

**THE SUMMIT AND MEDINA WORKFORCE AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FOR OHIO LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA 2
RESOLUTION 2022-12**

A Resolution authorizing the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments to enter into a contract with the Recovery Center of Medina County and Serenite Culinary Institute to support funding of temporary disaster-relief employment, funded through a United States Department of Labor National Health Emergency Dislocated Worker Grant awarded to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, and passed through to Ohio's Workforce Area 2 in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00 for the period beginning on the date of hire of the first position filled and ending March 31, 2024.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor (the "DOL") awarded National Health Emergency Dislocated Worker Grant ("DWG") funds entitled "Fresh Start" in the amount of \$8,500,000.00 to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services ("ODJFS") in March of 2022 to provide disaster-relief jobs and employment services to Ohioans affected by widespread opioid use, addiction, and overdose, during the period commencing March 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2024;

WHEREAS, on 3/21/2022 the Summit and Medina Workforce Area ("Area 2") received notice that ODJFS had allocated a total of \$322,500.00 in DWG funds to Local Workforce Area 2 and was informed of the requirement to complete a project plan and budget for the use of the funds;

WHEREAS, at their meeting held 3/31/2022 the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments (SAMWA COG) passed a resolution accepting the Area 2 allocation of Fresh Start grant funds by ODJFS in the amount of \$322,500.00;

WHEREAS, the temporary disaster relief employment provided for in the "Fresh Start" grant provides for the funding of Peer Recovery Supporter positions in "Community II" Counties, including Medina County; and

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of Area 2 to authorize the execution of a contract with the Recovery Center of Medina County and Serenite Culinary Institute ("RCMC") to support the funding of temporary disaster-relief Peer Recovery Supporter positions in Area 2, specifically in Medina County, during the period commencing on the date of hire of the first position filled and ending March 31, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the SAMWA COG that:

SECTION 1

The SAMWA COG hereby authorizes the execution of a contract with the Recovery Center of Medina County and Serenite Culinary Institute ("RCMC") to support the funding of temporary disaster-relief Peer Recovery Supporter positions in Area 2, specifically in Medina County, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00, for the period beginning on the date of hire of the first position filled and ending March 31, 2024.

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SECTION 2

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes: 2

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

ADOPTED, this 5th day of October, 2022

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Helen Shapiro

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Summit County Executive

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Medina County Commissioner