

Building partnerships to create workforce opportunities that cultivate business, grow jobs, develop people, and build community.

Board of Directors Meeting May 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Harrisonburg City Council Chambers 409 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA

Call to Order     Roll Call	Jeff Stapel Joan Hollen
Introduction of Guests	Jeff Stapel
<ul> <li>Consent Agenda</li> <li>Prior Meeting Minutes (March 8 Board Retreat Minutes)</li> <li>Valley Workforce Center WIOA Dashboard Reports (March/April 2018)</li> <li>March 2018 Financial Statements</li> <li>SVWDB Communications Outreach Report – May 2018</li> </ul>	Jeff Stapel
<ul> <li>SVWDB Workforce Initiatives</li> <li>Strategic Plan Update</li> <li>Integrated Business Services Team</li> <li>Expanding Service Delivery <ul> <li>Functional Alignment of Programs</li> <li>Technology</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Jeff Stapel Sharon Johnson Sharon Johnson Sharon Johnson
<ul> <li>Workforce Center Updates</li> <li>Valley to Virginia (V2V) Advisory Council Meeting         <ul> <li>Status Update and Successes</li> <li>American Apprenticeship Initiative (AAI) Conference Debby Hopk</li> <li>V2V Policy Addendums</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Sharon Johnson Debby Hopkins kins/Sharon Johnson
<ul> <li>Virginia Career Works</li> <li>Introduction of Speaker</li> <li>Rebranding the Virginia Workforce System</li> <li>Regional Branding Ambassador</li> </ul>	Sharon Johnson Mason Bishop Joan Hollen
Committee Reports	
Executive Committee         Officer Election         Officer Election         Committee Update         Officer Election         Committee Update         Officer Election	Jeff Stapel
<ul> <li>Executive Committee Member Election</li> <li>Finance Committee         <ul> <li>Form 990</li> <li>Finance Committee Member Election</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Jeff Stapel
Other Business <ul> <li>GO Virginia Update</li> <li>Board Meeting Evaluation</li> </ul>	Jeff Stapel Jeff Stapel Sharon Johnson
Public Input (Rules and Guidelines attached)	

Adjournment

Next SVWDB Board Meeting: September 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – noon. Location TBD.

#### **Public Input Rules and Guidelines**

- Citizens desiring to speak during the public input period must sign in on the Public Input Sign-in sheet to provide information which includes printed name, organization (if applicable) and input topic. This will allow for citizens to be recognized by the Chairman of the Board during the Public Input period.
- 2) Individuals should stand when recognized by the Chairman of the Board; speak their name, organization (if applicable) and input topic.
- 3) Individuals should direct input to the Chairman of the Board.
- 4) Individuals are limited to no more than five (5) minutes. The time limit applies per individual and not per topic. Individual input to address multiple topics is limited to five minutes.
- 5) Individuals representing a group of citizens are limited to five (5) minutes; members comprising the group represented forfeit their individual time to speak.
- 6) When there are multiple individuals requesting time for public input on a single topic and the input is the same, at the Chairman of the Board's discretion, the number of speakers may be limited in order to make effective use of Board member's time and to allow an opportunity for input on multiple topics to be heard by the Board.
- 7) All citizens are strongly encouraged to put their comments in writing to the Board prior to the meeting for inclusion in the Board materials. Such written comments should be submitted to the SVWDB office the Monday prior to the Board meeting.



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#### Board of Directors Retreat March 8, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. JMU Ice House Room 117, 127 W. Bruce Street, Harrisonburg, VA

#### Call to Order:

Chair Stapel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The roll was called and introductions were made. A quorum of the board was present.

**Private Sector Members Present:** Annette Medlin, Carrie Chenery, Jeffrey Stapel, Jo Lee Loveland Link, Cara Major, Julie Suijk, Kip Brannon, Robin Sullenberger, Steve Douty, Wes Dove

**Public Sector Members Present:** Amy Judd, Gary Keener, Lara Hoke, Jackson Green, Jeanian Clark, John Downey, Julie Goodlick, Sandy Rinker, Patrick Barker, Robert Goldsmith

**Chief Elected Officials/Alternates Present:** Morgan Phenix, CEO Page County; Liz Lewis, CEO Alternate Page County; Jenna French, CEO Alternate Shenandoah County

**Guests Present:** Chris Pope, VEC Martinsville, Kathy Kalisz, VEC Winchester; Clay Stein and Stephanie Hoer, Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Camille Miller, The Virginia Group

**SVWDB Staff Present:** Sharon Johnson, Debby Hopkins, Cathi Michie, Matt Green, Debbie Berry, Loretta Snow, Vanessa Robison, Joan Hollen

#### **Consent Agenda**

#### Jeff Stapel

Jeff Stapel

Chair Stapel asked if there were any items included in the consent agenda that needed to be removed prior to the vote. There were no requests to remove items from the consent agenda.

- Prior Meeting Minutes (November 9, 2017 and January 11, 2018)
- Valley Workforce Center WIOA Dashboard Reports (February)
- Eligible Training Provider Application

Motion by John Downey to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second by Wes Dove. Motion approved unanimously.

#### **Retreat Introduction**

Chair Stapel introduced facilitator Camille Miller, President, The Virginia Group and outlined the objectives and focus of the retreat. The Board was asked to review strategic initiatives identified by the Board and define goals that give staff operational direction. A subject matter expert has been engaged to frame each discussion topic.

Camille Miller opened the discussion by stating that the SVWDB is recognized as one of the top 3 workforce boards in Virginia and commended the board on their progress over the last 7 years. The

process for discussion was outlined and the group was asked to consider the needs of the community and the resources available to the board as they refine the Board's operational goals.

Sharon Johnson provided background information on how the public workforce system operates in Virginia.

- In the current Federal environment, Workforce Boards are able to request waivers on the way they operate. Waiver requests may reduce regulation that restricts the way public workforce systems do business.
- The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is administered by the Department of Labor and funding goes to a state entity for administration. In Virginia, the Virginia Community College System is the fiscal agent for WIOA receiving and administering WIOA funding through the state Title I Administrator.
- Virginia has the Virginia Board for Workforce Development that is responsible for workforce policy development. The Virginia WIOA Title I Administrator provides guidance on policy implementation and can add requirements to WIOA implementation.
- WIOA Title partners are affected differently by WIOA. Title I serves adult, dislocated worker, and youth and is administered locally by 15 Workforce Development Boards in Virginia. The Department of Education administers Adult Education and Literacy Act programs, the Virginia Employment Commission administers Wagner-Peyser employment services, and vocational rehabilitation is administered through the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) and Department for Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI).
- DARS is currently focused on working with the K-12 school system.
- The Virginia Economic Development Partnership is making an effort to establish Virginia as the number one state to do business. Virginia has been downgraded by site selectors as having a fractured workforce system. Businesses don't know who to call if they need a workforce solution. VEDP is moving forward with a turnkey customized workforce solution to support businesses.

#### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT

#### Framing the Problem - Dr. John Downey

The Labor Force Participation Rate is the number of people that are available to work as a percent of the total population in the age group of 16-64 except those incarcerated. This differs from the unemployment rate, which only measures those persons seeking employment. The Labor Force Participation Rate in 2016 for the SVWDB region was 61-65% compared to 67.9% in Virginia and 62.9% in the U.S. The share of Americans with jobs decreased 4.5% since 1999 resulting in 11.4 million less workers today.

*ALICE*, a recent study by the United Way, which stands for **A**sset Limited, Income **C**onstrained, **E**mployed, shows that 39% of Virginia households are facing financial hardships. The ALICE population represents individuals and families who work hard and earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living. ALICE struggles to afford the necessities, including housing, food, childcare, health care, and transportation. Fifty-seven percent of jobs in Virginia pay less than \$20.00 per hour with most paying between \$10.00 and \$15.00 per hour.

