



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

County Board Agenda Item Meeting of April 21, 2012

DATE: April 11, 2012

SUBJECT: Department of Rehabilitative Services Funds for Workforce Development Activities

C. M. RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize the County Manager or her designee to accept \$210,089 in grant funds from the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services in FY 2012.
2. Appropriate \$210,089 in FY 2012 from the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services (101.374900) to the Department of Human Services (101.51131) to facilitate workforce development services for persons with disabilities.

ISSUES: This is a request to appropriate Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services funds for FY 2012 to facilitate workforce development services for individuals with disabilities. No issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: Under the Disability Employment Initiative, the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services is providing a \$210,089 grant to fund a service agreement (\$110,089) with ServiceSource, Inc. to provide workforce services at the Arlington Employment Center. Acting as fiscal agent for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding, Arlington County is required to pass \$100,000 in grant funds to the City of Alexandria per the state funding formula.

BACKGROUND: The Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services is providing the grant funds to support workforce services for individuals with a disability. The grant will be used for program marketing, intensive one-on-one employment counseling, skills training, employment placement, post-placement retention services, and outreach to regional employers per Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. Services are provided in Arlington County and the City of Alexandria.

Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services funding is part of the WIA. Arlington County began administering the WIA program and accompanying business-led Workforce Investment

County Manager:

County Attorney:

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Staff: Ela Bledowski and Howard Feldstein, DHS

Board in 2000. Along with consortium partner Alexandria, Arlington provides WIA-funded services to area jobs seekers and employers. Arlington County is the consortium's grant recipient and administrative entity. Arlington County, acting as fiscal agent, is required to pass \$100,000 in grant funds to the City of Alexandria per the funding formula contained in the grant's master agreement.

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