

LA County Department of Economic Opportunity

# LA County Workforce Development Board Meeting

June 13, 2025

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# Presentation Overview

# Executive Director Report - Board In Action

- **NAWB Forum 2025** - LACWDB members and DEO staff convened to learn from one another as we work to build a flourishing, resilient economy that provides for workers and families. The Forum 2025 united thought leaders, policymakers, and stakeholders at a moment of transformational potential.
- **CWA WorkCon 2025** - Our LACWDB Board Chair and DEO Workforce Management presented to California's workforce development professionals on our AJCC Modernization Strategies and North Star Principles.



# Executive Director Report - DEO Fire Response and Recovery

- **\$20 million** federal and state commitment to support workers and communities impacted by the devastating wildfires across LA County.
- **Fire Recovery and Resilience Workforce Program** offers multiple hiring and training services to access temporary employment and long-term career pathways that provide quality jobs and economic mobility.
- **LACWDB approved an additional \$1 million in WIOA Innovation Funds** to support through Wildfire Disaster Relief, Cleanup, and Recovery Workforce Training.

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**Visit [opportunity.lacounty.gov/fireworkforce](https://opportunity.lacounty.gov/fireworkforce)**



# Executive Director Report - Youth Highlights

## Youth@Work Summer Push

- **Summer Stars** - In partnership with LA County Libraries, 90 Youth@Work participants will be placed at 45 County libraries to assist with the summer tutoring services June through August 2025.
- **Parks After Dark @ Loma Alta Park** - Youth@Work participants supporting an array of Parks programming.
- **Altadena Youth@Work** - Investment of 500 Youth@Work opportunities for youth impacted by the Eaton fire.



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# **Executive Director Report - High Road Training Partnerships**

To create and expand HRTPs throughout various sectors, DEO launched a new High Road Training Partnerships (HRTP) grant program, the HRTP Fund, on April 14th with over \$17 million available to fund innovative, high-quality workforce training models delivered by worker-centered organizations and employers.

Over 100 applications were received, and 20 applicants have been selected for awards. DEO will formally announce grantee selection on July 9th, after contracting is complete for all grantees.

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# Executive Report - Budget/Appropriations Updates

## Governor's May Revision - Workforce and Economic Development

- California Competes Grant Program (Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development)
- Withdraws \$60 million in one-time State General Fund proposed in the Governor's January Budget.
- Apprenticeship Training Grant (California Department of Industrial Relations)
- Proposes a one-time increase of \$18.2 million to support apprenticeship training in construction and related trades. This is in addition to \$3 million included in the Governor's January Budget.

## FFY 2026 President's Budget - Workforce Development - Department of Labor (DOL)

- Reduces budget authority for DOL Training and Employment services by approximately \$932,000.
- Proposes to consolidate 11 workforce funding streams including WIOA Adult, Youth, and Dislocated Workers Training and Employment Assistance grants into a single Make America Skilled Again program (\$2.97 billion).
- Proposes to eliminate Job Corps and the Community Service Employment for Older Americans program.

# Executive Report - State Policy Updates

## **AB 338 (Solache): Workforce Development: the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura: 2025 Wildfires**

Position: County Supported

Status: Passed Assembly – with Senate

**Bill Text - AB-338 Workforce  
development: the Counties of Los  
Angeles and Ventura: 2025  
wildfires.**

## **SB 275 (Smallwood Cuevas): Eligible Training Provider List**

Position: County Supported

Status: Urgency clause adopted. Passed  
and ordered to the Senate.

**Bill Text: CA SB275 | 2025-2026 |  
Regular Session | Amended | LegiScan**

# Fiscal Report - FY 2025-26 Planned Budget

Table 1: FY 25- 26 Annual Plan Revenues

Year 26 ANNUAL PLAN REVENUES	New Allocation	Carryover Prior Years	Total Allocation
Adult	\$14,102,000	\$3,902,400	\$18,004,400
Dislocated Worker	\$10,324,000	\$2,601,600	\$12,925,600
Youth	\$14,684,000	\$6,402,000	\$21,086,000
Rapid Response *	\$1,596,000	\$0	\$1,596,000
January Wildfires Additional Assistan	\$6,975,000	\$0	\$6,975,000
<b>TOTAL WIOA</b>	<b>\$47,681,000</b>	<b>\$12,906,000</b>	<b>\$60,587,000</b>

\* PY 2025-26 Rapid Respsnes funds are pending announcement by the CA EDD.