The Labor Supply and Demand in Virginia: A Dynamic approach to Understanding the Labor Force 3Q2017 discusses underemployment and the involuntary part-time employment that resulted from the Affordable Care Act, which caused many employers to decrease workers' hours to avoid paying higher health care costs. These workers are busy working multiple part time jobs to survive and do not have the time or resources for training to improve skills and seek full-time employment.

A Washington Post Article from February 22, 2018, entitled "*Millions of jobs are still missing. Don't blame immigrants or food stamps.*" provides insight into what happened to those not working in America. Half of those no longer in the labor force are the aging population. 2.65 million jobs were lost to due to the outsourcing of low skilled manufacturing labor. An additional 1.4 million jobs were lost to automation. Other factors include an increased number of people on Social Security Disability, which nearly doubled from 1999 to 2016, a shrinking youth employment rate, disabled Veterans, and those incarcerated. Challenges facing the non-employed population in finding work include a skills mismatch, lack of willingness to move for a job, an increase in jobs needing a license, and drug/opioid use increase.

The group discussed potential ways to the address labor force participation factors and underemployment to positively affect low unemployment and increase the availability of workers.

- Train the employer. Employers are not often flexible in recruitment and how training is delivered.
- Understand the pipeline. Can we upskill employees to fill positions that are more skilled?
- Engage non-profit sectors. Non-profit sectors that are working with the population of part-time workers need to be plugged into the business sector.
- Explore more data. There is a need for additional regional data to determine and prioritize the most impactful action plans.
- Cooperative regional childcare and transportation solutions could help break down barriers for part-time workers to achieve full time status.
- To overcome barriers to employment, workforce partners could meet clients where they are.
- Educate the community on services available through workforce partners including training resources and length of training to achieve specific goals.
- Consider generational differences. Seek to engage the pockets of people not currently engaged in the workforce.
- Connect with Youth while they are still in school.
- Influence the mindset of youth, parents and teachers. Glamorize employment opportunities available without a 4-year college degree.
- Redefine what college means. Promote a joint education pathway instead of either/or approach to post-secondary education. Adopt a lifelong learning philosophy.
- Consider the impact a Medicaid work requirement might have on the workforce.
- Consider the microcosm of each community and recognize that silos exist in rural communities due to the lack of employment opportunities.
- The local workforce system should drive business services not WIOA. How do we reorganize to get local people educated about and engaged in workforce development?

#### **BUSINESS SERVICES – MOVING BEYOND COMPLIANCE**

#### Defining the Current State – Dr. Sharon Johnson

Business services are growing in importance at the state and national level. Due to low unemployment, there is more demand for business services such as incumbent worker training, on-the-job training, and registered apprenticeship. There is limited funding in WIOA for business services with only 20% of Adult and Dislocated Worker funding allowed for incumbent worker training. SVWDB has historically provided business services through discretionary grants such as the Energy Partnership Grant, On-the-Job Training Grant, and Registered Apprenticeship grant, however, discretionary grant availability has dried up.

SVWDB has two Business Services Teams, one in Winchester and one in Harrisonburg. Center partners and other key partners are part of the business services teams, which meet regularly and are in the process of formalizing a team approach to providing integrated business services in the region. The Roanoke Business

Services Team Coordinator visited and shared their experience in forming the business services team and engaging partners in an integrated approach to serving businesses.

SVWDB needs resources for a full-time business services coordinator, marketing materials consistent across partners, and a communication tool (CRM) to share information among partners. The team is currently developing a Google document to share information among partners. SVWDB was selected to participate in a national Integrated Business Services Cohort through the U.S. Department of Labor. This opportunity is providing insight into the challenges and successful models across the U.S. in implementing business services.

#### Working with Businesses Today...Our Philosophy – Debby Hopkins and Sean McCusty

Federal grants have been essential in our region and SVWDB has been aggressive in seeking discretionary grants. Since 2010, the SVWDB has received \$16 million in funding for workforce development efforts with \$14 million coming from the Department of Labor. These grants have helped SVWDB deliver business services to employers that they would otherwise not have the resources to provide. Discretionary grants have helped SVWDB build relationships with the business, education, and economic development communities.

The SVWDB Business Services Teams include partner agencies that provide workforce services to businesses. The SVWDB regional workforce partners collaborate well and make referrals but there is no formal system in place to support integrated business services among partners. The team works to educate employers on the services available among the various workforce partners and provides information on training practices and opportunities.

Employer considerations:

- Employers are operating under the assumption that they can post a job and can get a flood of qualified applicants, which is not the case.
- Employers need to consider upskilling current employees and backfilling vacant jobs created by employee advancement.
- An aging workforce is recognized but employers do not know how to fill these longstanding positions once the employee retires.
- Eighty percent of employers have never utilized workforce services.
- The Business Services Team has an opportunity to educate employers on how programs work and the associated program requirements.
- Would business contribute financially to a business services initiative?7

The group discussed and reported back on the following questions:

#### 1. What business services do businesses want?

- a. A single place where businesses can go for workforce information and solutions. A single point of contact for workforce support and resources. Consider a regional web site with two clicks to important information.
- b. Small employers without a dedicated human resources staff do not know where to go for support.
- c. What previously worked is no longer working. Need a paradigm shift, a single regional point of contact, new resources, and new strategies.
- d. Access to solutions to make the business better.
- e. Push out information through Chambers of Commerce.
- f. Define business needs and where partners fit into the solutions.

- g. Formalize a single point of contact approach to business services. It is about the service, not the agency providing the service.
- h. SVP has a one page web platform called Valley Career Hub that could be used as a contact point for education and training resources. <u>www.valleycareerhub.com</u>
- i. Consider Small Business Development Center model. Customers go to a web site and sign up as a client. Then SBDC reviews application and directs services accordingly.
- j. Speak business language not workforce acronyms.

#### 2. What performance metrics does the board want to see for accountability?

- a. Tracking the number of visits is a bad metric. Tracking the outcome of a visit is a more valuable metric.
- b. A Customer Relationship Management (CRM) tool is needed to share information among workforce partners and to track services provided.
- c. Businesses need to share results of services provided (i.e. customer satisfaction survey).
- d. Track services and outcomes (measure wage increase due to services/training)

#### 3. What services are offered by the four WIOA titles?

- a. Title I On-the-Job Training, Incumbent Worker Training, adult, dislocated worker and youth skills training, supportive services, career services, labor market information (SVWDB/Valley Workforce Centers).
- b. Title II –adult education and English literacy (Adult Education).
- c. Title III jobseeker services and unemployment benefits (Virginia Employment Commission).
- d. Title IV services for individuals with disabilities including vocational rehabilitation, occupational training, and assistive technologies (Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and Department for Blind and Vision Impaired).

#### **RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Overview of How the Money Flows – Cathi Michie**

Chief Finance Officer Cathi Michie provided an overview of how WIOA funding flows from the Department of Labor to the Virginia Community College System and to the local workforce areas. Cash flow has an impact on how SVWDB does business. Only enough funds can be pulled to pay current expenditures plus 14 days of operations. The presentation can be accesses at this link <u>https://prezi.com/view/3ExmaxXpOFYTbgJB516X/</u>.

Sharon Johnson is working to get information on the state formula that determines local WIOA allocations. As the cash flow presentation indicates, the VCCS retains an allowable portion of WIOA funds and distributes WIOA funds to local workforce boards based on a formula. Local boards need to learn more about the formula allocation process to be able to budget appropriately. There is renewed interest in using WIOA funds for governor led initiatives and as unemployment decreases, workforce funding is reduced.

