Employment Development Department
State of California

# INFORMATION NOTICE

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## PY 18-19 RAPID RESPONSE AND LAYOFF AVERSION FUNDS

The Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion funding provided to Local Workforce Development Areas (Local Areas) for the period of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, has been released (see attachment for specific funding detail). Please note these allocations include both the "formula" Rapid Response funding along with separate allocations for Layoff Aversion, consistent with the policy detailed in Workforce Services Directive WSD16-04 published on July 22, 2016.

**Use of Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion Funds**

These funds can only be used to defray the cost of required and allowable Rapid Response activities in response to layoffs, business closures, and natural disasters. Only expenditures for activities described in Sections 3(51) and 134(a)(2)(A) of the *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act* (WIOA) will be reimbursed under the formula Rapid Response grant codes. Other activities not described in these sections must be paid with other funds.

As referenced in Directive WSD14-3, baseline, layoff-based, and hold-harmless Rapid Response funds will continue to be issued to each Local Area in their master subgrant, as grant codes 540 and 541. These formula Rapid Response funds may be spent on the wide range of required and/or allowable activities.

Local Areas shall continue to report Incumbent Worker Training participant enrollments funded with Rapid Response formula funds, under grant code 2274. Layoff Aversion funding will be issued under grant codes 292 and 293 in each Local Area's master subgrant. These funds are to be spent exclusively on Layoff Aversion activities, which includes Incumbent Worker Training.

Participants receiving Additional Assistance services must be enrolled in grant code 241. Funds used for training services when serving Additional Assistance participants qualify as "leveraged resources," which will assist Local Areas in meeting the training expenditure requirement, as described in Directive WSD14-1.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your assigned Regional Advisor.

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Attachment is available on the internet:

PY 18-19 Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion Funds Allocations

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