



South Carolina  
Vocational Rehabilitation Department  
Agency Budget Request  
2016-2017

*Mission:*

*To prepare and assist South Carolinians with disabilities  
to achieve and maintain competitive employment.*

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January 13, 2016

The Honorable G. Murrell Smith Jr., Chairman  
The Honorable William Clyburn  
The Honorable Jimmy C. Bales  
The Honorable J. Derham Cole Jr.

Ways and Means Healthcare Subcommittee  
South Carolina House of Representatives

Dear Representatives:

The Vocational Rehabilitation Department's budget request is hereby submitted for your consideration.

The department is requesting \$635,287 in additional recurring funding for 2016-2017 to meet the challenges of providing school-to-work transition services as well as job-driven vocational training. Significant needs also remain in deferred maintenance of SCVRD offices and work training centers throughout the state. Our request for the upcoming year is for one-time funding of \$1.7 million to fund several prioritized maintenance and facility projects.

Vocational Rehabilitation services continue to generate an excellent return on investment for our state. The state portion of the department's funding last fiscal year was only \$388 per person served and \$2,100 per successful employment outcome. Those SCVRD clients will, as taxpaying members of the state's workforce, pay back more than \$4.50 for every dollar spent on their services and will repay the cost of services in about 4.5 years. Employers and our communities will benefit from the skills and talents of job-ready people with disabilities.

Thank you for your support of people with disabilities and Vocational Rehabilitation. Please let me know if you have any questions about our request or our services.

Sincerely,

Neal Getsinger  
Commissioner

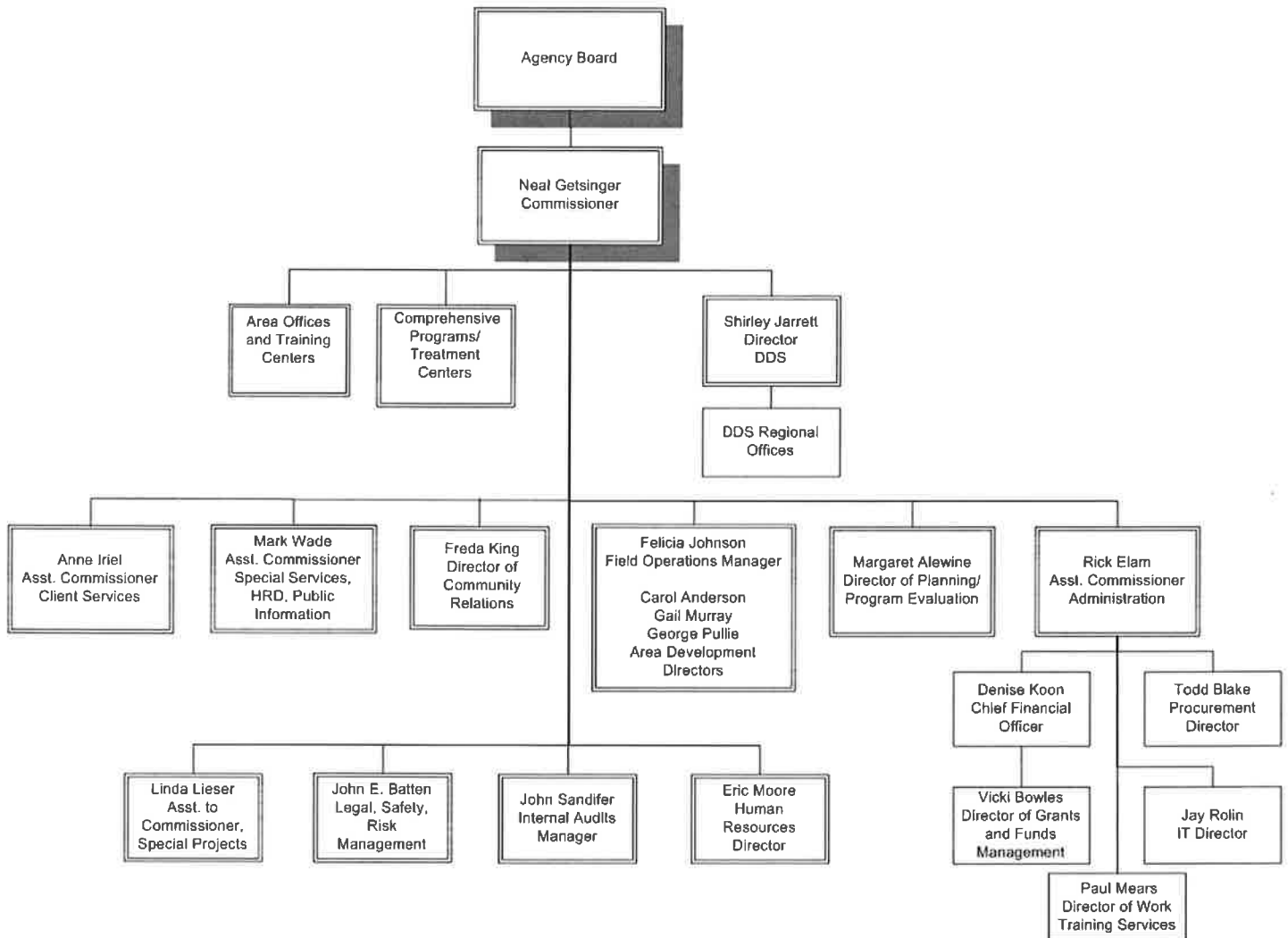
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## Accountability Report Summary 2014-2015

