# ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Monday, February 23, 2015 <u>12:30 p.m.</u>

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair Supervisor Richard Valle

Location: Board of Supervisors' Chambers - Room 512 - 5th Floor

County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

# **Summary/Action Minutes**

## I. Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership Attachment

Estelle Clemons, Manager, Community Action Agency, City of Oakland, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP.

The Community Action Partnership has the responsibility to plan, develop, and execute efforts to alleviate poverty and work toward institutional change to enhance the opportunities for families of low-income throughout Alameda County to achieve self-sufficiency.

Alameda County Poverty levels

- $\circ$  52,695 (15.7%) of the County's children live in poverty = 1 out of 6
- 15,283 (8.9%) residents 65 and over live in poverty
- 88,516 county residents live 50% the poverty level (\$5,885 annually)

In 2014 the Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership assisted over 30,000 County residents. Programs focus on employment, housing and community development and food services.

#### Speakers

Veronica Ewing, Program Manager, Hayward Unified School District Youth Enrichment Program, works with youth to provide employment services for low-income youth and is an AC-OCAP.

Jennifer Ellis, Director of Eastbay Community Services and an AC-OCAP partner, expressed support for the program and reported that their internship program has high graduation rates and college acceptance rates.

Roxanne Caldera, A New America, non-profit community group is an AC-OCAP partner and develops entrepreneurial programs for low-income and immigrant population.

Monique Rivera, Board member, AC-OCAP, stated that the biggest part of AC-OCAP is leveraging dollars to create more programs to help people out of poverty.

Kevin Lorm, student at CivicCorps, which is a school for adults who have previously dropped out of school

Mr. Dunn, Regional Coordinator, CivicCorps, operates the program for youth between the ages of 18-26. Individuals in the program can get back on track through the program.

### **Purpose:**

Report progress

Advocacy or Education

Request Social Services Committee Recommendation or Position

Other:

**Recommendation:** The Social Services Committee requested an annual update from The Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership.

## II. Workforce Investment Board Update

### **Attachment**

Patti Castro, Director, Workforce Investment Board and David Harkess, Program Financial Specialist, Workforce Investment Board presented a PowerPoint presentation on the implementation planning of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the successor to the Workforce Investment Act.

### Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Goals

- Increase access to education, training & employment High quality workforce development system
- More relevance to local & regional labor market Enhance services and system design
- Increase prosperity of workers & employers Prepare workforce for a

competitive economy

The WIOA has an emphasis on alignment of local & regional programs to improve and increase services to job seekers and employers Workforce programs including:

- Adult Education
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Economic Development
- Community Colleges
- Higher Education
- Career Pathways and Sector Strategies
- Employers and Businesses

In appointing the WIOA Board, Board of Supervisors may include:

- Community Based Organizations (CBOs)
- Youth organizations
- o Transportation and housing specialists
- o Philanthropic organizations

The next steps in implementing WIOA include:

- Application for initial designation of Alameda County (outside Oakland) as local WIOA area and to certify the AC WIB as the local board for WIOA submit to the State Employment Development Department y 3/31/15
- Update Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO) agreement between the Board of Supervisors and the ACWIB by 6/30/15
- ACWIB implements changes to By-laws to address WIOA and changes to WIB committee structure by 6/30/15

- ACWIB and committees develop plans and timeline for community input to local and regional planning process to begin in May 2015
- ACWIB approves contract renewals for PY 15-16 WIOA services pm May 5, 2015 WIB meeting

#### **Purpose:**

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- Other:

Recommendation: Approve. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

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