

Adult Career Pathways Program Updates

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Please help me welcome our newest ACP Grant Coordinators, Sarah Lee, Beth Bidinger, and Hony Yang! They joined our team a few weeks ago and over the couple weeks will slowly take over some of the ACP Grantee contracts.

It is an exciting time for the Adult Career Pathways team as we continue to review applications for the Drive for Five Program, the Targeted Populations Workforce, Targeted Populations Capacity Building, Targeted Populations Diversity and Inclusion for Small Employers, and the Clean Economy Equitable Workforce request for proposals.

As a reminder the Targeted Populations Capacity Building and Targeted Populations Diversity and Inclusion for Small Employers RFPs are being released as applications and we will accept applications and will award on a quarterly basis until all funds are expended. We encourage Grantees and any interested organization to visit the [DEED Competitive Grants and Contracts](#) webpage and review all outgoing grants.

The ACP Team is starting to plan for in-person onboarding sessions for all Competitive Grant recipients. A virtual option will be available, but the team is excited to get out in the community again! We are requiring each competitive grant recipient to send at least one representative to one of these sessions. Please watch your emails for a registration link.

This State fiscal year the ACP team implemented a 30, 60, 90-day check in with Grantees. Your Coordinator will be in touch with you within the first month of your executed contract start date to schedule time to review your program, map out your workforce one activities, and get to know each other. These are being conducted to give Grantees one on one time with their Grant Coordinator, to ask questions, and make sure our Grantees have the tools to understand the components and operate a DEED grant from the beginning.

Adult Career Pathways Guides

The ACP Operations Guide continues to be reviewed and updated on a monthly basis. The most recent version of the guide can be found on the ACP home page under [Resources and Guides](#). If you have any suggestions for the guide, please submit those to your Grant Coordinator.

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 indicated interest on your application, I will reach out to you in the next couple weeks inviting you to an information session. Please contact Ann Meyers at ann.meyers@state.mn.us if you have any questions about this program at DEED.

Workforce One- ACP Programs

As a reminder, the ACP team facilitated a Workforce One training session in September and have posted the recording to the [ACP home webpage](#). If you need further assistance, please connect with your Coordinator.