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BUSINESS SERVICES COMMITTEE

September 14, 2021
3:00 pm

MEETING AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

II. OPEN FORUM
Members of the public are able to address the committee on matters not on the agenda

III. BUSINESS

A. Minutes Approval {Action} 5 min
   Approve minutes of the August 10, 2021, Business Services Committee meeting 3:15 pm end

B. Employer Engagement 10 min
   Staff reports, including without limitation 3:25 pm end
   1. Update: Facebook Connections Digital Marketing Internships
   2. Update: Resilience Corps Digital Marketing Internships

C. Services 20 min
   Staff reports, including without limitation 3:45 pm end
   1. Employer Demand-Driven Cohort Training Pilot
      Update on research and development phase of a new employment-and-training model supported by an Accelerator Fund grant from the California Workforce Development Board
   2. Incumbent Worker Training
      Discussion of local policy on Incumbent Worker Training

D. Business Intelligence 20 min
   Staff reports and discussion, including without limitation 4:05 pm end
   1. Layoff-related Activity Report
   2. July 2021 Labor Market Summary
   3. Discussion of the need to improve business intelligence

E. Workplan 5 min
   Discussion 4:10 pm end
   1. Committee meeting schedule beyond October 2021, and returning to in-person meetings

IV. OTHER
Announcements, suggested business for future meetings, other housekeeping

V. ADJOURNMENT

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ending time. Actual times may vary, and items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chair.
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   c. Speakers should discuss topics related to work2future business on the agenda, unless they are speaking during open forum.
   d. Speakers’ comments should be addressed to the full body. Requests to engage Board or Committee Members or Staff in conversation will not be honored. Abusive language is inappropriate.
   e. Speakers will not bring to the podium any items other than a prepared written statement, writing materials, or objects that have been inspected by security staff.
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I.

Call to Order &
Roll Call
II.

Open Forum
III.A

Minutes Approval

[Action]
BUSINESS SERVICES COMMITTEE

August 10, 2021
3:00 pm

MINUTES

Staff: Azevedo, Pham, Thoo, Tran
Guest: Camdyn Carter, Business Services & Training Supervisor, Equus Workforce Solutions

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL
Chair Chao called the Zoom meeting to order at 3:03 pm
Roll Call
Present: Chao, Batra, Koepp-Baker, McGrath, Takahashi
Absent: Flynn, Gomez, Smith

II. OPEN FORUM
An email from Veronica S.B. regarding her difficult experience trying to enroll for services with work2future was read into the record.

III. BUSINESS
   A. Minutes Approval
      ACTION: Ms. Koepp-Baker moved, Mr. Batra seconded, and the committee unanimously approved the minutes of the July 13, 2021, Business Services Committee meeting.

   B. Employer Engagement
      1. July Job Fair – Camdyn Carter, Equus Business Services Supervisor, reported on the in-person job fair held at the Billy DeFrank LGBT Community Center on Saturday, July 31, 2021. Over 50 job seekers, 12 employers and 2 partners were in attendance.
      2. Facebook Digital Marketing Internships — Analyst Nguyen Pham reported that young adults have been placed in digital internships with diverse, COVID-impacted CBOs and small businesses in San Jose.
      3. Resilience Corps — Mr. Pham shared a list of small businesses that will be served by Resilience Corps, a COVID-response employment assistance project proposed by San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and approved by the City Council. Work2future is leading the business recovery pathway, working in partnership with Goodwill Industries and the Foundation for California Community Colleges to provide four weeks of paid training and a 22-week paid internship. Mr. Pham announced that the student interns will begin their training with a webinar on Friday, August 13, and they will be matched with a small business after the completion of training.

   C. Services
      1. Incumbent Worker Training – Strategic Engagement Manager Thoo reviewed the Employment Development Department’s Workforce Services Directive on Incumbent Worker Training. He explained that local board policies can adopt local policies that customize some aspects of the state directive to reflect local circumstances. Mr. Thoo also explained how this training is usually used by employers to either upskill employees
or for layoff aversion. Committee discussion ensued and further discussion on how work2future might move forward with incumbent worker training will take place at the next committee meeting.

2. **Employer Demand-Driven Cohort Training Pilot** – Mr. Thoo announced a grant funded research & development project using a state Workforce Accelerator Fund grant with the purpose of creating a gateway to advanced manufacturing careers for underrepresented communities. The plan is to have cohorts of 5 participants and to create a model where work2future could merge WEX and training funds in the future. Cobham is our lead employer partner, and the plan is to add several other employers to this pilot. Evergreen Valley College will work with Cobham and the other employers to design the curriculum and we hope to roll this out in the Fall. There will be 2 more grant funded cohorts rolled out next year.

D. **Business Intelligence**

Staff reported on various matters of interest to the committee, including:

1. **June Labor Market Summary** — Strategic Engagement Manager Thoo reviewed an updated version of the June Labor Market Information Summary included in the agenda packet. The June unemployment rate in our MSA edged up slightly to 5.2% as more individuals returned to the labor force. The retail and hospitality sectors are still recovering. Their recovery is hampered by low labor participation rates fueled by low pay, hazardous working conditions, and better opportunities in other sectors. Discussion among committee members ensued.

2. **Layoff Activity Report** – Analyst Huong Tran informed the committee that there have been no WARN notices in July and none so far in August 2021. Ms. Tran also mentioned that her team was working with 3 companies laying off starting this Fall into next year: Boston Scientific, Microchip and TE Connectivity. TE Connectivity is the first company since the pandemic began that is hosting in person Rapid Response sessions for laid-off employees. Ms. Tran also noted that laid off employees in this sector are in high demand and retention is a big issue.

E. **Workplan**

Mr. Thoo announced the following items for future committee meetings:

1. Incumbent worker training will be discussed further at the September 14, 2021, meeting.
2. Committee Meeting frequency past October
3. Business intelligence (September meeting)

F. **Other Staff Reports**

1. Kirk staff have moved back to the center and anticipate offering services to public in late August.
2. Mr. Thoo informed committee of new training organization, Merit America with a different business model (participants pay for training after they find employment) and they are being sponsored locally by the Sobrato Foundation.

IV. **Other** - None
V. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Chao adjourned the meeting at 4:21 pm.

*Draft minutes prepared by K. Azevedo, reviewed by L. Thoo
All votes were by roll call, unless otherwise indicated*
III.B

Employer Engagement

[Discussion]
EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT

Staff reports and discussion, including without limitation:

1. **Update: Facebook Digital Marketing Internships**  
   *Nguyen Pham, Analyst, Strategic Engagement*

2. **Update: Resilience Corps Digital Marketing Internships**  
   *Nguyen Pham, Analyst, Strategic Engagement*

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III.C

Services

[Discussion]
SERVICES

Staff reports and discussion, including, without limitation, the following:

1. **Employer Demand-Driven Cohort Training Pilot**  
   *Lawrence Thoo, Strategic Engagement Manager*  
   Update on research and development phase of a new employment-and-training model supported by a Workforce Accelerator Fund grant from the California Workforce Development Board

2. **Incumbent Worker Training**  
   *Lawrence Thoo, Strategic Engagement Manager*  
   Discussion of local policy on Incumbent Worker Training

3. **Layoff Aversion**  
   *Nakisa Hupman, Senior Business Services Specialist*  
   Presentation on work2future’s layoff aversion services

# # #

Attachment: EDD WSD19-01 Incumbent Worker Training
INCUMBENT WORKER TRAINING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This policy provides guidance and establishes the procedures regarding Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) as part of comprehensive regional sector pathway programs and strategies for developing a skilled workforce and income mobility. This policy applies to all Local Boards and relevant parties, and is effective immediately.

This policy contains no state-imposed requirements.

