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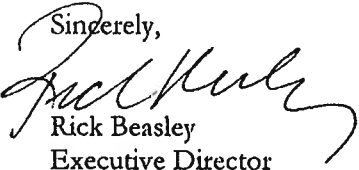
Mr. Gordon E. Knowles  
President & CEO  
The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
100 South Biscayne Blvd., Suite 300  
Miami, Florida 33131

Subject: **Professional Service Agreement (PSA)**

Dear Mr. Knowles:

Enclosed please find the **PY23 Professional Service Agreement** between **The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc** and the South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB) to providing Business Intermediary services for the period of **December 21, 2023 through June 30, 2024**.

Please have the authorized party sign, date and return the completed documents to the attention of Robert Smith, Contracts Manager. Once the Agreement is executed, we will return one (1) scanned original to you. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Dania Roque, Contracts Officer at (305) 929-1626.

Sincerely,  
  
Rick Beasley  
Executive Director  
South Florida Workforce Investment Board  
d/b/a CareerSource South Florida

*Enclosure*

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**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**  
**Index Code 82381**

**THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT** (hereinafter “Agreement” or “Contract”) is made and entered into by and between the **South Florida Workforce Investment Board d/b/a CareerSource South Florida** (hereinafter the “**SFWIB**” or “**CSSF**”) and **The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.** (hereinafter the “**Contractor**”) individually referred to as the “Party” or collectively referred to as the “Parties.”

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the SFWIB provides workforce development services in Workforce Area 23 of the State of Florida, which is comprised of Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the SFWIB requires the services of a qualified contractor to provide Business Intermediary Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Contractor is qualified and experienced to provide such Business Intermediary services and is duly authorized to operate in the state of Florida;

**THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual terms, conditions, promises, covenants, and payments hereinafter set forth, the Parties agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**  
**EFFECTIVE TERM**

This Agreement shall commence upon **December 1, 2023**, irrespective of the date of execution, and terminate at the close of business on **June 30, 2024**, unless earlier terminated as provided below.

**ARTICLE 2**  
**STATEMENT OF WORK**

The Contractor shall perform all of the work set forth in **Exhibit A, Statement of Work** attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. No changes in the Statement of Work shall be made unless such changes are mutually agreed upon by the Parties in writing.

**ARTICLE 3**  
**COMPENSATION**

The SFWIB agrees to compensate the Contractor for the costs associated with the provision of the services related to this Agreement and provided in accordance with **Exhibit A, Statement of Work**. Maximum payment shall not exceed **\$125,000.00** dollars in accordance with **Exhibit B, Payment Provisions**, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**ARTICLE 4**  
**PRIOR AGREEMENTS**

- 4.1 This Agreement and its attachments and exhibits incorporate all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings, whether oral or written, applicable to the matters contained herein and the Parties agree that there are no other commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement which are not contained in this Agreement or in its attachments and exhibits. Accordingly, the Parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

The following Attachments and Exhibits are incorporated into this Agreement:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Number/Letter</u>	<u>Description</u>
Attachment	1	The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Memorandum dated July 1, 2021
Attachment	2	Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
Attachment	3	Assurances and Certifications
Attachment	4	Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke
Attachment	5	Assurances-Non-Construction Programs
Attachment	6	Code of Business Ethics Affidavit
Attachment	7	Certification Regarding the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act
Attachment	8	Confidentiality Agreement
Attachment	9	Individual Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Form
Attachment	10	Disclosure and Certification of Conflict of Interest in a Contract
Attachment	11	Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form
Attachment	12	Affidavit of Good Moral Character
Exhibit	A	Statement of Work
Exhibit	B	Payment Provisions
Exhibit	C	Annual Certification

4.2 The Parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof.

**ARTICLE 5  
CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

The Contractor shall provide to the SFWIB, prior to commencement of performance under this Contract, the following documentation:

1. Articles of Incorporation and Corporate By-Laws (If Applicable).
2. Board of Directors Requirements. A formal resolution from the Contractor’s Board of Directors or other document from its governing body authorizing execution of the Contract with the SFWIB to ensure that the Contractor’s governing body is apprised of the fiscal, administrative, and contractual obligations of the services funded through the SFWIB.
3. Certificate of Corporate Status, if a Corporation. A certificate of status in the name of the Contractor, which certifies the following: that the Contractor is organized under the laws of the state of Florida or another state and registered to do business in the state of Florida; that all fees and all penalties fees, related to filing of registration, re-instatement, renewal, etc., have been paid; that the Contractor’s most recent annual report has been filed; that Contractor’s status is active; and that the Contractor has not filed Articles of Dissolution with the state of Florida or another state.
4. Limited Liability Company (“LLC”) Affidavit (If Applicable).
5. W-9 – Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification. The Contractor shall ensure that a current form W-9 is provided to the SFWIB prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 6  
INSURANCE**

6.1 The Contractor shall maintain the required insurance as specified below, and shall provide to the SFWIB, proof of such insurance in compliance with the timelines identified in Section 6.2b below. The SFWIB shall not disburse any funds until the SFWIB is provided with the necessary certificate(s) of insurance, the SFWIB has approved such document(s), and executed the Contract. Such insurance policies shall be in the amounts indicated below:

- a. Commercial General Liability Insurance:
  - i. Contractor shall secure occurrence-based commercial general liability (“CGL”) insurance provided by a

policy with coverage at least as broad as an unendorsed ISO CG 00 01 12 04 form, including, but not limited to, coverage for premises, operations and products/completed operations. Contractor shall ensure that the limits are at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 general aggregate, and \$2,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate. Commercial umbrella or excess liability insurance on a follow-form basis may be used to satisfy the required liability limits if the primary limits are insufficient.

- ii. Contractor shall ensure that the SFWIB and its directors, officers, employees and agents, are covered as additional insureds without limitation for the CGL policy. Contractor shall provide primary coverage for additional insureds. Contractor shall ensure that coverage other than CGL insurance available to the SFWIB is in excess of Contractor's coverage. Such coverage cannot be called upon to contribute to defense or settlement of claims until Contractor's coverage has been exhausted by defense or settlement of claims arising out of or related to Contractor's performance of the Contract.
- b. Automobile Liability Insurance applicable when Contractor transports products, clients or customers of SFWIB, and/or drives into SFWIB's leased properties):
- i. For all vehicles including, but not limited to, all owned, non-owned, leased and hired automobiles by the Contractor, which are utilized in connection with the services provided under the Contract, auto liability insurance is required with unimpaired coverage limits of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit per accident. The endorsement of PIP must be added.
  - ii. Non-owners auto Liability insurance is required if any personal vehicles are utilized by employees for use in connection with the services provided under the Contract. Non-owners auto liability insurance is required regardless of whether or not the employee requests mileage reimbursement.
  - iii. Auto is not required unless vendor transport products, clients, or customers of SFWIB, and/or drive into SFWIB leased properties
- c. Worker's Compensation Insurance: For each person employed or enrolled by the Contractor, the Contractor shall secure worker's compensation insurance, including, but not limited to, insurance for participants enrolled in occupational skills training or employability skills training programs and projects. Worker's compensation insurance shall be secured in an amount that is consistent with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes. In cases of participant work experience, the State of Florida covers worker's compensation for Florida Department of Economic Opportunity ("DEO") funded work experience programs administered pursuant to section 445.009(11), Florida Statutes. If worker's compensation insurance cannot be secured for participants, an alternative insurance approved in advance and in writing by the SFWIB must be secured.
- d. Employer's Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall secure employer's liability insurance with a limit of no less than \$100,000 bodily injury each accident, \$100,000 bodily injury by disease each employee and \$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease, on behalf of and in the name of the Contractor
- e. Worker's Re-employment Assistance (formerly Unemployment Compensation) Insurance (RAI):

The Contractor shall secure worker's re-employment assistance insurance in accordance with federal and state laws for each person it employs. The Contractor shall submit the following documents:

- i. A copy of the two most recent RT-6 reports (or RT-29 if applicable), submitted to the state of Florida.
- ii. Proof that RAI taxes were paid to the state of Florida in the two most recent quarters:
  - Tax summary page or tax impound pages from your P.E.O., or
  - Bank statements showing payments/electronic funds transfers to the State, or
  - Copies of canceled checks

Ensure that the amounts indicated in the proof of payment match the amount totals of the RT-6/RT-29 reports.

6.2 Submission of the Insurance to the SFWIB:

- a. The Contractor shall secure all insurance required under this Contract **prior to the provision of services under the Contract.**
- b. **The Certificates of Insurance must be in the possession of the SFWIB prior to the execution of the Contract.** If the Contractor secures any of the insurance policies, which have effective dates that are after the beginning effective period of the Contract, then **the beginning effective period of the Contract shall be equal to the effective date of the latest insurance policy secured by the Contractor.**
- c. The Contractor may not incur any costs prior to the effective period of the Contract. If such costs are incurred, they are the sole responsibility of the Contractor and may not be reimbursed through any funds awarded by the SFWIB.
- d. All insurance policies secured by the Contractor must be issued by companies authorized to do business in the state of Florida, with the following qualifications:
  - i. The company must be rated not less than "A" as to management; and not less than Class "VII" as to financial strength by the latest edition of Best's Insurance Guide, published by A. M. Best Company, Inc., Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the SFWIB;
  - or
  - ii. The company shall hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized to do Business in Florida," issued by the state of Florida Department of Insurance and shall be members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.
- e. All certificates of insurance submitted to the SFWIB must provide the following information:
  - i. The agency/individual/position that is insured/bonded;
  - ii. The amount of the bond or insurance policy;
  - iii. The beginning effective date of the policy and the expiration date of the policy;
  - iv. A statement, which ensures that the SFWIB will be notified of any cancellation of the policy at least thirty (30) days prior to said cancellation; and
  - v. **The SFWIB is named as the Loss-Payee or as an additional party insured with respect to each of the coverages required by this Contract set forth in sections 1-a and 1-b above.**

6.3 If an insurance policy is cancelled during the effective period of the Contract, the SFWIB shall withhold all payments from the Contractor until a new certificate of insurance is submitted and accepted by the SFWIB. The new insurance policy must cover the period commencing from the date of cancellation of the prior insurance policy.

6.4 If the Contractor fails to secure the required insurance as a result of such cancellation within ten (10) calendar days after the effective date of cancellation, the SFWIB may immediately terminate the Contract.

6.5 The Contractor shall notify, in writing, the SFWIB of any changes in insurance coverage, including, but not limited to, any renewals of existing insurance policies, not later than ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the changes.

6.6 Upon review of the Contractor's **Statement of Work, Exhibit A**, the SFWIB may increase, waive or modify, in writing, any of the foregoing insurance requirements. Any request by a Contractor to decrease, waive or modify any of the foregoing insurance requirements must be approved, in writing, by the SFWIB prior to any such decrease, waiver or modification.

6.7 The SFWIB may require the Contractor to furnish additional or different insurance coverage, or both, as may be required from time to time pursuant to applicable law. Provision of insurance by the Contractor, in no instance, shall be deemed to be a release, limitation, or waiver of any claim, cause of action or assessment that the SFWIB may have against the Contractor for any liability of any nature or of any kind related to performance under this Contract or otherwise.

6.8 **Government Entities Only:** The Contractor, as a self-insured governmental entity, shall provide to the SFWIB, a letter stating that it is self-insured and maintains an ongoing self-insurance program as allowed under chapter 284, Florida Statutes, and that such self-insurance also offers protection applicable to the Contractor's officers, employees, servants and agents while acting within the scope of their employment with the Contractor. The SFWIB shall not disburse any funds until the SFWIB is provided with the letter of self-insurance, the SFWIB has approved such document, and executed the Contract

#### **ARTICLE 7 ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE**

The Contractor assures that it is currently in compliance with, and shall maintain and ensure its compliance, as applicable, with federal, state, and local laws, which include, but are not limited to, adherence to IRS rules and regulations requiring timely filing of tax returns and payment of payroll taxes, as applicable, throughout the term of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 8 VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY (E-VERIFY)**

**E-Verify** is an Internet-based system that allows an employer, using information reported on an employee's Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, to determine the eligibility of all new employees hired to work in the United States. There is no charge to employers to use E-Verify.

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor and its Subcontractors are jointly and severally obligated to comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, as amended, titled "Employment Eligibility." The Contractor affirms that (a) it has registered and uses the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all new employees of the Contractor; (b) it has required all Subcontractors to this Contract to register and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all new employees of the Subcontractor; (c) it has an affidavit from all Subcontractors to this Contract attesting that the Subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, unauthorized aliens; and (d) it shall maintain copies of any such affidavits for duration of the Contract.

