

#### ALEXANDRIA | ARLINGTON REGION

# Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council Quarterly Meeting Agenda

September 22, 2022 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Arlington Public Schools
School Board Room
Syphax Education Center
2110 Washington Blvd, 2nd Floor
Arlington VA 22204

Welcome Message Ellen Harpel

Public Comment Period David Remick

• 2 minutes per public comment

**Executive Director's Report & Consent Agenda**David Remick

Regional Labor Market Update Tucker Plumlee

Development of Arlington's 2023 Legislative Priorities A//

Council Member Updates A//

**Adjourn** Ellen Harpel

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

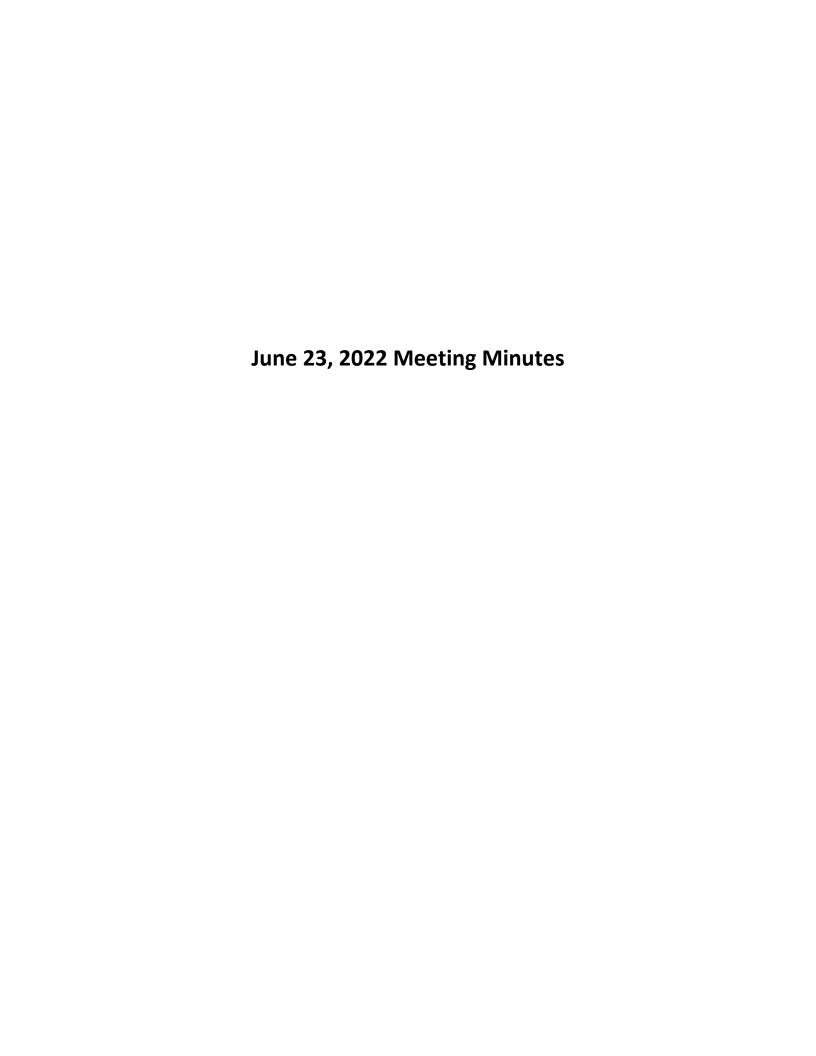
Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Regional Workforce Council Meeting	September 22, 2022	8:30am – 9:30am	Hybrid
One-Stop Operations Committee Meeting	September 22, 2022	9:30am – 10:30am	Hybrid
Executive Committee Meeting	January 13, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Virtual
Regional Workforce Council Meeting	January 26, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Virtual
One-Stop Operations Committee Meeting	January 26, 2023	9:30am – 10:30am	Virtual
Executive Committee Meeting	April 14, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Hybrid
Regional Workforce Council Meeting	April 20, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Hybrid
One-Stop Operations Committee Meeting	April 20, 2023	9:30am – 10:30am	Hybrid
Executive Committee Meeting	June 9, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Virtual
Regional Workforce Council Meeting	June 22, 2023	8:30am – 9:30am	Virtual
One-Stop Operations Committee Meeting	June 22, 2023	9:30am – 10:30am	Virtual



