ARTICLE 12

EQUITY

Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2016" and "2017" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, respectively.

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	APPROPRIATIONS Available for the Year Ending June 30	
	2016	**2017**
Sec. 2. **EQUITY APPROPRIATIONS**		
Subdivision 1. **Total Appropriation**	**$ -0-**	**$ 35,000,000**
Subd. 2. **Department of Employment and Economic Development**	-0-	34,250,000

(a) $1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for grants to the Neighborhood Development Center for small business programs. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $750,000 per year.

Of this amount, $810,000 is for the small business development program, including:

(1) $620,000 for training, lending, and business services for aspiring business owners, and expansion of services for immigrants in suburban communities; and

(2) $190,000 is for Neighborhood Development Center model outreach and training activities in greater Minnesota.

Of this amount, $690,000 is for grants for the small business incubator program, including:

(1) $420,000 for capital improvements to existing small business incubators; and

(2) $270,000 for the creation of two additional small business incubators.

(b) $2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a competitive grant program to provide grants to organizations that provide support services for individuals, such as job training, employment preparation, internships, job assistance to fathers, financial literacy, academic and behavioral interventions for low-performing students, and youth intervention. Grants made under this section must focus on low-income communities, young adults from families with a history of intergenerational poverty, and communities of color. All grant recipients are subject to the requirements of section 11. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring

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of the program. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,500,000 per year.

(c) $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to YWCA St. Paul to provide job training services and workforce development programs and services, including job skills training and counseling. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $250,000 per year.

(d) $750,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to the YWCA of Minneapolis to provide economically challenged individuals the jobs skills training, career counseling, and job placement assistance necessary to secure a child development associate credential and to have a career path in early childhood education. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $375,000 per year.

(e) $4,250,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to EMERGE Community Development, in collaboration with community partners, for services targeting Minnesota communities with the highest concentrations of African and African-American joblessness, based on the most recent census tract data, to provide employment readiness training, credentialed training placement, job placement and retention services, supportive services for hard-to-employ individuals, and a general education development fast track and adult diploma program. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,000,000 per year.

(f) $2,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to the Metropolitan Economic Development Association (MEDA) for statewide business development and assistance services, including services to entrepreneurs with businesses that have the potential to create job opportunities for unemployed and underemployed people, with an emphasis on minority-owned businesses. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,175,000 per year.

Of this appropriation, $1,600,000 is for a revolving loan fund to provide additional minority-owned businesses with access to capital.

(g) $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to the Minneapolis Foundation for a strategic

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intervention program designed to target and connect program participants to meaningful, sustainable living-wage employment.

(h) $1,200,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for performance grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.8747, to Twin Cities R!SE to provide training to hard-to-train individuals. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $600,000 per year. Of the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2017, $407,000 is for a grant to Twin Cities R!SE, in collaboration with Metro Transit and Hennepin Technical College, for the Metro Transit technician training program. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2019.

(i) $2,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for the creation of additional multiemployer, sector-based career connections pathways. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2019. $2,200,000 of this amount is for a grant to Hennepin County to establish pathways using the Hennepin Career Connections framework. $300,000 of this amount is for a grant to Hennepin County to establish a pilot program based on the career connections pathways framework outside the seven-county metropolitan area, in collaboration with another local unit of government.

(j) $1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for the high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional jobs grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116L.99. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,000,000 per year.

(k) $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for the youth-at-work competitive grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116L.562, subdivision 3. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program.

(l) $2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a competitive grant program for grants to organizations providing services to relieve economic disparities in the Southeast Asian community through workforce recruitment,

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development, job creation, assistance of smaller organizations to increase capacity, and outreach. Grant recipients under this paragraph are subject to the requirements of section 11. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,000,000 per year.

(m) $1,500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to Latino Communities United in Service (CLUES) to expand culturally tailored programs that address employment and education skill gaps for working parents and underserved youth by providing new job skills training to stimulate higher wages for low-income people, family support systems designed to reduce intergenerational poverty, and youth programming to promote educational advancement and career pathways. At least 50 percent of this amount must be used for programming targeted at greater Minnesota. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $750,000 per year.

