



DATE: May 15, 2023

TO: Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board

FROM: Rob LeBeau, Director - ARWDB 

SUBJECT: PROPOSED ACTION – Approve Provider Contract Extensions

### Requested Action (What)

Approval of contract amendments for each of the existing service providers (One-Stop Operator, Career Services, and Youth/NextGen Services) that will extend the time of performance through June 30, 2024. Authorize staff to adjust the contract budgets based on final funding allocations from TCSG-OWD.

### Reason (Why)

In December 2020, the Atlanta Regional Commission/Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board (ARC/ARWDB) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) soliciting proposals to provide services for Adult and Dislocated Worker (Career Services), Youth (NextGen), and One-Stop Operator for the ARWDB service area including Cherokee, Clayton, Douglas, Fayette, Gwinnett, Henry, and Rockdale counties. In March 2021, the ARWDB approved initial contracts with each provider for one year, from July 2021 to June 2022. Based upon satisfactory performance, availability of funds, and other factors, ARC may issue an amendment to extend the contract annually for one (1) additional year with a maximum term of the contract not to exceed a total of four (4) years.

In May 2022, the ARWDB extended provider contracts for program year PY22, which expires on June 30, 2023. After a thorough review process, staff recommends the following provider contracts be extended for one year from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 (PY23):

<i>Service</i>	<i>Company/Organization</i>
One-Stop Operator	- Equus
Career Services	
○ Cherokee	- Goodwill of North Georgia
○ Clayton	- Equus
○ Douglas	- Equus
○ Fayette	- Equus
○ Gwinnett	- Corvel
○ Gwinnett Tech	- Gwinnett Technical College
○ Henry	- Equus

- Rockdale - Corvel

Youth Services (NextGen)	<i>Company/Organization</i>
○ Cherokee	- Cherokee Youth Works
○ Clayton	- Hearts to Nourish Hope
○ Clayton	- Project Outsource Connects
○ Douglas	- Project Outsource Connects
○ Fayette	- Hearts to Nourish Hope
○ Gwinnett	- Hearts to Nourish Hope
○ Henry	- Project Outsource Connects
○ Rockdale	- Project Outsource Connects

**Timeframe (When)**

In February 2023, ARC program management staff reviewed each of the provider contracts to assess performance to date and the ability of the provider to adequately continue providing services. Staff determined that all the existing providers have sufficiently met requirements and are in a position to continue providing services for the next program year. Contracts will be extended to include Program Year 2023, which runs from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

**Impact (Who and How Much)**

Contracts will be extended with the existing providers who are delivering services in each of the seven counties in the ARWDB service area.

The initial budget allocations will be approximately \$4.0 million to the providers for One-Stop, Career Services, and Youth Services. TCSG-OWD has not provided grant documents with budget allocations; hence, this is an estimate. Once final budget allocations are received, provider contract budgets will be adjusted to reflect the actual funds received.

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends to the ARWDB Executive Committee and the full Board that each of the existing provider contracts be extended through June 30, 2024.