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### **Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Dept. of**

*Enterprise Zone, High Impact Business, Blue Collar Jobs Act, and River Edge Redevelopment Zone Programs annual report, 2022*

DECO received no enterprise zone or Blue Collar Jobs Act project applications to review in 2022. The Illinois Department of Revenue reported \$164.7 million in forgone state tax revenue from enterprise zones in 2022; \$36.2 million from the High Impact Business Program; and \$204,000 from the River Edge Redevelopment Zone Program. Businesses participating in the enterprise zone program reported investing \$2.3 billion and creating 16,146 jobs; High Impact Business participants reported investing \$662.7 million and creating 2,886 jobs; and River Edge Redevelopment participants reported no new capital investments and the loss of one job. (20 ILCS 655/6; 20 ILCS 655/5.5(h); 65 ILCS 115/10-6(a)(1); July 2023, rec'd Nov. 2023, 34 pp.)

### *Restore Illinois Collaborative Commission report, Sept. 2023*

The report describes actions under the Restore Illinois plan for responding to COVID-19, including support to businesses, residents, and local governments. Out of \$175 million in Back to Business funding announced in March, \$37.9 million has been awarded to 999 restaurants, and \$72.2 million to 728 hotels; awards to arts businesses were expected by the end of September. Community Navigators grant agreements have been extended through 2023 and budgets have been increased by over \$3 million to fund their activities in 2024. Payments for a sixth round of Child Care Restoration Grants has begun. The state has awarded some \$10 million in grants to apprenticeship programs since 2019, and more than 60 new apprenticeship programs have registered since then. The Illinois Housing Development Authority has completed three rounds of emergency mortgage assistance that has

provided \$344.6 million to help 23,801 homeowners; it is still accepting applications through the Illinois Homeowner Assistance Fund program. (20 ILCS 605/605-1045.1(c); Sept. 2023, rec'd Nov. 2023, 7 pp.)

### **Healthcare and Family Services, Dept. of**

*Data Governance and Organization to Support Equity and Racial Justice Act annual report, 2023*

Under the Act, agencies must report demographic information of participants in each of their major programs. This report gives data on race, ethnicity, age, primary or preferred language, sex, and disability status of participants in the Department's Child Support Services and Medical Assistance programs. The Department will continue to work on collecting data on indigeneity, gender identity, sexual orientation, and more specific race and ethnicity categories. (20 ILCS 65/20-15(f); July 2023, rec'd Oct. 2023, 6 pp.)

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**Human Services, Dept. of**  
*Customized Employment for  
Individuals with Disabilities Act  
annual report, 2022*

Under the Act, DHS is to establish a 5-year pilot program to help individuals with disabilities find employment suited to their interests and abilities. In its third year, the pilot program had 13 customized employment contracts (up from 8 in year two) that served 52 customers (up from 24 in year two). The report says that DHS will evaluate the pilot program after it ends to determine whether to recommend it become permanent. (820 ILCS 97/30; Nov. 2023, rec'd Dec. 2023, 4 pp.)

**State Police, Illinois**  
*Juvenile charge report, July-  
Sept. 2023*

The State Police received 4,593 charge reports in the third quarter, for a 2023 total of 13,954. Charges are listed by county. (20 ILCS 2605/2605-355; issued and rec'd Nov. 2023, 2 pp.)

**Veterans' Affairs, Dept. of**  
*Locally-held benefit funds  
quarterly report, July-Sept.  
2023*

For each state veterans' home, the report describes monetary and nonmonetary donations received for residents' benefit; how and when they were

disbursed; and fund balances at quarter-end. (20 ILCS 2805/2.01a; issued & rec'd Nov. 2023, 11 pp.)

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