(n) $880,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to the American Indian Opportunities and Industrialization Center, in collaboration with the Northwest Indian Community Development Center, to reduce academic disparities for American Indian students and adults. The grant funds may be used to provide:

(1) student tutoring and testing support services;

(2) training in information technology;

(3) assistance in obtaining a GED;

(4) remedial training leading to enrollment in a postsecondary higher education institution;

(5) real-time work experience in information technology fields; and

(6) contextualized adult basic education.

After notification to the legislature, the commissioner may transfer this appropriation to the commissioner of education. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $250,000 per year.

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(o) $500,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to the White Earth Nation for the White Earth Nation Integrated Business Development System to provide business assistance with workforce development, outreach, technical assistance, infrastructure and operational support, financing, and other business development activities. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $125,000 per year.

(p) $500,000 is for the Minnesota emerging entrepreneur program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116M.18. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $750,000 per year.

(q) $1,000,000 is for the Pathways to Prosperity adult workforce development competitive grant program. When awarding grants under this paragraph, the commissioner may give preference to any previous grantee with demonstrated success in job training and placement for hard-to-train individuals. A portion of the grants may provide year-end educational and experiential learning opportunities for teens and young adults that provide careers in the construction industry. Of this amount, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program.

(r) $320,000 is for the capacity building grant program to assist nonprofit organizations offering or seeking to offer workforce development and economic development programming. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,000,000 per year.

(s) $2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for grants for positive youth development, community engagement, legal services, and capacity building for community-based organizations serving Somali youth, including youth engagement, prevention, and intervention activities that help build the resiliency of the Somali Minnesotan community and address challenges facing Somali youth. Of this amount, $1,000,000 is for a grant to Youthprise for activities provided in this paragraph. Funded projects must provide culturally and linguistically relevant services. To the maximum extent possible, 50 percent of the

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funding must be distributed in greater Minnesota, and 50 percent of funding must be distributed within the metropolitan area, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2. Of the amount appropriated for grants to be awarded by the commissioner, up to five percent is for administration and monitoring of the program. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2019.

(t) $600,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to Ujamaa Place for job training, employment preparation, internships, education, training in the construction trades, housing, and organizational capacity building.

(u) $1,750,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for a grant to Enterprise Minnesota, Inc. Of this amount, $875,000 is for the small business growth acceleration program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116O.115, and $875,000 is for operations under Minnesota Statutes, sections 116O.01 to 116O.061. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $875,000 per year.

(v) $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is for grants to centers for independent living under Minnesota Statutes, section 268A.11. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $500,000 per year.

(w) $1,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is from the general fund for State Services for the Blind. Funds appropriated must be used to provide services for senior citizens who are becoming blind. At least half of the funds appropriated must be used to provide training services for seniors who are becoming blind. Training services must provide independent living skills to seniors who are becoming blind to allow them to continue to live independently in their homes. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $500,000 per year.

(x) $2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 is from the general fund for a grant to the Construction Careers Foundation for the construction career pathway initiative to provide year-round educational and experiential learning opportunities for teens and young adults under the age of 21

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that lead to careers in the construction industry. For fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the base amount is $1,000,000 per year. Grant funds must be used to:

(1) increase construction industry exposure activities for middle school and high school youth, parents, and counselors to reach a more diverse demographic and broader statewide audience. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, an expansion of programs to provide experience in different crafts to youth and young adults throughout the state;

(2) increase the number of high schools in Minnesota offering construction classes during the academic year that utilize a multicraft curriculum;

(3) increase the number of summer internship opportunities;

(4) enhance activities to support graduating seniors in their efforts to obtain employment in the construction industry;

(5) increase the number of young adults employed in the construction industry and ensure that they reflect Minnesota's diverse workforce; and

(6) enhance an industrywide marketing campaign targeted to youth and young adults about the depth and breadth of careers within the construction industry.

