

# West TN Regional Planning Council

Conference Call

July 19, 2017

10:00 a.m.

## 1. One-Stop Procurement Update; Measuring Performance of Operator

Each area provided an update on the procurement of a one-stop area. An operator has been selected and contracts are in place in each. Margaret will provide a copy of the guidance issued by the TN Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD) regarding the role of the Operator. The group discussed possible measures of performance such as number of customers served, and coordination of performance attainment for all American Job Center partners.

## 2. MOU/IFA Update

The MOUs/IFAs for areas 11 and 13 have been submitted to the TDLWD. Area 12's has also been submitted but is currently being renegotiated due to budget changes. The budgeting process is much more detailed than it has been in the past and has required many changes. Once finalized, LWDA 12 plans to make updates quarterly. The Operator will assist in ensuring information for the MOU/IFA is accurate.

## 3. Regional opportunities (Apprenticeship/pathways/etc.):

Each area has been awarded a Consolidated Business Grant to expand services to employers in West TN, such as On-the-Job Training, Incumbent Worker Training, and Apprenticeship. If an area does not spend all funds, the money may be set to another area in West TN. If other areas in the State don't spend all the funding, additional money may be sent to West TN. Additional information from the TDLWD is needed regarding the guidelines for spending the funds. Processes for the funding of apprenticeships were discussed and may include funding through Individual Training Accounts, On-the-Job, and contracts similar to Incumbent Worker Training. The group also discussed the possibility of receiving money in the region from the TDLWD for pathways initiatives and how we can work together regionally on the development of pathways.

## 4. Future Meeting Dates

- October 24, 2017 – 10:00 am – Regional Planning Council Meeting (Jackson)