This directive finalizes Workforce Services Draft Directive Business Engagement – Incumbent Worker Training WSDD-187, issued for comment on July 24, 2018. The Workforce Development Community submitted 34 comments during the draft comment period. A summary of comments, including all changes, is provided as Attachment 1.

Retain this Directive until further notice.

REFERENCES

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (Public Law) Sections, 122(h)(i), 134(d)(4), 134(G)(ii), 134(c)(3)(H), and 194(4)
- Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 10-16, Change 1, Subject: Performance Accountability Guidance for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I, Title II, Title III and Title IV Core Programs (August 23, 2017)
- TEGL 19-16: Guidance on Services provided through the Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and the Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services (ES) as amended by title III of WIOA, and for Implementation of the WIOA Final Rules (March 1, 2017)
- California Unemployment Insurance Code (CUIC) Section 14000-14530
- Workforce Services Directive WSD18-10 (PDF), WIOA Training Expenditure Requirement, (January 31, 2019)
- WSD18-03 (PDF), Subject: Pathway to Services, Referral, and Enrollment (August 29, 2018)
- WSD17-08 (PDF), Subject: Procurement of Equipment and Related Services (March 14, 2018)
- WSD16-18 (PDF), Subject: Selective Service Registration (April 10, 2017)
- WSD16-16 (PDF), Subject: Allowable Costs and Prior Written Approval (February 21, 2017)

Revised August 27, 2019
• WSD16-15 (PDF), Subject: Dislocated Worker Additional Assistance Projects (December 28, 2016)
• WSD16-13 (PDF), Subject: Monthly and Quarterly Financial Reporting Requirements (November 28, 2016)
• WSD16-04 (PDF), Subject: Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion Activities (July 22, 2016)
• WSD15-23 (PDF), Subject: Transfer of Funds – WIOA Adult/Dislocated Worker Programs (March 29, 2016)
• Workforce Services Information Notice WSIN12-31 (PDF), Subject: Assisting Employers in the New CalJOBSSM (February 15, 2013)

BACKGROUND

Under WIOA, IWT provides both workers and employers with the opportunity to build and maintain a quality workforce, and increase both participants’ and employers’ competitiveness. IWT is a type of work-based training and upskilling designed to ensure California workers can acquire and develop the skills necessary to avert layoff or increase the skill levels of employees so they can be promoted within the company and create backfill opportunities for employers.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Definitions

For the purposes of this Directive, the following definitions apply:

Business and Employer – A private sector, local government, for profit or not-for-profit place of business. Business and Employer are used interchangeably in this directive.

California Employer Account Number – An eight-digit payroll tax number issued to a registered employer by the Employment Development Department, also known as the Employer Payroll Tax Account Number, State Employer Identification Number, or state ID.

Eligible Employer – For an employer to be eligible for IWT services, the Local Board must consider the following:

• Whether the employer can provide a valid California Employer Account Number.
• The characteristics of the individuals in the program (see the IWT definition below).
• The relationship of the training to the competitiveness of an individual and the employer.
• Other factors the Local Board determines appropriate, such as the number of employees trained, wages and benefits including post training increases, and the existence of other training opportunities provided by the employer.

[Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(A)(ii)]

Employer Share – Employers are required to pay for a significant cost of the training for those individuals in IWT. The minimum amount of employer share in IWT depends on the size of the employer.

Follow-up – Shall be performed six months after reported completion of IWT to determine outcomes (retained employment, advancement, and increased wages).

Incumbent Worker – To qualify as an Incumbent Worker, the employee must meet the following:

• Be a current employee of an eligible employer and have an established employment history with the employer for six months or more. An individual is not held to the six month employment requirement if the IWT is being provided to a cohort of employees. In this instance, not every employee must meet the employment history requirement as long as a majority of the employees being trained do meet the requirement.
• Meet the Fair Labor Standards Act requirements for an employer-employee relationship.
• Meet the Selective Service requirements.

[Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 680.780]

IWT – The following characteristics define IWT:

• Designed to meet the special requirements of an employer (including a group of employers) to retain a skilled workforce, avert the need to lay-off employees by assisting the workers in obtaining the skills necessary to retain employment, and/or provide training that will result in progression on a career pathway and income mobility.
• Conducted with a commitment by the employer to retain employees, avert the layoff(s) of the incumbent worker(s) trained for a period of six months following completion of the training, or promote incumbent workers to higher paying positions.
• Increases the competitiveness of the employer or employee.
• Gives employees the opportunity to progress on their career pathway by providing opportunities to obtain certificates or credentials based on the employers need. (Reference 20 CFR 680.790)
**IWT Allowable Costs** – The Local Boards’ share of the cost of training (teacher, books, materials) for the delivery of IWT. This amount excludes the cost of individual wages paid by the employer while the employee is attending/participating in the training. [Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(C)-(D)]

**Qualified Trainer** – Qualified training can be provided in-house, by a training agency, or by a third party. Training providers should be California-based, unless the training is so unique that a training provider cannot be found in California. The choice and method of training are determined by the employer. [Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(C)-(D)]

**Training Method** – The following are types of training methods allowable for IWT:

- Classroom training is instruction in a classroom setting that is provided to a group of trainees and conducted by a qualified instructor.
- Laboratory training is hands-on instruction or skill acquisition under the constant and direct guidance of a qualified trainer. Laboratory training may require the use of specialized equipment or facilities. Laboratory training may be conducted in a simulated work setting, or at a productive work setting, also known as Productive Laboratory.
- Computer-based training is delivered through a computer program at a pace set by the trainee. There is no requirement for delivery by a live trainer and training does not have to be interactive.
- Video Conference training is live, interactive instruction provided by a trainer through a video communications session.
- E-Learning instruction is delivered through a web-based system, conducted in a virtual environment utilizing a web meeting/webinar.

[Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(C)-(D)]

**Eligibility for IWT**

WIOA requires Local Boards to determine an employer’s eligibility for participating in IWT in order to evaluate whether training would increase the competitiveness of the employees and/or employers. Eligibility for participation in IWT is based on the following factors:

- The characteristics of the individuals in the program (e.g. individuals with barriers to employment).
- The relationship of the training to the competitiveness of the individual and employer.
- Other factors Local Boards determine appropriate, which may include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - The number of employees participating in the training.
The employees’ advancement opportunities, along with wages and benefits (both pre-and post-training earnings).

- The existence of other training and advancement opportunities provided by the employer.
- Credentials and skills gained as a result of the training.
- Layoffs averted as a result of the training.
- Utilization as part of a larger sector and/or career pathway strategy.
- Employer size.

[Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(A)(ii) and TEGL 19-16]

Additional factors identified by the Local Board must be included in the Local Board’s policy and procedures to ensure consistent application for all employers.

For an employer to receive IWT funds, the individual(s) participating in the IWT must meet the following:

- Be employed.
- Have an established employment history with the employer for six months or more. This may include time spent as a temporary or contract worker performing work for the employer. It should be noted that an individual is not held to the six month employment requirement if the IWT is being provided to a cohort of employees. In this instance, not every employee must meet the employment history requirement as long as a majority of the employees being trained do meet the requirement.

[Reference: Title 20 CFR Section 680.780]

An eligible individual participating in IWT is not required to meet the eligibility requirements for the Adult or Dislocated Worker program, unless they are also co-enrolled as a participant in the WIOA Adult or Dislocated Worker program and will receive WIOA funded services in addition to the IWT.

**Funding**

IWT is part of a comprehensive business engagement strategy designed to meet the special requirements of an employer (including a group of employers) to upskill current employees. To implement this strategy, Local Boards can use up to 20 percent of their Adult and Dislocated Worker formula allocations for IWT activities. This 20 percent can only be used for programmatic activities, and cannot be used for administrative functions.
Generally, IWT should be provided to private sector employers, but there may be instances where non-profit and local government entities may receive IWT funds. For example, IWT funds may be used in the health care industry where nursing upskilling opportunities are available in a hospital operated by a non-profit organization.

