# CITY OF LONG BEACH



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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute Memoranda of Understanding with various agencies to enhance and support operation of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and similar programs through Pacific Gateway. (Citywide)

## **DISCUSSION**

Pacific Gateway administers the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and other employment and training funds received annually by the City. Those funds support job training programs and business services delivered by the Workplace, Youth Opportunity Center, Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center, YouthSource Center, and selected community-based organizations to assist residents acquire skills leading to employment in high-demand occupations with local employers.

Under WIOA and similar programs, mandated partnerships and collaborations are specifically outlined to augment services available to the community. These required partnerships generate a handful of Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) that are non-financial in nature but require resource sharing for items such as program staff, space/cubicle use, technology equipment such as desktop computers and copiers, as well as marketing and office supplies related to project partnership.

A list of anticipated partnerships needing non-financial MOU's include, but are not limited to, the following:

Agency	Activity
AmeriCorps	Youth internship/work experience.
JVS BankWorks	Financial literacy workshops for programs.
California State University, Long Beach (various Divisions)	Cross-referrals and cubicle space/ technology use for staff and participants.
Department of Rehabilitation	Cross-referrals as WIOA-mandated partner, including possible future WIOA program administration.
Unified School Districts	Cross-referrals as WIOA-mandated partner, including possible future WIOA program administration.
Community College Districts	Cross-referrals as WIOA-mandated partner, including possible future WIOA program administration.

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Agency	Activity
County of Los Angeles	Cross-referrals as WIOA-mandated partner, including possible future WIOA program administration.
State of California Employment	Cross-referrals as WIOA-mandated partner, including possible
Development Department (EDD)	future WIOA program administration.
Various private employers and community-based organizations (CBOs)	Cross-referrals of various employment and training services.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on June 11, 2019 and by Revenue Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on June 6, 2019.

## TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on July 16, 2019, to facilitate processing of required documents.

## FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation does not have a fiscal impact as the non-financial MOUs relate to previously-approved Workforce Development Grants. Sufficient funding is currently appropriated in the Community Development Grants Fund Group in the Economic Development Department to administer this activity. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. Approval of this recommendation will result in continuous delivery of job training, skills enhancement, and employment opportunities for thousands of residents.

### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED:

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