#### Virginia Combined State Plan Update – Sharon Johnson

Sharon Johnson provided information on the one year update to the Virginia Combined State Plan. The update is being led by the Governor's office and each WIOA title organization provides input into the plan. Modifications are due to the administration by March 22. The Virginia Board for Workforce Development will review and vote on the changes. A state workforce retreat will be held in May to further drill down on the Combined State Plan.

#### Potential Resource Development – Sharon Johnson

SVWDB is really good at seeking grants. Grants are program money, not administrative money. SVWDB has no discretionary funds to support workforce services outside the WIOA funding and the current American Apprenticeship Initiative grant. The following examples of options to increase funds to SVWDB were provided:

- **Fee-for-service work.** Are there gaps in services that SVWDB could provide for a fee such as fees charged for training or recruiting?
- **Tiered funding solicitation model.** Private investments at a tiered funding/service level (i.e. Platinum, Gold, Silver investment levels with services corresponding to investment levels).
- **Special event or project.** A fee based event such as an annual award banquet or technical assistance training for pay.
- Spin off for profit organization providing consulting or other workforce related services.
- Integration of services. Identifying and reducing duplication of services among workforce partners. How can we do more with less?
- **Central office functions.** Identify gaps in service that we could provide to other boards (i.e. monitoring, fiscal management).

#### How can the SVWDB be supported with funds other than WIOA?

The group was asked to consider what SVWDB could do to generate unrestricted funds and what gaps in service need to be filled with those funds.

- Create our own staffing agency.
- Fee for services such as monitoring, grant writing, labor market data mining, fiscal agent.
- Fee for services such as talent screening and interviewing for employers.
- Target youth in school that are going directly to work and work to get them into the labor force. Would employers pay for this type of service?
- Solicit in-kind gifts such as web services and marketing.
- Seminars for a fee for other Workforce Boards.

#### SUB-REGIONALIZATION

#### Defining the Current State – Sharon Johnson

The Shenandoah Valley Local Workforce Development Area IV (LWDA IV) is one of the largest workforce regions in the state. The board has conducted studies by sub-region to capture regional differences. We have tried moving board meetings around the region but have lost board participation in the process. How do we operationalize such a large region and still give each sub-region a voice? Do we need to keep discussing sub-regionalization?

The group discussed and provided feedback on sub-regionalization:

- Make sure that all parts of the region have a voice and that the voice is heard by the Board.
- No need for formalized sub-regions just be aware of differences.
- Have a conduit to communicate the needs of all parts of the region.
- Be mindful that representation does not mean engagement. Consider the participation rate by locality and get that information to the Chief Elected Officials.
- Have regional sub-groups that can meet between board meetings to address sub-regional issues and report to the board.
- Pick a sub-region per board meeting and provide meaningful information to the board on that sub-region.
- Use WebEx or Skype to engage more board members and investigate the Sunshine provisions.
- Engage community colleges and report on community college workforce activities.
- Recognize and share the differences, do not silo because of differences.
- Identify and share best practices.

#### BOARD MEMBER AND CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Our Journey Over the Last Year – Jeff Stapel and Sharon Johnson

Jeff Stapel gave a historic look at the past 17-18 years of his service on the SVWDB. In 2010/2011, the board began transition to a more integrated and developed board. The Board has the ability to bring partners together, which gives the board the ability to leverage assets to support workforce development. It is important for board members to understand how the board functions so they can be SVWDB ambassadors for the region. Board members need to feel that their time is invested wisely, that their voice is heard, that they are respected, and valued for their contribution. Feedback from board members is needed on continuous improvement and how to engage the Chief Elected Officials.

Current efforts for continuous improvement include succession planning, increased board engagement, getting new members on the board, and engaging local elected officials. Mission Moments will be added to upcoming board meetings by including a success story from a job seeker and/or business to show how SVWDB services have real life impact. SVWDB needs to demonstrate the success and benefits of the organization to the Chief Elected Officials so they take this information back to their local governing bodies. An elevator speech is needed and Jo Lee Loveland-Link offered to assist the group in developing an elevator speech for the Board and Chief Elected Officials to be ambassadors for the SVWDB.

The group was asked to consider the following questions when discussing Board and Chief Elected Official Engagement: 1) What do we keep doing?; 2) What do we start doing?; and 3) What do we stop doing?

- Continue dissemination of information and orientation packets to equip the board with knowledge about the SVWDB.
- Start Individualizing board orientation where needed.
- Start providing a new board member with a board member mentor for orientation.
- Start communicating expectations to Board members.
- Keep the meeting schedule and location as it is.
- Start talking about all system partners, not just Title I.
- Start creating value added services for private sector board members.
- Start providing opportunities to build relationships with board members and partners. Put faces to names.
- Keep up the good engagement with Board members, but consider room for growth in this area.
- Keep the board free from financial commitment to participate.
- Start focusing on a specific program at each meeting so board members can learn about the programs.
- Start providing program and service outcomes to elected officials to take back to their governing bodies.

Jeff Stapel closed the meeting by saying that the information collected today will be processed and sent back out to the board. Please send any ideas or suggestions to staff. This is not the end of the process. Actionable items will be developed from the discussion points. The next board meeting on May 10, 2018 will include nominations for new members to the Executive Committee.

Public Input (Rules and Guidelines attached): There was no public input.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Hollen

#### The next SVWDB Board Meeting: May 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Location to be Determined

#### Resources: Labor Force Participation Rate in Virginia <u>http://virginialmi.com/content/pdfs/2016%20Labor%20Force%20Participation%20Rates.pdf</u>

#### ALICE 2017 Virginia Report

https://www.dropbox.com/s/9chqmvm4c6viv2n/17UW%20ALICE%20Report\_VA\_7.18.17\_Lowres.pdf?dl=0

# Labor Supply and Demand in Virginia: A Dynamic approach to Understanding the Labor Force 3Q2017 <u>https://virginialmi.com/content/pdfs/Alternative%20Measures\_2017%20Q3.pdf</u>

Millions of jobs are still missing. Don't blame immigrants or food stamps. https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2018/02/22/fewer-americans-are-working-dont-blameimmigrants-or-food-stamps/?utm\_term=.114470ad8a1b

#### How the Money Flows – Cathi Michie

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Valley Workforce Center						
March, 2	018					
20 days of Ope						
WIOA PROGRAM IN	NFORMATIO	N				
WIOA Clients Program YTD         Adult         Dislocated Worker         Youth         Totals						
Carryover Clients from Previous Program Year14097107344						
New Enrollment for this Program Year	86	32	42	160		
New Enrollments March 2018	7	2	3	12		
Exited March 2018	13	4	4	21		
Exits this Program Year	113	75	78	266		
Total Active WIOA Participants						
Placement Rate 79.6% 90.4% 76.6% 81.00%						
Average Wage at Placement         \$13.50         \$16.07         \$10.94         \$13.68						
Exited Exclusion from Performance	5	2	1	8		

TRAFFIC	MONTH	YTD
Northern Total	454	3,366
Central Total	714	6,314
Total	1,168	9,680
Outreach	480	1,547
Total all Activities	1,648	11,227
Last Year Same Month	1,226	9,391
Monthly Avg	82	
Daily Avg - YTD	62	

<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE</b> (most recent available)					
	Feb. 2017 Feb. 2018 % Change				
LWIA IV	3.9%	3.3%	0.6%		
VIRGINIA	4.2%	3.3%	0.9%		
US	4.9%	4.4%	0.5%		

Training/Education Providers			
Name			Total YTD
Adult Education	Provider/GE	D	3
<b>Blue Ridge Com</b>	munity Colleg	e	31
Lord Fairfax Co	nmunity Colle	ege	56
Dabney S. Lanca	ster Commun	ity College	7
Massanutten Technical Center		33	
Valley Career and Technical Center		5	
Winchester Medical Center			
Page County Technical Center		3	
James Madison University		1	
Byers Institute		10	
<b>Other Approved</b>	l Provider		3
Total			151

Top Courses of Study			
	Month	TYD	
Certified Nursing Assistant	4		15
Commercial Drivers' License	4		24
Licensed Practical Nurse	0		21
СМА	4		16

Valley Workforce Center					
April, 20	April, 2018				
23 days of Op	peration				
WIOA PROGRAM I	NFORMATION	J			
WIOA Clients Program YTD     Adult     Dislocated Worker     Youth     Totals					
Carryover Clients from Previous Program Year	r 140 97 107 344				
New Enrollment for this Program Year116345020					
New Enrollments April 2018	29	2	5	36	
Exited April 2018	8	8	11	27	
Exits this Program Year	123	83	89	295	
Total Active WIOA Participants1334868249					
Placement Rate 81.0% 87.6% 78.4% 82.10%					
Average Wage at Placement         \$13.50         \$16.07         \$10.94         \$13.68					
Exited Exclusion from Performance	7	2	1	10	

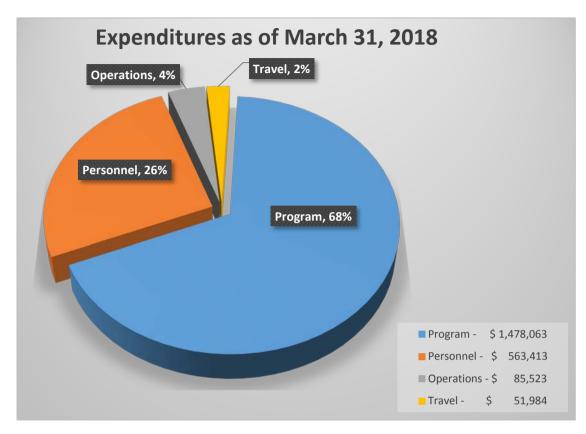
TRAFFIC	MONTH	YTD
Northern Total	439	3,805
Central Total	735	7,049
Total	1,174	10,854
Outreach	578	2,125
Total all Activities	1,752	12,979
Last Year Same Month	951	9,391
Monthly Avg	76	
Daily Avg - YTD	60	

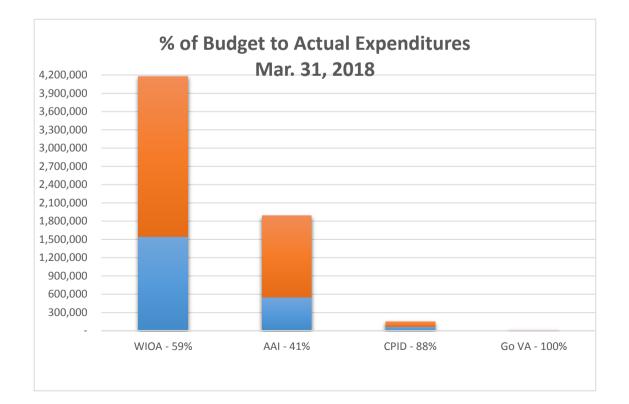
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US	3.9%	3.5%	0.4%		

Training/Education Providers			
Name			Total YTD
Adult Educati	on Provider/C	<b>FED</b>	3
0	ommunity Coll	0	42
Lord Fairfax (	Community Co	llege	65
Dabney S. Lar	icaster Comm	inity Colle	7
Massanutten	Technical Cen	ter	34
Valley Career and Technical Center		5	
Winchester Medical Center			
Page County Technical Center		3	
James Madison University		1	
Byers Institute		11	
<b>Other Approv</b>	ed Provider		1
Total			173

Top Courses of Study		
	Month	TYD
Certified Nursing Assistant	4	15
Commercial Drivers' License	8	34
Licensed Practical Nurse	2	23
СМА	4	20

Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board, Inc. As of March 31, 2018





### Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board, Inc. Statement of Financial Position As of March 31, 2018

#### Unaudited

Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 94,374
Accounts receivable	176,185
Prepaid expenses	 2,273
Total Assets	\$ 272,832
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 157,529
Accrued leave	 52,524
Total Liabilities	\$ 210,053
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$ 29
Temporarily restricted	 62,750
Total Net Assets	\$ 62,779
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 272,832

#### Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board, Inc. Statement of Activities - With FY2018 Budget *Unaudited*

		For the <b>p</b>	erio	od ended March	n 31,	2018			
				Temporarily					% of Total
	U	nrestricted		Restricted		Total	FY	2018 Budget	Budget
Changes in Net Assets									
Support and revenue									
WIOA Grants	\$	-	\$	1,569,574	\$	1,569,574	\$	3,776,696	42%
American Apprenticeship Grant		-		552,874		552,874		1,337,222	41%
Career Pathways Grant		-		69,355		69,355		78,510	88%
Go Virginia Technical Assistance		-		6,859		6,859		6,800	101%
Other revenue		-		41,071		41,071		-	0%
Satisfaction of Program Restrictions		2,176,983		(2,176,983)		-		-	0%
Total Support and revenue	\$	2,176,983	\$	62,750	\$	2,239,733	\$	5,199,228	43%

#### Expenses

#### WIOA Grants Expenses

Administration						
Personnel	\$ 194,091	\$	- 3	\$ 194,091	\$ 270,120	72%
Operations	6,480		-	6,480	7,760	84%
Office Operations	18,623		-	18,623	23,730	78%
Financial	1,763		-	1,763	7,460	24%
Travel	 26,280		-	26,280	31,770	83%
Total Administration	 247,237		-	247,237	340,840	73%
Program Services						
Adult contracts	524,982		-	524,982	922,500	57%
Dislocated worker contracts	258,167		-	258,167	327,500	79%
Youth contracts	373,371		-	373,371	815,000	46%
Goodwill One Stop Services	6,667		-	6,667	10,000	67%
Valley Workforce (Leases, IT, etc.)	125,760		-	125,760	152,200	83%
Incumbent Worker Training	-		-	-	15,000	0%
OJT Contracts	-		-	-	5,000	0%
Professional Services	2,209		-	2,209	15,000	15%
Purchase of new computers	1,497		-	1,497	10,000	15%
Board website, branding & outreach	 10,000		-	10,000	14,400	69%
Total Program Services	 1,302,653		-	1,302,653	2,286,600	57%
Total WIOA Grants Expenses	\$ 1,549,890	\$	- 3	\$ 1,549,890	\$ 2,627,440	59%

# American Apprenticeship Grant Expenses

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Administration					
Personnel	\$ 334,468 \$	- \$	334,468	\$ 507,980	66%
Operations	11,834	-	11,834	14,570	81%
Office Operations	38,142	-	38,142	50,570	75%
Financial	2,103	-	2,103	12,632	17%
Travel	 22,181	-	22,181	20,670	107%
Total Administration	 408,728	-	408,728	606,422	67%
Total Program Services	 142,360	-	142,360	730,800	19%
American Apprenticeship Grant	\$ 551,088 \$	- \$	551,088	\$ 1,337,222	41%

<b>Career Pathways Grant Expenses</b>					
Administration					
Personnel	\$ 29,067 \$	- \$	29,067	\$ 33,490	87%
Operations	947	-	947	3,020	31%
Office Operations	2,778	-	2,778	5,450	51%
Financial	149	-	149	1,150	13%
Travel	 3,181	-	3,181	4,400	72%
Total Administration	 36,122	-	36,122	47,510	76%
Total Program Services	 33,050	-	33,050	31,000	107%
Total CPID Grant Expenses	\$ 69,172 \$	- \$	69,172	\$ 78,510	88%