Under WIOA, layoff aversion is now a required Rapid Response activity (Title 20 CFR Section 682.330). Local Boards can leverage Rapid Response funds by including IWT as part of a robust layoff aversion strategy for the Local Workforce Development Area (Local Area). Local Boards have flexibility to determine which strategies and activities are applicable in a given situation, based upon the specific needs, policies, and procedures within the state and Local Areas.

The WIOA defines IWT as a business service, therefore, the delivery of IWT does not require the use of an Individual Training Account or that the training program be listed on the Eligible Training Provider List.

**Employer Share**

Local Boards are required to establish policies regarding the non-federal share of the cost of IWT. Employers are required to pay for a significant cost of the training for those individuals in IWT. This can be done through cash payments and fairly evaluated in-kind contributions. The wages paid to individuals while in training may include the wages the employer pays to the individual while they are attending the training.

The Local Board must consider the number of employees participating in the training, the wage and benefit levels of the employees (at the beginning and anticipated upon completion of the training), the relationship of the training to the competitiveness of the employer and employees, and the availability of other employer-provided training and advancement opportunities. The minimum amount of employer share in IWT depends on the size of the employer and are as follows:

- At least 10 percent of the cost for employers with 50 or fewer employees.
- At least 25 percent of the cost for employers with 51 to 100 employees.
- At least 50 percent of the cost for employers with more than 100 employees.

[Reference: WIOA Section 134(d)(4)(C)-(D)]

The Local Board’s policy must be applied to each employer to ensure consistent determination of the employer’s eligibility to receive funding for IWT, and the Local Board’s rationale/reasoning to support the IWT initiative.

**Tracking IWT Expenditures**
The EDD Workforce Services Branch’s Financial Management Unit (FMU) is tasked with keeping track of IWT expenditures to ensure Local Boards do not exceed the 20% allowance for IWT. FMU has updated the expenditure reports the sub-recipients use to include a line item for IWT. Each quarter, FMU compiles a report for the Local Boards that details where they stand in regards to these expenditure levels. An example of the updated expenditure reports can be found as attachments to WSD16-13 (PDF).

Note – IWT expenditures can be counted toward the training expenditure requirement in WSD18-10 (PDF). The employer contributions for IWT can be counted as leveraged dollars.

Documentation

The Local Board’s IWT policy and the documentation for each IWT initiative must be retained by the Local Board. It is the Local Board’s responsibility, in partnership with the employer, to ensure all training is completed and certificates of completion are obtained for each trainee and retained locally. This documentation will be subject to monitoring.

IWT Performance and Reporting Requirements

Since eligibility for IWT is determined at the employer level (not the individual level), the Department of Labor (DOL) does not consider individuals in IWT to be a participant in the Adult and/or Dislocated Worker program. Individuals who only receive IWT are not included in the WIOA Adult or Dislocated Worker program performance calculations. However, the DOL requires Local Boards and the State to report certain participant and performance data on all individuals participating in IWT. The required information for these individuals is limited to demographic information, and information necessary to calculate employment in the 2nd and 4th quarters after exit, median earnings in the 2nd quarter after exit, measurable skill gains, and credential attainment. For the purpose of calculating these metrics for IWT-only individuals, the exit date is the last date of training, as indicated in the training contract.

To reduce the reporting burden on employers and the Local Boards, the DOL encourages the collection of Social Security Numbers (SSNs) as part of the training contract with the employer. For all individuals where an SSN is collected, the EDD will conduct a base wage match to obtain their employment and earnings. For those individuals that have a pseudo SSN, it is the Local Board’s responsibility to provide supplemental data. Additionally, it is the Local Board’s responsibility to capture and enter credential information into CalJOBS\textsuperscript{SM} for each IWT individual.