Programs and services supported by grant funds must give priority to individuals and groups that are economically disadvantaged or historically underrepresented in the construction industry, including but not limited to women, veterans, and members of minority and immigrant groups.

Subd. 3. **Minnesota Housing Finance Agency**	-0-	750,000

$500,000 is for a grant to Build Wealth MN to provide a family stabilization plan program including program outreach, financial literacy education, and budget and debt counseling.

$250,000 is a onetime appropriation for grants to eligible applicants to create or expand risk mitigation programs to reduce landlord financial

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risks for renting to persons eligible under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.204. Eligible programs may reimburse landlords for costs including but not limited to nonpayment of rent, or damage costs above those costs covered by security deposits. The agency may give higher priority to applicants that can demonstrate a matching amount of money by a local unit of government, business, or nonprofit organization. Grantees must establish a procedure to review and validate claims and reimbursements under this grant program.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16C.10, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Expenditures under specified amounts.** A competitive solicitation process described in this chapter is not required for the acquisition of goods, services, construction, and utilities in an amount of $5,000 or less or as authorized by section 16C.16, subdivisions 6, paragraph (b), 6a, paragraph (b), and 7, paragraph (b).

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16C.16, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Purchasing methods.** (a) The commissioner may award up to a six percent preference ~~in the amount bid~~ for specified goods or services to small targeted group businesses.

(b) The commissioner may award a contract for goods, services, or construction directly to a small business or small targeted group business without going through a competitive solicitation process up to a total contract award value, including extension options, of $25,000.

~~(b)~~ (c) The commissioner may designate a purchase of goods or services for award only to small businesses or small targeted group businesses if the commissioner determines that at least three small businesses or small targeted group businesses are likely to ~~bid~~ respond to a solicitation.

~~(c)~~ (d) The commissioner, as a condition of awarding a construction contract or approving a contract for professional or technical services, may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract a portion of the contract to small businesses or small targeted group businesses. The commissioner must establish a procedure for granting waivers from the subcontracting requirement when qualified small businesses or small targeted group businesses are not reasonably available. The commissioner may establish financial incentives for prime contractors who exceed the goals for use of small business or small targeted group business subcontractors and financial penalties for prime contractors who fail to meet goals under this paragraph. The subcontracting requirements of this paragraph do not apply to prime contractors who are small businesses or small targeted group businesses.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2015 Supplement, section 16C.16, subdivision 6a, is amended to read:

Subd. 6a. **Veteran-owned small businesses.** (a) Except when mandated by the federal government as a condition of receiving federal funds, the commissioner shall award up to a six percent preference, but no less than the percentage awarded to any other group under this section, ~~in the amount bid~~ on state procurement to certified small businesses that are majority-owned and operated by veterans.

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(b) The commissioner may award a contract for goods, services, or construction directly to a veteran-owned small business without going through a competitive solicitation process up to a total contract award value, including extension options, of $25,000.

(c) The commissioner may designate a purchase of goods or services for award only to a veteran-owned small business if the commissioner determines that at least three veteran-owned small businesses are likely to respond to a solicitation.

(d) The commissioner, as a condition of awarding a construction contract or approving a contract for professional or technical services, may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract a portion of the contract to a veteran-owned small business. The commissioner must establish a procedure for granting waivers from the subcontracting requirement when qualified veteran-owned small businesses are not reasonably available. The commissioner may establish financial incentives for prime contractors who exceed the goals for use of veteran-owned small business subcontractors and financial penalties for prime contractors who fail to meet goals under this paragraph. The subcontracting requirements of this paragraph do not apply to prime contractors who are veteran-owned small businesses.

~~(b)~~ (e) The purpose of this designation is to facilitate the transition of veterans from military to civilian life, and to help compensate veterans for their sacrifices, including but not limited to their sacrifice of health and time, to the state and nation during their military service, as well as to enhance economic development within Minnesota.

~~(c)~~ (f) Before the commissioner certifies that a small business is majority-owned and operated by a veteran, the commissioner of veterans affairs must verify that the owner of the small business is a veteran, as defined in section 197.447.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16C.16, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Economically disadvantaged areas.** (a) ~~Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b),~~ The commissioner may award up to a six percent preference ~~in the amount bid~~ on state procurement to small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area.