- SCVRD rehabilitated 6,747 individuals with disabilities into employment in 2014-2015, a 5.7 percent increase from the previous year. The department served a total of more than 36,500 people (including all applicants and clients whose services may have carried over from previous years).
- SCVRD ranked sixth nationally among all state vocational rehabilitation programs in the number of competitive employment outcomes per 100,000 in population (114), according to the most recent available national comparative data (FFY2013, the most recent year that the Rehabilitation Services Administration published national data). SCVRD's performance in that measure improved in FFY2014 to 136 successful outcomes per 100,000 population. In FFY2013 SCVRD ranked first in the Southeast Region and seventh nationally in lowest total cost per successful client employment outcome.
- People with disabilities who exit the program with a successful employment outcome enhance the quality of their lives and their families' lives by earning paychecks, lessening their reliance on government assistance, and stimulating the state's economy by paying taxes, making purchases, and ultimately contributing to the state's return on its investment in their services. Based on a cost benefit analysis it is estimated that these rehabilitated clients will pay back \$4.54 for every dollar spent on their services by becoming taxpayers instead of tax consumers.
- SCVRD continues its "Quality One" initiative, with a theme of "quality one person at a time" in its training and staff development efforts, communicating to staff (a significant percentage of which are new or limited in experience) techniques in providing personalized, quality services that will lead to increased and better career opportunities for clients.
- SCVRD continued to work toward successful implementation of its reauthorized enabling federal legislation, the Rehabilitation Act, part of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). It brings significant changes in several key areas, most notably in school-to-work transition services for young people with disabilities and in its increased emphasis on partnerships with and supports for employers in enhancing employment opportunities for people with disabilities. Transition services will need to be further expanded to reach a greater number of young people who are in the critical stage of needing supports to be able to move into the employment arena, and SCVRD will also be tasked to provide a greater range of pre-employment services and supports.
- A new set of common performance measures for all programs included in WIOA have been developed at the national level and will be implemented. Uncertainty about the costs and integration of new data tracking for these measures are among many concerns that state vocational rehabilitation programs face with this legislation. SCVRD is working closely with other core partners of WIOA in South Carolina to begin implementation to the extent that can be accomplished prior to issuance of the final regulations.
- The agency has already made significant inroads in transition services in recent years by ramping up partnerships in schools and dedicating more staffing to school-to-work transition. The number of successful employment outcomes for that age group grew by seven percent last year, and the percentage of SCVRD clients that received services and are in the transition age range is higher than

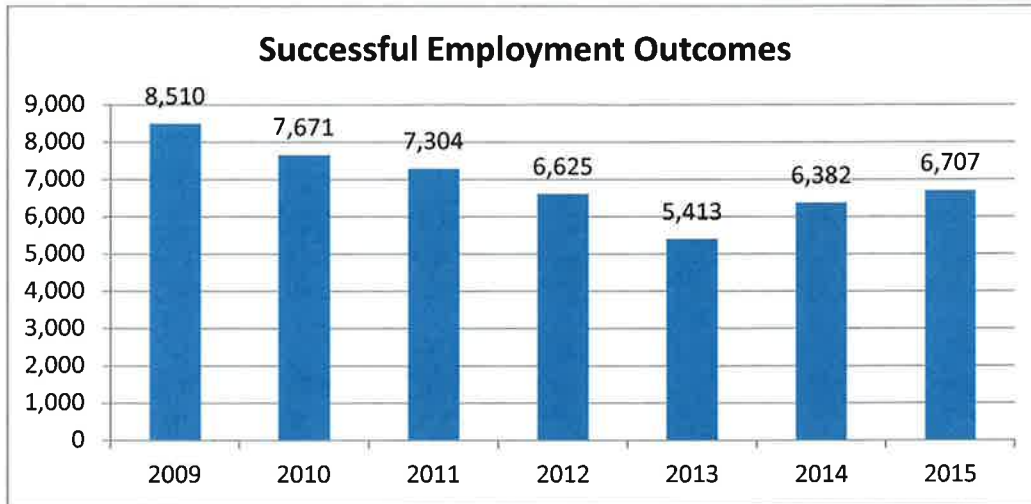
the national average. However, to meet the new WIOA requirements, additional resources will need to be in place to reach the extensive population of students with disabilities.

- An example of enhancement of transition services in the past year was SCVRD's partnership with Spartanburg School District 6, the local Workforce Investment Board and Spartanburg Regional Health System for the first Project SEARCH program in the state. This program provided education and job training to students with intellectual and developmental disabilities through three 10-week internships in twelve different departments at Spartanburg Medical Center. As a result all seven participating students moved into competitive employment—five of them with Spartanburg Regional Health System. SCVRD is currently expanding this initiative to other school districts/employers in South Carolina.
- Business partnerships continue to increase with steady growth of SCVRD's Business Partnership Network, coordinated by VR staff at the local level. The network now includes more than 350 employers statewide. Activities include meetings, job fairs and other events as well as advocacy for the VR program among their peers. The agency has also added business development specialists at the local level, emphasized partnerships with technical (community) colleges for manufacturing certifications and other advanced skills training, and enhanced its job-matching efforts using tools developed by the agency.
- Facility maintenance is an ongoing challenge for SCVRD. Many of the agency's owned and operated facilities are aging and in need of repairs to continue to safely serve agency clients, business partners, and staff. Numerous projects were delayed for several years when resources were more limited. SCVRD has begun to address the needed repairs or other facility improvements but it will be a long-term challenge to meet the many deferred maintenance needs throughout the state and to address opportunities for strengthening the agency's presence in the communities it serves.
- Outreach to people with disabilities and to the business community was enhanced by the development of a new agency logo, website and social media sites, and streamlined publications. The new slogan, "Let's go to work," reflects a commitment to successful employment outcomes for people with disabilities as well as a commitment to excellence in staff performance.

## Key Results

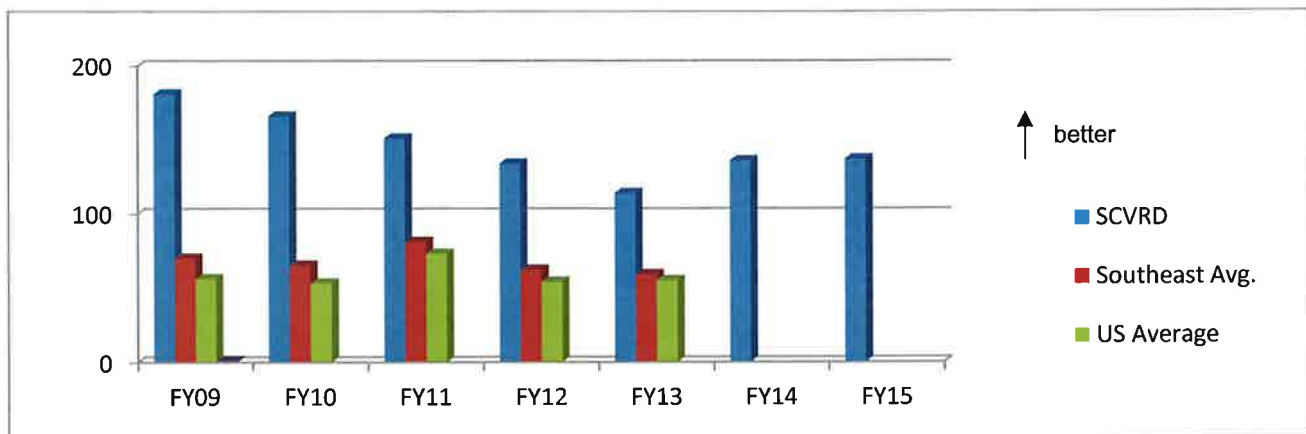
### SUCCESSFUL EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES

The agency's primary performance effectiveness result is the number of people with disabilities that have successful employment outcomes after receiving SCVRD services. In FY2015 the number of successful rehabilitations increased for the second consecutive year as the agency continued its recovery from the economic downturn, restored staffing/outreach and continued its quality emphasis in staff training and business partnerships.



