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TRANSMITTAL: APPROVAL OF JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (EWDD) AND THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD REGARDING THE REALLOCATION OF GANG INJUNCTION CURFEW (RODRIGUEZ) SETTLEMENT FUNDS BETWEEN WORKSOURCE CENTERS (WSC)/AMERICA'S JOB CENTERS OF CALIFORNIA (AJCC)

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of the Economic and Workforce Development Department (Department) respectfully requests that the City Council and Mayor:

1. APPROVE the Department's recommendation to reallocate LARCA 2.0 service provider allocations as outlined in Table 1;
2. AUTHORIZE the Department to amend agreements as outlined in Table 1 June 27, 2022; and
3. AUTHORIZE the Department to amend existing amendments to extend the time of performance through June 27, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no negative financial impact on the City General Fund as a result of these actions. Recommendations contained herein were funded in prior-year budgets.

BACKGROUND

The City Council allocated a maximum of \$30 million dollars in City General Purpose Funds over a four-year period for the Gang Injunction Curfew Settlement (Settlement) in the case of “Rodriguez vs. City of Los Angeles.” Approximately, 6,000 plaintiff class members were impacted by the Settlement, which included twenty-six (26) gang injunction areas: 3 in the San Fernando Valley, 3 in West Los Angeles, 4 in Northeast Los Angeles, 4 in Boyle Heights/East Los Angeles, 2 in Mid-City, 3 in Hollywood/Central Los Angeles, 6 in South Los Angeles, and 1 in Wilmington/Harbor.

The LARCA 2.0 incorporates best practice workforce development designs from the original LARCA model that targeted high-need and transitional populations and provided them education and career assessments, case management services, job readiness training, subsidized employment, financial literacy training and job placement services.

DISCUSSION

In order to maximize services to class members, EWDD is proposing to reallocate \$488,070 of LARCA 2.0 funds to service providers who have shown an increase in their enrollments. The recommendation will support the overall enrollment and the opportunity to serve an additional 50 Rodriguez Settlement class members through the end of the program year. Table 1 reflects proposed revisions to LARCA 2.0 service providers. The reductions to specific service providers are based on current enrollments.

Table 1

No.	Service Provider	Enrollments	Original Allocation	Program Expenditures	Revision	New Total
1.	Build Rehabilitation Industries	2	\$50,000	\$11,635	(\$38,365)	\$11,635
2.	Homeboy Industries	23	\$390,000	\$177,604	(\$212,396)	\$177,604
3.	Los Angeles Conservation Corps.	1	\$60,000	\$28,753	(\$28,247)	\$31,753
4.	Coalition for Responsible Community Development	20	\$230,000	\$45,504	(\$80,000)	\$150,000
5.	Watts Labor Community Action Committee	11	\$150,000	\$20,938	(\$129,062)	\$20,938
6.	Arbor E&T, LLC-Canoga Park	71	\$480,000	\$426,605	\$198,000	\$678,000
7.	Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Inc.	68	\$265,644	\$298,154	\$190,000	\$455,644
8.	Catholic Charities	33	\$100,000	\$56,378	\$100,070	\$200,070

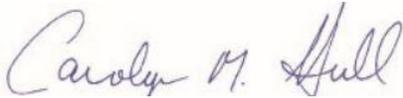
Program Extension

The Gang Injunction Curfew Settlement Jobs and Education program (also known as the LARCA 2.0) was scheduled to sunset on December 31, 2021. On June 7, 2021, the Mayor and City Council authorized a 6-month extension of the program. The new expiration of the settlement agreement will be June 27, 2022. In addition to the reallocations outlined in Table 1, EWDD also requests authority to amend all remaining agreements to extend the time of performance through June 27, 2022.

Performance / Projected Expenditures

As outlined in Attachment 1, to date, the LARCA program has enrolled a total of 730 participants since the program launch. The Department's new outreach strategies have led to an increase in the number of enrollments over the past 15-months. In PY2019-20, the LARCA program enrolled a total of 104 new clients during a 12-month period. In PY2020-21, the LARCA program has already enrolled 230 new participants, more than double the prior reporting period. In PY2021-22, EWDD projects an additional 229 new enrollments through the end of the current program on June 27, 2022, for a total of 959 participants since the inception.

Program expenditures have also increased over the past year. To date, the LARCA program has expended a total of \$3.8 million, approximately 54 percent of the total funds allocated since the project launch. This figure is also expected to increase based on the current active participant roster. EWDD projects total expenditures to exceed \$8.8 million based on total enrollments of 959 participants. Should these projections materialize, EWDD will work with City Council and the Mayor to secure additional City General Fund monies.



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Attachment 1: Program Year 2020-21 LARCA 2.0 Projected Enrollments Expenditures