Net Assets, Beginning Net Assets, Ending	\$ \$	29 29	\$ \$	- 62,750	\$	29 62,779			
Change in Net Assets	<b>&gt;</b>		\$	62,750		62,750	⊅ 	1,149,256	
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Total Expenses		2,176,983		-		2,176,983		4,049,972	54
Total Go Virginia Expenses	\$	6,833	\$	-	\$	6,833	\$	6,800	100
Total Administration		6,833		-		6,833		6,800	100
Travel		342		-		342		590	58
Financial		30		-		30		130	23
Office Operations		486		-		486		630	7′
Operations	Ŧ	188	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	188	Ŧ	250	7
Administration Personnel	\$	5,787	\$	_	\$	5,787	\$	5,200	11

Jeff Stapel, Chairman



Sharon Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

## Communications & Outreach Program Report May 2018

## **<u>1st</u>** Quarter 2018 Highlights

The following communications and outreach tasks were accomplished:

- Published and shared content on social media highlighting workforce staff activities and accomplishments, as well as partner programs and workforce trends.
- Posted five blog posts on the topics of Virginia Values Veterans (V3) training, new Virginia Career Works branding, and the GO Virginia initiative.
- Promoted a variety of job fairs, program accomplishments, special events and workforce center training events.
- Completed a Q1 newsletter.
- Issued press releases for V3 training event and extended Winchester Workforce Center hours.

**Goals and focus for next reporting period**: Continue to build community awareness via social media, newsletter, blogging, and media stories. Prepare and make transition to new branding.

## <u>Media</u>

Media coverage during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2018 included:

- <u>McAuliffe unifiesVa. workforce centers under new brand</u>, WHSV, January 9, 2018.
- <u>Virginia recognized as top state for workforce development programs</u>, WHSV, February 28, 2018.
- <u>Veterans training program teaches local companies how to hire veterans</u>, WHSV, March 20, 2018.

**Goals and focus for next reporting period**: Continue consistent media announcements of workforce activities and accomplishments.

## <u>Email</u>

Email outreach for Q1 included:

- An update to the outreach email lists.
- Announcement for the V3 training event was sent to the employers list.
- Q1 email newsletter was distributed with above average engagement at a 27.1% open rate, 5.2 % click rate.
- Overall list average remains solid with a 35.7% open rate, 5.3% click rate. (As compared to the industry average of 23.5% open rate and 3.1% click rate.)

**Goals and focus for next reporting period**: Maintain consistent and pertinent newsletter distribution. Continue to build newsletter list.

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## Social Media

Steady organic growth of followers/engagement continued across SVWDB social media channels during this reporting period. Highlights include:

- LinkedIn updates have shown a significant increase in reach and engagement during this reporting period, with organic reach peaking at 6,889 in January 2018 and post clicks at a high of 91 in March 2018.
- Training events and job fairs consistently get the most engagement on Facebook and Twitter, with articles/videos about innovative programs and tips for job search or interviews also of interest to the social community.

**Goals and focus for next reporting period:** Continue organic growth through strong content and best social media practices. Make transition to new branding in Q3.

## **Website**

New content published:

- <u>Virginia Values Veterans Training Event</u>
- <u>GO Virginia Region 8 Now Accepting Round 3 Project Proposals</u>
- <u>New Brand to Connect Virginia's Job Seekers and Employers</u>
- <u>GO Virginia Region 8 Funded for Advanced Manufacturing Training Program</u>
- <u>GO Virginia Region 8 Grand Funds Available for Eligible Projects</u>
- Calendar, staff and success stories updates.

#### Analytics for this reporting period, 1/1/18-3/31/18

2,461 unique users 3.48 pages per session/ 3:42 minutes 11,859 page views 83.9 % new visitors Sources: organic search 67.7% referral 7% direct 23.4% social 1.8%

#### Analytics for reporting period 10/1/17-12/31/17

2,471 unique users 3.39 pages per session/ 3:38 minutes 11,682 page views 47.64% new visitors Sources: organic search 59.9% referral 5% direct 18.5% social 4.8% other 11.9% (referrer spam)

Goals and focus for next reporting period: Prepare and make transition to new branding in Q3.

# DOL/ETA INTEGRATED BUSINESS SERVICES TA COHORT: COHORT TEAM ACTION PLAN

After completing the Integrated Business Services Self-Assessment, complete the following action plan as a team. This plan will be a living document that will change as your partnership progresses. Cohort teams will be asked to report out on these at the end of the 2018 cohort.

What are our top 3 <i>strategies?</i>	How will we get there?	How long will this take?	Who's responsible?	How will we know we're successful?
Think <b>S</b> mart, <b>M</b> easurable, <b>A</b> ctionable, <b>R</b> elevant, <b>T</b> ime-Oriented)	Specific action items	Assign a time	Individual/org accountable	One year from now
BST Formation (Formalize Team, Build Services Awareness, and Train BST Members) Forming to Storming	<ol> <li>Determine core BS team and referral partners. Invite partners to join the team</li> <li>Develop Team Charter, Mission, Vision, Values, MOU</li> <li>Fund Business Development</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Ongoing: Discussed at April 2018 BST meeting. New members invited to June 2018 meeting.</li> <li>August 2018</li> <li>July 2018</li> <li>June 2018</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>SVWDB Business Development Manager</li> <li>SVWDB Business Development Manager and Team</li> <li>SVWDB Board, CEO, CFO</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The team has engaged member representation from most partners</li> <li>The Charter, Mission, Vision and Values have been collaboratively developed and implementation has begun</li> <li>Business Development Manager and partners have developed a level of trust among team members</li> </ol>

What are our top 3 strategies?	How will we get there?	How long will this take?	Who's responsible?	How will we know we're successful?
	<ul> <li>Manager</li> <li>4. Conduct cross partner program business services training</li> <li>5. Plan for business services training.</li> </ul>	5. Fall 2018		
Functional Alignment (Conduct asset mapping, align resources) Storming to Norming	<ol> <li>Identify services of each partner and prepare asset map</li> <li>Conduct facilitated partner alignment sessions</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Collect information in June 2018 and present draft at July 2018 meeting</li> <li>Facilitated sessions July - September</li> </ol>	SVWDB staff - Data and Communications Specialist, Business Development Manager	<ol> <li>BST members are aware of the services offered by each partner and refer businesses to the appropriate team member for services</li> <li>BST members have participated in the business services integration sessions, understand and have buy-in regarding partner coordination</li> </ol>
 Integrated Outreach (Develop materials and incorporate technology) Norming to Performing	<ol> <li>Design and produce traditional outreach materials (Hard copy, PowerPoint) based on successful models.</li> <li>Develop a mobile application to connect businesses to services</li> <li>Develop an online orientation for businesses</li> <li>Develop business podcasts</li> </ol>	process started	SVWDB Data and Communications Specialist, Business Development Manager	<ol> <li>Materials are developed and being used successfully by BST members</li> <li>Number of businesses served has increased</li> </ol>