Note – If the individual in IWT becomes a participant in the Adult or Dislocated Worker program at any point, they are included in performance calculations for the core program that provides additional services.
All recipients of IWT must be reported to DOL, regardless of whether they become a participant in one of the other WIOA programs. Individuals who participate in IWT must be registered in CalJOBS℠, and do the following:

- **Title I** – Workforce Development application with an Incumbent Worker eligibility date entered. The application and eligibility requirements for the IWT eligibility is truncated and requires minimal information.

- **On the Eligibility Summary tab of the Title I application:**
  - Set “Incumbent Worker Eligibility” to yes.
  - Add the appropriate IWT grant code, then select [Finish] to save the application.

- **CalJOBS℠ Activity Code 308 – IWT** should be added to the application and associated to the appropriate funding stream for the duration of the IWT. If utilizing WIOA formula funds, staff must associate grant code 2284 – Incumbent Worker Training Formula to the 308 – IWT activity code.

**Employers**

Local Area staff must ensure that the employer participating in IWT is registered as a preferred employer (recruiting employer) in CalJOBS℠, and the CalJOBS℠ Activity Code E68 – IWT is added to the employer’s account. For more information about registering an employer into CalJOBS℠, please see WSIN12-31 (PDF).

**INQUIRIES**

If you have any questions, contact Carlos Bravo at (916) 327-5383.

/s/ JAIME L. GUTIERREZ, Chief
Central Office Workforce Services Division

Attachment is available on the internet:

1. Summary of Comments (PDF)
2. Errata Chronology (PDF)
III.D

Business Intelligence

[Discussion]
BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE

Staff reports and discussion, including, without limitation, the following:

1. Layoff-related Activity Report
   
   *Huong Tran, Business Services Supervisor*
   
   Update on WARNs, layoff response activities, layoff aversion activities

2. July 2021 Labor Market Summary
   
   *Lawrence Thoo, Strategic Engagement Manager*
   
   Presentation on the local labor market as of July 2021

3. Business Intelligence
   
   *Lawrence Thoo, Strategic Engagement Manager*
   
   Discussion and request for committee suggestions on how to improve the collection, analysis and use of business intelligence

# # #

Attachment: July 2021 Labor Market Summary
JULY 2021 LABOR MARKET SUMMARY

The estimated July 2021 unemployment rate in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara MSA (Santa Clara County and San Benito County) was 5.0 percent, down from a revised 5.2 percent in June 2021. It was substantially below the year-ago estimate of 9.4 percent.

The July 2021 unadjusted unemployment rate was 7.9 percent for California and 5.7 percent for the nation.

The unemployment rate in Santa Clara County was 4.9 percent. It was 7.2 percent in San Benito County.

Labor Force (Residents)

At 1,059,500, the estimated July labor force in the MSA was the largest since March 2020 (1,078,800). The number of MSA residents employed in July stood at 1,006,600, a 1.6 percent improvement over June, but still significantly below pre-pandemic levels (1,057,800 in February 2020; 1,045,100 in March 2020). The number of unemployed residents in July was 52,900, down 3.5 percent from June, but well above late pre-pandemic levels (29,100 in February 2020; 33,700 in March 2020).

Santa Clara County’s share of the MSA labor force in July was 1,027,700, of whom 977,100 were employed and 50,600 were unemployed.

Employment (Jobs)

Between June and July 2021, total non-farm employment in the MSA decreased by 1,300 jobs to 1,090,200. (Farm employment was 6,100, up 200 jobs.) Government (down 4,700 jobs) led the decline as public schools slashed 4,600 jobs due to the onset of summer vacation.

Leisure & Hospitality gained the most jobs (up 2,400) with Food Services & Drinking Places adding 1,900 jobs, mainly in Restaurants (1,400 jobs). However, at 75,300 jobs, Leisure & Hospitality is still about 25 percent shy of its last pre-pandemic level.

