



AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

MEETING NAME:	Economic Development Corporation
MEETING DATE:	December 2, 2025
ITEM TITLE:	Consider and take appropriate action on High Demand Job Training Grant for FISD.
STAFF INITIATOR:	Danielle Sweat- Executive Director

BACKGROUND:

The Lubbock Economic Development Alliance (LEDA), in partnership with Workforce Solutions and other regional economic development corporations, administers a *High Demand Job Training Grant* program to help local school districts purchase equipment that supports workforce-aligned career and technical education (CTE) programs.

For this round of funding, Frenship ISD has requested **\$42,137.60** to purchase *baby manikin simulator equipment* for the district's *Education and Child Development* program. This equipment is designed to support high school students pursuing certifications and career pathways in early childhood education and related teaching professions.

Request:

LEDA has invited the Wolfforth EDC to participate in this regional workforce partnership by contributing toward the Frenship ISD equipment purchase. The WEDC's contribution amount would be at the discretion of the board.

Most partner EDCs choose to fund their local districts directly after receiving purchase verification documentation from LEDA and the district. LEDA will coordinate collection of invoices and confirmation of delivery and notify WEDC when documentation is available so payment can be made directly to Frenship ISD.

Recommendation:

Consider whether the WEDC would like to participate in this regional workforce initiative by allocating funds toward the Frenship ISD request. This investment would align with the WEDC's strategic objectives in workforce development and partnership with Frenship ISD to expand local career training opportunities.

EXHIBITS:

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION: