

Agreement 26-04
Between
Suncoast Workforce Board, Inc. dba CareerSource Suncoast
and
Manatee Chamber Foundation

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the Suncoast Workforce Board, Inc. dba CareerSource Suncoast, hereinafter referred to as "CSS", 3660 N. Washington Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34234 and Manatee Chamber Foundation, hereinafter referred to as "MCF" or "Vendor", 222 10th Street West, Bradenton, FL 34205.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is to pay MCF for outreach & business services provided by MCF staff, primarily through a designated staff for workforce services dealing with recruitment, retention, and enhancement of the current workforce, benefiting employers of CSS in Manatee County and serving the purposes of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (CFDA #93.558, #17.258, #17.278, and #17.259). These services are allowable under the Training and Employment Guidance Letter One-Stop Operating Guidance for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act 16-16, and shall be provided between July 1, 2026, and June 30, 2027.

SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

Services to be provided by the MCF may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Building relationships with CSS staff to develop a thorough understanding of services available to both the employer community and job seekers with a focus to increasing college and credential completion rates for Manatee County residents. To include a quarterly meeting to discuss and review engagement levels with local employers.
2. Promote CSS scholarship opportunities for career seekers.
3. Provide employer referrals to the CSS Business Services staff to develop and expand Customized Training (CT) and On-the-Job Training (OJT) contracts.
4. Promoting the use of Employ Florida (EF) internet data system for both employers and job seekers; increasing job order postings and applicant pools.
5. Promote CSS Youth program services, Scholarship, Paid Work Experience, On-the-Job Training, etc.
6. Promote the Summer Youth Employment Program, referring youth and employers to the CSS Youth Development Team to participate as a worksite host to youth aged 14-19 for summer employment.
7. Promote Registered Apprenticeship programs to job seekers and employers.
8. Working closely with other identified college access network staff to coordinate any related employer bi-county efforts for the region.
9. Participating in activities related to CSS's committees addressing the needs of employers.
10. Coordinating with CSS regarding outreach through personal visits to employers and youth groups.
11. Promoting CSS events and programs through emails, newsletter inclusion, social media, and through presentations to business and civic organizations.
12. Providing feedback and reports to the management of CSS regarding program services, including compliments, concerns or issues identified through work with employers; and
13. Establish a dedicated MCF representative to conduct the services described herein.

INVOICING FOR SERVICES

Due to the dynamic nature of economic development, specific activities will vary in response to the economic climate, the needs of employers and the needs of the region's job seekers. This makes quantification of measurement and outcome difficult to assess. It is therefore agreed that a quarterly invoice stating services as outlined in the scope of work will be delivered to CSS as the invoice for payment. The invoice and supporting documentation shall be sent to accounting@careersourcesc.com.

COMPENSATION

CSS will pay the Manatee Chamber Foundation for the above-mentioned services for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 annually. These payments will be made in four equal quarterly installments upon receipt of an invoice and supporting documentation that must be delivered to CSS by the 15th of the following month to ensure timely payment. The final invoice for the year must be received no later than **July 3rd, 2027**.

ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

The Specific certifications that are to be completed are hereby incorporated into this agreement.

The MCF shall comply with Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity Act, as amended by Executive Order 11375 and others, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulation 41 CFR, Part 60 and 45 CFR, Part 92, if applicable.

HOLD HARMLESS

The MCF agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and defend CSS, its agents, servants and employees in their official and individual capacity from any demand, claim, suit, loss, cost, expense or damage which may be asserted, claimed or recovered against or from CSS, its agents or employees, in their official or individual capacity by reason of any damage to property or injury or death of any person which arises out of, is incident to, or any manner connected with this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement and shall be binding on the parties, successors, representatives and assigns and cannot be waived or varied.

TERM

This Agreement shall be effective **July 1, 2026**, and shall remain in effect through **June 30, 2027**, or the last date executed by both parties, whichever is later.

TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT/CONVENIENCE

1. Either party may request termination of this agreement upon 30 days prior written notice to the other party.
2. The Board may unilaterally terminate or modify this agreement, if for any reason either the U.S. Department of Labor or the State of Florida reduces funding through the grants under which this agreement is funded.
3. The Board may unilaterally terminate this agreement at any time that it is determined that:
 - a. Vendor fails to provide any of the services it has contracted to provide; or
 - b. Vendor fails to comply with the provisions of this modified agreement; or
 - c. Such a termination is in the best interest of the BOARD.
4. Written notification of termination must be by registered mail, return receipt requested.

NOTICE OF TERMINATION

Termination of work hereunder shall be affected by either party by the delivery of a Notice of Termination by a certified letter to the other party specifying the extent to which the performance of work under the Contract is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. Certified and other mail related to contractual obligations will be sent to the following parties:

- i) CareerSource Suncoast
Joshua Matlock, President/CEO
3660 N. Washington Blvd.
Sarasota, FL 34234
jmatlock@careersourcesc.com
- ii) Manatee Chamber Foundation
Jacki Dezelski, President/CEO
222 10th Street West
Bradenton, FL 34205
JackiD@ManateeChamber.com

In the event this agreement is terminated for cause, Vendor shall be liable to the Board for damages sustained for any breach of this agreement by the Vendor, including court costs and attorney fees, when cause is attributable to the Vendor.

SIGNED

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed the Agreement as of the last date fully executed by both parties.

Manatee Chamber Foundation:

Jacki Dezelski
Jacki Dezelski (Jul 13, 2026 12:02:01 EDT)

Signature of Authorized Representative

07/13/2026

Date

Jacki Dezelski

Printed Name

President/CEO

Title

CareerSource Suncoast:

Joshua Matlock
Joshua Matlock (Jul 13, 2026 12:05:17 EDT)

Signature of Authorized Representative

07/13/2026

Date

Joshua Matlock

Printed Name

President/CEO

Title