

Adult Career Pathways Program Updates

MAWB Job Seeker Services Meeting, April 24, 2024

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Thank you to those that were able to attend ACP's onboarding sessions in March. It was nice to get out and meet Grantees! As mentioned in these sessions, the 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.

As part of ACP's partnership with Xcel Energy, 80 participants are graduating from the first cohort of the Xcel Energy Power Up program on May 3rd! Each graduate will have completed work-based learning and moved into union apprenticeship or energy-related construction jobs. This project's goal is to increase diversity in this industry pipeline for a variety of energy-related construction occupations.

Our team continues to review and make recommendations for the Targeted Population Workforce and Clean Economy Equitable Workforce programs. 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.

Adult Career Pathways Guides

We have made quite a few updates to the [ACP webpage](#), rearranging headings and guidance and updating with current information. The recent onboarding on-line session was recorded and is available on the webpage for reference as well as the PowerPoint where there are a lot of information and resources available within.

The ACP Operations Guide continues to be reviewed and updated monthly. 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 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

The Team is getting ready to facilitate a Workforce One training session this Spring. It will be held online and will focus on Adult Career Pathways programs' data entry only. We encourage new staff to sign up for the WF1 team's ETP Programs Case Management Training, either virtually or view the recorded sessions, prior to attending the ACP specific session. Watch your email for registration!

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.