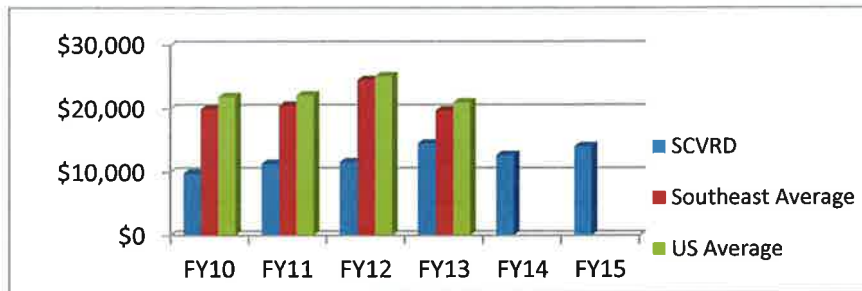
### REHABILITATIONS PER 100,000 POPULATION

For many years SCVRD has consistently ranked at or near the top among the nation's public vocational rehabilitation programs in the number of people rehabilitated per 100,000 population. The most recent available national comparative data (FFY2013) showed SCVRD at **114** people rehabilitated per 100,000, **sixth highest in the nation**. The Southeast average was **59**, the national average was **55**. **In succeeding years SCVRD has increased its level** of rehabilitations to **137** per 100,000 population.



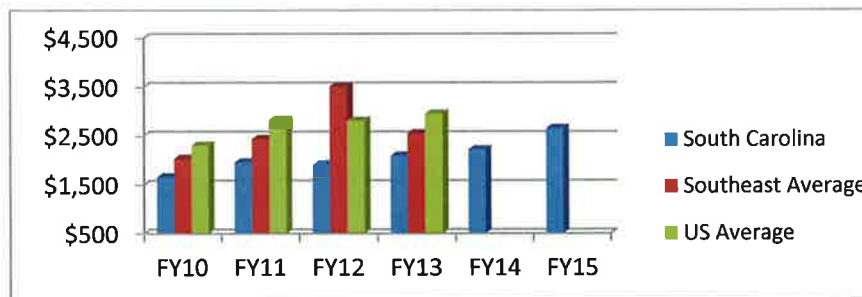
## AVERAGE TOTAL COST PER CLIENT REHABILITATED

The department's efficiency and effectiveness is reflected in its national prominence among VR agencies in cost per rehabilitation based on agencies' total expenditures. For each successfully employed client in federal FY2013 the department's average cost was \$14,465, the **seventh lowest in the entire nation** and **lowest in the Southeast**. For federal FY2015, SCVRD's average cost was **\$14,091**. National comparative data since FFY2013 has not been published by the Rehabilitation Services Administration.



## AVERAGE COST PER CLIENT SERVED

SCVRD has consistently ranked among the nation's best programs in the average cost per client served based on the agencies' total expenditures. In federal FY2013, the department had the **13<sup>th</sup> lowest** cost per client served (**\$2,093**) among state VR programs in the U.S. SCVRD also had the third-lowest average cost among the eight Southeastern regional states. For federal FY2015, SCVRD's average cost was **\$2,651**. National comparative data since FFY2013 has not been published by the Rehabilitation Services Administration.



## RETURN ON INVESTMENT

People with disabilities who exit the program with a successful employment outcome enhance the quality of their lives and their families' lives by earning paychecks, lessening their reliance on government assistance, and stimulating the state's economy by paying taxes, making purchases, and meeting the business community's workplace needs. Based on a cost benefit analysis:

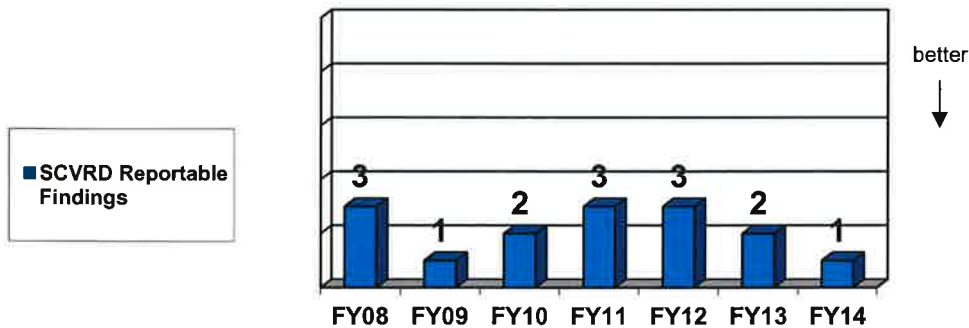
- Rehabilitated clients will pay back **\$4.54** for every dollar spent on their services.
- They will repay the cost of their rehabilitation services through taxes in **4.51 years**.



