State of South Carolina

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

**Local Workforce Development Area Subsequent Designation Petition**

This Petition must be used by any entity requesting subsequent designation as a Local Workforce Development Area pursuant to Public Law 113-128, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

**Section I. Petitioning Jurisdiction(s)**

1. Designation as a Workforce Development Area is requested for the following county(ies).

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| Abbeville |
| Edgefield |
| Greenwood |
| Laurens |
| McCormick |
| Newberry |
| Saluda |

1. Specify the name of the proposed Workforce Development Area.

Upper Savannah

1. List the names of the chief elected officials (CEOs) representing the units of general local government on whose behalf this petition is being submitted.

County Name

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| Abbeville |  | Billy Norris |
| Edgefield | Scott Cooper |
| Greenwood | Steve Brown |

Laurens Brown Patterson

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| McCormick |  | Charles Jennings |
| Newberry | Henry H Livingston III |
| Saluda | Raymond G. (Jerry) Strawbridge |

1. List the name, title, mailing address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address of the primary contact person regarding this petition.

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**Section II. Consortium Agreement**

If the local area includes more than one unit of general local government, the chief elected officials must negotiate a consortium agreement in order to establish a workforce development area to deliver WIOA funded services. Such agreement must be included as an attachment to this subsequent designation petition.

**Section III. Existing Workforce Area**

1. In the tables below, provide the final WIOA performance data for each of the last two (2) consecutive years.

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| **Program Year 2018 (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019)** | | | |
| **Performance Measure** | **Goal** | **Actual** | **Percent**  **of Goal** |
| Youth Education and Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.6 | 86.3 | 112.7% |
| Youth Education and Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 69.0 | 79.3 | 114.9% |
| Youth Median Earnings | BASELINE | 3,593 |  |
| Youth Credential Attainment Rate | 68.1 | 75.0 | 110.1% |
| Youth Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 31.0 |  |
| Adult Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.8 | 81.5 | 106.1% |
| Adult Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 73.0 | 82.1 | 112.5% |
| Adult Median Earnings | $4,663 | $5,148 | 110.4% |
| Adult Credential Attainment Rate | 51.9 | 76.6 | 147.6% |
| Adult Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 56.7 |  |
| Dislocated Worker Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 80.1 | 83.0 | 103.6% |
| Dislocated Worker Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.0 | 87.1 | 114.6% |
| Dislocated Worker Median Earnings | $6,200 | $7,747 | 125.0% |
| Dislocated Worker Credential Attainment Rate | 49 | 70 | 144% |
| Dislocated Worker Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 68.8 |  |

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| **Program Year 2019 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020)** | | | |
| **Performance Measure** | **Goal** | **Actual** | **Percent**  **of Goal** |
| Youth Education and Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.6 | 76.6 | 96.1% |
| Youth Education and Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 69.0 | 81.3 | 117.8% |
| Youth Median Earnings | BASELINE | $2,593 |  |
| Youth Credential Attainment Rate | 68.1 | 92.3 | 135.5% |
| Youth Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 39.6 |  |
| Adult Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.8 | 76.6 | 99.7% |
| Adult Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 73.0 | 81.6 | 111.8% |
| Adult Median Earnings | $4663 | $5,476 | 117.4% |
| Adult Credential Attainment Rate | 51.9 | 62.2 |  |
| Adult Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 51.6 |  |
| Dislocated Worker Employment Rate – Second Quarter After Exit Quarter | 80.1 | 69.4 | 86.6% |
| Dislocated Worker Employment Rate – Fourth Quarter After Exit Quarter | 76.0 | 78.6 | 103.4% |
| Dislocated Worker Median Earnings | $6,200 | $7,142 | 115.2% |
| Dislocated Worker Credential Attainment Rate | 48.6 | 5402 | 111.5% |
| Dislocated Worker Measurable Skill Gains | BASELINE | 53.1 |  |

For each measure, the US Department of Labor defines performance as follows:

* Meet = actual performance is above 50% of goal for each individual performance indicator
* Did not meet = actual performance is less than 50% of goal

If any measure was not met in either program year, address the reasons, corrective action measures taken, and current status.

1. Address fiscal integrity regarding funds provided under WIOA.

Has the Secretary made a formal determination, during either of the last 2 consecutive years, that WIOA funds provided to the area were misexpended due to willful disregard of the requirements of the provision involved, gross negligence, or failure to comply with accepted standards of administration? **No**.

**Section IV. Local Board Information**

Using Attachment A, provide a list of local board members, to include composition categories and contact information.

**Section V. Grant Recipient/Fiscal Agent**

Using Attachment B, designate the grant recipient/fiscal agent for the area. Signature of the lead official is required. Signatures of each chief elected official are also required. The use of electronic signatures is permissible.

**Section VI. Public Comment**

Attach documentation that public input was solicited and provide all comments received.

**Section VII. Assurances and Signatures**

1. Assurances

The chief elected officials (CEOs) making this designation request assure the following:

* That they have been duly authorized to participate by and on behalf of the governing bodies of the counties specified and documentation of this authorization can be provided;
* Compliance with the requirements of the Act, all federal regulations implementing the Act, any revisions or amendments thereto, state issued instructions, and any and all applicable federal, state or local rules and regulations; and,
* Acceptance of the liability for any misuse of grant funds.

1. Signatures

(The use of electronic signatures is permissible.)

I/We, the undersigned chief elected official(s) of the petitioning county(ies), do hereby submit this formal designation petition under the conditions delineated herein and with the assurances specified herein.

County Signature Date

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