If County has a good faith belief that Contractor has knowingly violated Section 448.09(1), Florida Statutes, then County shall terminate this contract in accordance with Section 448.095(5)(c), Florida Statutes. In the event of such termination the Contractor agrees and acknowledges that it may not be awarded a public contract for at least one (1) year from the date of such termination and that Contractor shall be liable for any additional costs incurred by the County because of such termination.

In addition, if County has a good faith belief that a Subcontractor has knowingly violated any provisions of Sections 448.09(1) or 448.095, Florida Statutes, but Contractor has otherwise complied with its requirements under those statutes, then Contractor agrees that it shall terminate its contract with the Subcontractor upon receipt of notice from the County of such violation by Subcontractor in accordance with Section 448.095(5)(c), Florida Statutes.

Any challenge to termination under this provision must be filed in the Circuit or County Court by the County, Contractor, or Subcontractor no later than twenty (20) calendar days after the date of contract termination. Public and private employers must enroll in the E-Verify System (<http://www.uscis.gov/e-verify>) and retain the I-9 Forms for inspection.

The Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system can be found at:

[http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc\\_1185221678150.shtm](http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc_1185221678150.shtm)

The Contractor shall maintain evidence of the use of the E-Verify system in the employee's personnel file. The Contractor shall maintain a personnel file for each staff person funded under this Contract in accordance with the SFWIB's Policies and Procedures, state and federal laws.

## **ARTICLE 9 IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT**

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which requires employment verification and retention of verification forms for individuals who are hired and will perform services under the Contract.

## **ARTICLE 10 CONFLICTS AND CODES OF CONDUCT**

The Contractor shall maintain written standards of conduct governing the performance of its employees engaged in the award and administration of contracts. No employee, officer, or agent shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by federal funds if a real or apparent conflict of interest would be involved. Such a conflict would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her domestic partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the Parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for an award. The officers, employees, and agents of the recipient shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors, or parties to sub-agreements.

The Contractor shall comply with the Miami-Dade County, Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance codified at Section 2-11.1 et al. The Contractor shall set and/or adopt standards of conduct which describe obligations under Section 2-11.1 et al. and provide for disciplinary actions to be applied for violations of such standards by officers, employees, or agents of the Contractor. The Contractor shall submit a **Code of Business Ethics Affidavit, Attachment 6**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein stating the Contractor has adopted a Code that complies with the requirements of Sec. 2-8.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

## **ARTICLE 11 GRATUITIES**

The Contractor shall not accept a gift from, offer to give, or give any gift to any **SFWIB member, SFWIB employee, SFWIB approved Vendor**, or to any **family member** of an SFWIB member, SFWIB employee, or SFWIB approved Vendor.

The term "family member" includes, but is not limited to father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother, half-sister, grandfather, grandmother, grandson, granddaughter and domestic partner.

The term "gift" shall refer to the transfer of anything of economic value, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, food, beverage, entertainment, hospitality, item or promise, or in any other form, without adequate and lawful consideration.

Violation of this provision will constitute a breach of this Contract. In addition to any other remedies available to the SFWIB, any violation of this provision will result in referral of the Contractor's name and description of the violation of this term to the state of Florida, Department of Management Services for the potential inclusion of the Contractor's name on the suspended vendors list for an appropriate period. This provision will survive the Contract for a period of two (2) years after its expiration or termination.

## **ARTICLE 12 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING**

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, or encumber this Contract or any rights accruing hereunder in whole or in part without the express written authorization of the SFWIB, which authorization may be withheld in the sole discretion of

the SFWIB.

Additionally, the Parties hereto agree that no subcontract shall be entered into under or pursuant to this Contract without the prior written approval of the SFWIB, with said prior written approval issued at the sole discretion of the SFWIB.

### **ARTICLE 13 APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE**

This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any legal controversies or legal issues arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to and resolved under the jurisdiction of the state courts of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, to the exclusion of all others, with venue for such dispute(s) to lie in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

### **ARTICLE 14 UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

The Contractor shall comply with 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Chapter II, Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 78 FR 78590-01 (Dec. 26, 2013), as supplemented by 2 CFR Part 2900 (December 19, 2014).

### **ARTICLE 15 TERMINATION**

- 15.1 Termination for Cause Including Default and Breach of Contract. The SFWIB may terminate this Contract, for default and breach of Contract, including, but not limited to, for the reasons identified in **Article 16, Breach of Contract**. In the event of termination of this Contract for cause, any payments to the Contractor shall be determined based upon the provisions of **Article 17-Breach of Contract: SFWIB Remedies**. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Contractor shall continue to perform any work not terminated. The SFWIB's rights and remedies in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract. If SFWIB terminates the Contract for default, the Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges, consequential damages, indirect costs, or lost profits.
- 15.2 Termination for Circumstances Beyond the Contractor's Control. Either Party may terminate this Agreement for circumstances beyond the Contractor's control including, but not limited to, labor disputes, strikes, fire, riot, war, terrorism, acts of God, or any other causes beyond the control of the Parties. In the event of termination of this Contract under this provision, neither Party will be responsible for failure nor delay in performance of this Contract. Such failure or delay in performance will not result in any additional charge or costs, under this Contract, to either Party. The Party seeking termination of the Contract under this provision shall provide prompt notice of termination to the other Party. In no event shall notice be provided later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence triggering termination.
- 15.3 Termination without Cause. The SFWIB may terminate this Contract without cause by providing thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Contractor. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive compensation for services performed in accordance with the conditions set forth herein through and including the date of termination. However, the SFWIB shall not be liable for any expenses incurred by the Contractor after the effective date of termination of this Contract. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges, lost profits, indirect costs, or consequential damages incurred as a result of said termination.
- 15.4 Termination Due to the Lack of Funds. If funds received by SFWIB to finance this Contract become unavailable or if federal or state funds upon which this Contract is dependent are withdrawn or redirected, the SFWIB, in its sole discretion, may terminate this Contract upon no less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, in writing, to Contractor. Said notice must be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested or in person with proof of delivery. The SFWIB shall be the final authority as to the availability of funds and may not reallocate funds earmarked for this Contract to another program thus causing "lack of funds." In the event of termination of this Contract due to the lack of funds, the SFWIB shall compensate the Contractor for any work completed in



accordance with the terms of the Contract prior to the date of the notification of termination. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges, consequential damages, indirect costs, or lost profits as a result of a termination due to the lack of funds.

## **ARTICLE 16 BREACH OF CONTRACT**

- 16.1. If the Contractor fails to comply, in whole or in part, with any provision of the Contract, such failure constitutes a breach of the Contract. A non-exhaustive list of breaches of this Contract is as follows:
- 16.1.1 The Contractor fails, in whole or in part, to provide the goods or services set forth in the solicitation, **Statement of Work, Exhibit A**, or other attachments or exhibits;
  - 16.1.2 The Contractor refuses to allow the SFWIB full access to records;
  - 16.1.3 The Contractor attempts to meet the Contractor's obligations under this Contract through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement;
  - 16.1.4 The Contractor fails to meet the terms and conditions of any obligation under any contract or otherwise or any repayment schedule to the SFWIB or any of its agencies or instrumentalities;
  - 16.1.5 The Contractor fails to fulfill in a timely and proper manner any and all of Contractor's obligations, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement; and
  - 16.1.6 The Contractor fails to maintain and ensure its compliance, as applicable, with federal, state, county, and local laws, which include, but are not limited to, adherence to IRS rules and regulations requiring timely filing of tax returns and payment of payroll taxes, as applicable, throughout the term of this Contract or any other contractual agreement the Contractor has with the SFWIB.
- 16.2. Waiver of breach of any provisions of this Contract by the SFWIB shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach of any other provision and shall not be construed to be a modification of this Contract.

## **ARTICLE 17 BREACH OF CONTRACT: SFWIB'S REMEDIES**

- 17.1 If the Contractor breaches this Contract, the SFWIB may pursue any or all of the following remedies:
- 17.1.1. The SFWIB may terminate this Contract by providing written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof. In the event of termination, the Contractor shall, upon the SFWIB's request: (a) return all finished or unfinished documents, data studies, surveys and reports prepared or obtained by the Contractor with the SFWIB's funds under this Contract; (b) reimburse any funds the SFWIB awarded to the Contractor, which were not lawfully expended, under this Contract; and (c) terminate or cancel any other contracts entered into between the SFWIB and the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for all program and administrative costs associated with such termination, in addition to the SFWIB's attorneys' fees and costs;
  - 17.1.2. The SFWIB may suspend payment, in whole or in part, under this Contract by providing written notice to the Contractor of such suspension and specifying the effective date thereof. All payments to the Contractor as of the effective date of suspension shall cease. On the effective date of suspension, if requested by the SFWIB, the Contractor shall immediately cease to provide services pursuant to this Contract. If payments are suspended, the SFWIB shall specify in writing the actions that shall be taken by the Contractor as a condition precedent to resumption of payments and shall specify a date for compliance. The SFWIB may also suspend any payments, in whole or in part, under any other contracts entered into between the SFWIB and the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for all program and administrative costs associated with such suspension, in addition to the SFWIB's attorneys' fees and costs;

- 17.1.3. The SFWIB may seek enforcement of this Contract by any action at law or equity available to the SFWIB, including, but not limited to, filing an action in a court of competent jurisdiction. The venue of any such action shall be in Miami-Dade County, Florida. The Contractor shall be responsible for all program and administrative costs of the SFWIB associated with such enforcement, in addition to the SFWIB's attorneys' fees and costs through final resolution of the matter including appeal;
- 17.1.4. If, for any reason, the Contractor attempts to meet Contractor's obligations under this Contract through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement, the SFWIB may, whenever the SFWIB deems it to be in the SFWIB's best interest, terminate this Contract by providing written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof. In such case, the SFWIB may terminate or cancel any other contracts the Contractor has with the SFWIB. The Contractor shall be responsible for all of the SFWIB's program and administrative costs associated with any such termination or cancellation, in addition to the SFWIB's attorneys' fees and costs. Any contractor who attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the SFWIB through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from the SFWIB contracting for a period not to exceed five (5) years; or
- 17.1.5. Any other remedy available at law or equity or administratively.

## **ARTICLE 18 NOTICES**

It is understood and agreed between the Parties that written notice shall be mailed or delivered to the addresses set forth below and same shall be effective upon mailing or hand delivery. The Parties designate the following:

**For South Florida Workforce Investment Board:**

Rick Beasley  
Executive Director  
South Florida Workforce Investment Board  
7300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 500  
Miami, Florida 33126-1234

**For The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.**

Mr. Gordon E. Knowles  
President & CEO  
The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
11415 NE 2<sup>ND</sup> Avenue  
Miami, Florida 33161

## **ARTICLE 19 FLORIDA PUBLIC RECORDS LAW**

### **19.1 Florida Public Records Law**

- 19.1.1 The Contractor shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, made or received by the Contractor in connection with this Contract, except that public records which are made confidential or exempt from public record disclosure by law must be protected from disclosure and include, but is not limited to criminal history information derived from the U.S. Department of Justice. The Contractor's failure to allow such public access shall result in the immediate termination of this Contract or any renewal. The Contractor shall maintain public records stored in electronic record keeping systems in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and Rule IB-26.003 of the Florida Administrative Code.
- 19.1.2 Pursuant to section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall:
- (a) Keep and maintain public records required by the SFWIB to perform the services;

- (b) Upon request from the SFWIB's custodian of public records, provide the SFWIB with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in this chapter or as otherwise provided by law;
- (c) Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the SFWIB; and
- (d) Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer to the SFWIB, at no cost to the SFWIB, all public records created, received, maintained and or directly related to the performance of this Contract that are in possession of the Contractor upon termination of this Contract. Upon termination of this Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the SFWIB, upon request from the SFWIB's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the SFWIB's information technology systems.

19.1.3 For purposes of this Section, the term "public records" shall mean all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of the SFWIB's official business.

**19.1.4 IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:**

**Via e-mail: [recordsrequest@careersourcesfl.com](mailto:recordsrequest@careersourcesfl.com)  
 Office of the Executive Director. Telephone: 305-929-1500  
 South Florida Workforce Investment Board  
 The Landing at MIA  
 7300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 500  
 Miami, Florida 33126-1234**

19.1.5 In the event the Contractor does not comply with the public records requirements set forth in section 119.0701, Florida Statutes and this Article 19 of this Agreement, the SFWIB shall avail itself of the remedies set forth in Article 15-Termination, Article 16-Breach of Contract, and Article 17-Breach of Contract: SFWIB's Remedies of this Agreement.