~~(b) The commissioner may award up to a four percent preference in the amount bid on state construction to small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area.~~

(b) The commissioner may award a contract for goods, services, or construction directly to a small business located in an economically disadvantaged area without going through a competitive solicitation process up to a total contract award value, including extension options, of $25,000.

(c) The commissioner may designate a purchase of goods or services for award only to a small business located in an economically disadvantaged area if the commissioner determines that at least three small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area are likely to respond to a solicitation.

(d) The commissioner, as a condition of awarding a construction contract or approving a contract for professional or technical services, may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract a portion of the contract to a small business located in an economically disadvantaged area. The commissioner must establish a procedure for granting waivers from the subcontracting requirement when qualified small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area are not reasonably available. The commissioner may establish financial incentives for prime contractors who exceed the goals for use of subcontractors that are small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged

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area and financial penalties for prime contractors who fail to meet goals under this paragraph. The subcontracting requirements of this paragraph do not apply to prime contractors who are small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area.

~~(c)~~ (e) A business is located in an economically disadvantaged area if:

(1) the owner resides in or the business is located in a county in which the median income for married couples is less than 70 percent of the state median income for married couples;

(2) the owner resides in or the business is located in an area designated a labor surplus area by the United States Department of Labor; or

(3) the business is a certified rehabilitation facility or extended employment provider as described in chapter 268A.

~~(d)~~ (f) The commissioner may designate one or more areas designated as targeted neighborhoods under section 469.202 or as border city enterprise zones under section 469.166 as economically disadvantaged areas for purposes of this subdivision if the commissioner determines that this designation would further the purposes of this section. If the owner of a small business resides or is employed in a designated area, the small business is eligible for any preference provided under this subdivision.

~~(e)~~ (g) The Department of Revenue shall gather data necessary to make the determinations required by paragraph ~~(c)~~ (e), clause (1), and shall annually certify counties that qualify under paragraph ~~(c)~~ (e), clause (1). An area designated a labor surplus area retains that status for 120 days after certified small businesses in the area are notified of the termination of the designation by the United States Department of Labor.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16C.16, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7a. **Designated purchases and subcontractor goals.** (a) When designating purchases directly to a business in accordance with this section, the commissioner may also designate a purchase of goods or services directly to any combination of small businesses, small targeted group businesses, veteran-owned small businesses or small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area if the commissioner determines that at least three businesses in two or more of the disadvantaged business categories are likely to respond.

(b) When establishing subcontractor goals under this section, the commissioner may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract a portion of the contract to any combination of a small business, small targeted group business, veteran-owned small business, or small business located in an economically disadvantaged area.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16C.16, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Procurement procedures.** All laws and rules pertaining to solicitations, bid evaluations, contract awards, and other procurement matters apply equally to procurements ~~designated for small businesses or small targeted group businesses~~ involving any small business, small targeted group business, veteran-owned business, or small business located in an economically disadvantaged area. ~~In the event of conflict with other rules, section 16C.15 and rules adopted under it govern, if section 16C.15 applies. If it does not apply, sections 16C.16 to 16C.21 and rules adopted under those sections govern.~~

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Sec. 9. **[116L.562] YOUTH-AT-WORK GRANT PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The commissioner shall award grants to eligible organizations for the purpose of providing workforce development and training opportunities to economically disadvantaged or at-risk youth ages 14 to 24.

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section:

(1) "eligible organization" or "eligible applicant" means a local government unit, nonprofit organization, community action agency, or a public school district;

(2) "at-risk youth" means youth classified as at-risk under section 116L.56, subdivision 2; and

(3) "economically disadvantaged" means youth who are economically disadvantaged as defined in United States Code, title 29, section 1503.

Subd. 3. **Competitive grant awards.** (a) In awarding competitive grants, priority shall be given to programs that:

(1) provide students with information about education and training requirements for careers in high-growth, in-demand occupations;

(2) serve youth from communities of color who are under represented in the workforce; or

(3) serve youth with disabilities.

