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Resolution 25-03

Recognizing Youth Employment Program Award

Whereas, the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance has awarded \$549,922 under the Youth Employment Program to be known as YEP to the Jefferson County Department of Social Services and then redirected the funding to the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Development Board and to be known as The Department of Employment & Training, and

Whereas, the YEP provides programmatic and financial instructions to youth ages 14 to 20 who are considered at-risk and unemployed facing poverty, dependence on public assistance programs and criminal justice involvement along with disabilities with the goal of avoidance in violent crimes, and

Whereas, the support of these programs are intended to support employment programs for youth at risk of gun violence as part of a statewide gun violence reduction intervention model, and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Development Board (WDB) supports the implementation of the YEP for 2025-2026.

WDB Approved: 9/18/2025

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