19.1.6 A Contractor who fails to provide the public records as required by law, within a reasonable time, may also be subject to penalties under section 119.10, Florida Statutes.

**19.2 Confidentiality of Records**

19.2.1 The Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of any information regarding program participants that identifies or may be used to identify program participants and which may be obtained through proposal forms, interviews, tests, reports from public agencies or counselors, or any other source. The Contractor shall not divulge such information, including but not limited to social security numbers, demographic data (race/ethnicity, sex, age, and disability status), employment services records, supplemental nutrition assistance program records, job corps records, migrant and seasonal farm worker records, North American

Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment records, Trade Adjustment Assistance under Trade Act of 1974 records, Worker adjustment and Retraining Notification Act records, Welfare Transition Program/TANF records, displaced homemaker records, Labor Market Information individual identifiable data, school readiness records, medical records and disability related information, unemployment compensation records, background screening records, WIOA records as specified in the applicable federal law and implementing procedures, etc. without the written permission of the participant, or participant's custodial parent or guardian when authorized by law, if applicable, except that such information which is necessary, as determined by the SFWIB, for purposes related to the performance or evaluation of the Contract may be divulged to the SFWIB or such other persons as the SFWIB may designate who have responsibilities for monitoring or evaluating the services and performances under the Contract, or to governmental authorities to the extent necessary for the proper administration of the law and the provision of services.

## **ARTICLE 20 AUDIT, INSPECTION, ACCESS, AND RETENTION OF RECORDS**

- 20.1 The Contractor shall permit the SFWIB or the SFWIB's designees, the State of Florida and the federal government or any other duly authorized agent of a governmental agency to audit, inspect, examine, excerpt, copy or transcribe the Contractor's books, records, and accounts that are related to this Agreement. The Contractor shall keep such books, records, and accounts as may be necessary in order to record complete and correct entries related to this Agreement where applicable, and includes, but shall not be limited to:
- 20.1.1 Bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses shall be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit thereof.
  - 20.1.2 In the event that the Contractor refuses to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material made or received by the Contractor in connection with this Agreement, unless the records are exempt from S.24 (a) of Article I of the Florida Constitution and Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the SFWIB may immediately terminate this Agreement or any renewal thereof.
- 20.2 The Contractor shall preserve and make available, at reasonable times for examination and audit by the SFWIB or the SFWIB's designees, the State of Florida and the federal government or any other duly authorized agent of a governmental agency, all financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents (including storage media) pertinent to this Agreement for the required retention period of the Florida Public Records Law (Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), if applicable, or, if the Florida Public Records Law is not applicable, for no less than **five (5)** years after termination of this Agreement or any renewal. If any audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the retention period or **five (5)** years, whichever is later, the books, records, and accounts shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings. If the Florida Public Records Law is determined by the SFWIB or any court of competent jurisdiction to be applicable to the Contractor's records, the Contractor shall comply with all requirements thereof; however, the Contractor shall not violate confidentiality or non-disclosure requirement of either federal or state law. Any incomplete or incorrect entry in such books, records, and accounts shall be a basis for the SFWIB's disallowance and recovery of any payment based upon such entry.

## **ARTICLE 21 NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

- 21.1 As a condition for the award of financial assistance from the Department of Labor under Title I of WIOA, and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, the Contractor assures that it has the ability to comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws and will remain in compliance for the duration of the award of federal financial assistance:
- 21.1.1 Section 188 of the WIOA, which prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the bases of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions, transgender status and gender identity, gender expression or sex stereotyping) (except as otherwise permitted under title IV of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin

- (including limited English Proficiency), age, disability, or political affiliation or belief, or against beneficiaries on the bases of either citizenship status or participation in any WIOA Title I - financially assisted program or activity;
- 21.1.2 Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C 2000d et seq.), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, color and national origin;
  - 21.1.3 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities;
  - 21.1.4 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs;
  - 21.1.5 The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
  - 21.1.6 Section 654 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9849), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, handicapping condition, political affiliation or beliefs;
  - 21.1.7 Titles I (42 U.S.C. 12111 et seq.), II (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq.) and III (42 U.S.C. 12181 et seq.) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, which prohibit discrimination on the bases of disability, respectively, by: (a) private employers, state and local governments, employment agencies and labor unions that employ 15 or more employees; (b) state and local government entities (“public entities”) and requires public entities to provide persons with disabilities an equal opportunity to benefit from their programs, services and activities; and (c) places of public accommodations and mandates that places of public accommodations and commercial facilities be designed, constructed, and altered in compliance with specific accessibility standards;
  - 21.1.8 Executive Order (“EO”) No. 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” as amended by EO No. 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and as supplemented by regulations at 41CFR Part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor”; and in Department of Labor regulation 29 CFR Parts 33 and 37 as well as 45 CFR Part 80; and Part 92, if applicable;
  - 21.1.9 Equal Employment Opportunity in Apprenticeship and Training (29 CFR Part 30); and
  - 21.1.10 Chapter 11A of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida which, among other things, prohibits discrimination in employment and places of public accommodations on the bases of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, actual or perceived status as a victim of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation.
- 21.2 The Contractor also assures that Contractor will comply with 29 CFR Part 38 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to Contractor’s operation of the WIOA Title I and TANF – financially assisted program or activity and to all agreements the Contractor makes to carry out the WIOA Title I and TANF – financially assisted program or activity. The Contractor understands the United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, including the assurances required by this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 22  
THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

Neither of the Parties intend to directly or indirectly benefit any third party by entering into this Agreement. Therefore, the Parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert any claim against either of the Parties hereto based upon this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 23  
MATERIALITY**

The SFWIB and the Contractor agree that each requirement, duty, and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof.

**ARTICLE 24  
CONTINGENCY FEE**

The Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Contractor, to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. If the Contractor breaches this provision, the SFWIB may terminate this Agreement immediately without liability, at its discretion, or deduct from the cost of this Agreement or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

**ARTICLE 25  
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules, and regulations in performing the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 26  
SEVERABILITY**

If any portion of this Contract is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue to be effective. If a court determines that any portion of this Contract is invalid, the SFWIB may terminate this Contract without cause.

**ARTICLE 27  
JOINT PREPARATION**

The Parties hereto acknowledge that they have sought and received whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to expresses the Parties' mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the Parties than the other.

**ARTICLE 28  
PRIORITY OF PROVISIONS**

If there is a conflict or inconsistency between any term, statement, requirement, or provision of any Exhibit attached hereto or documents or events or incorporated into this Agreement by reference and a term, statement, requirement, or provision of this Agreement, the term, statement, requirement, or provision contained in **Articles 1 through 68** of this Agreement shall prevail and be given effect.

**ARTICLE 29  
AMENDMENTS**

Any alterations, variations, amendments, extensions or waivers of provisions of this Contract shall only be valid when they have been reduced to writing, duly approved and signed by both Parties.

**ARTICLE 30  
AUTONOMY**

The Parties agree that this Contract recognizes their independence and autonomy and implies no affiliation of any kind between the Parties. The Contractor is an independent contractor in all respects under this Contract. It is expressly understood, agreed and intended that the Contractor is only a recipient of funding from the SFWIB and is not an agency or instrumentality of any kind of the SFWIB. Furthermore, the Contractor's, officers, agents, servants, and employees are not officers, agents, servants, or employees of the SFWIB or any of the SFWIB's agencies or instrumentalities.

**ARTICLE 31  
INDEMNIFICATION**

- 31.1 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the SFWIB, and its officers, employees, agents, servants, agencies and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the SFWIB and its officers, employees, servants, agents, agencies or instrumentalities may incur as a result of any and all claims, demands, suits, causes of action or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Contract by the Contractor or the Contractor's officers, employees, agents, servants, partners, principals, subcontractors or any other individual performing work on the Contractor's behalf under this Contract, including but not limited to DEO staff. The Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the SFWIB, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorneys' fees which may issue thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance policies required by this Contract or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the SFWIB and its officers, employees, agents, servants, agencies and instrumentalities as herein provided.
- 31.2 Term of Indemnification. The provisions of this indemnification shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 32  
COPYRIGHT, PATENTS, RIGHT TO DATA**

- 32.1 Except for the Contractor's own internal use, the Contractor shall not publish or reproduce any data or information, in whole or in part, that is recorded in any form or medium whatsoever and that is delivered or specified to be delivered under this Contract, nor shall the Contractor authorize or permit others to do so without the advanced written consent of the federal government, through the state of Florida, until such time as the federal government may have released such data or information to the public.
- 32.2 As authorized by 49 CFR 18.34, the federal government, through the state of Florida, reserves a royalty free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize the state of Florida and others to use:
- 32.2.1 Any work developed under this Contract or a resulting subcontract irrespective of whether it is copyrighted.
- 32.2.2 Any rights of copyright to which Contractor or subcontractor purchases ownership with funds provided for under this Contract.
- 32.3 In the event the Contractor is granted written approval from the SFWIB to utilize subcontractors to perform any services required by this Contract, the Contractor shall prohibit such subcontractors, by written contract, from violating any of the terms of this **Article 32**.

**ARTICLE 33  
RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT**

Contracts or agreements for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work shall provide for the rights of the federal government and the recipient in any resulting invention in accordance with 37 CFR part 401, "Rights

to Inventions Made by Non-profit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

#### **ARTICLE 34 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

The federal government reserves a paid-up, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use for federal purposes: (i) The copyright in all products developed under a federal grant, including a subgrant or contract under the grant or subgrant; and (ii) any rights of copyright to which the grantee, subgrantee or a contractor purchases ownership under an award (including but not limited to curricula, training models, technical assistance products, and any related materials). Such uses include, but are not limited to, the right to modify and distribute such products worldwide by any means, electronically or otherwise. Federal funds may not be used to pay any royalty or licensing fee associated with such copyrighted material, although they may be used to pay costs for obtaining a copy, which are limited to the developer/seller costs of copying and shipping. If revenues are generated through selling products developed with grant funds, including intellectual property, these revenues are program income. Program income is added to the grant and must be expended for allowable grant activities (2 CFR § 215.36).

If applicable, the Contractor must include the following language on all products developed in whole or in part with grant funds:

“This workforce solution was funded by a grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration. The solution was created by the grantee and does not necessarily reflect the official position of the U.S. Department of Labor. The Department of Labor makes no guarantees, warranties, or assurances of any kind, express or implied, with respect to such information, including any information on linked sites and including, but not limited to, accuracy of the information or its completeness, timeliness, usefulness, adequacy, continued availability, or ownership. This solution is copyrighted by the institution that created it. Internal use by an organization and/or personal use by an individual for non-commercial purposes is permissible. All other uses require the prior authorization of the copyright owner.”

#### **ARTICLE 35 PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADVERTISING**

The Contractor shall not produce, publish for public consumption or distribute any publicity or information about Contractor’s programs or program participants without prior review and written approval by the SFWIB.

When issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations, and other documents describing the project or programs funded in whole or in part with federal money, the Contractor shall clearly state: (1) the percentage of the total cost of the program or project which will be financed with federal money; (2) the dollar amount of federal funds for the project or program; and (3) percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.

#### **ARTICLE 36 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689)**

A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (“SAM”), in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contain the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, inclusive of the certification required in this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 37 GOVERNMENT-WIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE**

The Contractor shall comply with drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B (or Subpart C, if the recipient is an individual) of 29 CFR part 94. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**,



inclusive of the certification required in this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 38  
CERTIFICATION REGARDING FLORIDA CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT**

The purpose of the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act is to protect people from the health hazards of second hand tobacco smoke and to implement the Florida Health initiative in Section 20, Article X of the State Constitution. However, the intent of this legislation is not to inhibit, or otherwise obstruct, medical or scientific research or smoking-cessation programs approved by the Florida Department of Health. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Certification Regarding the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act, Attachment 7**, inclusive of the certification required in this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 39  
ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE**

In accordance with Part C of P.L. 103-227, the “Pro-Children Act of 1994”, smoking is prohibited in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted by an entity and used regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by federal programs whether directly or through state or local governments. Federal programs include grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan guarantees, and contracts. The law does not apply to children’s services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug and alcohol treatment. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke, Attachment 4**, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 40  
PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES (SECTION 287.133, FLORIDA STATUTES)**

The Contractor shall comply with the Public Entity Crimes Act (section 287.133, Florida Statutes) and the Contractor certifies that neither it, nor any person or affiliate of Contractor, has been convicted of a Public Entity Crime as defined in section 287.133, Florida Statutes, nor placed on the convicted vendor list. The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor is required to immediately inform the SFWIB upon any change of circumstances regarding this status. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 41  
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT 2002**

41.1 The Contractor assures that it shall comply with the two provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (“SOX”) that apply to all corporate entities, including non-profit organizations. These two provisions are as follows:

41.1.1 It is a crime to alter, cover up, falsify, or destroy any document that may be relevant to an official investigation (SOX, Section 1102, Section 1512 of Title 18, USC).

