The Department of Rehabilitation’s (DOR) May Revision budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 is $518.8 million. The DOR continues to operate under a Federal Order of Selection process and determined that projected resources are adequate to meet projected costs for all three Priority Categories. The Department will serve all individuals in Priority Category One, eligible individuals with the most significant disabilities; Priority Category Two, eligible individuals with significant disabilities, and all other eligible individuals with disabilities, Priority Category Three.

**Funding by Program**

Vocational Rehabilitation Program – $485.3 million

Independent Living Program – $33.5 million

**Funding by Sources ($ in thousands)**

Total proposed budget for FY 2022-23 is $518,805 and includes:

* General Fund – $89,351 including $6,375 in Local Assistance
* Vending Stand Fund – $3,361
* Federal Funds – $413,863 including $10,066 in Local Assistance
* Home and Community-Based Services American Rescue Plan Fund - $150
* Opioid Settlements Fund - $4,000
* Reimbursement – $8,080

**May Revision Budget Requests:**

1. **Disability Innovation Fund** **– Pathways to Success Project**

DOR requests $3.667 million federal fund authority for five fiscal years, beginning FY 2022-23, to perform project activities and provide program oversight required under the federal grant Disability Innovation Fund: Pathways to Success Project. Grant activities of this $18.3 million five-year grant are designed to increase competitive integrated employment outcomes, economic self-sufficiency, independence, and inclusion, through a unique service delivery design supported by sector-specific teams specializing in high-wage, high-skill, and high-demand careers for individuals with disabilities. The Pathways to Success Project is particularly targeted at underrepresented communities, including people of color, women, and individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

1. **Integrated Employment in Recovery (IER) Program**

DOR requests to shift one-time $4 million Opioid Settlements Fund (OSF) in FY 2022-23, available over a three-year period from the Department of Health Care Access and Information to DOR to establish the pilot IER program. Through the pilot, DOR will form a team to provide training to the provider workforce on evidence-based practices to serve people with substance use disorders (SUD) related to opioid use that can be incorporated as a part of holistic recovery. The training will focus on incorporating the full range of vocational rehabilitation services into treatment delivery as part of a whole-person approach to recovery and developing supports for individuals returning to or transitioning into work during and following treatment. Furthermore, DOR proposes to provide employment services in a minimum of four treatment centers and co-locating staff in selected centers treating diverse communities. Services would include employment skill development, job placement, and advocacy for and potential identification of long-term employment supports that people with SUD related to opioid use may require to be successful in the workplace.

1. **Community Living Fund**

DOR requests a one-time $10 million General Fund in FY 2022-23, available over a three-year period. The Community Living Fund will provide transition or diversion services to individuals to support community-based living which enables older adults and people with disabilities to access funding to move from an institutional setting to the community or to support individuals who are at risk of going into an institution to remain in their community. DOR would administer the Community Living Fund through non-competitive contracts with 40 to 50 eligible disability and aging service providers with expertise in transition and diversion services including Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC), Independent Living Centers (ILCs), Older Individuals Who Are Blind (OIB), and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) providers to ensure statewide coverage of services.

1. **Supported Employment Job Coaching Rate**

DOR requests $1.081 million General Fund in FY 2022-23, to increase the Supported Employment Job Coaching hourly rate to conform with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Supported Employment Job Coaching hourly rate, effective April 1, 2022. This budget adjustment eliminates disparity between DDS and DOR providers for providing the same service to mutual consumers.

# Staffing

The DOR is allocated 1,886 total positions. This includes 1,794 permanent positions and 92 temporary help positions.

More information on Governor’s budget proposal, including the full budget summary, is available at [www.ebudget.ca.gov](http://www.ebudget.ca.gov/).