### **Consent Agenda Notes**

- June 23, 2022 Meeting Minutes Recommendation: Approval
- September 9, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Recommendation: Approval
- One-Stop Operator Quarterly Report For Your Information Only
- Revised Incentive Awards to WIOA Youth Policy: Policy update that aligns incentive awards with regional salary estimates. Recommendation: Approval
- WIOA Funding Transfer Request: Due to the increased demand for training funds to serve WIOA
  Adult customers, the Executive Director is requesting the transfer of up to \$200,000.00 in funds
  between the PY21 WIOA Dislocated Worker program and the PY21 WIOA Adult program. The
  Council needs to approve this request for the State WIOA Administrator to authorize the funding
  transfer. –Recommendation: Approval
- Incumbent Worker Application: Red 5 Holding, Inc. is requesting \$899.96 in WIOA Dislocated Worker funding to improve the management skills of six supervisors. Red 5 Holdings is in an in-demand industry (Security). The training will help both the employees receiving the training and the employer become more competitive, as well as help retain its workforce. Recommendation: Approval







# MEETING MINUTES OF THE <u>VIRTUAL</u> ALEXANDRIA/ARLINGTON REGIONAL WORKFORCE COUNCIL

June 23, 2022

The **ALEXANDRIA/ARLINGTON REGIONAL WORKFORCE COUNCIL** convened its meeting at <u>8:33am</u> on <u>June 23, 2022</u>.

### **ATTENDANCE**

		Proxy Provided To
Kate	Bates	Chair
Lisa	Bauer	Present-All Virtual
Lisa	Dauci	Proxy Provided To
Joel	Bernstein	Chair
Maurice	Blue	Present-All Virtual
Patrick	Brennan	Absent
Karen	Brown	Present-All Virtual
Dottie	Brown	Present-All Virtual
John	Burczak	Present-All Virtual
Stacey	Butler	Present-All Virtual
Dennis	Desmond	Absent
James	Egenrieder	Present-All Virtual
John	Gallagher	Absent
Lesa	Gilbert	Absent
Daniel	Gomez	Absent
Annette	Haggray	Absent
Ellen	Harpel	Present-All Virtual
Tricia	Jacobs	Present-All Virtual
Kris	Martini	Present-All Virtual
Erik	Pages	Present-All Virtual
Catherine	Pasqualoni	Absent
Kiersten	Portlock	Absent
Sean	Steele	Absent
Brian	Stout	Absent
Fernando	Torrez	Present-All Virtual
Ryan	Touhill	Absent
Jennifer	Van Buren	Absent
Monica	West	Present-All Virtual
Ricardo	Wright	Present-All Virtual
Elizabeth	Yoder	Absent

### **MOTIONS & ACTIONS/VOTES**

No individuals provided public comment.

Stacy Butler's nomination was approved for Vice-Chair of the Regional Workforce Council.

• The Council unanimously supported the motion 16-0.

June 23, 2022 Regional Workforce Council Consent Agenda was approved.

• The Council unanimously supported the motion 16-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

Sept 9, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes



# MEETING MINUTES OF THE <u>HYBRID</u> ALEXANDRIA/ARLINGTON REGIONAL WORKFORCE COUNCIL'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 9, 2022

The **ALEXANDRIA/ARLINGTON REGIONAL WORKFORCE COUNCIL** convened its meeting at <u>8:33am</u> on <u>September 9, 2022</u>.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Meeting Type (Hybrid/VirtualDropdown)	Virtual
Shekera Alvarado	Absent-Excused
Lisa Bauer	Present-In Person
Stacey Butler	Present-In Person
Dennis Desmond	Present-In Person
Ellen Harpel	Present-In Person
Erik Pages	Present-In Person

**STAFF** 

Alamelu Dev (Virtual), David Remick

### **MOTIONS & ACTIONS/VOTES**

September 22, 2022 Regional Workforce Council Meeting Packet was reviewed and approved.

• The Executive Committee unanimously supported the motion 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20am.





