Contracts and Agreements

FY2027 Local Match Agreements

Each year, Boards are required to secure local match funds from community partners in order to access federal funding for child care direct care services. For Fiscal Year 2027, the total local match requirement is **$4,047,103**. To date, staff has secured **$2,740,000** in commitments from the local match partners listed below. Efforts are ongoing to secure the remaining **$1,307,103**, which must be obtained by **January 31, 2027** in order to meet the match requirement. New partnership agreements and/or amendments to existing agreements will be brought for ratification in October. The table below reflects the local match funds secured to date from the listed partners:

Local Match Partners	Local Amount	Federal Amount
City of Dallas	$600,000	$1,200,000
Dallas ISD	$990,000	$1,980,000
Irving ISD	$150,000	$300,000
Richardson ISD	$1,000,000	$2,000,000
Total Local Match Secured	**$2,740,000**	**$5,480,000**
WFSDallas FY2027 Child Care Local Match Target	*$4,047,103*	*$8,094,206*
Remaining Local Match	*($1,307,103)*	*($2,614,206)*

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization to accept the contribution for the Local Match agreements as specified above as part of the CCG FY2027 contract to provide direct care to eligible children.

FY2027 - Annual Initial Contract Budgets

FY2027 annual initial contract budgets are based on existing and proposed services, historical expenditure levels, available grant funds, and negotiated terms. The Board is the recipient of multiple grants, with funds allocated and disbursed upon receipt.

The table below outlines the Board’s subrecipients, contractors, and providers responsible for managing, operating, and delivering services for the WFSDallas workforce system. All services have been previously procured and remain within their authorized procurement cycles. The table reflects the proposed initial contract budgets for Fiscal Year 2027 (October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027):

Subrecipient/Contractor/Service Provider	FY2027 Initial Contract Budget	Difference from FY2026
ChildCareGroup ***Child Care Services Contract***	**$121,054,454**	5.7% ↓ initial allocation slightly less
Christine H. Nguyen, CPA ***Fiscal and Program Compliance Monitoring***	**$436,255**	7.71% ↑ Increased regulatory and in-person monitoring

Qnet ***Technology Management Services***	**$410,000**	29.3% ↓ fewer special projects and center openings

**Contract is contingent upon receipt of all grant funds from Texas Workforce Commission, carry forward funding, and private funding.*

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization to contract with each subrecipient, contractor, and/or service provider listed above for the services and amounts as presented. All contracts are contingent upon receipt of grant funds from Texas Workforce Commission, carry forward funding and/or private funding.

C2 Global Professional Services Contract Extension

C2 Global Professional Services (C2 GPS) currently provides workforce system operations services under a contract with WFSDallas that expires September 30, 2026. Staff recommend extending the existing contract for an additional three-month period, from October 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, under the terms and conditions established through a formal contract amendment.

During the proposed extension period, C2 GPS would remain responsible for fulfilling the full scope of services required under the existing contract, including the following:

- Contracted Service Delivery: Maintain adequate, qualified staffing and continue providing the full scope of contracted workforce system operations services.
- CAP Compliance: Continue implementation of and compliance with applicable requirements of the current Corrective Action Plan.
- Fiscal Accountability: Ensure staffing and expenditures align with available funding and the approved budget, with costs appropriately allocated, allowable, reasonable, and adequately documented.
- Executive Coordination: Designate an executive-level point of contact for regular performance, operational, and compliance coordination with WFSDallas.

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization for staff to negotiate, finalize and execute a three-month contract extension amendment, including an associated budget of $5,843,144, with C2 Global Professional Services (C2 GPS), effective October 1, 2026.

Partners in Reentry Opportunities in Workforce Development (PROWD) – Stage 3 Support Services

In August, we received the funding for the Stage 3 PROWD Grant, a four-year initiative. This stage specifically targets eligible participants who have been served in Stages 1 or 2 and are no longer in custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. These participants have immediate needs for support services—such as work-related tools, equipment, and reliable transportation assistance. To administer these vital supportive services, staff propose awarding approximately $45,000 in grant funding to C2 Global.

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization to award approximately $45,000 in PROWD Stage 3 grant funding to C2 Global to provide immediate support services (including work tools and transportation assistance) for eligible program participants to secure and maintain stable employment.

Adult Education & Literacy Initiatives

The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has presented a time-sensitive opportunity for the AEL Consortium to absorb reallocated carryforward funding. This investment will allow the Consortium to strategically expand services into **Collin and Rockwall counties**, increase its overall service target by **800 participants**, and implement high-impact special projects aligned with TWC's AEL strategic plan. Because all funds must be fully utilized by **June 30, 2027**, immediate execution upon TWC award receipt is critical.

Funding Initiative 1: Geographic Expansion & Participant Target Increase

This allocation supports the absorption of targets from another state grantee to serve new participants in Collin and Rockwall counties.

Consortium Partner	Participant Target Increase	Proposed Allocation
Dallas College	470 Participants	$652,946
Irving ISD	175 Participants	$264,781
Wilkinson Center	155 Participants	$225,077
Expansion Totals	**800 Participants**	**$1,142,805**

Funding Initiative 2: AEL Strategic Special Projects

This internal carryforward allocation will support strategic initiatives. The special projects will focus on three key priorities: integrating artificial intelligence (AI) into classroom instruction to enhance teaching and learning; accelerating High School Equivalency (TxCHSE) attainment to help participants reach educational milestones more quickly; and expanding career navigation services to increase connections to post-secondary education and career opportunities.

Consortium Partner	Proposed Allocation
Dallas College	$525,000.00
Wilkinson Center	$345,000.00
Irving ISD	$200,000.00
Special Project Totals	**$1,070,000.00**

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization to approve the proposed AEL Consortium partner allocations as presented and to proceed with contract amendments immediately upon formal receipt of the TWC award to ensure full utilization by the June 30, 2027 deadline.

Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Special Projects

In June, the Board authorized staff to begin contract negotiations with Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Dallas, Big Thought, SkillsGrowth dba ChooseU, and Uncharted Territory contingent upon successful negotiations, positive fiscal integrity reviews, and availability of funds.

The Special Projects – Opportunity Youth Services procurement was designed to supplement existing Opportunity Youth services by providing innovative and flexible opportunities to reengage youth who are not enrolled in school and not participating in the labor force. Services were specifically solicited for youth residing in Dallas County ZIP codes with severe poverty rates exceeding 25%.

Staff have continued working to develop a coordinated approach for incorporating these additional services into the existing Youth Services system in partnership with Equus Workforce Solutions~~,~~ one of our current youth services contractors. The goal is to expand service capacity and provide additional pathways for Opportunity Youth while leveraging the existing service delivery infrastructure. Proposed partners:

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Dallas $90,000
- Big Thought $125,000
- SkillsGrowth dba ChooseU $103,000
- Uncharted Territory $80,000

RECOMMENDATION: Board authorization to allow staff to continue efforts to finalize contracts with the four selected organizations, subject to successful negotiations, to incorporate these services into the existing Youth Services system in coordination with Equus Workforce Solutions as presented above, effective October 1, 2026.