

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Joe Kerby, County Manager

RE: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Qualified Apprenticeship Intermediary Grant Application – Housing, Economic and Employment Services (HEES) Division – Human Services Department

Date: 4/8/2025

Staff Recommendation:

That the Board of County Commissioners (a) authorizes the Business & Workforce Center to apply for and, if awarded, accept a Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Qualified Apprenticeship Intermediary Grant in an amount of up to \$200,000 over two years; (b) authorizes the Executive Director of Human Services to sign a grant agreement with the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment for these funds, following approval as to form by the County Attorney’s Office; and (c) directs that any grant funds awarded be included in a supplemental appropriation to Human Services’ budget.

Resolution No: CC25-090

Background:

Jefferson County Business & Workforce Center received the Qualified Apprenticeship Intermediary Designation in 2024 by the Office of State Apprenticeship. The designation is for both the Business Intermediary and Talent Intermediary roles. This is in acknowledgement of the important role the public workforce system plays in both developing apprenticeship programs in multiple industries, as well as connecting talent to these opportunities to further support residents gaining access to and successfully entering these important career pathways.

Fiscal Impact: **yes** **no**

- Year(s) of impact: 2025-2026
- Existing grant or project: No
- New grant or project: Yes
- Requested in adopted budget: No
- Ongoing or one-time: One-time
- General Fund impact: No
- Staffing impact: No
- Match requirements: N/A
- Mandate/Contractual obligation: No

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