

## Adult Career Pathways Program Updates

MAWB Job Seeker Services Meeting, January 24, 2024

### Adult Career Pathways Programs

Please help me welcome our newest ACP Grant Coordinator, Laura Dale! Laura joined our team a few weeks ago and over the next month will slowly take over some of the ACP Grantee contracts.

The ACP Team would like to congratulate the recipients of our Southeast Asian Economic Disparities, Women's Economic Security Act (WESA), Adult Support Services, Getting to Work, On-Ramp to Career Pathways, Bridge to Career Pathways and Individualized Training Pathway projects announced in December! We appreciate your support and patience as we begin to work with you to execute contracts as quickly as possible. DEED has implemented a new Grants Management Data System where we released and accepted all Pathways to Prosperity applications. As with any new data system, the team continues to work through the glitches to process contracts as quickly as possible.

The Drive for Five request for proposal, released on October 10, 2023, received applications by the December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 due date and are working through our review process to announce awardees in February 2024.

In addition, the ACP Team released the Targeted Populations Workforce request for proposal on October 30<sup>th</sup> with applications due January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We are working through our review process to announce awardees in February 2024.

The Clean Economy Equitable Workforce request for proposal was released January 19<sup>th</sup>, with applications due March 4, 2024.

We encourage Grantees and any interested organization to visit the [DEED Competitive Grants and Contracts](#) webpage and review all outgoing grants.

Please remember, when applying for ACP Competitive grants to not send your attachments in ZIP files. Review the directions carefully and send 2 separate PDF documents.

Marketing ACP programs? A reminder to review the [ACP Cost Category Guidance](#) for allowable marketing and outreach costs and the disclaimer that must be included on ALL marketing material.

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### SFY24-25 Adult Direct Appropriation

**REMINDER:** All SFY24-25 [Direct Appropriation grants' quarterly reports](#) were due December 31, 2023. If you need assistance completing your report, please connect with your Grant Coordinator. If needed, we

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have posted report instructions [here](#). Quarterly reports are due the 30<sup>th</sup> of the month following the end of the quarter or October 30, January 30, April 30, and July 30

### SNAP E&T 50/50

The SNAP E&T project can provide additional, unrestricted funds to your organization when partnered with your ACP Grant. If you serve SNAP recipients within your ACP program(s) and are interested in more information about adding the SNAP E&T 50% Reimbursement program to your organization, please contact Ann Meyers at [ann.meyers@state.mn.us](mailto:ann.meyers@state.mn.us).

### Workforce One- ACP Programs

As a reminder, all participants enrolled in any SFY22-23 ACP program MUST be appropriately exited from Workforce One (WF1) upon the completion of the grant. As a reminder, past performance is taken into consideration when reviewing and recommending future ACP funding. The team recommends you run the "Grant Information Summary" report to ensure all data is entered correctly.

In order for your organization to capture outcomes for these participants, including participants enrolled in training, completing training, and entering employment all participants must Exit from Workforce One (WF1) within 45 days from the expiration of the grant contract. Be mindful as final Reimbursement Payment Requests (RPRs) are being processed and compared to data within Workforce One.

For our new Grantees in SFY24-25, the ACP team facilitated a Workforce One training session in September and have posted the recording [here](#). If you need further assistance, please connect with your Coordinator.

### Adult Career Pathways Guides

The ACP Workforce One User Guide has been updated and posted to [the ACP home page](#).

The ACP Operations Guide has been updated and posted to the ACP home page. If you have any suggestions for the guide, please submit those to your Grant Coordinator.