See below and attached for Notes from Kay Tracy/John Olson/Youth Team update for Job Seeker Services Meeting on 3/22/23.

Attached is a chart providing updated data on service levels to Youth from BIPOC communities in State and federal Youth Programs administered by ETP Youth Team.

WIOA Youth Program

- 1. CUT-OFF date for making changes in PY22 WIOA YOUTH data in WorkForce 1? Per Scott Godfrey (Performance and Reporting Coordinator) the cut-off date will be "on or around June 10-15."
- 2. PY23 WIOA Youth Allocations TEGL should be released by end of March per DOL: This is the year that DOL will update the DISADVANTAGED Youth (and adult) data -- the data is posted/available on the DOL Budget website, see: https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/budget/formula/disadvantagedyouthadults. States are States are required to use the new DISADVANTAGED data in their PY23 WDA-level Youth (and adult) allocations.
 - The WDA-level ASU data prepared by DEED's LMI Office and BLANK PY23 WIOA Youth Budget Forms will be included with final PY23 WDA-level WIOA Youth allocations (pending receipt of DOL's PY23 WIOA allocations TEGL).
- 3. Local Youth Plan Narrative Updates: are due on April 14, 2023. Two WDAs, Northwest WDA and Career Solutions, have submitted & received tentative approval of their Local Youth Plans. Full approval of the Local Youth Plans will be provided pending receipt of the Budget Forms. Reminder: include required attachments (e.g. RFP (or approved LWDB policy naming the WDA as sole sourve service provider; local policies on incentives, stipends, ITAs, support services, etc). The checklist is included with the Instructions for updating the Local Youth Plans (issued by Youth Team on 12/6/22). Sample incentive and stipend policies are posted on the WIOA Youth webpage: see: https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/office-youth-development/resources/.
- 4. Per TEGL 9-22 (dated March 2, 3023) Support Services is Allowable Work Experience Expenditure: DOL recently determined that Support Services that enable WIOA participants to participate in training can count toward Training Expenditures. To be consistent with this policy, Support Services that enable youth participants to participate in Work Experience can now count toward the Work Experience Expenditure Requirement. WDAs can implement this policy immediately for PY21 and PY22 and this policy will be incorporated into the PY2023 WIOA Youth Budget and Fiscal Reporting Forms. See #5 below.
- 5. How will the PY23 WIOA Youth Budget Form be revised to reflect TEGL 9-22? The WIOA Youth Budget Form will change from a WORD document to an Excel Spreadsheet. Column totals and administration, Out-of-School youth expenditures and Work Experience expenditure percentages will automatically calculate. In addition:
 - a. Category 872/855 should now INCLUDE BOTH Work Experience Staff Costs and Work Experience Related Support Services Costs.
 - b. Category 848/862 should EXCLUDE BOTH Work Experience Related Support Services Costs and Training Related Support Services Costs.
 - c. Category 837/838 should now INCLUDE BOTH Training Costs and Training Related Support Services costs.

Minnesota Youth Program (MYP):

- 6. WDAs/MYP Service Providers Will NOT be required to submit SFY24 MYP Budgets with the Local Youth Plan updates -- due on April 14, 2023. Blank Budget Forms will be issued with the final SFY24 MYP allocations pending final action by the House and Senate and Governor's approval of the DEED Appropriations Bill. The Governor's Budget recommends doubling the current funding for MYP.
- 7. SFY23 Minnesota Youth Program (MYP) contracts end on 6/30/23. Please contact Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us as soon as possible if you need an extension to 9/30/23. To date, Duluth, Washington County, South Central, Carver County, Ramsey County, city of Minneapolis, Winona County, Anoka County and Southwest requested one-quarter contract extensions for SFY23 MYP.
- 8. SFY22 Minnesota Youth Program Annual Report and FACT Sheet are posted on the Minnesota Youth Program webpage, see: https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/office-youth-development/youth-programs/youth-program.jsp.

Youth Competitive Grants:

- 9. SFY24-SFY25 Youth at Work Request for Proposals (RFP): posted on DEED's website, see: https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp#8. Information for interested applicants posted along with Q and A's. Youth at Work Proposals are due on March 31, 2023. Questions on the SFY24-25 Youth at Work RFP should be directed via e-mail to: Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us. The Governor's Budget recommends doubling the funding for the Youth at Work competitive grants.
- 10. SFY24-SFY25 Youth Support Services Request for Proposals (RFP): posted on DEED's on 2/24/23, see: https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts (under Competitive Grants). The information session for interested applicants and Q and A's posted along with the new RFP. Youth Support Services Proposals are due on April 21, 2023. Questions on the SFY24-SFY25 Youth Support Services RFP should be directed via e-mail to: Kathy.Young@state.mn.us.

If questions, please contact <u>Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us</u> or <u>John.R.Olson@state.mn.us</u> or <u>Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us</u> or <u>Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us</u> or <u>Kathy.Young@state.mn.us</u>.

Thank you for your cooperation --

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