

# **GL Attachment I - CEO/WDB Agreement**

## **GREATER LINCOLN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL AGREEMENT**

This agreement is by and between the Chief Elected Official of the Greater Lincoln area and the Greater Lincoln Workforce Development Board in regards to the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Lincoln is the Chief Elected Official (hereinafter referred to as the "CEO") of the Greater Lincoln Area which is comprised of the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County and Saunders County designated under Section 107 (c)(1)(B)(i) of The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, The CEO is the local grant recipient for the City of Lincoln as the political jurisdiction and shall be liable for any misuse of the grant funds under section 107 (d)(12)(B)(i)(I) of the Act and

WHEREAS, the CEO is the appointing authority for the Greater Lincoln Workforce Development Board under Section 107 (c)(1)(B) of said Act; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Greater Lincoln Workforce Development Board, hereinafter referred to as "GLWDB", to develop the local workforce innovation and opportunity plan, coordinate and conduct oversight of the One-Stop System and provide oversight of the Act's Title I in this area in partnership with the CEO; and

WHEREAS, the CEO and the GLWDB may enter into an agreement describing the respective roles and responsibilities of the parties under the Act and as required by the Governor for approval of the local plan; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into an agreement to provide and perform the obligations of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to the eligible residents of the Greater Lincoln Area.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED:

### **AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL**

1. Appoint members to the GLWDB in accordance with the Act.
2. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the One-Stop Partners.
3. Approve the designation and certification of the one-stop operator by the GLWDB.
4. Approve the designation of the geographic area used for measuring the performance of the local fiscal agent, eligible providers, and the one-stop delivery system.
5. Approve the GLWDB local plan submission but not until such plan has been provided for review and comment to Saunders and Lancaster County.
6. Provide administration and oversight of the delivery system.
7. Administer funds allocated to the local system and bear liability for misuse of grant funds in accordance with the Act.
8. Approve or deny applications for funds for the local system.
9. Execute all contracts and agreements with the United States Department of Labor, the governor of Nebraska or other departments, agencies, organizations, businesses, local governments, providers and any entity as deemed necessary.
10. Authority to apply for, receive and expend grants, and to make transfers of unencumbered

- balances between major expense categories pursuant to state policy.
11. Annually prepare an operating budget for the local workforce innovation and opportunity system on behalf of the GLWDB. The Budget shall be approved by the GLWDB.

#### AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GLWDB

1. Develop and submit a local plan to the Governor with the approval of the CEO.
2. Analyze economic conditions and needed workforce skills for the region and conduct other research as needed relating to workforce needs of the region.
3. Lead efforts to engage with a diverse range of employers to promote business representation and develop linkages to support utilization of the workforce development system.
4. Lead efforts to develop and implement career pathways in the local area.
5. Identify strategies for meeting the needs of employers and workers and jobseekers in the local area and use technology to maximize the accessibility and effectiveness of the system.
6. With the agreement of the CEO, designate and certify one-stop operators and terminate for cause the eligibility of such operators as provided in the Act.
7. Elect eligible providers of youth workforce investment activities by awarding grants or contracts on a competitive basis based on the recommendations of the youth standing committee with the approval of the CEO and conduct oversight with respect to the providers and may terminate for cause the eligibility of such providers.
8. Identify eligible providers of training services for adults and dislocated workers.
9. Identify eligible providers of career services by awarding contracts with the approval of the CEO, if not provided by the one stop operator.
10. Develop a budget for the activities of the local board in the local area consistent with the local plan subject to the approval of the CEO.
11. Approve the budget for the local workforce development system as prepared by the CEO. The local board may solicit and accept grants and donations from sources other than federal funds with the approval of the CEO.
12. May conduct oversight of local programs of youth workforce activities and local employment and training activities for adults and the one-stop delivery system in the local area in partnership with the CEO.
13. Negotiate and reach agreement on local performance measures with the agreement of the CEO.
14. Assist the Governor in developing the statewide employment statistics system.
15. Promote the participation of private sector employers in the workforce innovation and opportunity system and ensure connecting, brokering, and coaching activities through intermediaries such as the one-stop operator in the local area or through other organizations.
16. Develop and execute Memorandum of Understanding with One-Stop partners as designated by the Act and the State, consistent with the local plan with the agreement of the CEO.
17. May utilize personnel services granted to the GLWDB from the Mayor's office, Urban Development Department, City Attorney and City Finance in carrying out the work of the Board.
18. Elect a chairperson for the local board and may designate standing and additional Committees.

#### AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT

Either party may propose amendments to this agreement at any time. Requests for amendments shall be authorized in accordance with the Bylaws of the body initiating the request. No proposed amendment may be considered by the body unless the amendment has been mailed by postal service or electronically to the members of the body at least five days prior to consideration.

#### ENTIRE AGREEMENT

The entire agreement of the parties is contained herein and this agreement supersedes any and all prior oral agreements between the parties relating to the subject matter thereof.

#### RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement shall require the approval of the CEO and GLWDB by a majority vote of the members present at a GLWDB Board Meeting, authorizing the execution of the agreement.

IN WITNESS THEREOF

  
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Chair, GLWDB

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Mayor Chris Beutler  
Chief Elected Official