



Dear Ms. Laktash:

Thank you for your consideration of San Francisco Office of Economic and Workforce Development's application for the WIOA 25% Dislocated Worker Funds to provide supportive services to individuals impacted by COVID-19.

OEWD is the local workforce development board for San Francisco, and we provide workforce development services to economically-vulnerable populations through our job center network of over 55 community-based organizations. We request \$792,000 from this opportunity and propose to serve 1,200 dislocated workers (with 10% admin cap) with emergency supportive services for equipment to telework, housing assistance, child care benefits, and transportation assistance through our existing network of Neighborhood Access Points and Hospitality Initiative service providers.

Our Neighborhood Access Points are deeply embedded in the communities they serve, and offer services for monolingual and/or limited English proficient clients who are native Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, and Spanish speakers. The hospitality industry has been hard hit in San Francisco, and our Hospitality Initiative providers have observed a significant increase in dislocated workers and client churn in the last few weeks, which we anticipate will continue through program year 2020-2021. We plan to prioritize monolingual or limited English proficient clients, especially those who have worked in the hospitality industry and have been impacted by COVID-19, for enrollment in this program.

We are excited about the prospect of working with your office on this opportunity, and we have two questions about the nature of this funding: 1. Are placement in training and/or employment outcomes a requirement of this funding, and 2. We have assumed one year for the program timeline--is this correct? If there are placement outcomes attached to this funding opportunity or if the timeline differs from one year, we would like the opportunity to amend our proposal. Thank you in advance for any clarification and accommodation you can provide.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our proposal.

Best wishes.

Josh

Joshua Arce, Director of Workforce Development

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