Adult Career Pathways Programs

Awards for the Targeted Populations - Workforce and the Clean Economy Equitable Workforce grants have been announced! Congratulations to all awarded Grantees!

The Office of Adult Career Pathways is soliciting applications for funding **Capacity Building** to eligible Minnesota community-based organizations to increase their capacity to provide workforce services and related training for historically underserved communities of color or low-income communities.

In addition, we are soliciting applications for funding **Diversity & Inclusion Training** to eligible Minnesota small businesses to increase their ability to engage, hire, and retain people of color in a variety of roles.

Applications for both programs will be accepted on a continual basis until all funds have been awarded. We encourage Grantees and any interested organization to visit the <u>DEED Competitive Grants and</u> <u>Contracts</u> webpage to review all outgoing grants.

The team is also preparing to release a round 2 request for proposal for the **Targeted Populations Workforce** program. Stay tuned for an early July release.

Note: that organizations will no longer need to have an operating budget of \$1M or less to apply for the Targeted Populations programs. This change will be reflected in the application beginning July 1.

We continue to work with our Performance Team to put together a Provider Training Map. We anticipate this being posted soon with the goal to increase referrals across ACP programs and with external partners.

Quarterly reports are coming due soon! As a reminder these reports are due the 30th of the month following the end of the quarter. Program-specific report templates are available on the webpage under <u>Adult Career Pathways Programs</u>. If you need assistance, please connect with your Grant Coordinator. If needed, we have also posted <u>Quarterly Report Instructions</u>.

Adult Career Pathways Guides

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 <u>Resources and Guides</u>. Be sure you are receiving the monthly Partner Express to see the latest changes to any of our guides (<u>https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNDEED/subscriber/new?topic_id=MNDEED_109</u>). 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 <u>ann.meyers@state.mn.us</u> if you have any questions about this program at DEED.

Workforce One- ACP Programs

Electronic Document Storage (EDS) requirement is coming to ACP Programs July 1, 2025! In preparation, DEED will facilitate three training sessions:

Adult Career Pathways Program Updates MAWB Job Seeker Services Meeting, June 26, 2024

- Thursday, July 25, 2024, from 1 PM 3 PM
- Tuesday, July 30, 2024, from 1 PM 3 PM
- Thursday, August 1, 2024, from 9 AM -11 AM

Register Now: Electronic Document Storage (EDS) Training Registration Form

The ACP team facilitated a Workforce One training session in September and another in May. Both sessions were recorded and are posted on the <u>ACP home webpage</u>. If you need further assistance, please connect with your Coordinator.