

## WIOA Youth Program:

- 1. PY22 WIOA Youth Funds: 87.1% expended or obligated statewide, as of 8/31/23 (2 WDAs 100% fully expended).** Reminder to spend OLD PY22 WIOA Youth funds before expending new PY23 WIOA Youth federal resources, if possible.
- 2. MN's WIOA Youth Key Provisions Review: PY20 & PY21 WIOA Youth Programs (COVID Years):** Minnesota's DOL Federal Project Officer (Amy Hansmann) completed a review of the city of Minneapolis PY20 and PY21 WIOA Youth Programs the week of July 15, 2023. The city of Minneapolis Team and the youth service providers did an outstanding job. MN's FPO is putting together her NEW monitoring schedule (will keep you posted). The WIOA Youth Key Provisions Review covered a wide variety of topics, including: Youth Program Design, State and Local Youth Policies, Program Implementation, Participant Services, Performance, Youth Service Provider Selection and monitoring. In Minnesota/Minneapolis (and nationwide) DOL monitors paid special attention to:
  - 14 Required Program Elements under WIOA Youth
  - Youth Support Services Policy
  - WIOA Youth EXIT policy
  - Consistent Case management File Documentation
- 3. States Required to Submit Final Data for PY22 WIOA Annual Report to DOL on October 2:** PY22 WIOA Annual Report will include IMPROVED outcome data on MN's PY22 WIOA Youth Program. MN's 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report reflected data from the July 15 cut-off date. Our thanks to the local partners who updated their PY22 WIOA Youth Credential Attainment in WorkForce 1 in time for the October 2 submittal. Please follow up with [Ahmed.Mohidin@state.mn.us](mailto:Ahmed.Mohidin@state.mn.us) asap if you run into problem getting Credentials into WF1. Reminder: the Covid emergency impacted the PY22 Credential Attainment Rate (the timeline was January 1, 2021 to December 30, 2021).
- 4. DOL issued a "save the date" notice for a Virtual Youth Roundtable Scheduled for the AFTERNOONS of October 11 - 13: agenda expected to be available soon. If a Federal Government Shutdown were to happen, the Virtual Youth Roundtable would be re-scheduled for November 29, 30 and December 1.**
- 5. Notes from DOL's WIOA Performance Accountability & Reporting National Conference in Washington, D.C. (September 12-13, 2023):** released to WDAs/Youth Practitioners by Youth Team on 9/15/23. This is the year that states will be required to "negotiate" new state-level WIOA performance goals for PY24 and PY25.

## State Youth Programs:

6. SFY24 Minnesota Youth Program (MYP) contracts are all in place with a July 1, 2023 start date. Process slowed this year because MMB did not set up the SFY24 State funds in DEED's account until well after July 1. Also, DEED's AFS Team has now brought 25 new staff on board to handle increased workload for the Fiscal Team department-wide.
7. Minnesota Youth Program (MYP) SFY23 Annual Report for Legislature in process: **the following WDAs/MYP service providers have already submitted updated SFY23 MYP narrative profiles : Ramsey County, Carver County, city of Minneapolis, South Central, Scott County, Career Solutions, Duluth, Rural CEP, CMJTS, Dakota County, Southwest, Southeast and Anoka County.** Submit SFY23 MYP narrative updates to [Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us](mailto:Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us) and [Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us](mailto:Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us) as soon as possible.
8. Preliminary SFY23 MYP Data Summary to be released SOON (contracts end on 9/30/23). **WDAs/MYP service providers asked to review their SFY23 MYP data in WorkForce 1 to assure that YOUR data is accurate and complete.** The Minnesota Legislature provided supplemental funding for the Minnesota Youth Program: the total available for MYP is **\$8,561,000 per year for SFY24/25.** The SFY23 MYP Data in WF1 will be used to prepare the required MYP Annual Report, Program Summary (provided to Legislature).
9. SFY23 Minnesota Youth Program Funds: **95.7% expended or obligated statewide, as of 8/31/23 (9 WDAs submitted final fiscal reports).** Reminder that SFY23 MYP contracts end on 9/30/23, for all providers except Scott County and Hennepin County (12/31/23 end date).
10. Outreach to Schools (OTS) Component of Minnesota Youth Program (MYP): WDAs/MYP service providers have the option to use up to 20% of the SFY24 MYP funds for an Outreach to Schools (OTS) component. **Separate Reporting Instructions have been issued/posted for the OTS component of MYP,** see the Documents and Forms section of the MYP webpage: <https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/office-youth-development/youth-programs/youth-program.jsp>. **Those providers who offered Outreach to Schools activities in SFY23 are asked to submit their report by 10/16/23 to [Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us](mailto:Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us).** To date, Youth Team received OTS/MYP reports from the following providers: Southeast WDI, Anoka County.
11. SFY24/25 Youth at Work Grant Awards announced by DEED Commissioner on 6/16/23. Link to Press Release: <https://mn.gov/governor/newsroom/press-releases/#/detail/appld/1/id/584372>. All SFY24 Youth at Work contracts are in place with a July 1 start date. The Omnibus Jobs Bill/SF3035 included supplemental funding for Youth at Work competitive grants, the total available to allocate was \$7,075,000 per year for SFY24/25. **Youth at Work grantees asked to review their SFY23 Youth at Work data in WorkForce 1 to assure that YOUR DATA it is complete and accurate.** This is the data that will be included in the required SFY23 Legislative Report and Youth at Work Program Summary. **The webinar for new SFY24 Youth at Work grantees will be held in early October.** Questions? Please follow up with [Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us](mailto:Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us).

**12. SFY24/25 Youthbuild: Contracts for existing SFY24 Youthbuild Programs are all in place with a July 1 start date.** The Omnibus Jobs Bill provided supplemental funding for the Youthbuild Program: total funding available for SFY24/25 Youthbuild is **\$2,093,000 each year.** **YB service provider profiles, SFY23 YB data and success stories will be used to prepare the required SFY24 Youthbuild Annual Report and Program Summary.** Questions? Please follow up with [Nancy.Waisanen@state.mn.us](mailto:Nancy.Waisanen@state.mn.us).

**13. Funding Recommendations for new SFY24/25 Youthbuild Program announced by DEED Commissioner on 9/11/23.** The Press Release should be posted soon. New SFY24 Youthbuild Grantees have been asked to submit revised budgets and workplans as soon as possible so contracts can have a September start date. Questions? Please follow up with [Nancy.Waisanen@state.mn.us](mailto:Nancy.Waisanen@state.mn.us).

**14. SFY24/25 Youth Support Services Grant Awards announced by DEED Commissioner on 6/16/23.** Link to Press Release: <https://mn.gov/deed/newscenter/press-releases/#/detail/appld/1/id/587506>. The Legislature included level funding for SFY24/25 Youth Support Services grants (\$500,000 per year). All SFY24 Youth Support Services contracts are in place with a July 1, 2023 start date. **The webinar for new SFY24 Youth Support Services Grantees will be held on October 4, 2023. The webinar will be recorded and posted on the Youth Support Services website/available on-demand.** Please review the SFY23 Youth Support Services data in WorkForce 1 to assure that YOUR data is complete and accurate. This is the data that will be included in the SFY23 Youth Support Services Annual Report and Program Summary. Questions? Please follow up with [Kathy.Young@state.mn.us](mailto:Kathy.Young@state.mn.us).

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