What are our top 3 strategies?	How will we get there?	How long will this take?	Who's responsible?	How will we know we're successful?
Customer Relationship Management (Partner Communication and business data) Performing	<ol> <li>Develop partner communication tool</li> <li>Conduct partner communication meetings</li> <li>Assess CRM systems being utilized by VA LWDAs</li> <li>BST CRM discussion and recommendation regarding next steps</li> <li>Board review and funding decision</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>April to implement in May</li> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Fall 2018</li> <li>Fall 2018</li> </ol>	SVWDB Data and Communications Specialist and Business Development Manager	<ol> <li>BST members are using tool to communicate between BST meetings</li> <li>BST members are participating in meetings</li> <li>LWDA CRM information has been assessed</li> <li>BST members have reached consensus regarding CRM vision and product recommendation</li> <li>Board decision regarding funding</li> </ol>
Seek Funding Implementation and Sustainability	<ol> <li>Investigate funding options</li> <li>Cost allocation with partners</li> <li>Develop grant proposals</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Summer 2018</li> <li>As funding opportunities are available</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>SVWDB staff and BST members</li> <li>BST member organizations</li> <li>SVWDB staff and BST members</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Funding options have been identified</li> <li>Partners have agreed to a cost allocation method for the delivery of business services</li> <li>Proposals have been awarded</li> </ol>



#### Workforce Center Status Update May 10, 2018

## Harrisonburg Center

- SVWDB is the leaseholder. Center is leased through Harrisonburg Housing Authority. Lease expires June 30<sup>th</sup> with two year term and 2% increase every two years.
- Center is ADA approved.
- All space is filled. It appears there is no room for additional partners. There should be a formal space utilization review to consider how staff space is used, how common space is used and the frequency of use.
- Goodwill is paying for space for two discretionary grants and uses the space as needed for grant staff and training.
- VEC is interested in the possibility moving additional staff into the Harrisonburg Center and decentralize from Fishersville.
- There is a new center manager, Tristin Meadows, she last served as the Career Specialist in the Harrisonburg Center. Melanie has moved to Regional Director of Workforce Development for Goodwill.
- Harrisonburg is a certified comprehensive one-stop workforce center.

## Winchester Center

- SVWDB is the leaseholder. Center is leased through North Cameron Properties, LLC, a related party to Our Health. Currently in the first year of a five year lease.
- Center is in the process of becoming ADA approved.
- All space is filled with SVWDB service provider staff, VEC staff, and Adult Education staff and representatives.
- We want to certify as a comprehensive one-stop center, but DARS will not agree to participate in a cost allocation agreement. This is still under discussion.
- Winchester Center will be certified as an affiliate center because they have two or more partners in the center.
- If participant and business events increase, there is limited space to host at the center, but there are numerous additional meeting rooms available to be scheduled on site through Our Health.
- Chuck Peacock is the Center Manager and is an employee of Goodwill Industries of the Valleys.

## Fishersville Center

- VEC owns the building and plans to close and will sell the property.
- SVWDB pays rent to VEC.
- When VEC moves, they plan to move staff between Fishersville and Harrisonburg, using Harrisonburg as the primary center for VEC staffing (this is subject to change).
- Center is not ADA approved and needs extensive building and parking lot modifications.

- Once the center has been relocated, it will be certified as an affiliate center.
- VEC is in the process of hiring a VEC Manager to be housed out of the Harrisonburg Center.
- Current SVWDB service provider staff do not have adequate office space and typically meet with clients at other off site locations.

### **Luray Center**

- Currently lease space from LFCC.
- SVWDB service provider staff meet with all clients off site.
- SVWDB staff are working with the nonprofit Page One to move two case managers into their newly acquired main street location.
- SVWDB staff providing direction on the layout of space for the workforce center.
- Cost and next steps to be determined.
- Center will not be a comprehensive or affiliate site. The term for standalone centers has not been determined by the state.

## **Rockbridge Center**

• Currently lease space from DSLCC.

## \$ by Economic Locality

Locality	A	Al Grant
Other Virginia	\$	255,721
Rockingham	\$	161,343
Augusta	\$	123,786
Harrisonburg	\$	71,550
Waynesboro	\$	42,400
Frederick	\$	34,450
Shenandoah	\$	29,150
Warren	\$	13,250
Rockbridge	\$	12,250
Winchester	\$	10,600
TOTAL	\$	751 617
SVWDB Total	≯ \$	754,647 498,926

#### \$4 Million Amer. Apprenticeship Grant

GOAL	CURRENT	
600 apprentices	334	56%
175 employers	62	35%
18 new programs	14	78%
37 expanded occups 150 target demographic	37 114	100% 76%

34 apprentice occupations

Related Instruction provided by:

MTC, VCTC, LFCC, DSLCC, BRCC, CATEC, NCCER, ToolingU, BR Tech College WV, Penn Foster, In House

Valley to Virginia American Apprenticeship Grant \$ Obligations to Businesses by Locality 3/31/2018 \$255,721 \$161,343 \$123,786 \$71,550 \$42,400 \$34,450 \$29,150 \$13,250 \$10,600 Other Virginia Rockingham Augusta Harrisonburg Waynesboro Frederick Shenandoah Warren Rockbridge Winchester





# **Policy and Procedures**

Title	Incentive Policy – Grant Addendum	Number	OP-14-01
Effective Date	May 1, 2018	Revisions	

## V2V Policy Differences as compared to SVWDB Policy:

## <u>Purpose</u>

To establish guidelines for provision of incentives using funds from the V2V Grant.

## **Policy**

Incentives may be provided to individuals enrolled in the V2V Grant to encourage successful participation in program activities and to recognize training and/or achievement of goals in the program without a client Individual Services Strategy or VA Workforce Connect System entry. Incentives will be in the form of a check, gift card, or a material item; under no circumstances may a participant be given cash.

## **Procedure**

## 1) Programmatic Goals eligible for incentive payments to indivuduals may include:

- a. Successful completion of training program as evidenced by trainer or company.
- b. Attainment of a credential as evidenced by trainer or copy of credential.
- c. Securing employment as evidenced by the Employer.
- d. Becoming a registered apprentice enrolled in the V2V Grant.
- e. Completion of a registered apprenticeship program as evidenced by the Employer and/or the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry, Division of Registered Apprenticeship.

## 2) Documentation:

- **a.** V2V staff will document participant goal achievement and include with participant documentation. This documentation is justification for the incentive payment.
- **b.** V2V staff must maintain an Incentive Tracking Log with participant signature acknowledging incentive receipt and V2V staff signature upon presentation.
- 3) Incentive Awards are limited to \$1000 per participant.

## <u>Waivers</u>



# Policy and Procedures

Title	Incumbent Worker Training Policy –	Number	OP-14-02
	Grant Addendum		
Effective Date	May 1, 2018	Revisions	

## V2V Policy Differences as compared to SVWDB Policy:

## <u>Purpose</u>

To establish guidelines for the use of V2V Grant funding to support registered apprenticeship training for incumbent workers who are enrolled in the V2V Grant. The Employer and the participant must meet all V2V grant eligibility and enrollment requirements.

## **Policy**

V2V Grant funding will support training for enrolled participants according to the VDOLI approved Related Technical Instruction (RTI) for the Employer's registered apprenticeship program, plus any assessments (TABE, CRC, etc.) and any remedial training deemed necessary by the employer, instructors, or V2V staff. There will be no requirement for the employer to meet WIOA eligibility requirements including an aversion of layoff strategy.

## Procedure

## 1) Eligibility:

- a. Training funds will only cover costs associated with an individual enrolled in the V2V Grant.
- b. V2V Staff will consider all other funding sources, including Vocational Rehabilitation, TANF, PELL Grants, WIOA ITAs, and GI Bill, to leverage funding.
- c. Occupational training must be included on the Employer's related technical instruction curriculum for their apprentices in that occupation. Remedial, soft skills, or supplemental training as it pertains to specific apprentices is not required to be itemized on the RTI.
- d. The V2V grant will not provide funding for programs previously funded by the V2V grant which were not successfully completed.
- 2) Costs Eligible and Not Eligible for Training Reimbursement: no changes
- 3) Cost Limitations and Match:

- **a.** Employers will be reimbursed up to 100% of the eligible training costs for participants previously enrolled in a V2V pre-apprenticeship pre-hire training, or for supplemental training for individual participants, such as remedial or soft skills, as approved by the V2V Program Director.
- **b.** Employers will be reimbursed up to 90% of eligible training costs for a site with less than 50 employees, and up to 75% for a site with less than 100 employees as approved by the V2V Program Director.
- **c.** For those participants whose company does not pay for apprenticeship training, the V2V Grant will pay the training provider directly at the same reimbursement rates defined for employer reimbursement.
- **d.** The fiscal cap for training will be \$5000 per participant with no company cap.