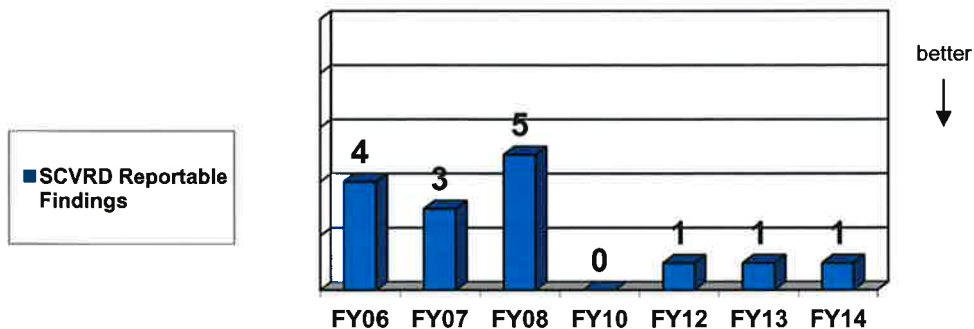
## FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

The department must adhere to budgeting and procurement codes, building codes, and various other state and federal regulations that any government agency would be subject to. Fiscal accountability is established through internal and external audits. Financial audits are conducted annually by the State Auditor's office and any findings are addressed through corrective actions. The most recent procurement audit and benefits audit were both very favorable. In the most recent single audit SCVRD showed only one reportable finding. The most recent State Agreed-Upon Procedure Audit (FY2014) contained one finding, which involved three errors in reporting packages.

**State of South Carolina Single Audit Results**



**State of South Carolina Agreed Upon Procedures Audit**



## Appropriations and Expenditures by Year Since SFY2012

Program Number and Title	Major Program Area Purpose	FY 11-12 Appropriations	FY 11-12 Actual Expenditures	FY 12-13 Appropriations	FY 12-13 Actual Expenditures
01000000 Administration	General operation and support of all agency programs.	State: 619,323 Federal: 5,999,861 Other: - Total: 6,619,184	State: 658,321 Federal: 5,336,447 Other: 136,315 Total: 6,131,083	State: 1,214,810 Federal: 4,869,861 Other: 130,000 Total: 6,214,671	State: 638,571 Federal: 5,283,351 Other: 135,402 Total: 6,057,324
05100000 Basic Services	Delivery of services to people with disabilities by preparing and assisting them to achieve and maintain competitive employment.	State: 5,582,276 Federal: 43,102,272 Other: 1,717,083 Total: 50,401,631	State: 5,786,443 Federal: 29,691,037 Other: 1,822,416 Total: 37,299,896	State: 7,613,124 Federal: 39,958,013 Other: 2,717,083 Total: 50,288,220	State: 8,811,015 Federal: 30,376,441 Other: 2,020,113 Total: 41,207,569
05250000 Special Projects	Grant programs, extended rehabilitation services, in-service training, Independent Living.	State: 66,557 Federal: 1,515,502 Other: 2,394,095 Total: 3,976,154	State: 47,708 Federal: 1,269,840 Other: 1,220,006 Total: 2,537,554	State: 66,557 Federal: 1,452,619 Other: 2,209,595 Total: 3,728,771	State: 41,986 Federal: 950,424 Other: 1,166,159 Total: 2,158,569
05300000 Workshop Production	Program income from work training centers.	State: - Federal: - Other: 17,000,000 Total: 17,000,000	State: - Federal: - Other: 16,961,735 Total: 16,961,735	State: - Federal: - Other: 21,000,000 Total: 21,000,000	State: - Federal: - Other: 16,612,106 Total: 16,612,106
25000000 Disability Determination Services	Adjudicate SSI/SSDI claims for the Social Security Administration.	State: - Federal: 39,159,626 Other: 2,729,413 Total: 41,889,039	State: - Federal: 34,803,173 Other: 1,611,447 Total: 36,414,620	State: - Federal: 42,956,784 Other: 2,729,413 Total: 45,686,197	State: - Federal: 33,777,476 Other: 1,729,921 Total: 35,507,397
95000000 Employer Contributions	Employer Contributions	State: 2,211,785 Federal: 15,544,709 Other: 1,392,845 Total: 19,149,339	State: 2,091,533 Federal: 12,624,923 Other: 1,071,235 Total: 15,787,691	State: 3,289,514 Federal: 14,897,633 Other: 1,668,951 Total: 19,856,098	State: 3,219,940 Federal: 12,424,145 Other: 1,286,718 Total: 16,930,803
Total Recurring	ALL PROGRAMS	State: 8,479,941 Federal: 105,321,970 Other: 25,233,436 Total: 139,035,347	State: 8,584,005 Federal: 83,725,420 Other: 22,823,154 Total: 115,132,579	State: 12,184,005 Federal: 104,134,910 Other: 30,455,042 Total: 146,773,957	State: 12,711,512 Federal: 82,811,837 Other: 22,950,419 Total: 118,473,768
98010000 Non-Recurring 99000000 Non-Recurring	Non-Recurring Proviso Funds, Capital Projects	State: - Federal: - Other: 2,500,000 Total: 2,500,000	State: - Federal: 6,489 Other: 2,604,010 Total: 2,610,499	State: 1,000,000 Federal: - Other: - Total: 1,000,000	State: 1,000,000 Federal: 6,316 Other: 9,722 Total: 1,016,038

