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Workforce Development Expansion 2016 Funding Authorization Request Airport Sector

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Overview

- Workforce Development Revised Strategy
- Action Requested
- Why Invest in Workforce Development
- Revised Airport Sector investment options & metrics funding source options
- Implementation timeline
- Next steps

Proposed Workforce Development Strategy Commissioner's Direction

- Continued strong support for workforce development
- Confirm sector approach as overarching framework
- Strengthen airport sector metrics and scope of work
- Modify scope for construction and maritime sectors
- Develop recommendations to support manufacturing as an important sector

Action Request Summary

- Phase One: Issue RFP for Airport Sector
- Five Years Total Contract Value \$5,550,000
- 2016 Year One Contract Value \$950,000
- Expand scope of work and outcomes
- Five Year contract Port discretion annual options
- 2016- Airport employer outreach and convenings
 - OSR, Commission, Airport
- Year 2 informed by additional stakeholder input:
 - Commission, CEO, employers, other stakeholders

Airport contracted services to ensure uninterrupted services

Why Invest in Workforce Development Current and Emerging Challenges

- Shrinking pool of <u>qualified</u> workers
- Low unemployment rate (4.1%) reduces pool
- Shifting demographics of emerging workforce
- Low Skills-Low Wages
- Growing skills gap for middle wage jobs
- Limited pathways to quality jobs
- Lack of skilled workers limits economic growth
- Supports Airport operations

Insufficient pipeline of qualified workers

Proposed Workforce Development Strategy Expansion Recommendations

- Sector Approach
- Expand and strengthen current efforts at Sea-Tac
- Leverage Port's role in regional economic development
- Identify new opportunities to leverage federal, state and local investments

Airport Sector

Current & Future Labor Market	Gaps/Needs		
 Increasing Demand SeaTac's growth create new jobs Safety & security of Airport Operations relies on skilled workforce Current Labor Force High turnover in entry level positions 	 Increasing Needs Recruitment - new & replacement Retention support Training: ✓ Safety & Security ✓ Job-Related English ✓ Basic Skills 		
 Low wages, limited career advancement Turnover raises safety & security 	✓ Career advancement (Customized)		
 issues Limited English proficiency High cost of recruiting screening, and training new employees 	* Resolution 3694 English Proficiency Policy encourages employers "to provide paid leave to Covered Employees for on- the-job English proficiency training".		

Recruitment, training and retention needs of Airport employers

Airport Sector Investment Scope of Work

Contract Deliverables & Expanded Services

- Job matching/placement
- Job readiness training
- Industry-specific skills training
- Increase Retention, Skills, Wages, Career Advancement
- Increased employer partnerships
- Fund development/leverage funding available

Deliverables for 2017 through 2020 will be reviewed annually

Airport Sector Investment Scope of Work

Contract Deliverables & Expanded Services

- Expanded training (Airport University)
- Increased career navigation & counseling
- New training partnerships
- Retention, support and tracking
- Enhanced database
- Enhanced evaluation (looking back at outcomes)

Deliverables for 2017 through 2020 will be reviewed annually

Airport Sector Metrics

Evaluation of Outcomes

- Increased retention, skills, wages and career advancement
 - New Work-Based ESL Training Implemented
 - New Employer Partnerships
 - Funds Leveraged (education fte, support resources)
 - Participant Tracking System Implemented
 - Demonstrated Learning Gains
 - # Job Career Upgrades and # Increased Earnings
 - Job Retention (6 & 12 months)

Airport Sector Metrics

Airport Sector Metrics	Current	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
 Individuals Served (unduplicated) 	6,499	6,000	6156	6316	6480	6648
· # of Job Placements	1,236	1,750	1795	1842	1890	1939
· # of Hiring Employers	75	120	123	126	129	132
· Placement Hourly Wage	\$10.28	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$11.50	\$12.00	\$12.00
· Employers Served	100	125	125	128	130	132
· Job Listings	925	1,500	1539	1579	1620	1662
· Training Enrollments	337	400	410	421	432	443
· Training Completions	327	350	359	368	378	387
· New Funds Secured	\$1.9m (4 yrs)	1 new funder				
· New Training Courses	4	2	1	1	1	1

Funding Sources

- Tax Levy Options
 - Fund Entire Amount
- Port Corporate Allocation
 - Allocate to divisions through corporate allocation
 - Review alternate funding models
- Airport Funds For Airport Portion
 - FAA audit pending

Next Steps/Timeline

June/July 2015:

- Commission Approval of Recommendations & Budget
- Review statutory authority with Port Legal
- Release Airport Sector RFP

August/September 2015:

 Present Revised Recommendations (Maritime, Construction, Manufacturing)

October/November 2015:

Evaluate Airport RFP responses, brief CEO and Commission

December 2015:

Execute Airport Sector Contract for January 2016 start

Q1 2016:

- Airport Employer Convenings
- Develop recommendations and adjustments for 2017

Baseline work for a multi-year proposal in 2017