(b) Eligible organizations must have demonstrated effectiveness in administering youth workforce programs and must leverage nonstate or private sector funds.

(c) New eligible applicants must be youth-serving organizations with significant capacity and demonstrable youth development experience and outcomes to operate a youth workforce development project.

(d) If a program is not operated by a local unit of government or a workforce development board, the grant recipient must coordinate the program with the local workforce development board.

Subd. 4. **Reports.** Each grant recipient shall report to the commissioner in a format to be determined by commissioner.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 116L.99, is amended to read:

116L.99 WOMEN AND HIGH-WAGE, HIGH-DEMAND, NONTRADITIONAL JOBS GRANT PROGRAM.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purpose of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of employment and economic development.

(c) "Eligible organization" includes, but is not limited to:

(1) community-based organizations experienced in serving women;

(2) employers;

(3) business and trade associations;

(4) labor unions and employee organizations;

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(5) registered apprenticeship programs;

(6) secondary and postsecondary education institutions located in Minnesota; and

(7) workforce and economic development agencies.

(d) "High-wage, high-demand" means occupations that represent at least 0.1 percent of total employment in the base year, have an annual median salary which is higher than the average for the current year, and are projected to have more total openings as a share of employment than the average.

(e) "Low-income" means income less than 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline adjusted for a family size of four.

(f) "Nontraditional occupations" means those occupations in which women make up less than 25 percent of the workforce as defined under United States Code, title 20, section 2302.

(g) "Registered apprenticeship program" means a program registered under United States Code, title 29, section 50.

(h) "STEM" means science, technology, engineering, and math.

(i) "Women of color" means females age 18 and older who are American Indian, Asian, Black, or Hispanic.

(j) "Girls of color" means females under age 18 who are American Indian, Asian, Black, or Hispanic.

Subd. 2. **Grant program.** The commissioner shall establish the women and high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional jobs grant program to increase the number of women in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations. The commissioner shall make grants to eligible organizations for programs that encourage and assist women to enter high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations including but not limited to those in the skilled trades, ~~science, technology, engineering,~~ and ~~math (STEM)~~ STEM occupations. The commissioner must give priority to programs that encourage and assist women of color to enter high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations and STEM occupations.

Subd. 3. **Use of funds.** (a) Grant funds awarded under this section may be used for:

(1) recruitment, preparation, placement, and retention of women, including women of color, low-income women and women over 50 years old, in registered apprenticeships, postsecondary education programs, on-the-job training, and permanent employment in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations;

(2) secondary or postsecondary education or other training to prepare women to succeed in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations. Activities under this clause may be conducted by the grantee or in collaboration with another institution, including but not limited to a public or private secondary or postsecondary school;

(3) innovative, hands-on, best practices that stimulate interest in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations among girls, increase awareness among girls about opportunities in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations, or increase access to secondary programming leading to jobs in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations. Best practices include but

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are not limited to mentoring, internships, or apprenticeships for girls in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations;

(4) training and other staff development for job seeker counselors and Minnesota family investment program (MFIP) caseworkers on opportunities in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations;

(5) incentives for employers and sponsors of registered apprenticeship programs to retain women in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations for more than one year;

(6) training and technical assistance for employers to create a safe and healthy workplace environment designed to retain and advance women, including best practices for addressing sexual harassment, and to overcome gender inequity among employers and registered apprenticeship programs;

(7) public education and outreach activities to overcome stereotypes about women in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations, including the development of educational and marketing materials; ~~and~~

(8) services to support ~~for~~ women in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations including but not limited to assistance with balancing work responsibilities; skills training and education; family caregiving; financial assistance for child care, transportation, and safe and stable housing; workplace issues resolution; and access to advocacy assistance and services; and

(9) recruitment, participation, and support of girls of color in approved training programs or a valid apprenticeship program subject to section 181A.07, subdivision 7.