Program Number and Title	Major Program Area Purpose	FY 13-14 Appropriations	FY 13-14 Actual Expenditures	FY 14-15 Appropriations Act	FY 14-15 Actual Expenditures	FY 15-16 Appropriations Act
01000000 Administration	General operation and support of all agency programs.	State: 1,251,254 Federal: 5,004,518 Other: 130,000 Total: 6,385,772	State: 669,338 Federal: 6,349,633 Other: 147,459 Total: 7,166,450	State: 1,251,254 Federal: 5,169,990 Other: 115,000 Total: 6,536,244	State: 784,222 Federal: 6,637,979 Other: 199,540 Total: 7,621,741	State: 1,251,254 Federal: 5,169,990 Other: 115,000 Total: 6,536,244
05100000 Basic Services	Delivery of services to people with disabilities by preparing and assisting them to achieve and maintain competitive employment.	State: 8,841,519 Federal: 40,801,895 Other: 6,717,083 Total: 56,360,497	State: 9,739,104 Federal: 33,973,568 Other: 2,124,595 Total: 45,837,267	State: 8,841,519 Federal: 40,801,895 Other: 8,982,118 Total: 58,625,532	State: 10,065,045 Federal: 39,341,644 Other: 3,995,895 Total: 53,402,584	State: 9,310,447 Federal: 42,604,690 Other: 8,982,118 Total: 60,897,255
05250000 Special Projects	Grant programs, extended rehabilitation services, in-service training, Independent Living.	State: 66,557 Federal: 1,452,619 Other: 2,209,595 Total: 3,728,771	State: 36,072 Federal: 799,886 Other: 1,420,656 Total: 2,256,614	State: 66,557 Federal: 1,452,619 Other: - Total: 1,519,176	State: 85,471 Federal: 713,581 Other: - Total: 799,052	State: 66,557 Federal: 1,452,619 Other: - Total: 1,519,176
05300000 Workshop Production	Program income from work training centers.	State: - Federal: - Other: 21,000,000 Total: 21,000,000	State: - Federal: - Other: 17,425,395 Total: 17,425,395	State: - Federal: - Other: 21,000,000 Total: 21,000,000	State: - Federal: - Other: 18,068,295 Total: 18,068,295	State: - Federal: - Other: 21,000,000 Total: 21,000,000
25000000 Disability Determination Services	Adjudicate SSI/SSDI claims for the Social Security Administration.	State: - Federal: 42,956,784 Other: 2,729,413 Total: 45,686,197	State: - Federal: 32,484,066 Other: 1,849,739 Total: 34,333,805	State: - Federal: 42,956,784 Other: 2,729,413 Total: 45,686,197	State: - Federal: 34,232,939 Other: 1,945,704 Total: 36,178,643	State: - Federal: 42,956,784 Other: 2,729,413 Total: 45,686,197
95000000 Employer Contributions	Employer Contributions	State: 3,552,182 Federal: 15,829,367 Other: 1,668,951 Total: 21,050,500	State: 3,370,876 Federal: 13,381,356 Other: 1,224,480 Total: 17,976,712	State: 3,656,129 Federal: 15,663,895 Other: 1,628,511 Total: 20,948,535	State: 3,210,808 Federal: 15,567,681 Other: 1,226,166 Total: 20,004,655	State: 4,057,219 Federal: 16,946,614 Other: 1,748,511 Total: 22,752,344
Total Recurring	ALL PROGRAMS	State: 13,711,512 Federal: 106,045,183 Other: 34,455,042 Total: 154,211,737	State: 13,815,390 Federal: 86,988,529 Other: 24,192,324 Total: 124,996,243	State: 13,815,459 Federal: 106,045,183 Other: 34,455,042 Total: 154,315,684	State: 14,145,546 Federal: 96,493,824 Other: 25,435,600 Total: 136,074,970	State: 14,685,477 Federal: 109,130,697 Other: 34,575,042 Total: 158,391,216
98010000 Non-Recurring 99000000 Non-Recurring	Non-Recurring Proviso Funds, Capital Projects	State: 500,000 Federal: - Other: 3,000,000 Total: 3,500,000	State: 500,000 Federal: 215,300 Other: 811,734 Total: 1,527,034	State: - Federal: - Other: 2,000,000 Total: 2,000,000	State: 315,025 Federal: 1,217,207 Other: 2,190,628 Total: 3,722,860	State: - Federal: - Other: - Total: -

