**FY 2024-25 Budget Act**

**DOR Budget Highlights**

The Department of Rehabilitation’s (DOR) enacted budget for FY 2024-25 is $577 million ($86 million General Fund). DOR has determined we have sufficient resources available to provide the full range of Vocational Rehabilitation services listed in section 103(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations part 361.48. Consequently, DOR is not implementing an Order of Selection and will continue to serve all eligible individuals in all priority categories.

**Funding by Program** (Dollars in thousands)

Vocational Rehabilitation Program – $549,064

Independent Living Program – $28,022

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

Total enacted budget for FY 2024-25 is $577,086 and includes:

* General Fund – $86,004 including $6,375 in Local Assistance
* Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program Administrative Committee Fund - $3,657
* Vending Stand Fund – $3,361
* Federal Funds – $475,984 including $10,066 in Local Assistance
* Reimbursement – $8,080

**Approved Budget Requests:**

1. **Independent Living Program – Voice Options Program**

DOR’s approved budget includes $3.6 million ongoing from the Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program (DDTP) Administrative Committee Fund and 3.75 position to administer the Voice Options program. In addition, DOR was approved 0.25 position to oversee the federal Assistive Technology Program.

1. **Vocational Rehabilitation Program – Supported Employment (SE) Job Coaching (JC) Hourly Rate Paid to Service Providers**

DOR’s approved budget includes $777,000 General Fund to implement the final Job Coaching rate increase effective January 1, 2025. The rate increases were implemented in April of 2022, through a phased approach, to align with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) provider rates. The final phase of the rate increases was accelerated to July 2024 per SB 188 (Section 4519.10); however, it was adjusted to January 2025 to help address the budget deficit. Conforming with DDS provider rates will avoid adverse impacts to service delivery as both DDS and DOR serve similar populations and utilize some of the same service providers.

# Staffing

The DOR is allocated 1,883 total positions. This includes 1,792 permanent positions and 91 temporary help positions.

Details on the Budget Act, including the full budget summary, is available at [www.ebudget.ca.gov](http://www.ebudget.ca.gov).