(b) Grant applications must include detailed information about how the applicant plans to:

(1) increase women's participation in high-wage, high-demand occupations in which women are currently underrepresented in the workforce;

(2) comply with the requirements under subdivision 3; ~~and~~

(3) use grant funds in conjunction with funding from other public or private sources~~.~~; and

(4) collaborate with existing, successful programs for training, education, recruitment, preparation, placement, and retention of women of color in high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations and STEM occupations.

(c) In awarding grants under this subdivision, the commissioner shall give priority to eligible organizations:

(1) with demonstrated success in recruiting and preparing women, especially low-income women, women of color, and women over 50 years old, for high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional occupations; and

(2) that leverage additional public and private resources.

(d) At least 50 percent of total grant funds must be awarded to programs providing services and activities targeted to low-income women and women of color.

(e) The commissioner of employment and economic development in conjunction with the commissioner of labor and industry shall monitor the use of funds under this section, collect and compile information on the activities of other state agencies and public or private entities that have

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purposes similar to those under this section, and identify other public and private funding available for these purposes.

(f) By January 15, 2019, and each January 15 thereafter, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees of the house of representatives and the senate having jurisdiction over workforce development that details the use of grant funds. If data is available, the report must contain data that is disaggregated by race, cultural groups, family income, age, geographical location, migrant or foreign immigrant status, primary language, whether the participant is an English learner under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.59, disability, and status of homelessness.

Sec. 11. **REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALLY SPECIFIED RECIPIENTS.**

(a) **Application.** This section applies to any grant funded under this act where the recipient of the grant is individually specified in this act. The commissioner serving as the fiscal agent for the grant must ensure compliance with the requirements of this section, and all applicable requirements under existing law, including applicable grants management policies and procedures established by the Office of Grants Management.

(b) **Prerequisites.** Before any funding is provided to the grant recipient, the recipient must provide the fiscal agent with a description of the following information in a grant application:

(1) the purpose of the grant, including goals, priorities, and measurable outcomes;

(2) eligibility requirements for individuals who will be served by the grant program;

(3) the proposed geographic service areas for individuals served by the grant; and

(4) the reporting requirements.

These requirements are in addition to any requirements under existing laws and policies.

(c) **Financial Review.** Office of Grants Management Operating Policy and Procedure number 08-06, titled "Policy on the Financial Review of Nongovernmental Organizations" applies in pertinent part to all grants covered by paragraph (a).

(d) **Reporting to Fiscal Agent.** In addition to meeting any reporting requirements included in the grant agreement, grant recipients subject to this section must provide the following information to the commissioner serving as fiscal agent:

(1) a detailed accounting of the use of any grant proceeds;

(2) a description of program outcomes to date, including performance measured against indicators specified in the grant agreement, including, but not limited to, job creation, employment activity, wage information, business formation or expansion, and academic performance; and

(3) the portion of the grant, if any, spent on the recipient's operating expenses.

Grant recipients must report the information required under this paragraph to the fiscal agent within one year after receiving any portion of the grant, annually thereafter, and within 30 days following the use of all funds provided under the grant.

(e) **Reporting to Legislature.** Beginning January 15, 2017, a commissioner serving as a fiscal agent for a grant subject to this section must submit a report containing the information provided by the grant recipients to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees

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and budget divisions with jurisdiction over the agency serving as fiscal agent for the grant. The report submitted under this section must also include the commissioner's summary of the use of grant proceeds, and an analysis of the grant recipients' success in meeting the goals, priorities, and measurable outcomes specified for the grant. An updated version of this report must be submitted on January 15 of each succeeding year until January 15 in the year following the date when all of the grant funds have been spent.

Sec. 12. **ETHNIC COUNCIL REVIEW.**

The commissioners of each agency appropriated money in this article may consult with the four ethnic councils under Minnesota Statutes, sections 3.922 and 15.0145, regarding implementation of the programs funded under this article. Any request for proposals developed by a state agency as a result of this article may be reviewed by the four ethnic councils prior to public submission.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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