# Fiscal Report - FY 2025-26 Planned Budget Increase/Decrease

Table 2: Year 26 WIOA Formula Funding - Increase in Grant Funding and Reduction in Carryover Funds

Program	PY 2024-25 WIOA Funds	PY 2025-26 WIOA Funds *	Increased Grant Funding and Decreased Carryover
Adult	\$ 12,963,000	\$ 14,102,000	\$ 1,139,000
Dislocated Worker	\$ 8,436,000	\$ 10,324,000	\$ 1,888,000
Youth	\$ 13,513,000	\$ 14,684,000	\$ 1,171,000
Rapid Response *	\$ 1,596,000	\$ 1,596,000	\$ -
January Wildfires Additional Assistance	\$ -	\$ 6,975,000	\$ 6,975,000
Carryover	\$ 13,509,000	\$ 12,906,000	(\$603,000)
<b>SUBTOTAL WIOA</b>	<b>\$ 50,017,000</b>	<b>\$ 60,587,000</b>	<b>\$ 10,570,000</b>

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# Fiscal Report - FY 2025-26 Proposed WIOA Funding Distribution

Table 3: FY 25-26 Proposed WIOA Funding Distribution

Activity	ADW	Percentage	Youth	Percentage	Rapid Response	Percentage	January Wildfires Additional Assistance	Percentage	Total	Percentage
AJCC Administrative Costs	\$1,054,000	3%	\$949,000	5%	\$107,000	7%	\$442,000	6%	\$2,552,000	4%
AJCC Participant Services Costs	\$4,246,000	14%	\$3,822,000	18%	N/A	N/A	\$1,780,000	26%	\$9,848,000	16%
AJCC Program Operation	\$7,175,000	23%	\$6,459,000	31%	\$727,000	46%	\$3,009,000	43%	\$17,370,000	29%
AJCC Work Experience (Youth Training)	\$0	0%	\$4,585,000	22%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$4,585,000	8%
AJCC Adult/DW Training Services	\$9,722,000	31%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$9,722,000	16%
AJCC Training-WDB Innovation Project	\$1,000,000	3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$1,000,000	2%
AJCC Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$363,000	23%	N/A	N/A	\$363,000	1%
Subtotal AJCC:	\$23,197,000	75%	\$15,815,000	75%	\$1,197,000	75%	\$5,231,000	75%	\$45,440,000	75%
DEO Administrative and Personnel Costs	\$7,733,000	25%	\$5,271,000	25%	\$399,000	25%	\$1,744,000	25%	\$15,147,000	25%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$30,930,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$21,086,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$1,596,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$6,975,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$60,587,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

# Fiscal Report - FY 2025-26 Proposed WIOA Funding Distribution

**Table 4: FY 24- 25 Q3 WIOA Payment Status**

Program	FY 2024-25 WIOA Funds	Payments (Q3)	Fund Balance	%
Adult	\$17,832,000	\$10,749,320	\$7,082,680	60%
Dislocated Worker	\$11,682,000	\$2,077,378	\$9,604,622	18%
Youth	\$18,907,000	\$5,853,569	\$13,053,431	31%
Rapid Response	\$1,596,000	\$1,506,910	\$89,090	94%
<b>SUBTOTAL WIOA</b>	<b>\$50,017,000</b>	<b>\$20,187,177</b>	<b>\$29,829,823</b>	<b>40%</b>

Notes: a) KRA 11 invoices are missing, with approximately \$450K in costs

b) The 2025 January Wildfires Additional Assistance and National Dislocated Worker Grant budget and payment amounts will be reflected in Q4

c) The table does not reflect the fund transfer from Dislocated Worker to Adult budget; this transfer will be reflected in Q4.

# AJCC Performance

## WIOA New Enrollments

Program	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change	PY 24-25 Goal	% Goal Achieved
Adult	3,830	3,751	-2%	4,070	88%
Dislocated Worker	733	567	-23%	1,219	47%
Youth	1,188	1,116	-6%	2,412	46%

As of Q3 of FY24-25, the AJCCS have achieved 88% of the Adult, 47% of DW, and 46% of Youth enrollment goals. While enrollment rates have decreased in the current fiscal year, Adult enrollment is on target to meet the annual goal

# AJCC Performance

## WIOA Participants Served

Program	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change
Adult	7,965	8,710	+9%
Dislocated Worker	1,536	1,559	+1%
Youth	2,520	2,735	+9%

Participants served measures participant engagement including new enrollees, carry over participants, and exited participants receiving follow up services. Overall the system has improved participants engagement over this fiscal year, despite AJCC transitions in Q2.