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# WIOA PERFORMANCE REPORT PY 2021- Q1-Q4



One Stop Operator – RISE Talent Solutions
Alamelu Dev
alamelu@riseglobaltalent.com

Table 1	Period (PY2021 - July 2021 to June 2022)	Q4 PY	21 (Apr-June	2022 )
S.No.	Data measure	WDC	AEC	Total
1	Career Services customer satisfaction results	100%	annual data	n/a
2	Business Services satisfaction results	100%	annual data	n/a
3	Businesses served annual data			
4	Total One-Stop Center Visitors (duplicated)	1489	192	1681
5	Total One-Stop Center Visitors (unduplicated)	1198	81	1279
6	Total of daily calls to the One-Stop Center due to COVID related shutdown	211	815	1026
7	New WIOA Title I Adult Participants	6	0	6
8	New WIOA Title I Dislocated Workers Participants	3	1	4
9	New WIOA Title I Youth Participants	1	n/a	1
10	Total New participants	10	1	11
11	Active WIOA Title 1 Adult Participants	36	13	49
12	Active WIOA Title I Dislocated Workers Participants	9	3	12
13	Active WIOA Title I Youth Participants	11	n/a	11
14	Total Active participants	56	16	72

DV 24	PY 21 - YTD (Q1-Q2-Q3-Q4)					
WDC	AEC	Total				
WDC	AEC	TOTAL				
96%	88%	92%				
100%	95%	98%				
	1256					
4847	919	5766				
4091	473	4564				
2541	3897	6438				
25	15	40				
7	3	10				
17	n/a	17				
49	18	67				
132	73	205				
32	10	42				
37	n/a	37				
201	83	284				

Data Source:

Measures #1 to #6 - Respective One-Stop Centers Measures #7 to 14 - AARWC Data Administrator

Table 2	Period (PY2021 - July 2021 to June 2022)	PY 21 - YTD (Q1-Q4)		-Q4)
S.No.	WIOA Title 1 Performance Items	WDC	AEC	Regional Total
	Adults			
1(a)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (#)	24/31	24/32	48/63
1(b)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (%)	77.4%	75.0%	76.2%
2(a)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (#)	26/36	25/33	51/69
2(b)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (%)	72.2%	75.8%	73.9%
3(a)	Credential Attainment Rate (#)	18/23	10/20	28/43
3(b)	Credential Attainment Rate (%)	78.3%	50.0%	65.1%
4	Median Earnings 2nd Quarter after Exit	24	24	\$8,936
5(a)	Measurable Skill Gains (#)	14/17	14/16	28/33
5(b)	Measurable Skill Gains (%)	82.4%	87.5%	84.8%
	Dislocated Workers			
6(a)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (#)	16/23	6/6	22/29
6(b)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (%)	69.6%	100%	75.9%
7(a)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (#)	6/11	6/6	12/17
7(b)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (%)	54.5%	100%	70.6%
8(a)	Credential Attainment Rate (#)	3/7	3/4	6/11
8(b)	Credential Attainment Rate (%)	42.9%	75%	54.5%
9	Median Earnings 2nd Quarter after Exit	16	6	\$10,853
10(a)	Measurable Skill Gains (#)	3/6	3/3	6/9
10(b)	Measurable Skill Gains (%)	50%	100.0%	66.7%
	Youth			
11(a)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (#)	2/3	3/3	5/6
11(b)	Employment 2nd Quarter after Exit (%)	66.6%	100%	83.3%
12(a)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (#)	2/3	3/3	5/6
12(b)	Employment 4th Quarter after Exit (%)	66.6%	100%	83.3%
13(a)	Credential Attainment Rate (#)	0/1	1/1	1/2
13(b)	Credential Attainment Rate (%)	0%	100%	50%

PY21 Goals
79%
85%
74%
\$5,100
84.6%
85%
90%
30 /6
70%
\$8,350
68.1%
72%
62.8%
02.0 /0
70%

## **Revised Incentive Awards to WIOA Youth Policy**

#### **INCENTIVE AWARDS TO WIOA YOUTH**

#### **REFERENCES**

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- 20 CFR § 681.640
- 2CFR 200.302 (b)(4) & 303
- TEGL 8-15

#### **POLICY**

It is the policy of the Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council to offer reasonable incentives to youth participants to encourage the youth to participate in and complete WIOA Title I Youth activities. The justification and strategy for awarding incentive must be clearly defined in the youth's case file. Incentive awards shall be made in a uniform and consistent way amongst all WIOA Title I Youth participants during a program year and administered in a manner that ensures all participants receive equal rewards for equal achievement.

For the purposes of this policy, the term "incentive" shall mean an inducement or reward intended to motivate achievement, progress, and attendance. The incentive must be directly linked to one of the allowable elements as listed in WIOA Title I Youth and/or to the attainment of specific and measurable program outcome. All incentive awards are subject to the availability of WIOA Title I Youth funds and are these incentives are not an entitlement.

