

# Dislocated Worker and Trade Adjustment Assistance Program Updates

MAWB Job Seeker Services Meeting, September 23, 2024

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## Dislocated Worker and Federal Adult Programs (DWFAP)

- **Financial and Grants Management Virtual Training, facilitated by Jill Roberts, September 30, 2024, 1:00pm – 3:30pm:**
  - *Grants Management 101: Financial Aspects (60 minutes)*
    - Creating invoices, receiving payments, cost categories, expenses
    - Address grant periods and working within the periods of performance
  - *Grants Management 102: Cost Allocation Methodologies (60 minutes)*
    - Developing cost allocation methodologies for managing grants
    - Address incentive spending as a category of costs.
  - *Grants Management 103: Policies and Procedures (30 minutes)*
    - How to utilize posted policies, the RFP, guidance, staff and other resources to manage a grant.
  
- **State Dislocated Worker Program Expansion:**
  - Workforce One changes and updates to allow enrollment of new populations will be completed by end of September.
  - Training for program operators will be held in October.
  
- **Grant Status Meeting:**
  - The Dislocated Worker and Federal Adult Programs (DWFAP) grants team has rolled-out new grantee-specific Grant Status Meetings, to allow for one-on-one contact with providers. These meetings, which started in August 2024, are designed to provide opportunities for listening, discussion and collaboration, proactively address issues, provide additional support, and enhance program success.
  - The grants team meets with 4 providers each month and focus areas include reviewing the following information for active WIOA Adult, WIOA DW, and State DW grants:
    - Financials – actual (RPRs/FSRs) and quarterly plan (PSP budget table)
    - PSP Participant and Activity Plans
    - WF1 Grants Information Summary Report
  
- **Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Board (MJSP):**
  - The next MJSP Board meeting will be held on **Monday, October 28, 2024.**
  - All MJSP board meetings are open to the public at DEED headquarters. Some meetings are also held online via MS Teams. Additional information on the time, meeting format, and location will be posted as available. Get more information at: <https://mn.gov/deed/business/financing-business/training-grant/mjsp/>
  - Supplemental Funding Requests are due on **September 30, 2024.**

## Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)

- Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Federal Correction Action Plan in process. The Correct Action is due to the program not meeting the 80% aggregate required across performance measures (specifically Employment in the 4th quarter after exit, and Median Earnings).

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- PY2023 participant and host agency surveys are scheduled to be sent out in October 2024. Grantees are encouraged to begin informing participants and host agencies ahead of time. DEED's updated survey materials have already been sent to the Survey team.
- Federal Monitoring tentatively scheduled for week of Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Additional information will be shared in the coming weeks.

### MN RETAIN:

- DEED's Employment and Training Program (ETP) Division has been awarded a \$10 million grant under the Disability Innovation Fund (DIF) to continue the Minnesota Retaining Employment and Talent After Illness/Injury Network (MN RETAIN) Program. The DIF supports innovative activities that promote Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) for youth and adults with disabilities.

### **Strategic Priorities:**

1. **Early Intervention:** Provide support within the first 1-2 months of disability onset.
2. **Comprehensive Services:** Offer wraparound support, accommodations, and modifications.
3. **Partnerships:** Leverage Mayo Clinic's Return-to-Work Case Managers and the state's workforce development system.

### **Program Goals:**

- Facilitate the return-to-work process for 1,000 individuals with impairments as soon as it is medically safe.
- Assess the impact of intensive Return-to-Work Case Management (RTWCM) services.
- Identify healthcare-related time/cost savings by providing RTWCM support.
- Build evidence in the effectiveness of early intervention SAW/RTW programs.

### Reminders:

- **Monthly Financial Status Report (FSR) / Monthly Reimbursement Payment Request (RPR):**
  - Due 20 days after month end. For example, the June RPR (June 30 end date) is due July 20.
  - Report accrued monthly expenditures.
  - A monthly RPR/FSR is required even if no funds were expended.
- **Quarterly Progress Report (QPR)**
  - Reports are due 30 days after the end of the quarter. Quarter ending June 2023 was due on July 30. Reports must be completed for all active grants.

### Use Dislocated Worker General Email to Reach All Team Members

Please continue to email requests, reports, technical assistance questions, etc. to the Dislocated Worker Federal Adult Programs general email at [DWFAPrograms.DEED@state.mn.us](mailto:DWFAPrograms.DEED@state.mn.us).

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### Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA):

Please email all questions and customer applications to the Trade Adjustment Assistance general email at [deed.taa@state.mn.us](mailto:deed.taa@state.mn.us)

### Virtual Informational Sessions on October 23

Minnesota TAA is **hosting a virtual informational session on October 23** for people who may be eligible to apply for TAA benefits under older petitions. As always, TAA will refer attendees to enroll in the Dislocated Worker (DW) program to access their TAA benefits. Thank you in advance for your work to serve these shared customers, some of whom may have been laid off under a TAA petition years ago. Links to the sessions are at

<https://www.careerforcemn.com/TAA>

### TAA Program Status and Funding

The **TAA program has funding and continues to serve customers**. Congress has not reauthorized the program but could reauthorize it at any time. For customers who are eligible under older petitions and seeking training, **TAA must be the primary source of funding**. Contact TAA with outreach suggestions or to ask about an individual's eligibility, and use the [resources](#) available for Counselors and Services Providers.

TEGL 07-23 - *Ongoing Operations of the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Workers Program During Phase-Out Termination* is available at [TEGL 07-23 | U.S. Department of Labor \(dol.gov\)](#).

### Petitions

**Petitions can still be filed**, but Department of Labor's investigation is paused until program restoration or reauthorization. To see the list of petitions in Minnesota filed after July 1, 2022, visit the [Certified and Pending TAA Petitions](#) on the CareerForce site.

