Jobseeker Services Committee-Youth Updates—September 22, 2021

Federal Programs.

- 1. **PY2019 WIOA Youth Funds: Youth Team is reallocating \$26,556.72 of unexpended PY2019 WIOA Youth Funding.** WDAs who opt to accept their "share" of the reallocated funds will be asked to submit a "mini-workplan/budget" and all PY19 reallocated funds must be fully expended by 6/30/22. We will follow up with final allocations as soon as we've heard from all WDAs.
- PY2020 WIOA Youth FINAL Performance Data: Final WDA-level performance data
 was released to the WDAs in a separate message on 9/20. Minnesota met or exceeded ALL
 statewide performance goals for the PY20 WIOA Youth Program. The final PY2020 WIOA data
 for Minnesota has been submitted to DOL by Scott Godfrey, in compliance with the October 1
 due date. DOL has certified Minnesota's PY20 WIOA data.
- 3. **PY2021 WIOA Youth Funds**: Federal funds released to WDA level under the Master Agreements with an effective date of 4/1/21. Final versions of PY21 Local Youth Plans will be posted on DEED's website. WDA's did an outstanding job updating the Local Youth Plans this year. Preliminary PY21 WIOA Youth Data will be available in November-December. Note: Minnesota's FPO (Pamela A. Jones) retired as of 9/17/21. Will keep you posted when we learn how DOL will handle transition to new FPO for Minnesota.
- 4. TANF Youth Project: please be sure to update all enrollment, activity and expenditure data in WorkForce 1 for the quarter ending 9/30/21. If questions, please contact Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us or visit the TANF Youth webpage at: https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/office-youth-development/special/tanf/. If your WDA will not spend 100% of your current TANF Youth funds, please contact Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us: we would like to move the funds to other WDAs to assure full expenditure. For example: Anoka Team has agreed to take unexpended TANF Youth funds from Washington County.

State Programs.

- 5. New SFY2022 Minnesota Youth Program (MYP) and Youthbuild Funds: ALL WDAs/MYP service providers have approved SFY22 MYP and SFY22 YB budgets/workplans: contracts are in place with a July 1, 2021 start date. Many WDAs are spending down small amounts of "old" SFY 21 MYP and SFY21 YB funds that will (mostly) end on September 30. Contracts were extended due to the Covid-19 emergency.
- 6. Preliminary SFY2021 Minnesota Youth Program (MYP) Data: Youth Team will forward preliminary SFY21 MYP data to WDAs/MYP service providers in a separate message. Please make certain that your SFY21 MYP data is correct/complete in WorkForce 1. This is the data summary that is reported to Legislature. If you identify problems with local SFY21 MYP data, please follow up with John.R.Olson@state.mn.us.
- 7. SFY2021 Outreach to Schools (OTS) Data: WDAs who opted to use a portion of SFY21 MYP funds for an Outreach to Schools component have been asked to complete a data

summary/brief narrative. Note: if your WDA also received a SFY 21 HECAP grant and the data reported for HECAP is combined data for HECAP/OTS, it is not necessary to submit a separate OTS report. **Please return OTS reports to** <u>Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us</u> **by 10/8/21**, or let her know if your OTS data is included in the HECAP report. The OTS data will be included in the SFY21 MYP report to the Legislature.

- 8. See the "DEED Developments" Blog post from Deputy Commissioner Hamse Warfa for description of the new SFY22-23 Youth at Work competitive grants: https://mn.gov/deed/newscenter/social-media/deed-developments/#/detail/appld/1/id/494289. There is also a weblink to a recording of the webinar for new YAW grantees, along with a copy of the PowerPoint presentation. Youth Team received over \$17.7 million in funding requests in this cycle. The Legislature provided level funding for the Youth at Work grants: 40 organizations received a total of \$3.8 million per year for SFY 22-23 Youth at Work competitive grants. SFY22 Youth at Work Competitive Grants are in place with a contract start date of July 1.
- 9. SFY21 Youth at Work Outcome Data: Please review SFY21 Youth at Work data in WorkForce 1 (WF1) make certain that it is accurate and complete for your agency. This is the data that will be included in the required Legislative Report on SFY21 YAW grants. Please follow up with Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us if you agency is interested in WorkForce 1 Training designed specifically for Youth at Work grantees. Limit 2 staff per grantee.
- 10. Reminder: SFY22-23 Youth Support Services proposals are due on September 30, 2021.