Additionally, for the purposes of this policy, with regards to Work Experience participants will not have an "employer/employee relationship" with their worksite hosts. The participants' relationship will be with their respective American Job Center (AJC). Furthermore, participants will not receive an hourly wage for participating in an AJC-organized work experience project. A participant may receive an incentive award payment after they complete their first two-weeks on the AJC-organized work experience worksite, after they complete their second two-weeks on the worksite, and after they complete their third two-week period on the worksite. Each incentive award will be valued up to \$600-1,200 per two-week period, for a total of up to \$1,8003,600 for the-a full six-week work experience project. A participant is expected to work an average of 30 hours per week over the term of their work experience project. If a participant works less than 30 hours a week, then their bi-weekly incentive award will be reduced by \$10-20 for each hour under 60 hours that they work during that period.

Finally, Youth incentive award payments are limited to a lifetime amount of \$2,5004,000 per eligible youth and documented in accordance with applicable WIOA regulations. Finally, all incentives that are paid to the participant are taxable and should be reported on the participant's annual federal and state tax returns as "income". The lifetime amount may be extended to \$4,000 per eligible youth through issuance of a waiver from the Council's Executive Director. There must be extenuating circumstances for the waiver to be issued. All waivers issues must be reported to the Council by the Executive Director.

Achievements, with award limits, that are also eligible for an incentive include:

- \$100 for attainment of high school diploma;
- \$50 for completion of GED testing (per test completed/maximum 2 attempts per subject);
- \$600-300 for monthly participation incompletion of an occupational skills training (to be paid bimonthly);
- \$100 for monthly participation an AJC-facilitated work readiness;

- \$100 when the participant creates their cover letter, resume, sample application, and follow-up letter (all four items required for award attainment);
- \$100-250 per quarterly employment retention goal (to be awarded after quarterly retention is recorded by WIOA staff/Himit of four award payments allowed);
- \$100 for attaining a post-secondary credential and/or occupational certificate/<u>Hicense.</u>
- \$75 for securing unsubsidized employment.

AJC staff shall maintain required documentation in the participant's case file detailing the distribution and management of awards. At a minimum, Center staff shall document the need for the incentive and justify issuance of the incentive in the participant's Individual Employment Plan and in the Virginia Workforce Connection system (VaWC). Center staff will also maintain records verifying the participant received the incentive through an original signature on a receipt form and documentation showing the type of incentive awarded (i.e. copy of a check, copy of a gift card, etc.). It is the responsibility of each staff person to become aware of all applicable regulations and to monitor personnel and participant activities to ensure compliance in accordance with this policy and other cited references.

# **WIOA Funding Transfer Request**



## ALEXANDRIA/ARLINGTON REGIONAL WORKFORCE COUNCIL

September 2, 2022

Ms. Andrea Glaze
Virginia Community College System
Academic and Workforce Programs
WIOA Title I Program Administrative Coordinator
Arboretum III
300 Arboretum Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl-Ste 390
Richmond, VA 23236

**RE: PY21 WIOA FUNDING TRANSFER REQUEST #2** 

Dear Ms. Glaze:

Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council has authorized the transfer of up to \$200,000.00 of PY21 WIOA Dislocated Worker funds to PY21 WIOA Adult funds. The first of these transfers, Funding Transfer Request #2, requests the transfer of \$178,372.92 from PY21 WIOA Dislocated Worker funds to the PY21 WIOA Adult funds. This request will cover additional projected expenses in PY21. A WIOA Title I programmatic and financial analysis pertaining this request can be found in Attachment A.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this request. Should you have questions please contact David Remick at dremick@arlingtonva.us or 703.228.1412.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ellen Harpel Chair

CC: David Remick

### **ATTACHMENT A**

	WIOA Title	I Expenses for	VCWAA	
	ADULT		DW	
	# Active Participants	Expenditures	# Active Participants	Expenditures
PY 2018	175	\$328,019.07	45	\$125,471.60
PY 2019	146	\$265,634.36	32	\$129,026.87
PY 2020	75	\$173,709.01	18	\$141,098.15
PY 2021	84	\$180,867.44	21	\$59,773.05
WIOA ADULT PY 2021	Total	40% Training	Supportive Services	Staff/Operating
Budget	\$266,490.73	\$106,596.29	\$0.00	\$159,894.44
Projected Expenses	\$444,863.65	\$177,945.46	\$0.00	\$266,918.19
Shortfall	(\$178,372.92)	(\$71,349.17)	\$0.00	(\$107,023.75)
WIOA DW PY 2021	Total	40% Training	Supportive Services	Staff/Operating
Budget	\$276,895.97	\$110,758.39	\$0.00	\$166,137.58
Projected Expenses	\$98,523.05	\$39,409.22	\$0.00	\$59,113.83
Surplus	\$178,372.92	\$71,349.17	\$0.00	\$107,023.75
	Transfer Request Tota	(DW to Adult)	:	\$178,372.92

