ETP EXPANSION FUNDS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The state fiscal year 21/22 budget includes $50 million in general fund dollars to ETP "to expand its programs into high demand sectors." This ETP program is known as "Expansion Funds". Funding is available for encumbrance / expenditure until June 30, 2024.

The ETP Expansion Funds guidelines approved at the October 1, 2021 Panel Meeting, effective on the same date, are consistent with the ETP mission to attract and retain business, provide secure and good wage jobs with opportunities for advancement, as well as meet small business needs.

The program is also consistent with the Panel's vision to support future-oriented and sustainable economic development, as well as quality job training that is equitable and inclusive through partnerships with business, labor, and government. The goals are also in support of high-road employers, training leading to licensing and certification, and workforce training efforts for communities disproportionately impacted by the Pandemic.

Funds will be distributed in conjunction with ETP's Core Program and will follow the same program standards with the exceptions listed in its guidelines.

The following is an overview of the Expansion Funds Program Guidelines:

- Applicants may apply for an Expansion Funds project and a Core Program funded project in the same fiscal year. Prohibition of concurrent enrollment of trainees remains in place.
- Contract amount may be amended above the Core Program project caps and the amendment will be considered Phase I funding.
- Contract terms may be amended beyond 24 months, but not to exceed 03/30/2024.
- Public entities and nonprofit organizations are eligible employers.
- Trainees hired as "backfill" are eligible as a Retrainee-Job Creation trainee, therefore, not required to be a "net" new hire employee.
- Standard Incidental Placement rules do not apply.
- SET wage requirements do not apply.
- Contractors will be required to report start of training wages at enrollment for all trainees.
- Training delivered to a trainee must be reported in ETP systems within 90 days from the date the training was delivered.
- In instances where ETP is unable to verify wages through existing processes, ETP may request payroll information from the Contractor.

(All other Core Program criteria apply)

Submit Expansion Funds Applications online through Cal-E-Force

For further information regarding Expansion Funds please visit ETP's Grant Page or contact ETP's Economic Development Unit by email or 916-327-5258.