



Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board
Quarterly Meeting Agenda

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025

10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

IN-PERSON MEETING INFORMATION

LA Mission College
13356 Eldridge Avenue
Culinary Arts Building; Arroyo Room
Los Angeles, CA 91342

PARKING INSTRUCTIONS

Please park in the structure at Elkridge, before the golf course entrance. Guest parking is on level 1. Please click [HERE](#) for a map of the campus and parking garage.

VIRTUAL MEETING INFORMATION

Microsoft Teams meeting. Join on your computer, mobile app, or room device:
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Meeting ID: 288 608 872 942 9
Passcode: su6q2h9T
Call-in Info: +1 323-776-6996, ID 312248408

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

For public comment on any item, please use this link: [HERE](#)

Please note that if you wish to address the board during the meeting, a total of two (2) minutes will be allowed. Requests to be heard must be submitted by completing a public comment form via the link provided. (The Executive Director may, in the interest of facilitating the business of the board, limit the amount of time which a person may use in addressing the board).

A. CALL TO ORDER

- i. Land Acknowledgement: The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants — past, present, and emerging — as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the:
 - Fernandefio Tataviam Band of Mission Indians
 - Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council
 - Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians
 - Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation
 - San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
 - San Fernando Band of Mission Indians

To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website at lanaic.lacounty.gov.

- ii. Conflict of Interest: Members shall abide by “conflict of interest” requirements as outlined in WIOA Section 107(h) which states a member of a local board, or a member of a standing committee, may not vote on a matter under consideration by the local board (1) regarding the provision of services by such member represents; or (2) that would provide a direct financial benefit to such member or the immediate family of such member.

B. ROLL CALL

C. LACWDB CHAIR REMARKS

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- i. **WELCOMING NEW AND REAPPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS**
 - i. **NEW APPOINTMENTS** - Andy Perez, nominee of 4th District Supervisor Hahn, representative of Government.
 - ii. **REAPPOINTMENTS** - Dr. Armida Ornelas, nominee of 3rd District Supervisor Horvath, representative of Education.
- ii. **REPORT PRESENTATION**

E. ACTION ITEMS

- i. **APPROVE FY 2024-25 L.A. COUNTY WIOA PROGRAMS Q3 PAYMENT STATUS REPORT THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025, AND DISCUSSION OF FY 2025-26 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD BUDGET FOR WIOA**

PROGRAMS AND APPROVE NATIONAL DISLOCATED WORKER GRANT (NDWG) FUNDS AND WORKFORCE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE (AA) GRANTS TO ASSIST IN POST FIRE RECOVERY EFFORTS

Presenters: Cheren Kochen, LACWDB Executive Director and Narine Grigoryan, Departmental Finance Manager II, DEO

Summary: This item presents for review and approval, and any other action deemed necessary:

- a. The FY 2024-25 L.A. County WIOA Programs Q3 Payment Status Report through March 31, 2025, and discussion of FY 2025-26 Workforce Development Board Budget for WIOA Programs.
- b. The allocation of NDWG Funds and AA Grants to continue post disaster fire response to the January 2025 Los Angeles Wildfires.

Attachments: [1.1. WIOA Programs Payment Status July 1 2024 - March 31, 2025](#)
[1.2. Q3 Payment Status Report Details](#)
[1.3. FY 25-26 Proposed WDB Budget-6-4-25](#)

ii. APPROVE FY 2024-25 L.A. COUNTY WIOA PROGRAMS Q3 PERFORMANCE REPORT AND RAPID RESPONSE UPDATES THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025

Presenter: Jenny Synn, Program Manager, DEO

Summary: This item presents for review and approval, and any other action deemed necessary, the FY 2024-25 L.A. County WIOA Q3 Performance Report and Rapid Response Update through March 31, 2025.

Attachments:

iii. APPROVE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS FOR THE ELIGIBLE TRAINING PROVIDER LIST (ETPL), BUSINESS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (BTA) FOR WORKFORCE SERVICES AND AMERICA'S JOB CENTERS OF CALIFORNIA (AJCC) SERVICES FOR EAST LOS ANGELES AND SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES REGIONS

Presenter: Kate Vacanti, Assistant Director, DEO, Workforce Development

Summary: This item presents for review and approval, and any action deemed necessary, sole source contracts with South Bay WIB for ETPL services, LAEDC for business technical assistance, and Hub Cities Consortium and AYE-Catholic Charities for AJCC services.