# **Incumbent Worker Application**



### **Incumbent Worker Training Program**

Local Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds can be made available through a process designed to assist Alexandria City and Arlington County businesses, which could include a single firm or a group of firms that share similar workforce needs, using a sector strategy approach to meet the skills training needs of their incumbent workforce.

#### **Employer Eligibility**

- Private for profit or non-profit businesses operating in Virginia for entire twelve-month period prior to application date;
- Current on all Virginia tax obligations;
- Proposing training for employees in a Virginia facility;
- Demonstration of linkages of the training activity to demand occupations and/or regionally targeted industries;
- The positive relationship of the training to the competitiveness of a participant and the employer;
- The relative wage and benefit levels of those employees (pre-training and anticipated upon completion of the training);
- The potential state, regional, and local economic impact, if any, of the training project.
- A non-eligible employer is a business with a history of failing to provide WIOA participants with continued employment or/and a recently relocated business that has resulted in employee separations.

### Incumbent Worker Employee Eligibility

All employees participating in incumbent worker training must meet the eligibility below. An incumbent worker is:

- At least 18 years of age;
- A citizen of the United States or a non-citizen whose status permits employment in the United States;
- Males born on or after January 1, 1960 must register with the selective service system within 30 days after their 18th birthday or at least before they reach the age of 26;
- Must be a full-time employee of the participating employer for at least 6 months;
- Needs skills upgrading or retraining, completion of GED or High School Degree, basic skills upgrade, to retain or be successful in current employment;
- An employee to be trained that works at a facility located in Virginia or working for a staffing agency and placed at a Virginia facility.

#### **Grant Availability**

Applications will be accepted as funds become available. All applications will be approved during quarterly Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council Meetings. Employers participating in the program are required to pay for a share of the training cost. The employer's share shall not be less than:

- 10 percent of the cost, for employers with not more than 50 employees;
- 25 percent of the cost, for employers with more than 50 employees but not more than 100 employees; and
- 50 percent of the cost, for employers with more than 100 employees.



### <u>Process</u>

ш	Employer completes Incumbent Worker Application, including quote for services from Northern
	Virginia Community College or other training provider, Employee Participation Spreadsheet, W-9
	Form, and Supplier Form. The employer must also provide a copy of their business license, DUNS
	number, and copies of the participating employees' Driver's License, Social Security Card, and
	Selective Service Card. A copy of an employee's I-9 Form can be used as a substitute for their
	Social Security Card and Driver's License. All completed forms and documents should be
	submitted to <a href="mailto:dremick@arlingtonva.us">dremick@arlingtonva.us</a> .
	Applications are then presented during quarterly Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce
	Council Meetings for review and approval.
	Upon approval, a contract and purchase order will be provided to the employer for signature.
	Once signed, the employer may enter into agreement with the training provider for the training
	services. The employer pays 100% of the cost of the training services. All training includes course
	work, course materials, and credential testing.
	Once the employees have received their certifications, the employer can submit the invoice for
	reimbursement for a portion of the actual training expenses (50% - 90%) to
	dremick@arlingtonva.us. The invoice must reference the contract and purchase order as well as
	include copies of the employees' certification. Please note, the Council will not reimburse
	employers for employees who do not complete the training and/or fail to pass the certification
	test.
	Employer will be reimbursed 30 days after final paperwork is successfully submitted.
	The Council will check-in with employer every quarter for a year after the employees earn their
	certifications to determine if they a) are still employed with the company, b) have been promoted,
	and c) have earned a raise