41.1.2 It is illegal for any corporate entity to punish whistleblowers or retaliate against any employee who reports suspected cases of fraud or abuse (SOX, section 1107, section 1513 of Title 18, USC).

41.2 The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, inclusive of the assurance required by this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 42  
COMPLIANCE WITH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROVISION**

The Contractor shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State of Florida’s Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Public Law 94-163).

**ARTICLE 43**  
**COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 6002 OF THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT, AS AMENDED BY THE**  
**RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (“RCRA”) FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF**  
**RECOVERED MATERIALS**

The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000.00 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000.00; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines. The Contractor shall comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the RCRA.

**ARTICLE 44**  
**ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS FOR REFORM NOW (ACORN) FUNDING**  
**RESTRICTIONS ASSURANCE (PUB. L. 111-117)**

As a condition of the Contract, Contractor assures that it will comply fully with the federal funding restrictions pertaining to ACORN and its subsidiaries per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010, Division E, Section 511 (Pub. L. 111-117). The Continuing Appropriation Act, 2011, Section 101 and 103 (Pub. L. 111-242), provides that appropriations made under Pub. L. 111-117 are available under the conditions provided by Pub. L. 111-117.

The Contractor shall require that language of this assurance be included in the documents for all subcontracts at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients and contractors shall provide this assurance accordingly. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, inclusive of the assurance required by this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 45**  
**SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LIST**

The SFWIB’s agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity provides:

If the [SFWIB] enters into a contract in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more, in accordance with the requirements of section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the [SFWIB] will obtain a certification that the contractor is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a Boycott of Israel, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, or meets the conditions for exemptions as provided in section 287.135(4), Florida Statutes. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, certifying the Contractor’s compliance with this section.

**ARTICLE 46**  
**DISCRIMINATORY VENDORS**

47.1 The Contractor shall disclose to the SFWIB if the Contractor appears on the discriminatory vendor list. An entity or affiliate placed on the discriminatory vendor list pursuant to section 287.134, Florida Statutes may not:

- 47.1.1 Submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity;
- 47.1.2 Submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work;
- 47.1.3 Submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity; or
- 47.1.4 Be awarded or perform as a contractor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; or transact business with any public entity.

47.2 The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, certifying the Contractor’s compliance with this section, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 47  
RELATED PARTY CONTRACTS**

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) Act, Chapter 2021-164, Laws of Florida (House Bill 1507) as specified in **Attachment 1 (The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Memorandum dated July 1, 2021)** attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Disclosure and Certification of Conflict of Interest in a Contract, Attachment 10**, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 48  
TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT OF 2000**

The Contractor shall comply with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)). The full text of **2 CFR 175.15, Award Term**, is provided as **Attachment 2**.

**ARTICLE 49  
PURCHASE OF AMERICAN-MADE EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS**

The Contractor assures that, to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products purchased with funds made available in this Act (P.L. 113-128 S. 502) will be American-made.

**ARTICLE 50  
EQUAL TREATMENT FOR FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS**

Equal Treatment For Faith-Based Organizations, 45 CFR 87 prohibits any state or local government receiving funds under any United States Department of Health and Human Services program, or any intermediate organization with the same duties as a governmental entity, from discriminating for or against an organization on the basis of the organization's religious character or affiliation.

Equal Treatment For Faith-Based Organizations, 45 CFR 87 prohibits religious organizations from engaging in inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization, as part of the programs or services funded with direct financial assistance.

Equal Treatment For Faith-Based Organizations, 45 CFR 87 prohibits an organization that participates in programs funded by direct financial assistance from the Department of Health and Human Services, in providing services, from discriminating against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of religion or religious belief.

Any restrictions on the use of grant funds shall apply equally to religious and non-religious organizations.

**ARTICLE 51  
CHARITABLE CHOICE (45 CFR § 260.34)**

A state or local government in its use of federal TANF or state Maintenance of Effort ("MOE") funds shall not, in the selection of service providers, discriminate for or against an organization that applies to provide, or provides TANF services or benefits on the basis of the organization's religious character or affiliation. No federal TANF or state MOE funds provided directly to participating organizations may be expended for inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization.

A religious organization that receives federal TANF or state MOE funds shall not, in providing program services or benefits, discriminate against a TANF applicant or recipient on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a

religious belief, or a refusal to actively participate in a religious practice. If an otherwise eligible TANF applicant or recipient objects to the religious character of a TANF service provider, the recipient is entitled to receive services from an alternative provider to which the individual has no religious objection.

If a non-governmental intermediate organization, acting under a contract or other agreement with a state or local government, is given the authority under the contract or agreement to select non-governmental organizations to provide federal TANF or state MOE funded services, the intermediate organization must ensure that there is compliance with the Charitable Choice statutory provisions and these regulations.

**ARTICLE 52  
VETERAN'S PRIORITY PROVISIONS**

Federal grants for qualified job training programs funded, in whole or in part, by the U.S. Department of Labor are subject to the provisions of the "Jobs for Veterans Act" ("JVA"), P.L. 107-288. The JVA provides priority of services to veterans and spouses of certain veterans for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services. To obtain priority service, a person must meet the program's eligibility requirements. 20 CFR Part 1010 provides general guidance on the scope of the veteran's priority statute.

**ARTICLE 53  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL ACT**

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (42 USC §4701). The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. §4701). The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances Non-Construction Programs, Attachment 5, prior to the execution of this Agreement.**

**ARTICLE 54  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS UNDER TITLE I OF THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND  
OPPORTUNITY ACT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, COSTS AND LIMITATIONS**

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Administrative Provisions under Title I of the WIOA Administrative Rules, Costs and Limitations (20 CFR Part 683, Subpart B).

**ARTICLE 55  
UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH  
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

The Contractor shall comply with the Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations (2 CFR §215).

Contracts for construction or facility improvements must require the recipient to follow its own requirements relating to bid guarantees, performance bonds, and payment bonds unless the contract or sub-contract exceeds \$100,000.00. (2 CFR §215.48).

**ARTICLE 56  
CLEAN AIR ACT (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671Q.) AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (33  
U.S.C. 1251-1387), AS AMENDED**

If this Contract is for more than \$150,000.00, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the federal awarding agency and the regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"). As applicable, the Contractor shall comply with the Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control, as amended.

**ARTICLE 57  
BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT (31 U.S.C. §1352)**

Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000.00 must file the required certification as described in this section. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-federal award. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances and Certifications, Attachment 3**, prior to execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 58  
ASSURANCES – NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS**

The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances - Non-Construction Programs, Attachment 5**, prior to the execution of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 59  
WHISTLEBLOWER'S ACT**

In accordance with section 112.3187(2), Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall not retaliate against an employee for reporting violations of law, rule, or regulation that creates substantial and specific danger to the public's health, safety, or welfare to an appropriate agency. Furthermore, agencies or independent contractors shall not retaliate against any person who discloses information to an appropriate agency alleging improper use of governmental office, gross waste of funds, or any other abuse or gross neglect of duty on the part of an agency, public officer, or employee. The Contractor shall inform its employees that they and other persons may file a complaint with the Office of Chief Inspector General, Agency Inspector General, the Florida Commission of Human Relations or the Whistle-blower's Hotline number at 1-800-543-5353.

**ARTICLE 60  
ADHERENCE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FORMAL SOLICITATION**

The Contractor shall adhere to the standards and requirements established under the SFWIB's formal solicitation for this Contract and Contractor's proposal pursuant to which this Contract was awarded and funded. The formal solicitation and Contractor's proposal are both incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth in their entirety. If Contractor's proposal conflicts with the terms and conditions of this Contract, the terms and conditions in this Contract shall prevail and control.

**ARTICLE 61  
ASSURANCES**

- 62.1 The Contractor assures that it is not currently in violation of any regulatory rules that may have an impact on the Contractor's operations.
- 62.2 The Contractor assures that it is not involved in any current litigation with Miami-Dade County or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

**ARTICLE 62  
MISCELLANEOUS**

The failure of a Party to enforce the provisions of this Agreement shall not be a waiver of any provision or the right of such Party thereafter to enforce each and every provision of this Agreement.

The headings of the paragraphs or sections of this Agreement are provided for convenience only and shall not be deemed to modify or otherwise affect the terms and conditions stated in each such paragraph or section of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 63  
COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT**

The Contractor shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145 and 18 U.S.C. 874), as

supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances Non-Construction Programs, Attachment 5, prior to the execution of this Agreement.**

**ARTICLE 64  
DAVIS-BACON ACT, AS AMENDED (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148)**

When required by federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000.00 awarded by non-federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. The Contractor shall provide a completed **Assurances Non-Construction Programs, Attachment 5, prior to the execution of this Agreement.**

**ARTICLE 65  
ANNUAL CERTIFICATION**

If the Contract is extended as set forth in **Article I, Effective Term**, on an annual basis, the Contractor shall sign the certification that all certifications and assurances on file with the Agreement are current and that the terms and conditions have not changed. The Contractor shall complete **Exhibit C, Annual Certification** attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**ARTICLE 66  
AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT**

Each person executing this Agreement represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has full legal authority to execute and deliver this Agreement. Each Party represents and warrants to the other that the execution and delivery of the Agreement and the performance of such Party's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized and that the Agreement is a valid and legal agreement binding on the other Party and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

**ARTICLE 67  
LEVEL 1 BACKGROUND SCREENING REQUIREMENT**

The SFWIB requires and Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and/or local laws, regulations and ordinances regarding background screening of employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel. The Contractor's failure to comply with any applicable federal, state and/or local laws, regulations, ordinances or Miami-Dade County resolutions, and the SFWIB's requirements set forth herein and in the SFWIB's policies and procedures (collectively referred to as "Laws" for purposes of this Section) regarding background screening of employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel may be considered a material breach and is grounds for termination of the Contract at the sole discretion of the SFWIB.

The Contractor agrees to perform a Level 1 background screening, as set forth in section 435.03, Florida Statutes through a Florida Department of Law Enforcement approved provider.

1. The SFWIB requires and Contractor agrees that the Contractor's current and prospective employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel must complete a **Level 1** background screening, and be eligible for employment with any SFWIB-funded program as set forth herein, **prior** to volunteering or doing any work with or for Contractor related to this Contract or set forth in the **Exhibit A, Statement of**

**Work.** No later than **ten (10) business days prior to** employment, volunteerism, or performance of any work for any SFWIB-funded program, the Contractor shall furnish the SFWIB with an **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**, which confirms the background screening was completed for all employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel who will be volunteering or working for Contractor on this Contract and that they are eligible to volunteer or for employment, pursuant to chapter 435, Florida Statutes, as may be amended from time to time.

