1	Family Math Literacy Initiative
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## 4 Background

- 5 The Family Math Literacy Initiative will assist AEL-eligible participants and their families with
- 6 learning basic math operations and enhancing digital skill building. The General Appropriations
- 7 Act (Senate Bill 1, Article VII-44, Rider 46, 87th Legislature, Regular Session (2021) (Rider
- 8 46)) requires TWC to ensure that digital skill building is an explicitly permitted use of existing
- 9 workforce development grant programs and that federal funds are used to provide digital skill
- 10 building, device access, and digital support for workers in workforce development programs.
- 11 Texas Labor Code states in section 315.007(d) "...the members of the commission [must]
- 12 approve the award of any funds under this chapter."
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## 14 Issue

- 15 The anticipated grant start date is October 2022, and one winner has been recommended for a
- total award of \$476,547. This is slightly less than the amount allocated to this initiative, as
  proposed on July 7<sup>th</sup> 2021.
- 18 The following award awaits the approval of the Texas Workforce Commission's three-member
- 19 Commission (Commission):
- One grant award, totaling \$476,547
- 2122 Decision Point:
- 23 Staff recommends Commission approval of one award, totaling \$476,547 as laid out above.