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Georgia Association of Training, Employment and Supports



BUDGET ACTION ALERT

Budget ACTION ALERT - House

FY 2017 First Budget Hearing

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Please reach out to everyone listed below by Friday this week. On Monday, February 8, 2016 the committee will meet again to hear from agency officials.

There is a Public hearing on Thursday, Feb 4, 2016 from 1-3pm in Room 403 of the Capitol

Request for FY 2017 Budget

\$900,000 = Increase funds to increase training and employment supports for Georgians with disabilities

This will pull down \$3,600,000 federal funds for a total \$4,500,000

Our Message

Last year the House Human Resources Subcommittee of Appropriations approved \$900,000 to assist training and employment support for Georgians with disabilities in the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency for the FY 2016 Budget. Please support another \$900,000 for a 1:4 match to total \$4.5 million this year to continue the momentum to fully fund GVRA. We only need another \$4.1 million in state matching funds to fully pull down the

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GATES Board Meeting

Friday

February 5, 2016

10:00 AM

Center for the Visually Impaired

739 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA

\$100 million available to Georgia. Without this funding we are short \$15 million in total funds to fully fund GVRA and serve a majority of citizens eligible for services.

Message:

Your name/Your Org/Your phone number

"Thank you for allocating funding last year in the full FY 2016 budget to assist people with disabilities with training and employment supports in the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Program. The \$900,000 in state funds match federal dollars 1:4 and is now severing hundreds more in our community.

This year we would like to keep that momentum going with another \$900,000 to match with federal funding for a total of \$4.5 million to invest across Georgia to create jobs and put people to work."

(Please include your community/organization specific message/contact info)

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