



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Lake County Workforce Development Board, Lake County, and the One-Stop Operator Consortium in the amount of \$46,455.25.

- Since 2000, The Job Center of Lake County has been operated under a partner consortium including the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the College of Lake County, and the Lake County Workforce Development Department.
- Federal legislation went into effect in 2015 that requires these services to be procured by the Workforce Development Board through a competitive selection process.
- The County met its obligation through the initial award of the One Stop Operator to the Workforce Development Partner Consortium at the County Board meeting on June 13, 2017.
- A Request for Proposal was issued by the Purchasing Division, extended to 41 vendors, and one sealed proposal was received from the partner consortium, which includes the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the College of Lake County, and the Lake County Workforce Development Department that has operated the Job Center of Lake County since 2000.
- The review committee determined that the proposal submitted by the Workforce Development Partner Consortium satisfied the requirements set forth in the RFP.
- It is recommended that the consortium of the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the College of Lake County, and the Lake County Workforce Development Department be approved to continue to provide these services in the amount of \$46,455.25.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) requires that there must be, at a minimum, one physical One-Stop Center in Lake County; and the Job Center of Lake County, located in Waukegan, has been approved as the comprehensive one-stop; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 113-128 the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act amends the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-220) the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, as adopted by the United States Congress on August 7, 1998, which replaced Public Law 97-300, the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982, which established the Private Industry Councils; and

WHEREAS, Section 107 of the Workforce Investment Act establishes local workforce investment areas and the Board and sets forth the selection of One-Stop Operators; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2001, Lake County adopted a resolution wherein the staff of the Workforce Development Board and the staff of the workforce delivery center were

administratively separated; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2004, the County Board adopted a resolution establishing the Lake County Workforce Development Department and the appointment of a department head. The Workforce Development Board staff remained separate from the Workforce Development Department; and

WHEREAS, Section 121 of the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act provides that the Local Board shall designate or certify one-stop operators and conduct oversight of the one-stop delivery system; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires that there must be, at a minimum, one physical One-Stop Center in Lake County; and the Job Center of Lake County, located in Waukegan, has been approved as the comprehensive one-stop; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires core and required workforce development partners to deliver services to the job seekers and employers through the Job Center by being co-located in the Job Center, direct referrals and linkages, or connection through technology; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires there be a one-stop operator responsible for coordinating the activities and services of the partners in the Job Center and the physical location accommodates successful customer flow; and

WHEREAS, WIOA requires the operator of the one-stop be competitively procured through a Request for Proposal. WIOA allows a partner consortium of at least three partners to bid on the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the Job Center of Lake County has been operated under a partner consortium including the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the College of Lake County, and the Lake County Workforce Development Department since 2000. This partner consortium has come together to submit a bid to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal was issued by the Purchasing Division, extended to 41 vendors, and one sealed proposal was received from the partner consortium, which includes the Illinois Department of Employment Security, the College of Lake County, and the Lake County Workforce Development Department that has operated the Job Center of Lake County since 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois that the Lake County Workforce Development Partner Consortium is approved to serve as the One-Stop Operator of the Job Center of Lake County, located in Waukegan.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on June 14, 2022.