



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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September 1, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements with the State of California to receive \$114,253 in Workforce Investment Act funds to operate the Disability Program Navigator Initiative; to execute all necessary documents with partners in an amount totaling \$74,000; and to execute any subsequent needed amendments. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

The Workforce Investment Network (Network) operates the Disability Program Navigator Initiative that provides targeted employment and career development assistance to disabled residents. Over the last few years, the Network has developed collaborative relationships with local organizations to form a service consortium that includes AbilityFirst, Goodwill, the State Department of Rehabilitation, the Disabled Resource Center, CSU Long Beach – Disabled Student Services, Long Beach City College – Disabled Student Programs and Services, the Social Security Administration and the Long Beach Mental Health Center.

The target populations for this project are individuals who are deaf/hard of hearing, blind/low vision, or have developmental disabilities. Services are coordinated through the Career Transition Center in conjunction with the many project partners, with the goal of employment and career advancement opportunities that result in increased livable-wage jobs with benefits. In July, the Network received notification from the State that it is to receive \$114,253 in support of its application for \$171,000 for Program Year 2009 – 2010.

Additionally, the Network will continue to partner with local organizations within the consortium to complement the services available at the Career Transition Center. Those partners who will receive a sub-contract for services through this project are outlined in Exhibit A (Attached).

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on August 11, 2009, and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager, David Wodynski on August 14, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 1, 2009 in order to facilitate processing of required documents.

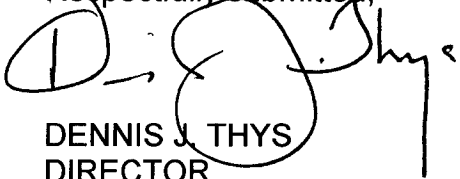
FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Community Development Grants Fund (SR 150) in the Department of Community Development (CD). This appropriation will support the estimated initial outlays in FY 09. Funding for next fiscal year's activities will be requested in FY 10. There is no impact to the General Fund.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



DENNIS J. THYS  
DIRECTOR  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Attachment: Exhibit A

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER

**EXHIBIT A**

<b>Name of Partner</b>	<b>Role and Responsibility</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>
Goodwill Serving the People of Southern Los Angeles County	Staffing assistance to provide Network customers access and connect with the wide variety of programs, services and funds available to promote employment and career advancement, as well as coordination of the day-to-day activities of the Program at the Network's Career Transition Center	\$32,000	July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010
AbilityFirst		\$42,000	July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010