### **Incumbent Worker Training Program**

## **Funding Application**

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

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	Please check t	he industry tl	nat your com	pany falls	under:	
	П	lealthcare				
		/lanufacturing				
	Пс	Construction/T	rades			
	Пτ	ransportation	& Warehous	ing		
		inancial Service		J		
	=	ood & Bevera		ıring		
		ife Sciences	ge ivianidiaett	ui iiig		
	=	nformation Te	chnology			
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	A	Other: <u>Securit</u>	y Consulting		-	
Company Name:	Red 5 Holding, In	c.				
Physical Address:	3865 Wilson Blvd	. Suite 200				
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City:	Arlington		State:	<u>Va</u>	Zip:	22203
County:	City of Alexandria Other:		X Arlingto	-		
Mailing Address:	same as above					
(if different)						
			Ctata		7:	
City:			State:		Zip:	
Parent or Corporate		_ same as	above			
as listed on IRS W-9	•					
Address	same as above					
Company Contact:	Debbie Walsh		Title:	Head o	of Busines	s Operations
company contact.	571-970-3526			طماطه	uzalah @maa	15 a a avenitus a a ma
Phone:			Email:	debbie.v	waisn@rec	l5security.com
	27-453	39482				
Federal I.D. Number	:		Date	Establishe	<b>d:</b> 4/1/201	<u>5</u>
Number of Full-Time	E 2		Num	ber of Part	·- 2	
Workers:	53		Time	Workers:		



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Tax Status of Business:	X For-Profit Other:		Not-For-Profit (Designation)	
Legal Structure of Business:	☐ Sole Proprietor☐ Limited Liability Comp		Partnership Corporation	
Is your company current on a County, City and Local Tax Ob	_	X Yes	☐ No	
Is your company receiving and public training funds?	d/or applying for other	Yes	X No	
If yes, explain:				
Does your company have an ediscrimination policy in place		$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$ Yes	☐ No	
Is your company subject to a	collective bargaining	Yes	X No	
agreement?  If yes, and if union represented employees will be participating in the training activities of this program, it is required that consent be obtained from the representing union to collect the eligibility data from the employees <b>PRIOR</b> to funding approval.				
This company is (check all applicable):	☐ Native-American Own ☐ African-American Owr ☐ Hispanic-American Ov	ned 🔲 '	Asian-American Owned Woman Owned	
Please provide a brief descripti	on of your business, produc	t(s), and/or se	rvice(s):	
Red Five advises corporations and private families around the world on how to maintain their privacy and be more secure. Our planning and execution make our clients more resilient and better prepared. Red Five offers a myriad of products, services, and solutions that are leveraged for and aligned with existing and future clients. Our existing security consulting business spans the full spectrum of security advisory services, threat and intelligence analysis, design, technical countermeasures, assessments, and other mainstream security offerings. The extensive experience of our team gives us a deep understanding of today's threats and the countermeasures required to defend against them. This understanding drives our development of client-centric security services.				
	NEEDS IDENTI	FICATION		
Indicate which challenge(s) you		currently facir	ng that potential training would address.	
(Check all the	it uppry, at least one must be	identified for	funding consideration)	

## Please describe the challenges that would be addressed by the proposed training. The course is designed to help navigate when there is workplace negativity. This course will help our people managers navigate when this issue arises. How will this training make the employees more competitive in this economy and/or retain their employment? This course will help our people managers continue to build their people management skills and overall professional development which is very important in retaining employees. How will this training make your company/organization more competitive in this economy? This training will help better equip our people managers and when our employees are equipped with the correct training to do their job effectively, that makes us competitive. What is the potential for wage increases at the completion of training and/or within one year of training? This course will help our people managers build on their skills in managing their teams. We do not give increases at the time of a training's completion, but we do offer annual reviews with the consideration of a performance based increase and the completion of trainings like this one are also taken into consideration at that time. TRAINING INFORMATION Please describe the training needed for your employees. PLEASE ATTACH QUOTE SHEET DETAILING REQUESTED TRAINING PROGRAM American Management Association **Provider Name:** |X | Private Training Institution **Public Training Institution Provider Status:** Company Instructor Community College **Provider Contact:** customerservice@amanet.org or 877-534-1367

Locations all over, but closest to us: 2800 South Potomac Avenue

State:

VA

Zip:

22202

**Physical Address:** 

City:

