


DATE: August 24, 2022

TO: Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board

FROM: Rob LeBeau, Director - ARWDB 

SUBJECT: PROPOSED ACTION – Approval of the Draft Local and Regional Workforce Plans for Public Comment and Sending to TCSG Office of Workforce Development

Requested Action (What)

To approve opening the draft local and regional workforce plans (dated August 2022) for a 30-day public comment period, then sending the draft plans and related public comments to the Technical College System of Georgia, Office of Workforce Development for their review.

Reason (Why)

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act requires that each Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) located within a region with other LWDBs must prepare both a local workforce plan and a coordinated regional workforce plan. These plans must be updated at least every two years to reflect changing conditions and priorities. The WorkSource Atlanta Regional local plan and the WorkSource Metro Atlanta regional plan were adopted in 2020 and must be updated in 2022. This is a limited plan update that focuses on updating data tables and minor edits related to out of date information and grammatical corrections; no changes have been made to targeted industries, goals, policies, or related substantive changes.

The Technical College System of Georgia, Office of Workforce Development provided plan guidance to the local workforce development areas in May 2022. This guidance detailed the process and schedule that local and regional plan updates must follow, including being drafted, opened for public comment, and submitted to the Office of Workforce Development by September 2022.

Timeframe (When)

The draft local and regional workforce plans are presented to the ARWDB on August 24, 2022 and will be opened for a 30-day public comment period. Once the draft plans from all five metro Atlanta LWDBs have completed their public comment period, the plans will be submitted to TCSG-OWD for review. The final local and regional workforce plans will be presented to the ARWDB for review and adoption once the State approves the plans and any needed corrections are made by staff.

Impact (Who and How Much)

The local and regional workforce plans provide a summary of existing conditions, issues and opportunities, and service delivery recommendations. The plans provide guidance to the five metro Atlanta LWDBs, their administrative staff, providers, and allied organizations related to workforce program implementation. These plans do not have financial impacts to local operations.

Recommendation

This action comes as a recommendation from ARC Workforce Solutions staff.