#### 4) Documentation.

- **a.** Each V2V Grant participant file must contain the Virginia DOLI apprenticeship registration forms and approved Related Technical Instruction curriculum.
- **b.** Each Employer file must contain an executed Employer Agreement.
- **c.** The employer must submit an Application for Grant Funds prior to the onset of requested training. Upon approval, V2V staff will issue a Commitment Letter specifying the amount of V2V grant funding approved for the training and procedures for obtaining reimbursement for eligible training expenses.
- **d.** The employer must submit a request for reimbursement of eligible training expenses including the invoice from the training provider identifying the participant(s) and specific training provided, along with proof of payment of that invoice.
- e. All reimbursements must be approved by the V2V Program Director.

## <u>Waivers</u>



# Policy and Procedures

Title	Individual Training Accounts (ITA) – Grant Addendum	Number	OP-12-07
Effective Date	May 1, 2018	Revisions	

## V2V Policy Differences as compared to SVWDB Policy:

## <u>Purpose</u>

To establish guidelines for V2V grant participants to obtain skills to become gainfully employed and to become a registered apprentice using funds from the V2V Grant.

## **Policy**

V2V grant participants will be enrolled in training programs that align with registered apprenticeship curriculum or preparedness for employment and apprenticeship without a need-based assessment, labor market analysis, IEP or eligible training provider requirement, or an ITA process. The training must support the V2V grant purpose and be aligned with the approved V2V Grant Occupations. Costs associated with assessments (including TABE, CRC, or other similar assessments) will be treated as a training cost.

## Procedure

- 1) Eligibility:
  - a. Funds will only cover costs associate with an individual enrolled in the V2V Grant.
  - b. V2V Staff will consider all other funding sources, including Vocational Rehabilitation, TANF, PELL Grants, WIOA ITAs, and GI Bill, to leverage funding.
  - c. Occupational training will be designed to apply to related technical instruction within apprenticeship programs wherever possible.
  - d. The V2V grant will not provide funding for programs previously funded by the V2V grant but not successfully completed.
- 2) Cost Limitation:
  - a. Training cost per participant is limited to \$5000 within a fiscal year; grant funds cannot be used to pay participant wages; there is no combined cap for training and supportive services provided to a V2V grant participant.

## **Waivers**



# **Policy and Procedures**

Title	Supportive Services – Grant Addendum	Number	OP-12-08
Effective Date	May 1, 2018	Revisions	

## V2V Policy Differences as compared to SVWDB Policy

## <u>Purpose</u>

To establish guidelines for provision of supportive services using funds from the V2V Grant.

## **Policy**

Participants enrolled in the V2V Grant may receive supportive services without a need-based analysis or justification as required in WIOA programs and defined in the SVWDB Policy. "Service provider" and "program operators" are determined to be V2V Grant staff for purposes of administering this policy.

#### 1) Travel Allowance:

- a. Reimbursement will be at the then current Internal Revenue Service issued standard mileage rate for business travel for actual mileage driven.
- 2) Child Care: no changes
- 3) Assistance with Training Uniforms, Work Attire, Books, and Related Tools:
  - a. The maximum assistance will be \$300 for training uniforms, safety shoes, and/or appropriate work attire, and \$1000 for training/work-related tools or supplies.

#### 4) Other:

a. Supportive services may include work site disability accommodations on a caseby-case basis.

#### 5) Limitations:

- a. Supportive services are limited to no more than \$3500 per participant per fiscal year.
- b. Funding of training and supportive services will not have a combined fiscal year cap.

## <u>Waivers</u>



#### SHENANDOAH VALLEY REGION

The Virginia Career Works – Shenandoah Valley Region respectfully submits this request for funding to implement a unified branding initiative to increase awareness and use of the state's workforce system, improve alignment and resource allocation, while improving service delivery to customers. The Virginia Career Works – Shenandoah Valley Region will work to advance the Virginia Career Works Brand to unify the Shenandoah Valley workforce system as outlined in the Brand Standards Manual, Virginia Brand Implementation Plan and as directed by Virginia Workforce Policy 30-07 and Virginia Workforce Letter No. 17-03.

Attached is the region's Brand Implementation Plan, Brand Communication Plan, and Brand Implementation Budget to transition to full usage of the Virginia Career Works brand by the end of the performance period, September 3, 2018. All purchases made to implement the Virginia Career Works brand will comply with state and local board approved procurement policies and procedures as well as the Office of Management and Budget's Uniform Guidance.

As outlined in the Virginia Career Works – Shenandoah Valley Region Brand Implementation Plan, the Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board will file with the Virginia State Corporation Commission and applicable local governments a fictitious name/doing business as Virginia Career Works – Shenandoah Valley Region and Virginia Career Works – *Regional Center Modifier* in the respective service localities.

Jeff Stapel, Chair, Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board

Date

Date

Amity Mohler, County Administrator, Page County, Virginia Grant Recipient, Shenandoah Valley Workforce Development Board

#### AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/PROGRAM

Virginia Career Works – Shenandoah Valley Region does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, political affiliation, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, age, disability, or veteran's status in its programs, activities or employment practices.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. TDD: VA Relay Center: 711 or 800.828.1120

Virginia Career Works - Shenandoah Valley Regio	n	
Brand Implementation Plan		
Activity	Date Due	Lead
Implementation Funding Request		
Solicit Cost Estimates	5/4/18	Joan Hollen
Develop Line Item Budget	5/4/18	Joan Hollen/Cathi Michie
Develop Local Implementation Plan	5/4/18	Joan Hollen
Submit Grant request to VCCS	5/11/18	Joan Hollen
Brand Identity		
DBA/Business Name Registrations	8/31/18	Cathi Michie
Web Domain Acquisition	Completed 4/24/18	Joan Hollen
Brand Enculturation		
Champion Recruited and Trained	Completed 4/12/18	
Develop local communication plan	4/27/18	Joan Hollen
SVWDB Staff Training	5/16/18	Joan Hollen
Center Staff and Partner Training-North	5/18/18	Joan Hollen
Center Staff and Partner Training-South	5/21/18	Joan Hollen
Board and Chief Elected Officials Review of Brand		-
Implementation Plan	5/10/18	Joan Hollen
VCW Newsletter distribution to Board, Chief Elected		-
Officials, staff, partner and stakeholders.	as follow up to training	Joan Hollen
Communication Tools		
Website transitioned to vcwshenandoahvalley.com	8/31/18	Immerge
Website content update to VCW brand	8/31/18	Joan Hollen/Karen Lawrence
Social media sites update to VCW brand	8/31/18	Karen Lawrence
Center promotional materials updated to VCW Brand	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
Outreach materials updated to VCW Brand	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
All internal documents and policies updated with new brand		
moving forward	8/31/18	Joan Hollen/staff
ID Transition		
Facility Signage in Place	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
Website Conversion to new URL	8/31/18	Immerge Technologies
Email Conversion to new URL	8/31/18	EN Computers
Digital signatures reflect new brand	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
Voicemail messages reflect new brand	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
Centers VCW Brand Local Media Launch	8/31/18	Joan Hollen
Virginia Career Works - Shenandoah Valley fully		
implemented	9/3/18	