2. **Level 1** background screenings are further explained in section 435.03, Florida Statutes. The Contractor shall notify the SFWIB if it is prohibited from disclosing the background screening records of employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel to the SFWIB.
3. The Contractor shall not hire persons that may have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to any offense in chapter 414, Florida Statutes, relating to public assistance fraud or chapter 443, Florida Statutes, relating to unemployment compensation fraud, or any offense that constitutes domestic violence as defined in section 741.28, Florida Statutes, whether such act was committed in this state or in another jurisdiction.
4. The Contractor shall not hire persons that have been arrested for and are awaiting final disposition of, have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, or have been adjudicated delinquent and the record has not been sealed or expunged for, any offense prohibited under the provisions of section 435.04, Florida Statutes, or similar law of another jurisdiction relating to the same offenses.
5. The Contractor shall make the decision to hire or assign to the SFWIB's funded program(s) persons with criminal history information unrelated to theft, fraud, or financial crime, on a case-by-case basis, where the background screening for the Contractor's current and prospective employee, volunteer, and subcontracted personnel, is not expressly prohibited by applicable law. A Contractor's decision to hire or assign an individual to the SFWIB's funded program(s) does not guarantee the SFWIB will grant the Contractor's current and prospective employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel with access to any SFWIB funded program, CareerSource center, Access Point, Tech Hire Center, Information Technology system, or program files.
6. For current employees: The Contractor must submit an **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**, along with the background screening results to SFWIB's Quality Assurance Supervisor no later than **ten (10) business days** from Contract execution. The background information will be reviewed by SFWIB staff and a decision on whether or not access will be granted shall be made within **ten (10) business days** of receipt of the Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form.
7. Upon Contract execution, the Contractor must submit an **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**, along with the background screening results to SFWIB's Quality Assurance Supervisor no later than **ten (10) business days** prior to employment, volunteerism, or performance of any work for any SFWIB-funded program. The background information will be reviewed by SFWIB staff and a decision on whether or not access will be granted shall be made within **ten (10) business days** of receipt of the Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form.
8. The Contractor must ensure that each current employee, volunteer, or subcontracted personnel working in any SFWIB-funded program provides an **Affidavit of Good Moral Character, Attachment 12**, subject to penalty of perjury, declaring compliance with the qualification requirements for employment pursuant to chapter 435, Florida Statutes, and agreeing to inform the employer immediately if arrested for any offense while employed by, volunteering for, or subcontracting for the employer.
9. Upon learning of the arrest of an employee, volunteer, or subcontracted personnel, the Contractor must notify the SFWIB of such arrest by the next business day. The Contractor will review the circumstances of the arrest and determine whether the employee, volunteer or subcontracted personnel is eligible for continued employment. If the current employee, volunteer, or subcontracted personnel is subsequently found ineligible for continued employment based on criminal history information involving any of the allegations provided in Sections 3 or 4 above, the Contractor shall immediately remove such employee,

volunteer, or subcontracted personnel from volunteering or working in or for any SFWIB-funded program, or having any direct or indirect access to any SFWIB CareerSource center, Access Point, Tech Hire Center, Information Technology system, or program files. Failure to notify the SFWIB, by the next business day, of learning of the arrest of an employee, volunteer, or subcontracted personnel is grounds for a material breach and termination of the Contract at the sole discretion of the SFWIB.

10. Even if applicable law would otherwise permit, as a provision of this Contract, the Contractor agrees not to hire any persons or permit any persons to begin work or to volunteer or to remain employed, volunteering, or performing any work for the Contractor related to this Contract and the work set forth in the **Exhibit A, Statement of Work** without submitting the **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**.
11. If the Contractor fails to furnish the SFWIB with the **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**, the SFWIB may withhold further disbursement of funds and this Contract shall be subject to termination at the sole discretion of the SFWIB.
12. The Contractor shall take necessary precautions to safeguard the background screening records of employees, volunteers, and subcontracted personnel, the **Affirmation/Acknowledgement Form, Attachment 11**, and **Affidavit of Good Moral Character, Attachment 12**. Background screening results are exempt from public records and, therefore, must be maintained in a secured and access controlled area to ensure that the records are accessible only to those authorized to examine such records. The Contractor shall make all records available to the SFWIB in accordance with **Article 20, Audit, Inspection, Access and Retention of Records**, of this Contract.
13. The **Level 1** background screening records shall be retained as required herein in accordance with **Article 20, Audit, Inspection, Access and Retention of Records**, of this Contract.
14. From the initial **Level 1** background screening date, and every five (5) years thereafter, and upon **reemployment or employment in a new or different position**, until cessation of employment, volunteerism, or doing any work for the Contractor, the Contractor shall ensure each employee, volunteer and/or subcontractor that is retained from a previous contract period undergoes this background screening process.

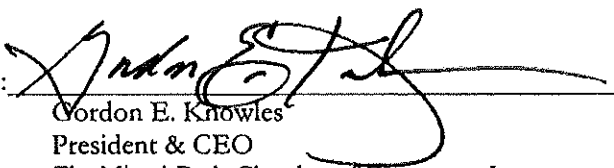
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**SIGNATORY FORM**

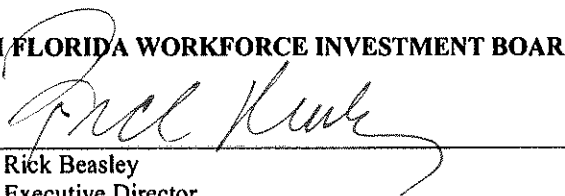
**THE PARTIES HERETO ARE DULY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THIS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE RESPECTIVE PARTIES:**

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE FOR: The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.**  
**PROGRAM ENTITLED: Business Intermediary Services**  
**INDEX CODE: 82381**  
**CFDA: WIOA DW 17.278**

BY:   
Gordon E. Knowles  
President & CEO  
The Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

February 12, 2024  
Date

**SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD**

BY:   
Rick Beasley  
Executive Director  
South Florida Workforce Investment Board

2/25/24  
Date

**Ron DeSantis**  
GOVERNOR



**Dane Eagle**  
SECRETARY

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 1, 2021

**TO:** Local Workforce Development Board Executive Directors *Keantha B. Moore*

**FROM:** Keantha B. Moore, Administrator, Bureau of One-Stop and Program Support

**SUBJECT:** Reimagining Education and Career Help Act (House Bill 1507) and Related Party Contracts

The Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) Act (House Bill 1507), has been signed into law and is effective **July 1, 2021**. The REACH Act creates several strategic opportunities to enhance and expand services provided through Florida's workforce development system by promoting, encouraging, and taking bold steps towards unification of partner programs and agency coordination. The Act also strengthens oversight, accountability and transparency measures for the system. Additionally, the REACH Act contains operational and administrative requirements for related party contracts.

**Effective July 1, 2021**, the REACH Act serves as the authority for related party contract requirements. This memorandum serves to reconcile any differences between current state policy and agreements between the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and local boards until applicable policies and agreements are updated to align with the requirements in the REACH Act.

### Related Parties

A related party includes any:

- Local board member;
- Employee of the local board;
- Relative (see [s. 112.3143\(1\)\(c\)](#), Florida Statutes) of a local board member or employee of the local board; or,
- Organization or individual represented by or employing a local board member.

### Process for Related Party Contracts

Using the process and documentation requirements outlined in [CareerSource Florida Strategic Policy 2012.05.24.A.2](#) and [Section 15. Related Parties in the Grantee Subgrantee Agreement](#), local boards must submit all related party contracts via email to DEO at: [WorkforceContract.Review@deo.myflorida.com](mailto:WorkforceContract.Review@deo.myflorida.com).

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity | Caldwell Building | 107 E. Madison Street | Tallahassee, FL 32399  
850.245.7105 | [www.FloridaJobs.org](http://www.FloridaJobs.org)  
[www.twitter.com/FLDEO](https://www.twitter.com/FLDEO) | [www.facebook.com/FLDEO](https://www.facebook.com/FLDEO)

An equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and service are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. All voice telephone numbers on this document may be reached by persons using TTY/TTD equipment via the Florida Relay Service at 711.

**Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104(g))  
2 CFR § 175.15, Award Term**

**I. Trafficking in persons.**

***a. Provisions applicable to a recipient that is a private entity.***

1. You as the recipient, your employees, sub-recipients under this award, and sub-recipients' employees may not--
  - i. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
  - ii. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
  - iii. Use forced labor in the performance of the award or sub-awards under the award.
2. The Department of Labor, Federal awarding agency, may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a sub-recipient that is a private entity—
  - i. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
  - ii. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either—
    - A. Associated with performance under this award; or
    - B. Imputed to you or the sub-recipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement),” as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR part 376.

***b. Provisions applicable to a recipient other than a private entity. The Department of Labor may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if a sub-recipient that is a private entity—***

1. Is determined to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either--
  - i. Associated with performance under this award; or
  - ii. Imputed to the sub-recipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, “OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement),” as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR part 376.

*c. Provisions applicable to any recipient.*

1. You must inform the Department of Labor immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term.
2. Our right to terminate unilaterally, which is described in paragraph a.2 or b of this section:
  - i. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7104(g)), and
  - ii. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to the Department of Labor under this award.
3. You must include the requirements of paragraph a.1 of this award term in any sub-award you make to a private entity.

*d. Definitions.* For purposes of this award term:

1. "Employee" means either:
  - i. An individual employed by you or a sub-recipient who is engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award; or
  - ii. Another person engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award and not compensated by you including, but not limited to, a volunteer or individual whose services are contributed by a third party as an in-kind contribution toward cost sharing or matching requirements.
2. "Forced labor" means labor obtained by any of the following methods: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
3. "Private entity":
  - i. Means any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity, as those terms are defined in 2 CFR § 175.25.
  - ii. Includes:
    - A. A nonprofit organization, including any nonprofit institution of higher education, hospital, or tribal organization other than on included in the definition of Indian tribe at 2 CFR § 175.25(b).
    - B. A for-profit organization.
4. "Severe forms of trafficking in persons," "commercial sex act," and "coercion" have the meanings given at section 103 of the TVPA, as amended (22 U.S.C. § 7102).

## ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

The South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB) will not award funds where the Respondent (“Contractor”) has failed to accept the **ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS** contained in this section. In performing its responsibilities under this agreement, the Contractor hereby certifies and assures that it will fully comply with the following:

- A. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters (29 CFR Part 98)**
- B. Certification Regarding Lobbying (29 CFR Part 93)**
- C. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (29 CFR Part 94)**
- D. Non-discrimination and Equal Opportunity Assurances (29 CFR Part 38)**
- E. Certification Regarding Public Entity Crimes (section 287.133, Florida Statutes)**
- F. Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**
- G. Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) Funding Restrictions Assurance (Pub. L. 111-117)**
- H. Scrutinized Companies Lists Certification (section 287.135, Florida Statutes)**
- I. Discriminatory Vendors (section 287.134, Florida Statutes)**

By signing the agreement, the Contractor is providing the above assurances and certifications as detailed below:

**A. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS – PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTION**

As required by the regulation implementing Executive Orders No. 12549 and 12689, Debarment and Suspension, 29 CFR 98, the Contractor certifies to the best of the Contractor’s knowledge and belief, to the following:

1. The Contractor is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department, agency or subcontractor;
2. The Contractor has not, within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal/contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or agreement under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
3. The Contractor is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph A.2 of this certification; and
4. The Contractor has not, within three-year period preceding this application/proposal/contract, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Contractor shall comply with the language of the certification with regards to the Contractor’s subcontractors. The Contractor shall ensure and require the same certification from its subcontractor(s), which shall be forwarded to the SFWIB along with the request to subcontract as required by this solicitation/Contract.

Where the Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such Contractor shall submit an explanation to the SFWIB attached to this form.

**B. CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

The Contractor certifies, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, that:

1. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of a Contractor, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for "all" sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose the same accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the Contract was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment section 1352, Title 31, U.S.C. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

**C. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor assures and guarantees that the Contractor shall comply with the federal Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988, its implementing regulations codified at 29 CFR 94, subpart F, and the Drug-Free Workplace Rules established by the Florida Worker's Compensation Commission.

**D. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ASSURANCES**

As a condition for the award of financial assistance from the Department of Labor under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, the Contractor assures that it has the ability to comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws and will remain in compliance for the duration of the award of federal financial assistance:

1. Section 188 of the WIOA, which prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the bases of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions, transgender status and gender identity, gender expression or sex stereotyping) (except as otherwise permitted under Title IV of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin (including Limited English Proficiency), age, disability, or political affiliation or belief, or against beneficiaries on the bases of either citizenship status or participation in any WIOA Title I - financially assisted program or activity;
2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C 2000d et seq.), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, color and national origin;
3. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities;
4. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs;
5. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
6. Section 654 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9849), as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, handicapping condition, political affiliation or beliefs;
7. Titles I (42 U.S.C. 12111 et seq.), II (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq.) and III (42 U.S.C. 12181 et seq.) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, which prohibit discrimination on the bases of disability, respectively, by: (a) private employers, state and local governments, employment agencies and labor unions that employ 15 or more employees; (b)

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state and local government entities (“public entities”) and requires public entities to provide persons with disabilities an equal opportunity to benefit from their programs, services and activities; and (3) places of public accommodations and mandates that places of public accommodations and commercial facilities be designed, constructed, and altered in compliance with specific accessibility standards;

8. Executive Order (EO) No. 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” as amended by EO No. 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and as supplemented by regulations at 41CFR Part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor”; and in Department of Labor regulation 29 CFR Parts 33 and 37 as well as 45 CFR Part 80; and Part 92, if applicable;
9. Equal Employment Opportunity in Apprenticeship and Training (29 CFR Part 30); and
10. Chapter 11A of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida which, among other things, prohibits discrimination in employment and places of public accommodations on the bases of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, actual or perceived status as a victim of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation.

