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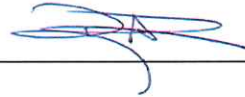
SOUTHWEST LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, INC.

**PUBLIC POLICY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN THE SEARCH FOR EMPLOYMENT
SEARCH OUTSIDE THE ALDLS GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND ELOCATION
ASSISTANCE AREA AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE**

- Section 1.** The Southwest Local Labor Development Board, Inc. establishes Public Policy based on Public Law 113-128, which creates the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, (WIOA), to establish job search assistance outside the ALDLS geographic area and relocation assistance.
- Section 2.** Legal References
- Sections 134(c)(2)(A)(xii)(X) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA);
- Section 678.430(b)(10) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Regulations;
- "Training and Employment Guidance Letter" (TEGL) WIOA 19-16 dated March 1, 2017, issued by the Employment and Training Program attached to the Federal Department of Labor.
- Section 3.** The Southwest Consortium Workforce Development's Out-of-Area Relocation Activity is part of the Individualized Career Services provided by the Local Area for adults and dislocated persons under Title I of WIOA. It will be available to those individuals who are determined to be suitable for employment under the provisions of the Individual Employment Plan.
- Section 4.** ALDLS, which is the Administering Entity for the Adult and Dislocated Programs, shall ensure that the participant meets the eligibility requirements to receive the individualized career services available under Title I in the Adult and Dislocated Program.
- If it is determined in the Individual Employment Plan that the participant should be referred to the Out-of-Area Relocation Activity, ALDLS will establish the following general service strategy:
- Provide the customer with the assistance services in the search for employment within the labor market area.
 - If the participant has not obtained a non-subsidized job according to the goals set out in the Individual Employment Plan, he/she will move on to the stage of job search outside the labor market and relocation assistance.
- Section 5.** Service priorities for the Out-of-Area Relocation Activity will be directed especially to:
- Adults and Displaced, who have managed to obtain a job offer that has been verified.
 - Participants who obtained credentials and are properly trained for the job offer that has been detected by them.
- Section 6.** When the relocation is outside of Puerto Rico, the participant may be paid the cost of air transportation to the destination selected for relocation. The participant will present written evidence that he/she has insured employment in the United States with a Bonafide Employer and will proceed to confirm the same with the personnel related to these purposes. The participant's file will include the steps related to the confirmation of employment.

- Section 7.** The ALDLS Purchasing Department will be responsible for continuing the process.
- Section 8.** If any additional costs are to be included in addition to those established in this Public Policy, either outside the jurisdiction of Puerto Rico or outside the labor market area in Puerto Rico, the participant's file will be referred to the Program Area Director for appropriate action.
- Section 9.** When the relocation is outside the Puerto Rico labor market area, moving expenses may be paid. The Department of Finance shall corroborate the feasibility thereof and shall be responsible for issuing a determination. It shall be the responsibility of the Director of the Programmatic Area to execute the same.
- Section 10.** This Public Policy will become effective immediately upon approval by the Local Board.

In San Germán, Puerto Rico, today, February 13, 2018.



Roque Abad Ramírez Palermo, WDB Local Board Chairman