended over the next three years.
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, EWDD, or designee, to negotiate and execute agreements with the RightWay Foundation to provide training, placement and supportive services to probation youth served under this grant, in the amount not to exceed \$249,000, effective August 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a new interest-bearing fund titled DOL Youth Reentry Grant Fund No. XXX to be administered by EWDD.

4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

- a. Establish a receivable within the newly established DOL Youth Reentry Grant Fund No. XXX for \$1,400,000.
- b. Establish new accounts within the newly established DOL Youth Reentry Grant Fund No. XXX as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
22P122	EWDD	\$183,886
22P166	Personnel	724
22P197	Related Costs- Personnel	575
22P299	Reimbursement of General Fund Costs	32,483
22P622	Reserved fir EWDD Oversight	435,332
22PXXX	Family Health International (FHI)	<u>747,000</u>
		Total: \$1,400,000

c. Increase appropriations within the EWDD Fund No. 100/22 as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1010	Salaries- General	\$28,848
1070	Salaries- As Needed	37,568
2130	Travel	2,008
3040	Contractual Services	696
6010	Office and Administration	221

6020	Operating Supplies	110,753
6020	Leasing	<u>3,792</u>
	Total:	\$183,886

d. Increase Fund No. 100/66, Account No. 1010- Salaries General, for \$724.

5. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, EWDD, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and any necessary technical adjustments that are consistent with Mayor and Council action required to implement the DOL Youth Reentry Grant.
6. INSTRUCT the EWDD to report in 90 days in regard to implementation of the DOL Youth Reentry Grant.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The EWDD and Workforce Development Board (WDB) report that there is no negative impact on the City's General Fund. All activities will be funded by the \$1,400,000 DOL Youth Reentry grant through the lead agency FHI 360.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

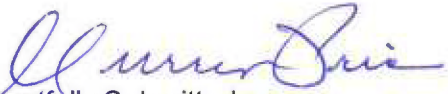
On August 22, 2017, your Committee considered an August 9, 2017 joint EWDD/WDB report relative to authorization to accept and expend \$1.4 million in DOL Youth Reentry Grant funds to provide training, placement and supportive services to justice-involved individuals. According to the EWDD, in April 2017 the DOL announced the availability of approximately \$66 million in grant funds to manage effective workforce Reentry Projects and activities. On June 27, 2017 the DOL announced the Youth Reentry grant awardees, naming FHI 360 as the intermediary organization to serve young adults and youth in the following areas: Hartford, Connecticut; Boyle Heights and South Los Angeles; and St. Louis, Missouri.

As part of a national collaboration, the EWDD joined a national partnership with FHI 360, acting as the intermediary organization. The partnership is comprised of three organizations; 1) Our Piece of the Pie, Inc. (OPP) in Hartford, Connecticut; 2) the Boyle Heights Tech Center, EWDD; and 3) the St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) in Missouri. The partnership was awarded \$4.5 million to engage 563 youth from three urban centers that face high crime and poverty rates. Through this grant, the partnership will be able to demonstrate and share best practices serving justice involved youth. EWDD and the Boyle Heights Technology Center will receive \$1.4 million to serve 200 youth over three years beginning July 1, 2017. In this initial year, EWDD will be receiving \$450,000, and will be subcontracting \$249,000 to RightWay Foundation as the local partner.

The Boyle Heights Tech Center will be the local lead organization for the implementation of the grant and as such, will be responsible for outreach, recruitment, orientation, and assessments, and the RightWay Foundation will be responsible for training, workforce placement, and supportive services. This program will provide the opportunity to build a customized project from evidence-based and informed interventions to serve young adults between the ages of 18 to 24 who have been involved in the juvenile or adult justice system or who have been incarcerated in the adult criminal justice system and released from prison or jail. The focus of this initiative is to

assist communities in planning and implementing comprehensive "reentry" programs to address the full range of challenges involved in helping formerly incarcerated adults and young adults who have been involved in the juvenile or adult justice system make successful transitions back to the community.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the August 9, 2017 joint EWDD/WDB report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.



Respectfully Submitted,

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**MEMBER VOTE**

PRICE: YES

BUSCAINO: YES

HUIZAR: ABSENT

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8/22/17

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