### **Funds Available at End of Previous Fiscal Year**

Federal VR Grant – Basic Services Program	\$1,916,333
State Matching Funds	\$0
Other Funds – Basic Services Program	\$1,908,997
Other Funds – HHS and SC Retirement Systems	\$733,207

## Appropriations Request for SFY 2016-2017

<i>Decision Package - Recurring</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Federal</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>FTEs</i>
<b>7125 School-to-Work Transition Services</b>	<b>\$ 635,287</b>	<b>\$ 1,957,575</b>		<b>6.72 state 21.28 federal</b>
<b>7140 Disability Determination Services</b>		<b>\$ 1,956,533</b>	<b>\$ 590,159</b>	<b>27 federal* 8 other</b>
<b>7252 Allocation of Employee Benefits</b>	<b>\$ 65,472</b>	<b>\$ 245,000</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>	
<b>7920 Restructuring Job Readiness Training Program</b>				
<b>8290 Job Readiness Training Program</b>		<b>\$ 1,500,000</b>		
<b>Total Request</b>	<b>\$ 700,759</b>	<b>\$5,659,108</b>	<b>\$615,159</b>	<b>6.72 state 48.28 federal 8 other</b>

\* These 27 federal FTEs were requested, approved and filled through the Executive Budget Office as part of the BD-211 process in July for 2015-16 after being approved by the Social Security Administration in June 2015 to meet increased demand. SCVRD requests they be authorized in the 2016-2017 base budget.

<i>Decision Package – Non-Recurring</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Federal (est.)</i>
<b>7321 Greenwood VR Center Roofing</b>	<b>\$ 108,000</b>	<b>\$ 397,550</b>
<b>7308 Beaufort VR Center Roofing</b>	<b>\$ 103,000</b>	<b>\$ 377,800</b>
<b>7305 Anderson VR Center Roofing</b>	<b>\$ 112,000</b>	<b>\$ 413,000</b>
<b>7302 Oconee-Pickens Expansion/Roof</b>	<b>\$ 950,000</b>	<b>\$ 950,000</b>
<b>7279 Sumter VR Center Roofing</b>	<b>\$ 96,000</b>	<b>\$ 354,000</b>
<b>7276 Anderson VR Center Parking Lot</b>	<b>\$ 130,000</b>	<b>\$ 477,000</b>
<b>7273 Richland VR Center Phase I</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>
<b>Total Request</b>	<b>\$1,699,000</b>	<b>\$ 3,169,350</b>

<i>Proviso Requests</i>	<i>Recommendation</i>
<b>32.1 Production Contracts Revenue</b>	<b>Codify</b>
<b>32.2 Reallotment Funds</b>	<b>Codify</b>
<b>32.4 Meal Ticket Revenue</b>	<b>Codify</b>

***Recurring:***

**School-to-Work Transition Services**

**\$ 635,287**

- For pre-employment services to assist students with disabilities (ages 14-21) to make the transition from secondary school to postsecondary education or training programs and into competitive integrated employment.
- There are higher levels of expectations and performance in transition services as a result of the new Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the federal act regulating state vocational rehabilitation agencies. While the agency continues to make gains in providing these services (48 percent increase in successful employment outcomes in past two years), it is estimated that potentially more than 24,000 students remain in need of services.
- The state funds would be matched with federal funds of \$1,957,575. This appropriation would fund 11 additional transition counselors, 10 transition job coaches, 6 support staff and 1 program manager. **This would require 28 added FTEs (6.72 state, 21.28 federal).**
- The appropriation would also be used for case services expenditures to serve the additional clients involved in postsecondary training, skilled work apprenticeships, and on-the-job training opportunities.
- SCVRD received \$250,000 recurring funding to assist with this initiative in 2015-2016. We currently have 55 counselors assigned solely to school-to-work transition caseloads, and 11 transition job coaches.

**Disability Determination Services (DDS)**

**(no state funds requested)**

- This request seeks authorization for utilization of \$2,546,692 in federal/other funds to address current and projected workload increases for adjudication of SSDI and SSI claims and Continuing Disability Reviews (CDR) for the Social Security Administration, and for approval of **27 additional federal FTEs** to meet this increased workload. These SSA-approved positions were requested, approved and filled as part of the BD211 process in July 2015 for 2015-16 and SCVRD requests that they be added to its base budget.
- The request also includes **8 additional "other" FTEs** for Disability Determination Services to process state Medicaid disability claims for the Department of Health and Human Services. These claims are projected to increase from 10,672 to 14,500 in FFY 2015-16.

**Allocation of 2015-2016 Statewide Employee Benefits**

**\$ 65,472**

- This request represents the state portion for health insurance rate increases, based on existing position funding allocation, as established through the 2015-2016 Appropriations Act.

