Summary/Action Minutes

I. Alameda County Families United: A Pilot to Improve Systems for Displaced Working Families (Informational Item)

Clarissa Doutherd, Executive Director Parent Voices presented a PowerPoint presentation to request support for a pilot program to improve systems for displaced working families. Parent Voices requests an integrated system of support as families go through various systems to receive assistance with housing/shelter and child care.

A family navigation system would improve existing systems to support Alameda County’s most vulnerable population, children in poverty.

The proposal is to pilot innovative, concrete solutions for agencies delivering services to families and also to begin building a plan to address homelessness for young children. The program could also be used for information gathering for coalitions looking to expand early education access through ballot initiatives.

Purpose:
☐ Report progress
☒ Advocacy or Education
☒ Request Social Services Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

Recommendation from the Social Services Committee: The Social Services Agency will contact Parent Voices to discuss implementing a Family Navigation Pilot program.

II. Workforce Development Board and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Updates

Patti Castro, Director, Workforce Development Board and LaToya Reed, Management Analyst presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on the Workforce Development Board and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

The Workforce Development Board (WDB) is one year old this May and has completed four quarterly meetings and a full year of meetings in the following committees:
  a) Organizational Effectiveness
  b) System and Strategies
  c) Youth
  d) Executive
The WDB has been involved in strategic geographic planning and service areas to address unique characteristics and needs and has received provisional approval of its Local Plan.

The WDB held their Retreat on November 10, 2016, in San Leandro and arrived at the following priorities for the next few years: Employer Engagement, Expanded Access through Technology, Enhanced Services for People with Disabilities, System Redesign, One Stop certification, Implement Regional and Local Plan-Capacity and System Building and Leveraging Opportunities and Partnerships.

The presentation also included information on the WDB budget in addition to statistical employment data.

Special Projects and Initiatives of the WDB

- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Storm 2017- National Dislocated Worker Grant Project
- Alameda County Specialized America’s Job Center of California (AJCC)- Santa Rita Jail
- Career Pathways Trust I & II
- H1 B- Ready-to-Work
- STEM Core Initiative

Purpose:
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- Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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