

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



ACTION ITEM #

SUBMITTAL DATE: April 29,2009

SUBJECT: Additional American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding Recommendations for the operation of the Riverside County 2009 Summer Work Experience Program

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Riverside County Workforce Development Board Executive Committee approves the sole source allocation of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds for the operation of the 2009 Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP) with the option to negotiate the final amounts within 10 percent of the funding recommendations.

Background:

On April 15, 2009, the Workforce Development Board Executive Committee approved 2009 funding recommendations within 10% of the recommended amounts for the Summer Work Experience Program as follows:

Service Provider	Location	Funds Approved	Number Served
Arbor YOC	Indio	\$400,000	200
Arbor YOC	Perris	\$400,000	200
California Family Life Center YOC	Hemet	\$400,000	200
California Family Life Center YOC	Lake Elsinore	\$400,000	200
California Family Life Center YOC	Rubidoux	\$400,000	200
Palm Springs Unified School District	Palm Springs	\$100,000	50
Escuela De La Raza Unida, Inc.	Blythe	\$116,689	50
Family Services Association of Western Riverside County	Western Riverside County	\$155,000	65
Goodwill of Southern California	Palm Desert	\$185,000	75
City of Temecula	Temecula	\$375,000	150
Total		2,931,689	1,390

Some areas of Riverside County received inadequate response to the RFP. Therefore, to reach EDA's goal to serve 2,500 youth during the summer months of 2009, additional sole source proposals were procured. The Moreno Valley Unified School District (MVUSD), City of Riverside, Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) and Riverside Community College District (RCCD) responded to the sole source solicitation. RCOE and RCCD proposed projects which cover several areas of the county which previously received inadequate response. In addition, RCOE will link the majority of their participants with their existing Career Technical Education courses and RCCD will serve both current and former foster care youth referred by the Department of Public Social Services, Child Protective Services Independent Living Program (ILP) attending RCCD campuses.

The following recommendation is for 4 additional service providers to provide services in areas of the county that were not covered in the first round of funding recommendations:

Service Provider	Location	Funds Recommended	Number Served
City of Riverside	Riverside	\$600,000	200
Riverside Community College District	Banning/Beaumont Desert Hot Springs Corona/Norco, Riverside Riverside La Sierra Moreno Valley	\$600,000	360
Riverside County Office of Education	Riverside, Corona, Murrieta, Moreno Valley/Val Verde Banning/Beaumont Coachella Blythe	\$1,093,134	400
Moreno Valley Unified School District	Moreno Valley	\$162,428	100
Total		\$2,455,562	1,060

This funding recommendation brings the total for the 2009 SWEP to \$5,387,251 in subcontracts to serve 2,450 participants. It is anticipated that with the 10% flexibility in the funding recommendations, the participant goal of 2,500 will be reached. The Department of Labor, also has requested that over 50% of the Youth ARRA funds be utilized in the first year. With the estimated staff and operating costs added to the funding recommendations, approximately 65% of the funding will be expended in 2009.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Date: April 15, 2009 Approval: Yes/No	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE Required: Yes/No
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