### **Restructuring of Job Readiness Training Program (no state funds requested)**

- The agency requests moving its “Workshop Production Program II.C. under Basic Service Program II.A. The agency generates program income through its 24 work training centers’ outsource agreements with hundreds of businesses and industries in South Carolina, which provide job readiness training to agency clients to prepare them for competitive employment. This income is used to pay client stipends and to purchase any needed supplies to complete job readiness training contracts. The move would provide a more manageable structure, allowing the federal regulatory technicalities of grant funds and program income funds to be more easily administered.

### **Job Readiness Training Program**

**(no state funds requested)**

- The agency seeks an increase in federal authorization of \$1,500,000 to assist in aligning stipend rates for all clients in job readiness training with the minimum wage rate of \$7.25 per hour. In early 2016 SCVRD will have phased out its use of a certificate from the U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division authorizing the payment of wages less than the minimum wage to its clients who are in training to prepare for competitive employment.



**Non-Recurring:**

**Greenwood VR Center Roofing** **\$ 108,000**

Replace the roof of the 26,700 square-ft. building, which is approximately 31 years old. Total project cost of \$505,550, with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Beaufort VR Center Roofing** **\$ 103,000**

Replace the roof of the 25,200 square-ft. building, which is approximately 27 years old. Total project cost of \$480,800, with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Anderson VR Center Roofing** **\$ 112,000**

Replace the roof of the 25,200 square-ft. building, which is approximately 28 years old. Total project cost of \$525,000, with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Oconee-Pickens VR Center Expansion and Roofing** **\$ 950,000**

Design and construct an 8,100 square-ft. addition to the existing work training center with production area space, clean work room, offices and storage. This will provide needed increased capacity to serve the growing client population in this area as well as business and industry partnerships. Replace the existing 20,000 square feet of roof deck, which is approximately 26 years old. Total project cost is projected at \$1,900,000, with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Sumter VR Center Roofing** **\$ 96,000**

Replace the roof of the 23,400 square-ft. building, which is approximately 27 years old. Total project cost of \$450,000, with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Anderson VR Center Parking Lot** **\$ 130,000**

The existing paved areas have deteriorated and in need of repair and resurfacing for this 27-year old facility. Exterior lighting would also be added for increased safety and security. Total project cost projected to be \$607,000 with the balance coming from federal grant source.

**Richland VR Center Phase I** **\$ 200,000**

The agency seeks to purchase approximately 10 acres of land on Farrow Road in Richland County from the S.C. Department of Mental Health for the purpose of consolidating two VR offices into one location. The Farrow Road location is more centralized for clients served in the county, would address safety issues associated with the other locations, and is expected to result in operational cost savings. One of the current locations is leased. This project would require 50 percent state funding and 50 percent federal funding.

## **Additional Capital Projects in SCVRD Five-Year Plan**

*(Not included in 2016-2017 Executive Budget Request)*

<b><i>Project</i></b>	<b><i>Estimated State Portion</i></b>
Rock Hill VR Center Roofing	\$ 109,000
Orangeburg VR Center Roofing	\$101,000
Conway VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$106,000
Conway VR Center Roofing	\$106,500
Walterboro VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$144,000
Lexington VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$106,500
Spartanburg VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$106,500
West Columbia VR State Office Roofing	\$425,000
Berkeley-Dorchester VR Center Roofing	\$98,000
Camden VR Center Roofing	\$96,000
Beaufort VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$138,000
Camden VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$106,500
Berkeley-Dorchester VR Center Parking Lot Repaving	\$106,500



## ***Proviso Requests:***

### **32.1 Production Contracts Revenue**

#### **Codify**

The proviso directs income from SCVRD's 24 work training centers to be used for operation of the centers and is in alignment with federal VR directives (34 CFR 361.63) on expenditures of program income. The proviso has been in place for many years and its requirements have been considered standard practice. Codification is recommended.

### **32.2 Reallotment Funds**

#### **Codify**

This longstanding proviso has enabled the agency to access additional federal VR funds, beyond original allotments to the state, that are sometimes made available when other states are not able to utilize all funds they are allotted. The proviso recognizes that this funding method is beneficial to the state but may require further budget approvals since the timing and amount of these funds are unpredictable. SCVRD has utilized it to access reallocated funds in certain years, enhancing service provision for citizens with disabilities. The agency seeks codification to maintain this flexibility on a permanent basis.

### **32.4 Meal Ticket Revenue**

#### **Codify**

The agency operates three residential programs (in Greenville, Florence and West Columbia) where clients are provided meals. Some staff members are allowed to eat certain meals and are charged for agency cost. The agency encourages this practice as an effort to have sufficient levels of staff available for oversight of the facilities, and uses the revenue for the food service program. SCVRD requests that this proviso, which has been in effect for many years, be codified.