The chart on the next page shows employment in work2future’s priority sectors since January of this year, with a pre-pandemic benchmark.
Approximately, Information + Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services = Information & Communications Technology; and Financial Activities + Administrative & Support Services = Finance & Business Services
Census

On August 12, 2021, the U.S. Census Bureau released its first tranche of local data from the 2020 census.

Santa Clara County’s population grew by 8.7 percent between the 2010 census and the 2020 census to reach a population 1,936,259 residents (up 154,617). It is the largest county in northern California and the sixth largest in the state. It outpaced the state’s growth of 6.1 percent and the nation’s of 7.4 percent.

Santa Clara County has the eighth highest Diversity Index* in the state at 70.1 percent, just shy of its 2010 Index of 70.2%. In addition to Santa Clara County, five of the other top eight counties are in the Bay Area: Solano, Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, and San Francisco. However, it is an indication of California’s increasingly diverse counties that Santa Clara County’s Diversity Index was the third highest in 2010.

Race and Ethnicity: The census questionnaire has two ethnicity and race questions. The first asks if one is of “Hispanic, Latino or Spanish” origin. The second asks one to select one race or more, e.g., White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, etc. The Census Bureau tallies responses to the first question as Ethnicity and responses to the second question as Race. However, as all respondents answer both questions, counts that include both ethnicity and race tend to add up to more than 100 percent.

Discounting for Ethnicity in each Racial Group: Asian (not Hispanic or Latino) became the largest racial or ethnic group in Santa Clara County in 2020 with 753,399 residents (38.9 percent). White (not Hispanic or Latino) became the second largest with 555,708 residents (28.7 percent) and Hispanic or Latino (any race) remained the third largest with 487,357 residents (25.2 percent).

In the 2010 census, White (not Hispanic or Latino) was the largest racial or ethnic group at 35.2 percent of the county’s population and Asian (not Hispanic or Latino) was the second largest at 31.7 percent. Hispanic or Latino (any race) was 26.9 percent of the county’s population.

Including Hispanic or Latino in Each Racial Group: The 2020 census counted 759,030 Asian residents in 2020 (39.2 percent), up from 570,524 in 2010 (32.0 percent), and 622,617 White residents in 2020 (32.2 percent), down from 836,616 in 2010 (47.0 percent). Two or More Races grew fastest to reach a total of 209,468 in 2020 (10.8 percent), up from 87,248 in 2010. Among residents identifying as Hispanic or Latino, this group grew even faster, with 26.9 percent choosing two or more races in 2020, compared to 7.0 percent in 2010.

Age: Like the state and nation, Santa Clara County’s population is aging. The Aged 18 and Over population grew by 13.1 percent, while the Under the Age of 18 population declined by 5.4 percent. The adult population grew from 75.9 percent of the overall county population in 2010 to 79.0 percent in 2020, while the Under 18 population fell from 24.1 percent in 2010 to 21.0 percent in 2020.

The growth of Santa Clara County’s adult population outpaced the state’s (10.3 percent) and the nation’s (10.1 percent). However, the Under 18 population shrank more gradually than the state’s (-6.3 percent) but faster than the nation’s (-1.4 percent).

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*The Diversity Index indicates the chance that two people chosen at random will be from different racial and ethnic groups.
III.E

Workplan

[Discussion]
WORKPLAN

Proposed committee meeting schedule through March 2022:

November 9, 2021

December 2021: NO MEETING

January 11, 2022

February 8, 2022

March 8, 2022

Meetings are 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

The Governor’s emergency waivers of certain provisions of the Brown Act in response to the COVID-19 pandemic expires September 30, 2021. The emergency waivers of Brown Act provisions required that meetings of public bodies such as the work2future Board and its committees be conducted as remote meetings with no physical presence of members, staff or the public.

The expiration of those waivers means that the work2future Board and committees will resume physical meetings in October. Staff are researching the possibility of making it possible for the public to ‘attend’—in other words, to observe and participate in meetings—using videoconferencing technology such as Zoom but does not yet have definitive information.

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IV.
Other

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Adjournment