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**Discussion Paper:**  
**Briefing on the Nevada County Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Activities**

1. **Purpose:** I would like to thank the Board for giving me this opportunity to give an update on the status of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program in Nevada County.

2. **Discussion:** The Alliance for Workforce Development, Inc. (AFWD) is a private non-profit corporation. As part of the Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium (NoRTEC), AFWD delivers the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) programs for Adults, Youth, Dislocated Workers and Businesses throughout Butte, Lassen, Plumas, Modoc, Nevada and Sierra Counties. In Nevada County we have two (2) offices, the *Business and Career Network* office in Grass Valley and the *Business and Career Network* office in Truckee.

Our main funding streams come from our Adult, Dislocated Workers and Youth programs, as well as additional funding for storm/flood clean up, support for the long-term unemployed and additional support for those laid off from a business closure.

The total number of customer's that were served and visited either of our offices in Nevada County from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 – June 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 was, Ten Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-Seven (10,357). The total number of clients that were enrolled and served under the above named programs during this same time period were One Hundred Twenty Four (124). We've done Ninety-Eight (98) client certificate trainings, On-the-Job-Trainings (OJT), Work Experience (WEX) and or Temporary Job Creation's (TJC) placements. Nine Hundred Sixty Three (963) business services have been provided to One Hundred Eighty Nine (189) employers this year. With OJT contracts, WEX sites and TJC sites we did approximately Three Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand and Sixty-Eight dollars (\$372,068) in reimbursements that have gone back to the business community of Nevada County this last FY. That is a total of Six Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand and Forty-Seven dollars (\$658,047) that have gone back into the business community since we started in July of 2015

**Conclusion:** AFWD's goal is to continue to provide job seekers with access to employment and training opportunities as well as providing our employers with links to qualified applicants. All of our efforts will be geared towards workforce development, economic vitality, and a *stable and prosperous business community* throughout Nevada County. We value our partnerships – with other service agencies, job seekers, employers and the communities we serve. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Kristine Farrell, Program Manager at (530) 265-7088. Thank you for your time.