

**Notes from Kay Tracy/Youth Programs Update for Job Seeker Services Meeting on 4/23/25:**

**WIOA Youth Program -**

- 1. Eleven WDAs Secured Tentative Approval of Local Youth Plan/Narrative Updates as of 4/23/25: Local Plan Reviews in process for five WDAs, Ramsey County, Anoka County, Career Solutions, Inter-County CC (Northwest) and Washington County. Fully approved Local Youth Plans will be posted on DEED's website pending inclusion of the Budgets. Final allocations will include BLANK Budget Forms for PY25 WIOA Youth and SFY26 MYP. We will keep you posted.**
- 2. Preliminary PY2024 WIOA Youth Performance Data Summary issued on 4/15; data in FutureWorks as of April 8. The preliminary state-level data is excellent at this point in the process. Please don't hesitate to reach out to [Ahmed.Mohidin@state.mn.us](mailto:Ahmed.Mohidin@state.mn.us) to request his help in reviewing WDA-level PY24 WIOA Youth performance data in WorkForce 1. Measurable Skills Gains (MSG) is the only real-time measure; it is not an EXIT-based measure. The MSG Reports in WorkForce 1 are updated in real-time. The ROSTERS are updated monthly. Kudos to the Youth Practitioners who are running reports on a regular basis to monitor MSG entry.**
- 3. The Cut-Off Date for Making Changes in SFY24 WIOA Youth Data in WorkForce One is August 10, 2025.**
- 4. PY2023 WIOA Youth Funds: 97.8% expended or obligated at the State level as of 2/28/25. Eight WDAs are 100% fully expended. Out of School Youth Expenditure Rate = 76.5%; Work Experience Expenditure Rate = 30.4%. The following six WDAs secured a one-quarter extension to continue to expend SFY23 WIOA Youth funds through 6/30/25: Hennepin-Carver, Southwest, Dakota-Scott, Anoka, Winona, city of Minneapolis.**

5. **PY2024 WIOA Youth Funds: 55.7% expended or obligated at the State level as of 2/28/25.**
  
6. **Waiver Requests to 20% Limit on Carry Over of PY2024 WIOA Youth Funds: Per federal law, WDAs have until 6/30/25, to expend or obligate 80% of their PY24 WIOA Youth funding. If the WDA will not expend or obligate 80% of PY24 WIOA Youth funds by 6/30/25, e-mail waiver request to [Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us](mailto:Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us), include brief justification. The waiver will be included with the WDA's approved Local Youth Plan and PY25 WIOA Youth Budget. To date, waivers have been approved for three WDAs: Duluth, Minneapolis and Hennepin-Carver.**
  
7. **Anticipated Timeline for DEED's LMI Team to Complete Work on WDA-Level ASU Data: per message from DEED's LMI Director on 4/22, the WDA-level ASU data will be available in late April/early May. WDA-level ASU data is required to update the PY25 WIOA Youth (and Adult) allocation formulas. We will keep you posted.**

**MINNESOTA Youth Program (MYP):**

8. **SFY2025 MYP Funds: 68.2% expended or obligated as of 2/28/25.**
  
9. **SFY2024 MYP Annual Report, see: [https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-myp-annual-report-acc\\_tcm1045-661358.pdf](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-myp-annual-report-acc_tcm1045-661358.pdf). 4,575 youth served in Individual Case Management and an additional 40,374 youth served through the Outreach to Schools (OTS) component of SFY24 MYP. Over 55% are youth of color, 50% are young women, 58% from families on public assistance, and 46% are youth with disabilities. Over 82% of EXITERS from SFY24 MYP attained Work Readiness and Education Goals and 63% earned Academic Credit or Service Learning Credit. Worksite supervisors evaluated youth work readiness skills on the worksite (pre and post participation).**

**10. For Planning Purposes: the Governor's Budget and the SENATE Jobs Bills both include \$4.05 million per year for SFY26/27 MYP. This is a return to base level funding available for SFY22/23 Minnesota Youth Program.**

**Youthbuild:**

**11. SFY25 Youthbuild Grants: 48.2% expended or obligated as of 2/28/25.**

**12. SFY24 Youthbuild Program Annual Report, see: <https://apps.deed.state.mn.us/assets/youth/youthbuild-annual-2024-acc.pdf>.**

**13. For Planning Purposes: the Governor's Budget and the Senate Jobs Bill both include \$1 million per year for SFY26/SFY27 Youthbuild Programs. This is a return to the base level funding available for SFY22/SFY23 Youthbuild.**

**New SFY26/27 Youth at Work Competitive Grants:**

**The RFP for new SFY26/27 Youth at Work Competitive Grants closed on March 21, 2025. Youth Team received 90 proposals totaling over \$30.6 million in funding requests for new SFY26/27 Youth at Work Competitive Grants. Grant Awards will be announced when the Legislature completes its work/Governor's signs the Jobs Bill.**

**14. SFY25 Youth at Work Grants: 58.4% expended or obligated as of 2/28/25**

**15. SFY24 Youth at Work Required Legislative Report is posted on DEED's website, see: [https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-youth-at-work\\_tcm1045-663415.pdf](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-youth-at-work_tcm1045-663415.pdf).**

**16. For Planning Purposes: the Governor's Budget and Senate Jobs Bill both include \$4.098 million per year for SFY26 and SFY27 Youth at Work Competitive Grants. This is a return to base level funding available for the SFY22-SFY23 Youth at Work Competitive Grants.**

**New SFY26/27 Youth Support Services Competitive Grants:**

**Proposals are due on May 2, 2025.**

**17. SFY25 Youth Support Services Grants: 55.4% expended or obligated as of 2/28/25**

**18. SFY24 Youth Support Services Annual Report is posted on DEED's website, see: [https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-youth-support-services\\_tcm1045-651024.docx](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/2024-youth-support-services_tcm1045-651024.docx).**

**19. New SFY26/27 Youth Support Services Request for Proposals (RFP): posted on DEED's Competitive Grants Website, see: <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp>.**

**20. For Planning Purposes: the Governor's Budget and Senate Jobs Bill both include \$500,000 per year for SFY26/27 Youth Support Services competitive grants; same as the base level funding from previous bienniums.**

**21. Questions on the SFY26/27 Youth Support Services RFP must be submitted via e-mail to [Kathy.Youth@state.mn.us](mailto:Kathy.Youth@state.mn.us).**

**If questions arise as we await final FEDERAL and STATE Youth Program allocations, please follow up with [Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us](mailto:Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us) and the ETP Youth Services Team.**