The Contractor also assures that Contractor will comply with 29 CFR Part 38 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to Contractor’s operation of the WIOA Title I and TANF – financially assisted program or activity and to all agreements the Contractor makes to carry out the WIOA Title I and TANF – financially assisted program or activity. The Contractor understands the United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance.

#### **E. CERTIFICATION REGARDING PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES, SECTION 287.133, FLORIDA STATUTES**

The Contractor hereby certifies that neither the Contractor, nor any person or affiliate of the Contractor, has been convicted of a Public Entity Crime as defined in section 287.133, Florida Statutes, nor placed on the convicted vendor list.

The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor is required to inform the SFWIB immediately upon any change in circumstances regarding this status.

#### **F. SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

It is the policy of the SFWIB to comply with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, sections 1102 and 1107, set forth by the Act, the United States Code Title 18, sections 1512 and 1513, as amended, and the requirements of the Workforce Board. By signing below, the Contractor assures that the Contractor will comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act provisions as set forth below:

##### **Provisions of the Act – Title XI – Corporate Fraud Accountability**

**Section 1102 – Tampering with a record or otherwise impeding an official proceeding** – “Whoever corruptly: 1) alters, destroys, mutilates, or conceals a record, document or other object, or attempts to do so, with the intent to impair the object’s integrity or availability for use in an official proceeding 2) otherwise obstructs, influences, or impedes any official proceeding, or attempts to do so, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both”.

**Section 1107 – Retaliation against Informants** – “Whoever knowingly, with the intent to retaliate, takes any action harmful to any person, including interference with the lawful employment or livelihood of any person, for providing to a law enforcement officer any truthful information relating to the commission or possible commission of any federal offense, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 10 years, or both”.

#### **G. ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS FOR REFORM NOW (ACORN) FUNDING RESTRICTIONS ASSURANCE (PUB. L. 111-117)**

As a condition of a contract, the Contractor assures that the Contractor shall comply fully with the federal funding restrictions pertaining to ACORN and its subsidiaries per the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010, Division E, section 511 (Pub. L. 111-117). The Continuing Appropriation Act, 2011, section 101 and 103 (Pub. L. 111-242), provides that appropriations made under Pub. L. 111-117 are available under the conditions provided by Pub. L. 111-117.

#### **H. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS CERTIFICATION, SECTION 287.135. FLORIDA STATUTES**

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, prohibits agencies from contracting with companies, for goods or services over \$1,000,000, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, both of which are created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a Boycott of Israel as described in section 215.4725, Florida Statutes.

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of the Contractor, I hereby certify that the company identified in the section entitled “Contractor Name” is not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies

**Attachment 3**

with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject company to civil penalties, attorneys' fees, and/or costs.

**I. DISCRIMINATORY VENDORS, SECTION 287.134, FLORIDA STATUTES**

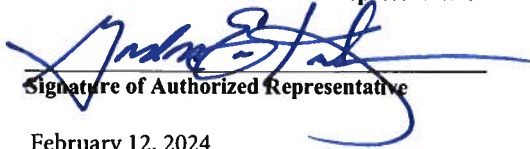
The Contractor shall disclose to the SFWIB if the Contractor appears on the discriminatory vendor list. An entity or affiliate placed on the discriminatory vendor list pursuant to section 287.134, Florida Statutes may not:

- (a) Submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity;
- (b) Submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work;
- (c) Submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity; or
- (d) Be awarded or perform as a contractor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; or transact business with any public entity.

**BY SIGNING BELOW, THE CONTRACTOR CERTIFIES AND ASSURES THAT THE CONTRACTOR WILL FULLY COMPLY WITH THE APPLICABLE ASSURANCE OUTLINED IN PARTS A THROUGH I, ABOVE.**

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
Contractor Name

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO  
\*Name and Title of Authorized Representative

  
Signature of Authorized Representative

February 12, 2024  
Date

\*The signatory should be fully and duly authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the Contractor named above.



**CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE  
FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

Public Law 103-227, Part C-Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000.00 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

By signing this certification, the Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable provisions of Public Law 103-227, Part C, known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994.

  
Signature

February 12, 2024

Date

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO  
Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
Name of Organization

## ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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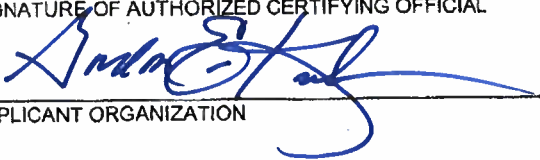
**PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.  
SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.**

**NOTE:** Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (Identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE President and CEO
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	DATE SUBMITTED February 12, 2024

**CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS AFFIDAVIT**

Code of Miami-Dade County Section 2-8.1(i)

I, being duly sworn, hereby state and certify that this firm has adopted a Code of Business Ethics that is fully compliant with the requirements of Section 2-8.1(i) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended. I further acknowledge that failure to comply with the adopted Code of Business Ethics shall render any contract with Miami-Dade County voidable, and subject this firm to debarment from County work pursuant to Section 10-38(h)(2) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended. I further acknowledge that failure to submit this affidavit shall render this firm ineligible for contract award.

By:  February 12 2024  
 Signature of Affiant Date

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO 5 / 9 / 6 / 5 / 6 / 0 / 0 / 2 / 3 /  
 Printed Name of Affiant and Title Federal Employer Identification Number

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
 Printed Name of Firm

11415 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33161  
 Address of Firm

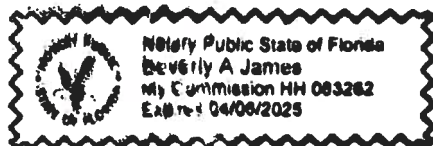
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO (or affirmed) before me this 12th day of February, 2024

He/She is personally known to me or has presented \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.  
Type of identification

 HH083262  
 Signature of Notary Serial Number

Beverly A James 04/06/2025  
 Print or Stamp Name of Notary Expiration Date

Notary Public – State of Florida



Notary Seal



## FLORIDA CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT

The purpose of the **Florida Clean Indoor Air Act (FCIAA)** is to protect people from the health hazards of second hand tobacco smoke and to implement the Florida Health initiative in Article X, Section 20, Florida Constitution. However, the intent of this legislation is not to inhibit, or otherwise obstruct, medical or scientific research or smoking-cessation programs approved by the Department of Health.

<b>FCIAA Provisions</b>
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- ❖ **Prohibition** – A person may not smoke or vape in an enclosed indoor workplace, except as specified below (s. 386.204, F.S.).

**Enclosed, indoor workplace means** – Any place where one or more persons engages in work, and which place is predominantly or totally bounded on all sides and above by physical barriers, regardless of whether such barriers consist of or includes, without limitation, uncovered openings; screened or otherwise partially covered openings; or open or closed windows, жалousies, doors, or the like.

The Department of Health considers enclosed indoor workplaces to include, but not be limited to, the following:

- ◆ Public and private workplaces
  - ◆ Restaurants
  - ◆ Bowling centers
  - ◆ Private country clubs
  - ◆ Hotels/motels (excluding guest rooms)
  - ◆ Beauty/barber salons
  - ◆ Libraries
  - ◆ Auditoriums/theaters
  - ◆ Nursing homes/health care facilities
  - ◆ Educational facilities (private or public)
- ❖ **Penalties** – Any person who violates s. 386.204, F.S., commits a non-criminal violation as defined in s. 775.08(3), F.S., punishable by a fine of not more than \$100 for the first violation and not more than \$500 for each subsequent violation. Jurisdiction shall be with the appropriate county court (s. 386.208, F.S.).
  - ❖ **Specific exceptions** – Smoking or vaping is permitted in the following indoor locations (s. 386.2045, F.S.):
    - ◆ Customs Smoking Room – s. 386.205, F.S.
    - ◆ Private Residence – as defined in s. 386.203(1), F.S.
    - ◆ Stand-Alone Bar – as defined in s. 386.203(12), F.S.
    - ◆ Retail Tobacco Store – as defined in s. 386.203(9), F.S.
    - ◆ Designated Smoking Guest Rooms at Public Lodging Establishments – as defined in s. 386.203(4), F.S.
    - ◆ Smoking Cessation Program, Medical or Scientific Research – s. 386.2045(6), F.S.

- ◆ Membership Association – as defined in s. 386.203(7), F.S., and provided that noncommercial activities are performed by members of the membership association.
- ◆ Retail Vape Shop - as defined in s. 386.203(16), F.S.

**Key Points of the Law**

❖ **Posting of signs; requiring policies –**

- ◆ The proprietor or other person in charge of an enclosed indoor workplace must develop and implement a policy regarding smoking and vaping prohibitions.

The following places are required to post signs if smoking or vaping is permitted:

- ◆ A licensed stand-alone bar (at entrance),
  - ◆ A customs smoking room (airport in-transit lounge),
  - ◆ A smoking cessation program where tobacco smoking or vaping is an integral part of the cessation program approved by the Department of Health, and
  - ◆ Where scientific or medical research is being conducted and tobacco smoking or vaping is an integral part of the research.
- ❖ **Public announcement in mass transportation terminals –** Announcements that Florida is a clean indoor air state and that smoking and vaping are prohibited, except in customs smoking room in an in-transit lounge, shall be made, every 30 minutes, over public address systems in terminals of public transportation carriers located in metropolitan statistical areas with populations over 230,000. (s. 386.211, F.S.).
- ❖ **Smoking and vaping prohibiting near school property; penalty –** Smoking and vaping are prohibited for any person under 18 years of age in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a public or private elementary, middle, or secondary school. Individuals who violate the law may be subject to penalties. (s. 386.212, F.S.).

**Administration & Enforcement**

The Department of Health shall enforce the FCIAA in workplaces not regulated by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.  
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**Respondent**

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name and Title of Certifying Representative**

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Certifying Representative**

February 12, 2024  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT**

Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) policy concerning safeguarding confidential information obtained from applicants, participants, employers and other sources is based on legislative direction and federal and state statutes and rules. These confidential records may include, but not limited to, personal identifying information of program applicants, recipients, or participants such as names, social security numbers, payroll information, employer information and resource and referral information, which are private and confidential under federal and state laws and rules, including 20 Code of Federal Regulations (CRF) 603.9, 45 CRF 205.50, 7 CFR 272.1c, sections 414.295 and 443.1715(1) Florida Statutes (F.S.), and rule 73B-1, Florida Administrative Code (FAC).

Disclosure of this information, including information received electronically, by phone calls or other communication is protected by law. The **Contractor** shall not disclose or allow access to this information unless such action is required and necessary for the performance of official duties pursuant to any contract or agreement awarded to the **Contractor** by South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB).

In compliance with the requirements of 20 CFR 603.9(b)(v)(A), the **Contractor** agrees to instruct all personnel having access to any disclosed information about the confidentiality requirements of the information, the requirements of 20 CFR 603.9(b), 45 CFR 205.50, 7 CFR 272.1c, sections 414.295 and 443.1715(1), F.S., the potential criminal charges individuals could face if convicted for the willful unauthorized use or disclosure of the information specified in sections 775.082 or 775.083, F.S.; agrees to store and process this information in such a way that unauthorized persons cannot view or obtain the information by any means; and agrees to dispose any confidential information obtained, and any copies thereof made by the **Contractor** or its employees or agents after the purpose for which the information is disclosed is served in accordance with the provisions of 20 CFR 603.9(b)(vi).

By signing this agreement, the **Contractor** agrees to abide by DEO, state and federal statutes, policies and rules described above, and SFWIB policies and procedures, and that the **Contractor** and any of its employees or agents will not release or disclose any confidential information while providing services for SFWIB.

**Confidential Information Certificate**

I have reviewed the foregoing and my signature below indicates I understand the requirements described above and accept responsibility for complying with it.

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Company Name (type or print)

  
Authorized Representative signature

February 12, 2024

Date

**Individual Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Certification Form**

I understand that I will or may be exposed to certain confidential information, including but not limited to, personal identifying information of individuals who receive public assistance, employment and unemployment insurance records maintained by the Department of Economic Opportunity (Department or DEO) made available to my employer, for the limited purpose of performing its official public duties pursuant to a Contract for Services and Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Certification agreement.

