



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

County Board Agenda Item Meeting of April 21, 2012

DATE: March 26, 2012

SUBJECT: Department of Labor Workforce Investment Act funds for workforce development activities

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the County Manager or her designee to accept \$130,305 in funds from the Department of Labor on behalf of the County Board.
2. Appropriate \$130,305 in FY 2012 from Department of Labor Workforce Investment Act funds (101.374900) to the Department of Human Services (101.51131) for workforce development services.

ISSUES: This is a request to appropriate Department of Labor Workforce Investment Act funds for FY 2012 to provide workforce development services. Funds are awarded on a cost reimbursement basis and are fully grant funded.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, under the authority of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), is providing a grant of \$130,305 to provide additional workforce services at the Arlington Employment Center. Workforce services assist unemployed adults, dislocated workers and out-of and in-school youth.

BACKGROUND: The Department of Labor is providing grant funds on a cost reimbursement basis to support workforce services for unemployed individuals as part of the WIA. The grant will be used to provide program marketing to eligible clients, additional intensive one-on-one employment counseling services, employment skills training, employment placement, post-placement retention services, and marketing to regional employers.

Arlington County began administering the Workforce Investment Act program and accompanying business-led Workforce Investment Board in 2000. Along with consortium partner Alexandria, Arlington provides WIA-funded services to area jobs seekers and employers. In 2010, the Arlington Employment Center was selected by the Virginia Governor as the

County Manager:

County Attorney:

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Staff: Ela Bledowski and Howard Feldstein, DHS

Northern Virginia region's Comprehensive One Stop Workforce Center, one of only seven in the state.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. All expenses are fully grant funded. There is no match required and no impact on net tax support.