# WIOA Priority Populations - Adult

Population	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change
Low Income	6880	7627	11%
Public Assistance	2871	3273	14%
System Impacted	729	744	2%
Persons Experiencing Homelessness	1380	1572	14%
Veteran	1132	1214	7%
Individuals w/ Disabilities	782	821	5%
Foster	61	74	21%
English Language Learner	490	616	26%

Overall, the AJCCs have improved in serving participants from priority populations across WIOA programs.

# WIOA Priority Populations - DW

Population	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change
Low Income	965	905	-6%
Public Assistance	365	363	-1%
System Impacted	42	44	5%
Persons Experiencing Homelessness	64	67	5%
Veteran	34	32	-6%
Individuals w/ Disabilities	53	41	-23%
Foster	4	4	0%
English Language Learner	162	197	22%

# WIOA Priority Populations - Youth

Population	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change
Low Income	2388	2624	10%
Public Assistance	684	724	6%
System Impacted	142	155	9%
Persons Experiencing Homelessness	309	335	8%
Veteran	12	6	-50%
Individuals w/ Disabilities	119	141	18%
Foster	208	217	4%
English Language Learner	50	61	22%

# AJCC Performance

## WIOA Participants Trained

Program	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change	PY 24-25 Goal	% Goal Achieved
Adult	1,118	1,097	-2%	2,325	47%
Dislocated Worker	216	164	-24%	893	18%
Youth (WEX)	471	457	-3%	1,178	39%
Total Served	1,805	1,718	-5%	4,225	41%

Participants trained represents participants with training activities in this fiscal year. This shows that engagement in training programs has decreased in this fiscal year.

# AJCC Performance

## WIOA Training Enrollments

Program	PY 23-24 Q3	PY 24-25 Q3	% Change	PY 24-25 Goal	% Goal Achieved
Adult	1,114	1,058	-5%	2,325	46%
Dislocated Worker	216	152	-30%	893	17%
Youth (WEX)	492	431	-12%	1,178	34%

**Participants in Training Enrollments represents new participants enrolled in training in PY24-25. DEO plans to increase engagement with community colleges, adult schools and High Road Training Providers to increase training enrolments in the upcoming year.**

# Accountability Measures

	Adult	Dislocated Worker	Youth	Program Exit Range
Employment Rate 2nd Quarter After Exit	exceeds target	below target	exceeds target	7/1/24 – 9/30/24
Employment Rate 4th Quarter After Exit	exceeds target	exceeds target	exceeds target	1/1/24 - 3/31/24
Credential Attainment	exceeds target	exceeds target	exceeds target	1/1/24 - 3/31/24
Measurable Skill Gains	below target	below target	below target	Current Year
Median Earnings Q2 after Exit	exceeds target	exceeds target	exceeds target	7/1/24 – 9/30/24

LA County met exceeded most accountability measures. The system has been provided with technical assistance on measureable skill gains with improvements expected in Q4 for Program Year 25-26.

# Measurable Skill Gains

	Q3 PY 23-24	Q2 PY 24-25	Q3 PY 24-25				
Program	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Actual	FY 24-25 Planned	FY 24-25 Actual	% from goal	Change from Last Year	Change from Last Quarter
Adult	46.20%	36.40%	69.00%	44.00%	-25.00%	-2.20%	7.60%
DW	32.10%	36.60%	65.00%	35.50%	-29.50%	3.40%	-1.10%
Youth	26.30%	23.10%	65.00%	29.80%	-35.20%	3.50%	6.70%

DEO is currently working with providers to address Measurable Skill Gains. Technical Assistance trainings began in Q4 and MSGs recorded in Q4 are anticipated to rise.

# Rapid Response

For the third quarter the Rapid Response activities included

- **21 WARN notices received**
  - 1,201** workers impacted
  - 237** workers attended Rapid Response orientation
  - 3** WARN notices cancelled
- **48 Non-WARN notices received**
  - 518** workers impacted
  - 221** workers attended Rapid Response orientation

# Looking Ahead

- **Complete AJCC sub-region procurement by October 2025**
- **Key areas of analysis and report out to WDB:**
  - **Youth demographic analysis**
  - **Training enrollments analysis**
- **Overhaul of provider spending and performance management**
- **Presentation on modernization in first quarter of FY**