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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
Regional Training Employment
REPORT BY: Bruce Wilson, Regional Analyst , 259-5903
SUBJECT: United States Department of Labor's Project DEVELOP Closeout

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the United States Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy's Innovative Grantees project (Project DEVELOP) closeout package for \$500,000 for the period September 30, 2002 to March 31, 2005.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We are submitting our final closeout report for the Project DEVELOP grant which was designed to develop the training capacity of the regional One-Stop centers to serve youth. This closeout report certifies the proper expenditure of funds by the County and is required by our funding source, the United States Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The final closeout report represents the amount of funds the County of Napa through its North Bay Employment

Connection (NBEC) partnership received from the United States Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy to implement Project DEVELOP's primary goals to 1) develop our employment and training system's capacity in the region to serve youth with disabilities; and 2) to increase the participation and success of youth with disabilities through this youth-serving system.

Through its relationship with regional partners - Solano, Sonoma and Marin counties, NBEC has served 188 youth with disabilities in an integrated academic and applied learning situation; earned a 70 percent positive outcomes rate for results such as dropout recovery, job placement, graduation from high school and educational and occupational skill attainment; realized a 5 percent increase in the number of youth with disabilities served by WIA funds and other youth serving partners; and created a youth leadership panel and taught leadership, self advocacy, and system-evaluation skills.

The Board Chair as the authorized signatory is required by our funding source to certify the proper expenditure of funds at the end of a grant funding period. Today's proposed action authorizes the board chair to do so. Attached is a worksheet itemizing the amount spent by each of the regional partners.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Develop Worksheet

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi