



STEVENS AMENDMENT REQUIREMENTS

PURPOSE

This policy mandates the requirements under the Stevens Amendment (Public Law 101-166), as it pertains to transparency of federal funds awarded to WIOA contractors and subrecipients.

SCOPE

The Workforce Development Board of Ventura County (WDBVC) and its contractors and subrecipients.

REFERENCES

- Public Law 101-166, Section 511, Steven's Amendment (Nov. 21, 1989)
- State of California Employment Development Department WIOA Subgrant Agreement

POLICY

Background

Since 1989, an appropriations provision, known as the Stevens Amendment, has reflected Congress' longstanding effort to ensure transparency and accountability in federal grant spending.

The Stevens Amendment is an appropriations provision that requires grantees of the Departments of Labor (DOL), Health and Human Services (HHS), and Education (Education) to disclose for a grant program the percent of the costs financed with federal funds, the federal dollar amount, and the percentage and dollar amount financed by nongovernmental funds. These funding disclosures must be made when issuing statements, press releases, bid solicitations, and other documents describing the project or program.

Public Law 101-166, Section 511, Steven's Amendment

SEC. 511. When issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money, all grantees receiving Federal funds, including but not limited to State and local governments, shall clearly state (1) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money, (2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program, and (3) percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by nongovernmental sources.

The Workforce Development Board of Ventura County is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Examples of acceptable language are:

1. “This National Dislocated Worker Grant project is fully funded by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as a part of an award totaling \$1,000,000.”
2. “This opportunity is 50% funded by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as a part of an award totaling \$1,000,000 and 50% with funds from a State of California grant.”
3. “This project is 100% federally-funded in the amount of \$1,000,000.”
4. “The total cost of this program is \$500,000, of which 85% (\$425,000) is financed with Federal money and 15% (\$75,000) is financed by non-governmental sources.”

While inclusion of the information is required, the format and location are flexible.

WDBVC subrecipients, contractors, and service providers must include language that follows the requirement on websites, presentations, marketing materials and any other program documents that pertain to any Federal Program.

ACTION

Bring this policy to the attention of all affected staff.

INQUIRIES

Inquiries regarding this policy can be addressed to the WDBVC at 805-477-5306.

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