Attachments: [Memo - ETPL and BTA Workforce Services](#)

iv. REPORT-OUT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE AND APPROVE MEMBER EDWARD CHANG AS VICE CHAIR

Presenter: Alex-Handrah Aimé, Chair, Finance Committee

Summary: This item presents for discussion updates from the Finance Committee to approve Member Edward Chang as Vice Chair for the Finance Committee.

v. **LOCAL AREA SUBSEQUENT DESIGNATION AND BOARD RECERTIFICATION FOR PROGRAM YEARS 2025-27 AND UPDATE ON TIMELINE FOR SUBMISSION OF REGIONAL AND LOCAL PLANS**

Presenter: Cheren Kochen, Executive Director, LACWDB

Summary: This item seeks to delegate authority to the LACWDB Chair to approve and sign final documents subsequent to this board meeting for items relating to the Local Area Subsequent Designation and Board Recertification and to update on timeline for submission of Regional and Local Plans.

Attachments: [Local Area Designation Application](#)

vi. **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE LACWDB QUARTERLY MEETING HELD ON MARCH 21, 2025**

Presenter: Jorge Marquez, Chair, LACWDB

Summary: This item presents for review and approval, and any other action deemed necessary, the draft minutes of the LACWDB quarterly meeting held on March 21, 2025.

Attachments: [March 21, 2025 LACWDB Meeting Minutes](#)

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

i. **YOUTH WORKGROUP UPDATES**

Presenter: Jeffery Wallace, Chair, Youth Workgroup

Summary: This item presents an update to offer general insights on the group's recent areas of focus, anticipated next steps, and opportunities for future alignment with broader board priorities.

Attachments: [LACWDB Quarterly Meeting Youth Workgroup Memo](#)

ii. **BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT-OUT**

Presenter: Jeffrey Thompson, Chair, LACWDB Business Engagement Committee

Summary: This item presents for discussion and updates relating to the LACWDB Business Engagement Committee.

iii. **WIOA WAIVER REQUESTS – RENEWAL OF EXISTING WAIVERS**

Presenter: Cheren Kochen, Executive Director LACWDB

Summary: This item presents for information only, DEO's request to the Employment Development Department for 1. Waiver of WIOA Section 134(d)(5) - This waiver allows up to 30 percent of WIOA Title I adult and dislocated worker local formula funds to be used for the provision of transitional jobs. 2. Waiver of WIOA Section 134(c)(3)(H)(i) - This waiver allows up to 90 percent reimbursement of on-the-job training (OJT) costs for businesses with 50 or fewer employees. 3. Waiver of WIOA Section 129(a)(4)(A) - This waiver allows the decrease of the out-of-school youth (OSY) expenditure requirement from 75 percent to 50 percent.

iv. **UPDATES ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

Presenter: Cheren Kochen, Executive Director LACWDB

Summary: Review of WDB membership, recruitment, and nomination process.

v. **DISCUSSION OF WAYS THAT THE LACWDB CAN CREATE GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY, VISIBILITY, AND COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PUBLIC AND DISCUSSION ON BOARD GOVERNANCE**

Presenter: Jorge Marquez, Chair, LACWDB

Summary: This item presents for the LACWDB discussion on ways to create greater accountability, visibility, transparent communication between the LACWDB and community members in the Los Angeles County Workforce area and a discussion on board governance.

vi. **INNOVATION FUND PROPOSAL FOR WILDFIRE RECOVERY TRAINING–NEXT STEPS**

Presenter: Cheren Kochen, Executive Director, LACWDB

Summary: This item presents for discussion the approved Innovation Fund proposal and next steps in implementation.

Attachments: [Memo-LACWDB Innovation Fund Proposal - Wildfire Disaster Relief Cleanup and Recover Workforce Training](#)
[LACWDB Innovation Fund Proposal Wildfire Disaster Relief Cleanup and Recovery Workforce Training](#)
[Local Fire Grants Memo](#)

vii. **SAVE-THE-DATE: UPCOMING LACWDB PUBLIC MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, & EVENTS**

LACWDB WIOA MOU PARTNER ENGAGEMENT FORUMS

Tuesday, June 24, 2025
Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Location: DEO Headquarters
510 South Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Thursday, June 26, 2025
Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Location: Virtual Meeting

TENTATIVE LACWDB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Youth Working Group
Monday, June 16, 2025, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Virtual

Business Engagement Committee
Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Location: DEO Headquarters

Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 south Vermont Avenue
Conference Room 11F25
Los Angeles, CA 90020

TENTATIVE LACWDB QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Friday, September 19, 2025
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: DEO Headquarters
Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 south Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Friday, December 19, 2025
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: DEO Headquarters
Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 South Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, ca 90020

Friday, March 20, 2026
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: DEO Headquarters
Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 South Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Friday, June 19, 2026
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: DEO Headquarters
Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 South Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Friday, September 18, 2026
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: DEO Headquarters
Hybrid Virtual & In-Person
510 South Vermont Avenue
Terrace Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

California Workforce Association
Meeting of the Minds
September 2-4, 2025
Monterey Conference Center
One Portola Plaza
Monterey, CA 93940

DEO RECRUITMENTS

Youth@Work Eaton Fire Recruitment

- Youth: bit.ly/DEOYouthAtWork
- Business: bit.ly/DEOYWJobs

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

H. ADJOURNMENT