

ACTION ITEM 1.3

SUBMITTAL DATE: April 16, 2008

SUBJECT: Riverside Community College (RCC) Community College Education Assistance Center (CCEAC) Funding Recommendation

RECOMMENDATION: That the Workforce Development Board (WDB) Executive Committee approve and authorize \$185,000 in WIA Title 1B Adult and Dislocated Worker funding for the PY 2008/2009 Community College Educational Assistance Center (CCEAC) project at Riverside Community College (RCC).

BACKGROUND: The need for enhanced workforce system linkages to education, especially to the community college system prompted the Riverside County Economic Development Agency to procure for a Community College Education Access Center. The CCEAC will provide access to WIA services co-located on the community college campus for Workforce Development Center customers. The project will seek to attract customers who may otherwise be reluctant to enter a two-year college because of lack of comfort and familiarity with the wide array of educational resources offered by the community college system. The goal is to illustrate the relationship between post-secondary learning and enhanced career paths.

On February 13, 2007, a Request for Proposal (RFP) was released soliciting applicants able to develop and deliver the CCEAC services described in the RFP. The procurement covers a period of three years, effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010. The contract will be awarded on an annual basis with continued funding being based on satisfactory service delivery.

Recommendation for funding is based on RCC's ability to serve the resident's of Riverside County in achieving their academic and career goals. RCC has been providing CCEAC services to the community since September 1, 2006. They have served 112 customers in a variety of services, such as a workshop to inform customers to educational options, study skills, available resources; labor market information, and general information on resume writing, interview skills and job search.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE
Date: Approval: Yes/No	Required: Yes/No