



DATE: January 11, 2023

ISSUE SUMMARY: Adoption of the Updated Local and Regional Workforce Plans

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Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board

IMPORTANCE:

Federal regulations require ARC, as the grant subrecipient designated by the Chief Local Elected Officials of the 7-county Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board, to prepare a 4-year local workforce plan. Since the ARWDB is one of five Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDBs) in metro Atlanta, ARC must collaborate with the other LWDBs to prepare a 4-year regional workforce plan. Furthermore, every LWDB must complete local and regional plan modifications at the end of the first 2-year period of the 4-year plan.

The ARWDB adopted the 2020 – 2024 Local Plan and the 2020 – 2024 Regional Plan in December 2020. Therefore, the ARWDB was required to complete the 2-year update in 2022. ARC staff updated these plans following the guidance prepared by the Technical College System of Georgia, Office of Workforce Development, which serves as the funding agency for these federal funds. The revisions focus on updating data tables and edits related to out-of-date information and grammatical corrections; no changes were made to targeted industries, goals, policies, or related substantive changes.

The ARWDB reviewed the draft local and regional plans on August 24, 2022. These plans were subsequently submitted to the Technical College System of Georgia, Office of Workforce Development for review. TCSG-OWD approved the local and regional plans on November 9, 2022. The ARWDB adopted the updated plans at their meeting on December 7, 2022.

ACTION REQUIRED: Adopt the updated 2020 – 2024 Local and Regional Workforce Plans.



**RESOLUTION BY THE ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION
TO ADOPT THE UPDATED LOCAL AND REGIONAL WORKFORCE PLANS**

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission is a Regional Commission created pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-8-30, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 50-8-35 authorizes to the commission to engage in arrangements with federal, state, or local governments for the administration of human service programs; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), 29 U.S.C. § 3121 directs the Governor of the State to designate local workforce development areas within the State and that there shall be a local workforce development board in each local area of a State to carry out the functions described in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Local Elected Official and the Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board (ARWDB) have designated the Atlanta Regional Commission as the WIOA grant sub-recipient and their fiscal and administrative agent; and

WHEREAS, 29 U.S.C. § 3123 requires “each local area shall develop and submit to the Governor a comprehensive 4-year local plan, in partnership with the chief elected official,” which should be consistent with the State plan and be updated at the end of the first 2- year period to reflect changes in labor market, economic conditions, or other factors affecting implementation; and

WHEREAS, 29 U.S.C. § 3121 further requires that a single regional plan must be developed incorporating local plans from each local area in a planning region; and

WHEREAS, during 2022, ARC staff prepared modifications to the plan reflecting the 2-year updates to the 2020 – 2024 Local and Regional Workforce Plans; and

WHEREAS, the modifications were reviewed with the state funding agency, the other local workforce boards in the planning region, and the ARWDB;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission adopts the modifications to the 2020-2024 Local and Regional Workforce Plans for Local Workforce Area 7 and Region 3; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Atlanta Regional Commission directs staff to begin efforts immediately to implement the provisions of said Local and Regional Workforce Plans.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Atlanta Regional Commission on January 11, 2023.

Charissa White-Fulks, ARC Executive Assistant/Board Secretary