



MEMORANDUM

Date: March 2, 2021

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator 

Re: **Pima County Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Formula Allocations**

Background

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 reauthorizes the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 and is the federal law that governs the Pima County One Stop and ARIZONA@WORK system.

WIOA formula funding from the Department of Labor flows to the Arizona Department of Economic Security and then down to local jurisdictions across Arizona. These funds are used by the Pima County Community & Workforce Development through the One-Stop System to bring together workforce development, education, and other human resource services in a customer-focused service delivery network that enhances access to the program services and improves long-term employment outcomes for clients.

Discussion

The Workforce Arizona Council (WAC) recommends funding recommendations for local areas to DES and the Governor. Historically funding options were presented by DES staff to the Arizona Workforce Association (comprised of all Arizona's workforce directors) to negotiate and come to a consensus on funding recommendations.

Last week the WAC approved a recommendation from Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA) staff to negotiate WIOA allocations with the Chief Local Elected Officials. ACA staff asked workforce directors to make Chief Local Elected Officials aware of request to participate in the negotiations or identify a representative to negotiate on their behalf.

Recommendation

Pima County Community & Workforce Development staff have represented Pima County in WIOA funding negotiations since the One Stop system's inception. For that reason, I would recommend that you name Dan Sullivan as your representative during these technical negotiations.

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