

**THE SUMMIT AND MEDINA WORKFORCE AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
FOR OHIO LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA 2  
RESOLUTION 2023-01**

**A Resolution authorizing the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments to accept and appropriate a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Statewide Special Project grant allocation in the amount of \$145,000.00 from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) for Area 2's participation in Improving Workforce Outcomes for Ohioans project for the period of August 12, 2022-June 30, 2024.**

**WHEREAS**, on August 27, 2021, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) notified the 20 Ohio Workforce Areas that Program Year 2020 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds recaptured by the State would be made available in the form of statewide special project grants, and provided parameters for proposals;

**WHEREAS**, prior to the commencement of Program Year 2022, ODJFS made it known to its 20 Workforce Areas, the statewide special project grants were still available to fund innovative workforce initiatives;

**WHEREAS**, on August 12, 2022, ODJFS announced it would expand statewide a pilot occurring in Franklin County referred to as "Results Based Contracting" by creating the "Improving Workforce Outcomes for Ohioans" project to implement performance-based strategies to be used in procurement and contractual documents to help government and providers focus on delivering results for the customers served under WIOA programs;

**WHEREAS**, on October 11, 2022, Area 2 submitted a proposal to ODJFS for the use of WIOA Statewide Special Project grants funds for the purpose of participating in the "Improving Workforce Outcomes for Ohioans" project which was approved by ODJFS on or about October 14, 2022;

**WHEREAS**, on or about December 5, 2022, Area 2 received \$145,000.00 of Statewide Special Project grants funds which as defined by ODJFS is meant to support research on performance-based contracting, assist with data analysis activities, engage consultants, purchase software, professional development training, salary reimbursement for staff, time etc., and;

**WHEREAS**, the SAMWA COG finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information that it is necessary and in the best interests of Area 2 to authorize the acceptance and to appropriate ODJFS' WIOA Statewide Special Project grant funds for "Improving Workforce Outcomes for Ohioans".

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

**SECTION 1**

The SAMWA COG hereby authorizes the acceptance of this WIOA Statewide Special Project grant award from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, allocated to the SAMWA COG on behalf of Area 2 for the purpose of participating in the "Improving Workforce Outcomes for Ohioans" project.

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**SECTION 2**

The SAMWA COG Board hereby accepts Ohio's WIOA Statewide Special Project grant award for Area 2 in the amount \$145,0000.00 and authorizes the appropriation of funds as defined by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services during the period of August 12, 2022-June 30, 2024.

**SECTION 3**

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes: 11  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0

ADOPTED, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2023.

  
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Summit County Executive

  
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Medina County Commissioner