## Virginia Career Works - Shenandoah Valley Region Communications Plan For Virginia Career Works Rebranding

Audience	Communication Objectives	Message	Channel	Timing	Lead
	Enculturation of brand through eLearning tool	Virginia Career Works - Living the brand			
Local Brand Champion	and facilitated training.	together.	In person training	5/12/18	VCCS/Joan Hollen
		Virginia Career Works is Virginia's vital			
	Board of Directors and Chief Elected Officials	link between meanful employment and			
	receive an overview of the VCW brand,	growing business. Receive feedback and			
Board of Directors and Chief	Implementation Plan and Budget with request	concensus on the local brand			
Elected Officials	for feedback.	implementation plan and budget.	Email	5/7/18	Joan Hollen
		Virginia Career Works is Virginia's vital			
	Board of Directors and Chief Elected Officials	link between meanful employment and			
	receive an overview of the VCW brand and	growing business. VCW brand overview	Joint meeting of the		
	transition strategy highlighting changes	and explanation of changes impacting the	Board of Directors		
Board of Directors and Chief	impacting the board. Receive approval of Board	board. Tips to promote the Virginia Career	and Chief Elected		
Elected Officials	of Directors and Chief Elected Officials	Works brand.	Officials	5/10/18	Joan Hollen
	SVWDB staff trained on the eLearning	Virginia Career Works - Living the brand			
	presentation tool to understand, embrace and	together. Overview of Implementation	Internal staff		
SVWDB Staff	live the new brand.	Plan.	training	5/16/18	Joan Hollen
	Center Staff and Partners trained on the	Virginia Career Works - Living the brand			
	eLearning presentation tool to understand,	together. Overview of Implementation	In person training		
Center Staff and Partners - North	embrace and live the new brand.	Plan. Q&A	session	5/18/18	Joan Hollen
	Center Staff and Partners trained on the	Virginia Career Works - Living the brand			
	eLearning presentation tool to understand,	together. Overview of Implementation	In person training		
Center Staff and Partners - South	embrace and live the new brand.	Plan. Q&A	session	5/21/18	Joan Hollen

## Virginia Career Works - Shenandoah Valley Region Communications Plan For Virginia Career Works Rebranding

Audience	Communication Objectives	Message	Channel	Timing	Lead
		Unification of the Virginia Workforce			
		System into a seamless system of agencies			
		under the Virginia Career Works brand			
		that advance economic growth by			
		preparing and connecting individuals with	State and Local Press		
	Inform local media of Virginia Career Works	Virginia businesses looking to hire and	Releases, centers		
Local Media	brand.	build a strong workforce.	media event	8/31/18	Karen Lawrence
				Upon approval of	
		Virginia Career Works is where I found the		local	
Social Media (Customers,	Promote Virginia Career Works through social	people and resources that got me where I	Facebook, Twitter,	implementation	
stakeholders, media)	media channels.	wanted to go.	LinkedIn	plan and budget.	Karen Lawrence
		Meaningful employment and a high quality		Upon approval of	
		of life for every Virginian and a qualified,		local	
Website (customers and	Rebrand website to refelct the Virginia Career	job-ready workforce for Virginia		implementation	Joan Hollen/Karen
stakeholders)	Works Brand and update content.	Businesses.	Website	plan and budget.	Lawrence
		What identifies, develops, and connects a			
	Use the established quarterly Virginia Career	diverse, skilled talent pool with Virginia	Email distribution		
	Works - Shenandoah Valley Region newsletter	businesses; changes lives, and advances	Board of Directors,		
Virginia Career Works -	to preview new brand, generate interest in new	economic prosperity? Virginia Career	Chief Elected		
Shenandoah Valley Region	brand and provide quarterly updates to	Works: Coming soon to a workforce	Officials, employers,		
Newsletter	stakeholders .	center near you.	and partners	7/1/18	Karen Lawrence

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			Pre-brand roll out		
			signage at workforce		
			centers introducing		
			the new brand and		
			providing assurances		
			that they will find		
			familiar faces and		
		A fresh, new resource to help business	helpful programs but		
		customers find, train and sustain their	the visual identity of		
		workforce talent. A clear and streamlined	the workforce		
Customers (employers and job	Increase customer awareness and knowledge of	experience for job seekers that is	system will be		
seekers)	the Virginia Workforce System	convenient, quick, attentive and clear.	different	7/1/18	Joan Hollen

Proposed Budge	et For Virginia Career Works	Rebranding		Estimated	
Category	Item to be Updated	Description	Vendor	Cost	
Communication To	ools				
	Social media transition to Virginia				
Marketing Online	Career Works brand.	Update social media channels	KL Creative Media		
	Website transition to Virginia Career	Change header/footer and button colors to			
Marketing Online	Works brand.	match new brand.	Immerge Technologies		
Marketing Online Web Content		Update web content to new brand	KL Creative Media		
		Purchased vcwshenandoahvalley.com plus .org			
Marketing Online	Cost of new URL	and .net domains as recommended	GO Daddy		
		Print 1,000 folders with Virginia Career Works -			
		Shenandoah Valley Region brand (graphic design not included)			
Marketing Collateral	Replace Valley Workforce Folders	McClung Companies			
		Replacement cards for all SVWDB and center			
Marketing Collateral	Business Cards	staff	Mid Valley Press		
		Print in-house brochures and flyers to replace			
Marketing Collateral	Print centers brochures and flyers	current center promotional materials	Joan Hollen		
Outreach Materials	5 Table Cloths	Solid Mask Navy	Commonwealth Promotional		
Outreach Materials	5 Table Runners	White with VCW logo	Commonwealth Promotional		
Outreach Materials	5 Pop Up Banners	Design and produce to new brand standards	Commonwealth Promotional		
Outreach Materials	Name tags	Name tag cost plus setup and shipping cost	Crystal Images		
Total Communicatio	n Tools			\$8,50	
Brand Identity					
Legal Transition	Doing Business As (DBA)	Secure DBA for new brand	Lenhart Petit		
Legal Transition	SCC DBA Filing Fees	5 brands @ \$20	State Corporation Commission		
Legal Transition Local DBA filing fees -centers		16 localities in LWDA 4 @ \$12.50 each	Localities in LWDA 4		
Legal Transition	Local DBA Filing fees - region Press Release, social media	16 localities in LWDA 4 @ \$12.50 each	Localities in LWDA 4		
Local Media Launch	distribution	Public Relations Campaign	KL Creative Media		
Local Media Launch	Workforce Center Media Event	Event coordinated with PR Campaign	Karen Lawrence		

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Category	Item to be Updated	Description	Vendor	Cost	
Total Brand Identity				\$1,200	
ID Transition					
Brand Identity	Migration to new URL	Change web url to vcwshenandoahvalley.com	Immerge Technologies		
		Change email addresses to			
Brand Idenity	Migration to new email addresses	_@vcwshenandoahvalley.com.	EN Computers		
		Includes painted wall with white logo in			
Signage Conversion	Harrisonburg Center	entrance way to center.	Eddie Edwards Signs		
Signage Conversion	Winchester Center	Replace Valley Workforce window decal	Fast Signs		
Signage Conversion	Stauntion Center	Replace Valley Workforce signage	Eddie Edwards Signs		
Signage Conversion	Rockbridge Center	Replace Valley Workforce signage	Eddie Edwards Signs		
Signage Conversion	Luray Center	Replace Valley Workforce signage	Fast Signs		
Total ID Transition				\$15,300	
TOTAL IMDI EMENIT	ATION BUDGET REQUEST			\$25,000	

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