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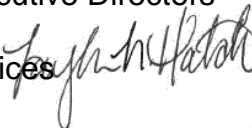


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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 29, 2017

TO: Local Workforce Development Board Executive Directors

FROM: Taylor N. Hatch, Director, Workforce Services 

SUBJECT: Veterans' Performance Incentive Award Nominations

The Jobs for Veterans Act establishes a program to provide performance incentive awards to recognize Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDBs) that provide excellent employment services to veterans. This year, Florida may award \$115,429 in performance incentives. The incentive awards are intended to encourage the improvement of employment, training and placement services for veterans and recognize LWDBs for excellence or demonstrated improvements in the provision of services to veterans. The nomination must demonstrate that a LWDB provided exemplary services to veterans that are beyond the requirements of the grant. The LWDB is limited to submitting one written nomination. Nominations must be submitted to DEO no later than September 8, 2017 to be considered.

Awardees will be selected by the Veterans' Program work group which includes representation from the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), CareerSource Florida, Inc. (CSF), and the LWDBs. There are three size categories of LWDBs (small, medium, and large). There will be only one award of \$38,476 for each size category.

Additional information on the incentive grant program is included in the attached program guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact Steven Gustafson at (850) 717-0763 or via email at steven.gustafson@deo.myflorida.com, or Shawn Forehand at (850) 717-0760 or via email at shawn.forehand@deo.myflorida.com.

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Attachments

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Veterans' Incentive Award Program Guidelines

Period of Performance: July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Number of Nominations per Local Workforce Development Board: One

Nominations must be submitted: No later than September 8, 2017

Suggested Criteria to be used to Evaluate Career Centers and other Service Delivery Points:

1. Productivity

- Veterans/Disabled Veterans Entered Employment
- Placement of Homeless Veterans
- Enrollment of Veterans/Disabled Veterans in Training
- Placement of VR&E (Chapter 31) Special Disabled Veterans
- Other

2. Veterans ' Advocacy

- Participation in Veterans' Stand Downs
- Employer Marketing
- Veterans' Justice Involved Programs (Veteran Courts, Veteran Justice Outreach Program, Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF), Outreach to Incarcerated Veterans, etc.)
- Veterans' Homeless Programs
- Community Services for Veterans, especially those with Significant Barriers to Employment
- Veterans' Job Fairs
- Special Projects
- Outreach to Promote Service to the Veterans Population (Including National Guard & Reserves)
- Community Involvement (Veterans' Organizations, Chambers of Commerce etc.)
- Personal Achievement (letters of appreciation, receipt of awards, etc.)
- Exceptional Performance on any Project that Directly Affects Veterans, Including Other Activities Locally Created and Developed by the Career Center
- Other

Selection Process:

A state level selection committee of representatives from the DEO, the Florida Department of Veteran Affairs (FDVA), CSF, and Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS) will review nominations and make the award selections. The approved nomination form (attached) will be utilized in the consideration for awarding the funds. Awards will be made in September 2017.