**Arlington** 

Curriculum Name:	Squashing Workplace Negativity								
Total Training Hours:	A few hours								
Proposed Training Start Date:	On demand Anticip End Da	demand							
# of Employees	6								
Training will be delivered:									
Will employees be pa	id for the time they attend training?		Yes No						
Is this training for cur	rent employees or new employees?		Current New						
Will employees receive	ve an industry recognized credential at t	he end of training?	Yes No						
	FUNDING REC This section must be completed to show	use of proposed trainin	g funds.						
	Tuition Costs:	\$1199.94							
	Textbooks:	\$0							
	Certification Fees:	\$0							
	TOTAL COST	\$1199.94							
	SHARE OF COST PROVIDED BY WIOA	\$899.96							
	SIGNATURE AND CEI	RTIFICATION							
By my signature, I ve	rify the information in this application is a authority to submit this application on l								
Signature:	Pocusigned by:  Kehena Wilson	Date:	8/24/2022						
Printed Name:	Rebecca Wilson								
Email Address:	rebecca.wilson@red5security.com	n							
Phone Number:	571-970-3526								

**Phone Number:** 

# **Consent Agenda Ends**



### Financial Assistance for FastForward Programs – Noncredit Funding Sources

FastForward Programs (funded by the Workforce Credential Grant) are preparatory short-term training programs for industry credentials in high-demand professions. Virginia domiciled residents can take these programs by paying only one-third (1/3) of the full tuition cost, provided they successfully complete the program. Additional financial assistance options – FANTIC, G3, REV, and VRSA - cover the student's first one-third.

	Re-Employing Virginia (REV)	Virginia Ready State Aid (VRSA)	Financial Assistance for Non-Credit Industry Credentials (FANTIC) & G3			
provides funding to students who are unemployed or underemployed due to COVID-19. REV is a one-time tuition voucher award, and it will pay in full the first one-third of one FastForward eligible program up to \$1,500. Applicants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to		The Virginia Ready Scholars Program provides funding to students who are looking to increase their skills by earning a credential for an in-demand job. VA Ready Scholars will receive a one-time \$1,000 Credential Achievement Award upon achieving their new credential. The VA Ready State Aid (VRSA) will pay in full the first one-third of one FastForward program up to \$1,500 for eligible VA Ready Scholars (one-time award). VRSA funding is available but is very limited.	FANTIC provides funding to students demonstrating the required financial need and who desire to enroll in an approved FastForward training program. FANTIC will pay in full the first one-third of a selected FastForward program. Applicants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.  G3 eligible students interested in FastForward programs must complete the FANTIC application.  Learn more about G3			
Eligibility	Criteria:  1. Domiciled in Virginia 2. Employment disrupted due to COVID- 19.  a. Unemployed and receiving VA state benefits on or after August 1, 2020 OR  b. Underemployed and earning less than \$15 per hour in a part-time job 3. Complete REV Self-Certification form	<ol> <li>Criteria:         <ol> <li>Domiciled in Virginia</li> <li>Looking to increase skill set by earning a credential for an in-demand job in a high growth sector</li> <li>Must be enrolled in a VA Ready supported FastForward course</li> <li>Must sign up for VA Ready before the course begins or no later than 5 calendar days after their course's start date (Day 1 = first day of classes)</li> <li>Must be approved as a VA Ready Scholar</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Criteria: 1. Domiciled in Virginia			
			Federal Poverty Guidelines 2021 Persons in For G3 Reference - 400% FANTIC - 300%			
			Household 4x Poverty Guidelines 3x Poverty Guidelines			
			1 \$51,520 \$38,640			
			2 \$69,680 \$52,260			
			3 \$87,840 \$65,880			
			4 \$106,000 \$79,500			
			5 \$124,160 \$93,120			
			6 \$142,320 \$106,740			
			7 \$160,480 \$120,360 8 \$178,640 \$133,980			
How to	Complete REV Self-Certification Form	Sign up for VA Ready online www.vaready.org after	Complete FANTIC Application and submit required			
Apply			documents www.nvcc.edu/workforce/assistance			