These confidential records may include the name (or other personally identifiable information), social security numbers, wage, unemployment and employment data and public assistance information which are protected under federal and state law. Such information is confidential and may not be disclosed to others. In order to perform my public duties associated with the program requirements set forth under contract or agreement, I understand that I may be granted access to confidential data managed and controlled by entities that are not party to this agreement. Prior to receiving access to such systems, I acknowledge and agree to abide by the following standards:

1. I will comply with all security requirements imposed as a condition of use for any system(s) to which I may be granted access.
2. I will use access to the systems only for purposes authorized by law to secure information to conduct official program business consistent with my official public duties.
3. I will not disclose my user identification, password, or other information needed to access the systems to any party nor shall I give any other individual access to information secured.
4. If I become aware that any unauthorized individual has or may have obtained access to my user identification, password, or other information needed to access systems to which I have been granted access, I will immediately notify the South Florida Workforce Investment Board's (SFWIB) Security Officer.
5. I will store any disclosed confidential information in a place physically secure from access by unauthorized persons.
6. I will store and process disclosed information maintained in electronic format, such as magnetic tapes or discs, in such a way that unauthorized persons cannot obtain the information by any means.
7. I will undertake precautions to ensure that only authorized personnel are given access to disclosed information stored in computer systems.
8. I will not share with anyone any other information regarding access to the systems unless I am specifically authorized by the SFWIB.
9. I will not access or request access to any social security numbers, personal information, wage, employer, unemployment or employment data unless such access is necessary for the performance of my official duties.



10. I will not disclose any individual data to any parties who are not authorized to receive such data except in the form of reports containing only aggregate statistical information compiled in such a manner that it cannot be used to identify the individual(s) or employers involved.
11. I will retain the confidential data only for that period of time necessary to perform my public duties. Thereafter, I will either arrange for the retention of such information consistent with federal or state record retention requirements or destroy such data, and any copies made, after the purpose for which the information is disclosed is served in such a way to prevent the information from being reconstructed, copied, or used by any means.
12. I certify or affirm I have received training on the confidential nature of the data to which I am being granted access to, the safeguards required for access privileges, and the penalties involved for any violations or have received written standards and instructions in the handling of confidential data from my employer, the Department or SFWIB. I will comply with all confidentiality safeguards contained in such training, written standards, or instructions, including but not limited to, the following: a) protecting the confidentiality of my user identification and password; b) securing computer equipment, disks, and offices in which confidential data may be kept; and c) following procedures for the timely destruction or deletion of confidential data.
13. I understand that if I violate any of the confidentiality provisions set forth in the written standards, training, and/or instructions I have received, my user privileges may be immediately suspended or terminated. I also understand that applicable state and/or federal law may provide that any individual who discloses confidential information in violation of any provision of that section may be subject to criminal prosecution and if found guilty could be fined, be subject to imprisonment and dismissal from employment. I have been instructed that if I should violate the provisions of the law, I may receive one or more of these penalties.

Should I have any questions concerning the handling or disclosure of confidential information, I shall immediately ask my supervisor or SFWIB security officer for guidance and comply with their instructions.

Employee Signature:  Date: February 12, 2024

Print Employee Name: Gordon Eric Knowles

Address: 11415 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33161

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Work Telephone: (305) 751-8648

E-Mail: eknowles@m-dcc.org

**DISCLOSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF  
CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN A CONTRACT**


I, Gordon Eric Knowles, a board member / an employee of the board (circle one) hereby disclose that I, myself / my employer / my business / my organization / OR "Other" (describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one or more) could benefit financially from the contract described below:

Local Workforce Development Board: SFWIB  
Contractor Name & Address: Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc., 11415 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33161  
Contractor Contact Phone Number: (305) 751-8648  
Description or Nature of Contract: Professional Service Agreement  
Description of Financial Benefit\*: \_\_\_\_\_

For purposes of the above contract the following disclosures are made: The contractor's principals\*\*/owners\*\*\*: (check one)

have no relative who is a member of the board or an employee of the board; OR  
 have a relative who is a member of the board or an employee of the board, whose name is: \_\_\_\_\_

The contractor's principals\*\*/owners\*\*\*  is  is not (check one) a member of the board. If applicable, the principal's/owner's name is: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Signature of Board Member/Employee

Gordon Eric Knowles  
Print Name

February 12, 2024  
Date

\* "Benefit financially from a contract" means the special private financial gain to a member, a special private financial gain to any principal which retains the member, the special private financial gain of the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal which retains the member or the special private financial gain to any member's relatives or business associate or to a board employee and such benefit is not remote or speculative.  
\*\* "Principal" means an owner or high-level management employee with decision-making authority.  
\*\*\* "Owner" means a person having any ownership interest in the contractor.

NOTICE: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGARDING BOARD MEMBERS AND BOARD EMPLOYEES MUST BE DISCLOSED PRIOR TO THE BOARD'S DISCUSSION OR VOTING TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT. BOARD MEMBERS WHO BENEFIT FINANCIALLY OR BOARD MEMBERS OR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD WHO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CONTRACTING VENDOR MUST ABSTAIN FROM VOTING DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THE VOTES ARE CAST, AND THE CONTRACT MUST BE APPROVED BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD WHEN A QUORUM HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. COMPLETION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT IN ANY WAY SUPERSEDE OR SUBSTITUTE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES, OR SECTION 101(f), WIOA.

**AFFIRMATION/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce. (Name of Contractor) affirms and acknowledges that the individuals listed below meet the minimum requirements as set forth by SFWIB staffing procedure transmittal available on line ([www.careersourcesfl.com/resources/supportingdocuments/policytransmits](http://www.careersourcesfl.com/resources/supportingdocuments/policytransmits)) for the position in which they are being hired for and that a Level 1 Background screening was conducted for the following employees with the employment decision indicated below:

Name of Employee	Confirm Applicant Meets Job Qualifications	Screening Date	Anticipated or Actual Hire Date	Criminal History (Yes/No)
Gordon Eric Knowles	Yes		05/14/2014	
Beverly James	Yes		07/04/1988	No
Matthew Pigatt	Yes		05/20/2019	
Ginella Ortela	Yes		03/14/2022	

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO  
Name and Title of Authorized Representative

SFWIB Staff

  
Signature of Authorized Representative  
February 12, 2024

Signature of Receiving Representative

Date

Date

Background screenings that provide criminal history information on a current or prospective employee, volunteer or subcontracted personnel must be submitted to the SFWIB Quality Assurance Supervisor.  
The signatory should be fully and duly authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the Contractor named above.



## AFFIDAVIT OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER

State of Florida

County of Miami-Dade

Before me this day personally appeared Gordon Eric Knowles who, being duly sworn, deposes and says:  
(Applicant's/Employee's Name)

As an applicant for employment with, an employee of, a volunteer for, or an applicant to volunteer with Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc., I affirm and attest under penalty of perjury that I meet the moral character requirements for employment, as required by the Florida Statutes and rules, in that:

I have not been arrested with disposition pending or found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to or have been adjudicated delinquent and the record has not been sealed or expunged for, any offense prohibited under any of the following provisions of the Florida Statutes or under any similar statute of another jurisdiction for any of the offenses listed below:

	<u>Relating to:</u>
Section 393.135	sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients and reporting of such sexual misconduct
Section 394.4593	sexual misconduct with certain mental health patients and reporting of such sexual misconduct
Section 415.111	adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation of aged persons or disabled adults or failure to report of such abuse
Section 741.28	criminal offenses that constitute domestic violence, whether committed in Florida or another jurisdiction
Section 777.04	attempts, solicitation, and conspiracy to commit an offense listed in this subsection
Section 782.04	murder
Section 782.07	manslaughter, aggravated manslaughter of an elderly person or disabled adult, or aggravated manslaughter of a child
Section 782.071	vehicular homicide
Section 782.09	killing an unborn child by injury to the mother
Chapter 784	assault, battery, and culpable negligence, if the offense was a felony
Section 784.011	assault, if the victim of offense was a minor
Section 784.03	battery, if the victim of offense was a minor
Section 787.01	kidnapping
Section 787.02	false imprisonment
Section 787.025	luring or enticing a child
Section 787.04(2)	taking, enticing, or removing a child beyond the state limits with criminal intent pending custody proceeding
Section 787.04(3)	carrying a child beyond the state lines with criminal intent to avoid producing a child at a custody hearing or delivering the child to the designated person
Section 790.115(1)	exhibiting firearms or weapons within 1,000 feet of a school
Section 790.115(2)(b)	possessing an electric weapon or device, destructive device, or other weapon on school property
Section 794.011	sexual battery
Former Section 794.041	prohibited acts of persons in familial or custodial authority
Section 794.05	unlawful sexual activity with certain minors
Chapter 796	prostitution
Section 798.02	lewd and lascivious behavior
Chapter 800	lewdness and indecent exposure
Section 806.01	arson
Section 810.02	burglary
Section 810.14	voyeurism, if the offense is a felony
Section 810.145	video voyeurism, if the offense is a felony
Chapter 812	theft and/or robbery and related crimes, if a felony offense
Section 817.563	fraudulent sale of controlled substances, if the offense was a felony
Section 825.102	abuse, aggravated abuse, or neglect of an elderly person or disabled adult
Section 825.1025	lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the presence of an elderly person or disabled adult
Section 825.103	exploitation of disabled adults or elderly persons, if the offense was a felony
Section 826.04	incest
Section 827.03	child abuse, aggravated child abuse, or neglect of a child
Section 827.04	contributing to the delinquency or dependency of a child
Former Section 827.05	negligent treatment of children
Section 827.071	sexual performance by a child

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Section 843.01	resisting arrest with violence
Section 843.025	depriving a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer means of protection or communication
Section 843.12	aiding in an escape
Section 843.13	aiding in the escape of juvenile inmates in correctional institution
Chapter 847	obscene literature
Section 874.05(1)	encouraging or recruiting another to join a criminal gang
Chapter 893	drug abuse prevention and control, only if the offense was a felony or if any other person involved in the offense was a minor
Section 916.1075	sexual misconduct with certain forensic clients and reporting of such sexual conduct
Section 944.35(3)	inflicting cruel or inhuman treatment on an inmate resulting in great bodily harm
Section 944.40	escape
Section 944.46	harboring, concealing, or aiding an escaped prisoner
Section 944.47	introduction of contraband into a correctional facility
Section 985.701	sexual misconduct in juvenile justice programs
Section 985.711	contraband introduced into detention facilities

**THE FOLLOWING APPLIES ONLY TO THOSE APPLICANTS FOR MENTAL HEALTH POSITIONS**

In addition to the Chapter 435, F.S., listed offenses, the following offenses are also applicable for "Mental Health Personnel" screened pursuant to section 394.4572, F.S., defined as "program directors, professional clinicians, staff members, or volunteers working in a public or private mental health program or facility who have direct contact with individuals held for examination or admitted for mental health treatment." **The additional offenses apply only to "Mental Health Personnel" as determined pursuant to Section 408.809, F.S. as listed below**

	<u>Relating to:</u>
Chapter 408	felony offenses contained in Chapter 408
Section 408.8065(3)	offers service or skilled service without valid license when licensure is required, or knowingly files a false or misleading license or license renewal application, or submits false or misleading information related to application
Section 409.920	Medicaid provider fraud
Section 409.9201	Medicaid fraud
Section 777.04	attempts, solicitation, and conspiracy to commit an offense listed in this subsection
Section 817.034	fraudulent acts through mail, wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic, or photooptical systems
Section 817.234	false and fraudulent insurance claims
Section 817.481	obtaining goods by using a false or expired credit card or other credit device, if the offense was a felony
Section 817.50	fraudulently obtaining goods or services from a health care provider
Section 817.505	patient brokering
Section 817.568	criminal use of personal identification information
Section 817.60	obtaining a credit card through fraudulent means
Section 817.61	fraudulent use of credit cards, if the offense was a felony
Section 831.01	forgery
Section 831.02	uttering forged instruments
Section 831.07	forging bank bills, checks, drafts or promissory notes
Section 831.09	uttering forged bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes
Section 831.30	fraud in obtaining medicinal drugs
Section 831.31	the sale, manufacture, delivery, or possession with the intent to sell, manufacture, deliver any counterfeit controlled substance, if the offense was a felony
Section 895.03	racketeering and collection of unlawful debts
Section 896.101	the Florida Money Laundering Act

I also affirm that I have not been designated as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21, F.S.; a career offender pursuant to s. 775.261, F.S.; or a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, F.S., unless the requirement to register as a sexual offender has been removed pursuant to s. 943.04354, F.S.