### Performance Updates:

Today's Performance Handout:

- WIOA Dislocated Worker
  - Annual 9169
  - Annual Measurable Skill Gains
  - Annual Scorecard
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### Program Year 2023 - Percent of Goals Achieved:

#### WIOA Adult 16 Workforce Development Areas

WIOA Adult 2nd Quarter Employment	WIOA Adult 4th Quarter Employment	WIOA Adult 2nd Quarter Median Earnings	WIOA Adult Credential Attainment Rate	WIOA Adult Measurable Skill Gains
87.5%	68.8%	100.0%	75.0%	68.8%
12.5%	31.2%	0.0%	25.0%	25.0%
0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.2%

WIOA ADULT Annual Program Year 2023 Percent of Goals Achieved	2nd Quarter Employment	4th Quarter Employment	2nd Qtr Median Earnings	Credential Attainment Rate	Measurable Skill Gains
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	111.5%	116.1%	130.6%	105.7%	116.0%
WDA 01 Northwest PIC Inc	102.1%	96.0%	113.3%	75.5%	48.1%
WDA 02 Rural MN CEP Inc	101.2%	105.5%	141.6%	104.7%	98.6%
WDA 03 NE MN Office of Job Training	110.2%	105.8%	124.7%	116.9%	107.3%
WDA 04 City of Duluth	97.4%	109.4%	122.8%	123.4%	136.1%
WDA 05 Central MN Jobs and Training	95.2%	109.3%	113.4%	104.8%	136.4%
WDA 06 SW MN PIC Inc	131.4%	134.0%	168.2%	102.8%	112.0%
WDA 07 S Central Workforce Council	115.4%	123.0%	115.7%	100.6%	137.7%
WDA 08 SE MN Workforce Development	105.8%	108.1%	106.3%	108.6%	124.5%
WDA 09 Hennepin/Carver ETC	111.3%	96.0%	115.3%	114.4%	198.5%
WDA 10 Mpls Employment and Training	109.3%	127.7%	131.4%	93.5%	53.0%
WDA 12 Anoka County	108.5%	119.7%	115.5%	104.6%	122.0%
WDA 14 Dakota/Scott Counties	101.1%	99.8%	137.6%	98.7%	94.6%
WDA 15 Ramsey Cty Workforce Solutions	134.5%	114.8%	136.4%	86.0%	81.9%
WDA 16 Washington County	112.7%	90.1%	158.4%	149.9%	151.5%
WDA 17 Stearns/Benton E&T	107.8%	111.9%	150.0%	113.2%	92.0%
WDA 18 Winona Cty Workforce Council	137.4%	122.0%	118.2%	119.3%	128.2%

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### WIOA Dislocated Worker 16 Workforce Development Areas

WIOA DW 2nd Quarter Employment	WIOA DW 4th Quarter Employment	WIOA DW 2nd Quarter Median Earnings	WIOA DW Credential Attainment Rate	WIOA DW Measurable Skill Gains
43.8%	37.5%	81.3%	37.5%	81.3%
56.2%	62.5%	18.7%	62.5%	18.7%
0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

WIOA DISLOCATED WORKER Annual Program Year 2023 Percent of Goals Achieved	2nd Quarter Employment	4th Quarter Employment	2nd Qtr Median Earnings	Credential Attainment Rate	Measurable Skill Gains
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	101.0%	100.3%	107.2%	100.0%	122.8%
WDA 01 Northwest PIC Inc	83.3%	94.9%	124.3%	81.5%	160.0%
WDA 02 Rural MN CEP Inc	102.7%	107.0%	110.2%	97.9%	81.0%
WDA 03 NE MN Office of Job Training	111.7%	107.9%	117.8%	142.9%	110.4%
WDA 04 City of Duluth	102.2%	97.2%	151.8%	82.0%	140.9%
WDA 05 Central MN Jobs and Training	97.0%	98.5%	90.1%	119.8%	116.2%
WDA 06 SW MN PIC Inc	87.1%	94.8%	124.4%	93.4%	109.3%
WDA 07 S Central Workforce Council	95.4%	105.1%	101.8%	123.5%	103.3%
WDA 08 SE MN Workforce Development	102.6%	92.8%	124.3%	92.0%	114.0%
WDA 09 Hennepin/Carver ETC	86.3%	84.5%	90.7%	98.5%	125.3%
WDA 10 Mpls Employment and Training	91.6%	100.0%	124.8%	90.7%	115.7%
WDA 12 Anoka County	116.8%	100.8%	132.7%	106.8%	127.0%
WDA 14 Dakota/Scott Counties	92.4%	75.3%	106.9%	94.9%	86.6%
WDA 15 Ramsey Cty Workforce Solutions	79.1%	99.3%	102.1%	86.2%	96.3%
WDA 16 Washington County	103.4%	102.8%	119.1%	90.5%	126.3%
WDA 17 Stearns/Benton E&T	98.8%	93.6%	93.3%	100.2%	131.0%
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### Program Year 2024 and 2025 Local Area Negotiations

We appreciate your partnership during the PY24 and PY25 local area negotiations!!

Confirmation letters will be emailed to local area leadership teams by October 30, 2024.

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### Request for Technical Assistance (TA) Event Topics

Should you have performance or data entry questions, please contact:

- Thomas Sommer at [etpl.deed@state.mn.us](mailto:etpl.deed@state.mn.us): Eligible Training Provider List Administrator.
- [Mohamed.farah@state.mn.us](mailto:Mohamed.farah@state.mn.us): Workforce One Data Entry.
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