

Dislocated Worker and Trade Adjustment Assistance Program Updates

MAWB Job Seeker Services Meeting, January 22, 2025

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Staffing Updates

- Frederick Nah, Grants Specialist – appointment with DEED ended 1/17/25:
 - Re-entry grants – Enock Kakuuku.
 - SLIGs/Mass Layoff Projects – Rita Apaloo.
- Sarah Saito starts a new position on January 29. Contact the general Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) phone (651-259-7543) or email (deed.taa@state.mn.us) with TAA questions.

Dislocated Worker and Federal Adult Programs (DWFAP)

Tables 1 & 2 - PY25 Estimated Funds:

PY25/FY26 WIOA Dislocated Worker Funding (Planning Estimates)			
15 percent for statewide and administrative budget, 15 percent for Rapid Response: 70 percent for service delivery			
	Current Year (PY24) Allocation	Estimate PY25 Allocations	Percent Change
For Minnesota Local Partners	\$5,981,695	\$5,383,526	-10.000%
Minnesota Total Allocation	\$8,545,279	\$7,690,751	-10.000%
United States Total Allocation	\$1,393,572,000	\$1,393,572,000	0.00%

PY25/FY26 WIOA Adult Funding (Planning Estimates)			
15 percent for statewide and administrative budget, 85 percent for service delivery			
	Current Year (PY24) Allocation	Estimate PY25 Allocations	Percent Change
For Minnesota Local Partners	\$6,212,341	\$5,593,469	-10.00%
Minnesota Total Allocation	\$7,308,636	\$6,580,552	-10.00%
United States Total Allocation	\$882,925,000	\$881,089,755	-0.21%

DW Eligibility Expansion:

- WorkforceOne enrollment is now open to enroll the 3 new populations that could now be served under the expanded Dislocated Worker Program criteria. Please reach out to DWFAP team with ongoing questions. The webinar recording and additional resources can be found on the Office of DWFAP web page under the “Training” tab: <https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/dislocated-worker/dislocated-worker/resources/>

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Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Board (MJSP):

- **The next meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, March 3, 2025.** Supplemental Funding Requests are due January 31st. [Forms](#) can be found on the Office of Dislocated Worker and Federal Adult Programs web page. Additional information on the MJSP Board is available at the [web page](#).

Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP):

- **SCSEP Department of Labor (DOL) PY2023 Monitoring:**
 - DEED has received the Federal Monitoring from the recent DOL monitoring of the SCSEP and SCSEP IT grant. Response to the report is due 2/17/2025.
- **PY2023 Participant and Host Agency Survey:** The survey is currently in progress. The first wave of PY 2023 participant surveys was mailed on Monday, December 9, 2024. Two additional waves will be sent at 3–4-week intervals to participants who have not responded.
- **Minnesota SCSEP Performance for PY2023:** Minnesota achieved aggregate performance of at least 80% of its goal.
- **GPMS Newsletter:** Check out the SCSEP [GPMS e-Newsletter January 2025 Issue Volume 2](#).
- **Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2025:** HHS has published the 2025 federal poverty guidelines, effective 1/15/25. GPMS users will be notified as soon as the guidelines are uploaded in the system.
- **Next quarterly meeting:** scheduled for February 20, 2025.

Retaining Employment and Talent after Injury/Illness Network (RETAIN)

- The RETAIN program continues to enroll participants during the sustainability phase. Please continue to refer eligible individuals for eligibility assessment.
- Please let us know of employer events your organization is hosting in 2025 for partnership opportunities, contact info@mnretain.com.
- The Disability Innovation Fund is in start up phase. The DIF supports innovative activities that promote Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) for youth and adults with disabilities.

Formula Funds – WIOA Adult, WIOA DW and State DW

- **Monthly Financial Status Report (FSR)/Monthly Reimbursement Payment Request (RPR):**
 - Due the 20th day of the month following the preceding month-end.
 - A monthly RPR/FSR is required even if no funds were expended.
- **Quarterly Progress Report (QPR):**
 - Due the 30th day of the month following the end of the quarter.
 - A QPR is required 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.

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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

Virtual Informational Sessions on January 28

Minnesota TAA is **hosting a virtual informational session on January 28** 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:

Request for Technical Assistance Event Topics and assistance:

Should you have performance or data entry questions, please contact our general email performanceap.deed@state.mn.us