

CCWC History (Attachment to Agenda Docket for Rubicon Programs – MDAE MOU and Sub-Recipient Agreement , for Board Meeting 10/22/18)

In November 2017, Mt. Diablo Adult Education invited its community partners (CBOs, K-12 District Adult Education programs and the CCCCD) to form a collaborative for the purpose of bidding on an Employment Human Services Department (EHSD) Request for Proposal (RFP 1158), to operate the WIOA-funded American Job Center of California in Concord, California and to provide WIOA-funded Adult and Dislocated Worker (A/DW) Career Services throughout Contra Costa County.

The initiative led by Mt. Diablo Adult Education to form a collaborative subsequently led to the formation of the Contra Costa Workforce Collaborative (CCWC), composed of ten (10) community partners. (See attached August 14th, 2018 Press Release listing all ten community partners.) The CCWC requested Rubicon Programs to be the primary contractor with the WDBCCC on its behalf specifically because of their experience in workforce development in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties and because of their experience in operating the Alameda County AJCC/One Stop Center.

In March 2018, Contra Costa County, through the EHSD and WDBCCC, awarded CCWC with an initial one-year contract for the operation of the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) funded American Job Center of California (AJCC) and for the delivery of Adult and Dislocated Worker (A/DW) Career Services throughout Contra Costa County.

The original contract award amount of \$1,250,000.00 was subsequently reduced by the WDBCC after the bid award date as a result of two sequential federal reductions in the WDBCCC budget for 2018-2019. *The current contract amount awarded Rubicon Programs on behalf of and as the lead agency for the CCWC in March 2018 is \$1,050.00 and reflects these reductions.* Negotiations between Rubicon Programs on behalf of the CCWC required CCWC partner budget revisions be made and changes in contract implementation plans then be aligned with the reduced funding. Said negotiations took place from March until mid-September. It was decided by the WDBCCC at the end of negotiations that the term of the contract, originally established as July 1st, 2018 through June 30th, 2019 would be changed to August 1st, 2018 through June 30th, 2019 rather than an October date, in order to not further reduce the funding amount of the contract or further hinder CCWC implementation planning. As a result, October 1st was selected as a *soft launch/opening* date for all CCWC AJCC “Access Point” locations. Rubicon then immediately prepared and sent all member MOUs and Sub-Recipient Agreements.

As a result of the formation of CCWC and the potential for enhanced community outreach to adults in Contra Costa County for access to the programs and services of the WIOA-funded AJCC and the A/DW Career Services, some CCWC partner locations, including Mt. Diablo Adult Education at the Loma Vista Adult Center, will now serve as *new* AJCC and A/DW Career Services “Access Points.” *In addition, all the adult students of Mt. Diablo Adult Education will now have access to these programs and services directly, at the new Loma Vista Adult Center AJCC “Access Point.”*

Note: The CCWC is a collaborative of *ten (10) partners* as listed in the August 14th *launch* press release attached and the reference to *twelve (12)* in the *attached* MOU and Sub-Recipient Agreement, references the three (3) individual community colleges in Contra Costa County *rather than the Contra Costa Community Colleges District (CCCD) as a single educational institution* as was listed in the press release at the time of the initial launch of CCWC in August 2018.