I understand that I must acknowledge the existence of any applicable criminal record relating to the above lists of offenses including those under any similar statute of another jurisdiction, regardless of whether or not those records have been sealed or expunged. Further, I understand that, while employed or volunteering at Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc. in any position that requires background screening as a condition of employment, I must immediately notify my supervisor/employer of any arrest and any changes in my criminal record involving any of the above listed provisions of Florida Statutes or similar


statutes of another jurisdiction whether a misdemeanor or felony. This notice must be made within one business day of such arrest or charge. Failure to do so could be grounds for termination.

I attest that I have read the above carefully and state that my attestation here is true and correct that **my record does not contain any of the above listed offenses**. I understand, under penalty of perjury, all employees in such positions of trust or responsibility shall attest to meeting the requirements for qualifying for employment and agreeing to inform the employer immediately if arrested for any of the disqualifying offenses. I also understand that it is my responsibility to obtain clarification on anything contained in this affidavit which I do not understand prior to signing. I am aware that any omissions, falsifications, misstatements or misrepresentations may disqualify me from employment consideration and, if I am hired, may be grounds for termination or denial of an exemption at a later date.

SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT: \_\_\_\_\_

### Sign Above OR Below, DO NOT Sign Both Lines

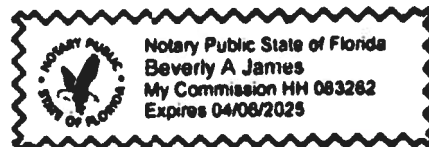
To the best of my knowledge and belief, **my record contains one or more of the applicable disqualifying acts or offenses listed above. I have placed a check mark by the offense(s) contained in my record.** (If you have previously been granted an exemption for this disqualifying offense, please attach a copy of the letter granting such exemption.) (Please circle the number which corresponds to the offense(s) contained in your record.)

SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT:  \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of February, 2024.

  
SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

Beverly A James  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)



(Check one)

Affiant personally known to notary

OR

Affiant produced identification

Type of identification produced: \_\_\_\_\_



**STATEMENT OF WORK**  
**THE MIAMI-DADE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.**  
**DECEMBER 1, 2023 – JUNE 30, 2024**

## I. INTRODUCTION

**The Miami Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”)** Contractor does hereby agree to provide the services described herein in compliance with the conditions herein stated for the effective period of December 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The purpose of this statement of work is to promote economic recovery and vitality by developing an ongoing, comprehensive approach to identifying, planning for, responding to layoffs and dislocations, and preventing or minimizing their impacts on workers, businesses, and communities. One (1) aspect of a successful rapid response system includes the delivery of solutions to address the needs of businesses in transition provided across the business life cycle (expansion and contraction), including comprehensive business engagement and layoff aversion strategies and activities designed to prevent or minimize the duration of unemployment.

### 1. The Contractor shall:

1. Serve as a Business Intermediary by providing assistance to local businesses with the focus on Reemployment Assistance and Short-time Compensation Programs;
2. Identify new job openings and refer said openings to CareerSource South Florida (CSSF) Job Banks at [job.bank@careersourcesfl.com](mailto:job.bank@careersourcesfl.com);
3. Use industry specific committee structures to capitalize on valuable business partnerships and networking opportunities to increase the awareness of available services for businesses offered by intermediaries and CareerSource South Florida which facilitate the connection of workforce talent to local businesses;
4. Provide assistance to local businesses in managing any reductions in workforce; i.e. providing unemployment compensation information to employees and coordinating Reemployment and Assistance Act Training sessions with CareerSource South Florida;
5. Promptly identify businesses at risk of layoff, while identifying and gathering information providing early warnings of potential layoffs and opportunities for layoff aversion using the EconoVue system. Among other things, this may include strategic planning, data gathering and analysis designed to anticipate, prepare for, and manage economic change;
6. Provide assistance to employers with managing reductions in work force, which, among other things, may include early identification of firms at risk of layoffs, assessment of the needs of and options for said at-risk firms, and the delivery of services to address their needs;
7. Promote the Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) program as a source for upskilling current workers as part of a layoff aversion strategy followed by referring those businesses to the designated CareerSource South Florida career centers;
8. Connect businesses and workers with short-term, On-The-Job Training (OJT) and/or customized training programs and registered apprenticeships before or after layoffs to help facilitate rapid reemployment;
9. Engage in proactive measures to identify opportunities for potential economic transition and training needs in growing industry sectors or expanding businesses;

## Exhibit A

10. Continue engaging, partnering and building relationships with business in the community in order to create an environment for successful layoff aversion efforts while enabling the provision of assistance to dislocated workers in obtaining reemployment as soon as possible;
  11. Continue establishing linkages with economic development activities at the Federal, State, and local levels, including Federal Department of Commerce programs and available State and local business retention and expansion activities;
  12. Conduct assessments to identify workforce risks to businesses and propose strategies to address said risks, implement services, and measure positive impacts of services delivered;
  13. Continue engaging in proactive measures to identify opportunities for potential economic transition and training needs in growing industry sectors and expanding businesses;
2. CareerSource South Florida shall:
1. Prioritize Rapid Response Activities to minimize time of unemployment for dislocated workers;
  2. Provide training to staff to serve reemployment and short-time compensation clients;
  3. Provide additional assistance to businesses referred by Business Intermediaries;
  4. Provide OJT/Paid Work Experience (PWE) and IWT opportunities to referred businesses as a part of their Layoff Aversion Strategy;

## II. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall meet the following annual performance requirements:

- 1) Provide a list of all community organization partnerships developed to support rapid response activities, including the name of the organization, organization contact, and supports provided during rapid response/layoff aversion activity;
- 2) Using your committee structure to hold at least one (1) quarterly event to assemble businesses to focus on labor concerns, talent skill gaps, and retention of workers;
- 3) Host at least one (1) quarterly career or job fair for assisting businesses in fulfilling their labor needs;
- 4) Engage at minimum 1,000 employers in outreach, including providing information about business resources available to employers and CareerSource South Florida training and financial incentives;
- 5) Provide at least 650 Level 1 Services (i.e., customized training, services support to veterans, on-site workshops, and job fairs);
- 6) Submit a **monthly activities report** (Attached hereto and incorporated herein) to identify the following:
  - a) Summary of monthly activities including:
    - i) The number of businesses served by including business name and contact information;
    - ii) The number of Employer (Level 1) services provided (including customized training, veteran services, on-site workshops, and job fairs);
    - iii) The number of businesses in attendance at held event(s) to include business name and contact information;
    - iv) The number of community organizations engaged to offer support during layoff aversion and rapid response activities;
- 7) As the needs of the program changes, CareerSource South Florida may request further information and the Contractor must comply with said requests in a timely manner as prescribed by the CareerSource South Florida.



<b>Report Description</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Number of Copies</b>	<b>Submit to:</b>
<b>Monthly Activities</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> of the Month	<b>1 (Electronic)</b>	Adult Programs

**III. MONITORING & COMPLIANCE:**

CareerSource South Florida will conduct compliance checks quarterly to ensure timely and accurate reporting while also assessing the effectiveness of the Contractor’s services as outlined below. Continuous communication between CareerSource South Florida and the Contractor will address any issues and ensure compliance with specified performance requirements.

**1. CareerSource South Florida shall monitor Contractor’s performance as follows:**

- a. All monthly activities reports will be monitored quarterly to assess that the number of businesses engaged are on track to be met by end of program year
- b. Level 1 Services reports will be generated quarterly from the Employ Miami Dade system and monitored for:
  - i. All Level 1 services to ensure they were offered as listed in the monthly report and entered into the Employ Miami Dade System
  - ii. Level 1 Service codes were entered accurately and timely into Employ Miami Dade by CareerSource South Florida career center staff
  - iii. Employment Outcomes reflect successful placement of dislocated workers affected by served business layoffs
- c. Review of CareerSource South Florida Balanced Scorecard for Employers Served, Employer Serviced with Level 1 Services, and Average Days to Employment and the Contractor’s impact of services and referrals.

**PY'23-24 PAYMENT PROVISIONS  
THE MIAMI DADE CHAMBER OD COMMERCE, INC.  
BUSINESS INTERMEDIARY SERVICES**

The SFWIB shall pay the Contractor upon completion of Business Intermediary Services as set forth in **Exhibit A-Statement of Work**.

**I. COMPENSATION**

The SFWIB shall pay the Contractor a monthly service fee as outlined below. Payments are not to exceed **\$125,000.00** for the fiscal year.

Month	Amount
<b>December</b>	\$17,857.16
<b>January</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>February</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>March</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>April</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>May</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>June</b>	\$17,857.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$125,000.00

These payments represent an all-inclusive fee. No other payments by the SFWIB to the Contractor for any materials of any kind whatsoever, including, but not limited to, charges or expenses for travel, copying, courier, postage, or personal expenses, shall be made and the Contractor shall be solely responsible for any such goods or expenses, incurred by the Contractor.

**II. INVOICES**

- A. The Contractor shall submit monthly timely invoices to the SFWIB for services provided under this Agreement using only one of the following options:
  - 1. The Contractor shall submit all invoices to the SFWIB (Finance Department) via electronic mail to [cssf\\_ap@careersourcesfl.com](mailto:cssf_ap@careersourcesfl.com).

-or-

  - 2. The Contractor shall mail to the SFWIB the completed invoice to the address set forth in **Article 18 (Notices)** of the Agreement and labeled: Attention: Finance Department.
- B. The SFWIB must receive the original monthly signed invoice(s) and corresponding monthly report not later than thirty (30) calendar days following the last day that services were provided.
- C. Upon receipt of the invoice(s), after confirming the conditions set forth in **Exhibit A, Statement of Work** are met, the SFWIB shall make payment(s) to **The Miami Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc.**
- D. If Contractor's quality of work is unsatisfactory for a particular service or period of time, a holdback of payment for said service or period shall occur until performance is deemed satisfactory by the SFWIB.

- E. The parties agree that the processing of an original signed invoice submitted by the Contractor shall be completed within thirty (30) calendar days or less after receipt of the invoice by the SFWIB.
- F. If any portion of the invoice is disputed, the SFWIB shall pay the undisputed portion.
- G. The SFWIB, as a governmental entity, shall not be responsible for federal, state, and local taxes levied or assessed in connection with the performance of service by the Contractor under this Agreement.

### **III. ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

Any additional services must have the prior written approval of the SFWIB and shall require a modification to this Agreement as specified in **Article 29 (Amendments)** of the Agreement.





### BUSINESS INTERMEDIARY MONTHLY EVENT SUMMARY

	Event Name	Date	Location	Summary of what was done	Total Number of Companies reached
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
Total					0

## BUSINESS INTERMEDIARY MONTHLY REPORT SUMMARY

	Deliverables	Summary of what was done	total number of Staff Hours	Total Number of Companies reached
<b>A</b>	Provide staff member(s) to serve as a Business Intermediary to provide assistance to local businesses			
<b>B</b>	Identify new employers and refer them to CSSF			
<b>C</b>	Provide assistance to local businesses in managing any reductions in workforce			
<b>D</b>	Early identification of businesses at risk of layoff, identifying and gathering information for early warning of potential layoffs or opportunities for layoff aversion			
<b>E</b>	Engage in proactive measures to identify opportunities for potential economic transition and training needs in growing industry sectors or expanding businesses.			
<b>F</b>	Connecting businesses and workers to short-term, on-the-job, or customized training programs and registered apprenticeships before or after layoff to help facilitate rapid reemployment			
<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Staff Member	Position	Total Hours This Month	Total Hours Contract Period
1			
2			
3			
4			

ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

Gordon Eric Knowles, on behalf of Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc., certifies and assures that all certifications and assurances on file with the Contract are current. This certification is incorporated and made a part of the Contract # 82381.

By: [Signature] Signature of Affiant February 12, 2024 Date

Gordon Eric Knowles, President and CEO Printed Name of Affiant and Title

Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, Inc. Printed Name of Firm

11415 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33161 Address of Firm

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO (or affirmed) before me this 12th day of February, 2024

He/She is personally known to me or has presented [blank] as identification. Type of identification

[Signature] Signature of Notary

HH083262 Serial Number

Beverly A James Print or Stamp Name of Notary

04/06/2025 Expiration Date

Notary Public - State of Florida

