

1 **RESEA Fiscal Year 2023 Subsequent Pilot Staffing and Resource**
2 **Discussion Paper**

3 **Background**

4 The Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) program is a federally funded,
5 state-managed effort to provide proven service to help unemployment insurance (UI) recipients
6 become reemployed as quickly as possible, strengthen UI program integrity by reducing
7 improper payments, and promote alignment between UI and the workforce development system.
8 UI claimants selected for RESEA are required to attend an initial meeting with Workforce
9 Solutions Office staff to review the claimant’s eligibility and provide reemployment information
10 and services. Recent updates to federal statute require states to provide evidence to demonstrate
11 their program’s effectiveness. Additionally, the US Department of Labor provided states with a
12 list of expanded activities to consider, such as hiring dedicated RESEA staff, providing intensive
13 case management/services, and providing subsequent RESEA meetings (which has proven to
14 increase employment outcomes).

15 The primary goal of RESEA is to provide profiled claimants with proven reemployment services
16 and support in order to reduce UI duration by expediting employment outcomes. To achieve the
17 goal, TWC invited Boards to participate in an RESEA Subsequent Meetings Pilot. The pilot will
18 require UI claimants to attend two subsequent meetings with Workforce Solutions Office staff
19 and one virtual compliance touchpoint meeting with Texas Workforce Commission RESEA
20 staff. A total of 12 Boards volunteered to participate in the pilot and have worked with staff to
21 develop implementation requirements and guidance.

22 **Issue**

23 TWC staff, in conjunction with each Board participating in the pilot, developed a staffing model
24 and budget necessary to operate the RESEA Subsequent Meetings Pilot for Board Contract Year
25 2024 (BCY’24). The distribution table below includes \$30,000 of a baseline distribution to each
26 Board to use for resources. Resources needed to implement the pilot may include additional
27 equipment, meeting spaces, travel, and software. Smaller Boards with large geographic or rural
28 areas and Boards providing services via mobile units were allocated an additional \$25,000 for
29 travel costs associated with providing off-site services. Funds allocated for staffing were based
30 on the Board’s request and staffing model, the Board’s historical funding levels, profile pool
31 estimates, and their current BCY’23 performance and expenditures. The Subsequent Meetings
32 Pilot was one of the projects in the BCY’23 RESEA State Plan to be funded by the \$7,466,225 in
33 RESEA carryover funds. The total amount needed to implement the RESEA Subsequent Pilot is
34 \$2,065,000.

RESEA Subsequent Meetings Pilot Distribution and Performance Table										
LWDA#	LWDA Name	Resource Equal Base Distribution	Mobile Service/Rural Distribution	Staffing Distribution	BCY2024 Subsequent Pilot Funding	BCY 2024 Initial RESEA Funding	BCY2024 Initial and Subsequent Funding	Number of Initial Meeting	Number of Subsequent Meeting 1	Number of Subsequent Meeting 2
3	North Texas	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$90,000	\$145,000	\$191,555	\$336,555	344	241	169
4	North Central	\$30,000		\$240,000	\$270,000	\$1,267,147	\$1,537,147	5,786	4,050	2,835
8	East Texas	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$150,000	\$205,000	\$404,074	\$609,074	1,511	1,058	740
9	West Central Texas	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$90,000	\$145,000	\$209,439	\$354,439	403	282	197
10	Borderplex	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$240,000	\$295,000	\$423,077	\$718,077	2,051	1,435	1,005
11	Permian Basin	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$90,000	\$145,000	\$269,520	\$414,520	393	275	193
17	Deep East Texas	\$30,000		\$60,000	\$90,000	\$288,104	\$378,104	732	512	358
19	Golden Crescent	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$90,000	\$145,000	\$196,026	\$341,026	251	176	123
21	South Texas	\$30,000		\$90,000	\$120,000	\$201,475	\$321,475	418	293	205
22	Coastal Bend	\$30,000		\$120,000	\$150,000	\$427,268	\$577,268	1,262	883	618
25	Texoma	\$30,000		\$90,000	\$120,000	\$194,489	\$314,489	356	249	174
26	Central Texas	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$180,000	\$235,000	\$283,772	\$518,772	1,031	722	505
LWDA Totals		\$360,000	\$175,000	\$1,530,000	\$2,065,000	\$4,355,946	\$6,420,946	14,538	10,176	7,122

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37 **Decision Point**

38 Staff seeks direction on the use of RESEA carryover funds distributed to the 12 Boards
 39 participating in the RESEA Subsequent Meetings Pilot.