NOVA Workforce FastForward Programs	Full Tuition	FastForward Tuition (1/3 of full tuition)*	REV Eligible Student Pays \$0	VRSA Eligible Student Pays \$0	G3 Eligible Student Pays \$0	FANTIC Eligible Student Pays \$0	Included with tuition
CompTIA® A+		\$834	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	Textbook, CertMaster and exam voucher
CompTIA® Linux+		\$558	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook, CertMaster and exam voucher
CompTIA® Network+		\$509	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook, CertMaster and exam voucher
CompTIA® Security+	\$1,566	\$522	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook, CertMaster and exam voucher
AWS Cloud Practitioner		\$401	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook and exam voucher
AWS Certified Solutions Architect (Associate)	\$2,313	\$771	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook and exam voucher
Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)	\$3,135	\$1,045	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook, iLab access code, and exam voucher
Certified Billing & Coding Specialist (CBCS)	\$3,435	\$1,145	✓	✓	√	<b>√</b>	Textbook, online class materials and exam voucher
Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)	\$3,267	\$1,089	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook, exam voucher, BLS CPR books and testing
Certified Pharmacy Technician	\$1,950	\$650	✓	✓	√	√	Textbook and exam voucher
Nurse Aide Preparation (CNA)	\$3,489	\$1,163	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Textbook, exam voucher, stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, gait belt & BLS CPR books and testing
Massage Therapy	\$6,750	\$3,750	REV pays \$1,500 Student pays \$2,250	ı	✓	✓	Textbook and exam voucher
EPA Section 608 Technician Certification (HVAC)	\$1,500	\$500	✓	-	✓	<b>√</b>	Textbook and exam voucher
Project Management Professional (PMP)	\$2,100	\$700	-	-	-	✓	PMI membership includes PMBOK and Agile guides, practice tests and exam voucher
SHRM Certified Professional (SHRM-CP, SHRM-SCP)	\$2,070	\$690	-	-	-	✓	SHRM Learning System and exam voucher
Commercial Driver's License Class A (CDL-A)		\$1,500	-	✓	-	✓	Class materials and exam voucher
Commercial Driver's License Class B (CDL-B)		\$1,125	-	-	-	✓	Class materials and exam voucher

Tuition Subject to Change

To qualify for the FastForward tuition, you must meet the Virginia domicile requirements. Virginia "domicile" means you have lived in Virginia and intended to stay here indefinitely for at least one year prior to the date of application.

Additional funding sources (REV, VRSA, FANTIC, G3) may be available to cover the FastForward tuition fully or partially. Visit <a href="www.nvcc.edu/workforce/assistance">www.nvcc.edu/workforce/assistance</a> for information.

To learn more about FastForward and a complete list of FastForward approved programs, please visit www.fastforwardva.org.

<sup>\*</sup>FastForward (WCG) pays for two-thirds (max of \$3,000) per course. Participants will pay one-third of the cost for the course. Note that FastForward tuition may be higher for programs that exceed a full tuition of \$4,500. Course completion is required. Failure to complete the course will result in the participant's financial obligation to pay an additional one-third of the program's cost back to the Commonwealth of Virginia. Funding for this program is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

# Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council Top 3 Education and Workforce Development Priority Suggestions For Arlington County Board

- 1. Aligned with <u>Arlington County Government's Child Care Initiative</u>, the Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council believes that safe and affordable access to early childhood education is critical for parents to participate fully in Virginia's economy, and for children's development. The Commonwealth of Virginia should expand the variety and funding of Pre-K programs offered in the public school system.
- 2. The local economy is fueled by a highly skilled and educated workforce. The Alexandria/Arlington Regional Workforce Council recognizes that a strong K-12 school system is a key component not only in providing that base of qualified employees, but also in serving as a focal point for businesses looking at Arlington County as a potential site location. The Council supports initiatives and programs to maintain Arlington's school system through efforts to provide the necessary infrastructure to align training and educational programs with projected workforce needs, particularly in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Furthermore, the Council encourages establishing incentives to motivate employers to develop workplace learning opportunities for high school and adult students to allow school systems to align with the Department of Education's "Profile of Virginia Graduate".
- 3. Workplace skills, as presented in the Department of Education's "Profile of Virginia Graduate", represent the skillset in greatest demand across all businesses, industries, and occupations and are transferrable skills that employees use in every job. Research conducted by Harvard University, the Carnegie Foundation, and Stanford Research Center has concluded that 85% of job success comes from having well-developed professional and people skills, and only 15% of job success comes from technical skills and knowledge (hard skills)[1]. LinkedIn found that "57 percent of leaders say workplace skills are more important than hard skills"[2]. In the Greater Washington region, 40% of the Top 50 in-demand skills are professional-skills[3]. A partial list of such skills includes communication, teamwork, self-motivation, flexibility, leadership, and time management. The Council encourages the Commonwealth to continue the promotion of workplace skills to businesses, education institutions, and to the general public.
  - [1] https://www.nationalsoftskills.org/the-real-skills-gap/
  - [2] https://learning.linkedin.com/blog/top-skills/the-skills-companies-need-most-in-2018—and-the-courses-to-get-t
  - [3] JObsEQ.