

## **DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET INFORMATION DETROIT WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (21)**

Funding for this department has been eliminated in the FY 2012-13 Recommended Budget. The transition plan is as follows:

### **Introduction**

Under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 the City of Detroit is an automatically designated Workforce Area. The Chief Elected Official designates the Fiscal Agent and Grant Recipient and appoints the Board of Directors (Workforce Development Board) that is composed of no less than 51% private sector members. The remaining members of the Board are stipulated in the Law from Secondary, Post-Secondary, Higher Education, Labor, Community Based Organizations, Public Service members, etc. The Chief Elected Official and the Chair of the Workforce Board must execute an agreement describing how Workforce Funds and other Grants that flow through the board will be administered and how Service Provider Contractors will be selected.

The Act makes provision for the Workforce Board to incorporate, serve as the Fiscal Agent and Grant Recipient if the Chief Elected Official designates those responsibilities to the incorporated board.

### **Transition Plan**

On the 10th of April a transition and corrective action plan was delivered to the Michigan Department of Economic Development "Workforce Development Agency". This plan described the actions taken to resolve prior questioned and disallowed costs, strategies to improve performance in the delivery of all programs and action anticipated to resolve delays in the award of contracts and payments for services delivered by Vendors and Contractors.

### **Action Plan**

The Detroit Workforce Board, Inc., effective July 1, 2012 will assume the role of fiscal agent and grant recipient for those funds currently administered by the Detroit Workforce Development Department, subject to the designation by the Chief Elected Official of the City and concurrence by the Governor of the State of Michigan. Between now and July 1, 2012 the Corporation will hire staff in a variety of positions to administer the funds awarded to the Local Workforce Area and other funds directly granted to the Board to train, re-train, secure employment, operate local One-Stop Career Centers and provide various other training through a network of Vendors and Contractors selected by the Workforce Development Board in accordance with the Master Plan between the City Chief Elected Official, Board, and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation "Michigan Workforce Agency".

As the Fiscal Agent on July 1, 2012 the Workforce Board will process all requests for funds from the State and Federal Government or any other grantor of funds to the Board.

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