



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: 09/19/17

Title: Recommendation for Contract Award for Layoff Aversion Study Year 2017-2018

Introduction/Background:

On Tuesday, May 2, 2017, the Pima County Community Services, Employment and Training Department (CSET) released the Request for Proposal (RFP) RFP-CSET-RRLA-2017-09 "Layoff Aversion Study" for Program Year 2017-2018 for the Pima County Workforce Investment Board (WIB). The RFP solicitation was to seek one or more qualified vendor(s) to provide economic analysis and forecasting services to 1) project the impact of automation on occupations in Pima County and 2) determine the impact of minimum wage increases on occupations in Pima County.

CSET identified up to \$50,000 for this purpose from federal funds.

CSET issued the attached formal notice on August 24, 2017 to the Proposers to notify them of the contract award recommendations that are contingent on funding and the Pima County Board of Supervisors' approval.

Discussion:

Proposers were evaluated by two Pima County Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Committees (one Committee for each category). The Proposers were scored based on their capability to conduct research and analysis of trends that may result in worker dislocations in the future, as well as strategies to avert layoffs and or mitigate their impacts. The University of Arizona, Eller College of Management, Economic and Business Research has been selected for recommendation for Category 1 "Impacts of automation on the Pima County economy" and Thomas P. Miller and Associates has been selected for recommendation for Category 2 "Impacts of Arizona minimum wage increases on the Tucson economy."

The Proposers are asked to provide the following Work Statements:

Category 1 "Impacts of automation on the Pima County economy" - the selected vendor will produce a written report, give an oral presentation approximately 30 minutes in length for the Pima County Workforce Investment Board (WIB), and create a series of graphic representations of key trends, insights and recommendations.

Category 2 "Impacts of Arizona minimum wage increases on the Tucson economy" - the selected vendor will produce a written report and create a series of graphic representations of key trends, insights and recommendations.

Conclusion:

The two Committees evaluated the Proposals separately according to the RFP evaluation criteria and the proposed Work Statement.

Recommendation:

Pima County Community Services, Employment and Training staff and the Workforce Investment Board recommends that the Pima County Board of Supervisors approve the Award Recommendations as follows:

1. Award

The University of Arizona, Eller College of Management, Economic and Business Research Center in the total award amount of \$26,863 for **Layoff Aversion Study Category 1 "Impacts of automation on the Pima County economy."**

2. Award

Thomas P. Miller and Associates in the total award amount fo \$22,850 for **Layoff Aversion Study Category 2 "Impacts of Arizona minimum wage increases on the Tucson economy."**

Fiscal Impact:

No General Funds will be used. The following federal funding source will be used:

\$49,713.00 U.S. Department of Labor, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Rapid Response funds.

Board of Supervisor District:

1 2 3 4 5 All

Department: Community Services, Employment & Training Telephone: 520-724-6766

Department Director Signature/Date: *Charles Cary* 9/7/17

Deputy County Administrator Signature/Date: *Paul* 9/8/2017

County Administrator Signature/Date: *C. DeLuca* 9/11/17

**NOTICE OF RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD
Layoff Aversion Study
Program Year 2017-2018**

The Pima County Community Services, Employment and Training Department (CSET) hereby issues formal notice to respondents to RFP-CSET-RRLA-2017-09 Layoff Aversion Study for Program Year 2017-2018 to provide economic analysis and forecasting services to:

- 1) project the impact of automation on occupations in Pima County; and
- 2) determine the impact of minimum wage increases on occupations in Pima County.

CSET has identified up to \$50,000 that may be available for this purpose, depending on funding allocations.

Recommendations are contingent on funding and Pima County Board of Supervisors' approval.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CATEGORY 1 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

The UA Eller College of Management – Impact of automation on occupations in Pima County

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS NOT RECOMMENDED:

Thomas P. Miller and Associates

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CATEGORY 2 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Thomas P. Miller & Associates – Impact of minimum wage increases on occupations in Pima County

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS NOT RECOMMENDED:

NA

Protests must be filed in accordance to the Pima County Procurement Code - Protests Procedures, § Section 11.20.010. The written protest must be emailed to Anna.Cunes@pima.gov on or before Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 3 p.m. Visit https://www.municode.com/library/az/pima_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT11PICOPRCO for information.

Issued By: Charles Casey Telephone Number: 520-724-6742

This notice is in compliance with Pima County Procurement Code §§11.12.010, 11.12.020, and 11.20.010C.

xc: Pima County Procurement, Fax: 520.791.6509