

Mass Workforce Issuance

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Policy **Information**

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Regional Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: George Moriarty, Director
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Date: August 7, 2012

Subject: **Fiscal Year 2013 State One-Stop Career Center Allocations**

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIBs), Local Chief Elected Officials, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of the allocations for FY 2013 State One-Stop Career Center funds.

Background: In Fiscal Year 1998, the Massachusetts state budget allocated funds for the operation of One-Stop Career Centers in three regions: Hampden County, Metro North, and Boston. The Legislature and the Governor have continued to support this state line item, as the one-stop career center system expanded from the original three regions to all 16 regions across the state. The current 34 One-Stop Career Centers are chartered by the sixteen workforce investment boards, and funds provided by the state are allocated to the individual workforce investment areas by formula.

From FY 2006 to FY 2009, the legislature specified that \$2,750,000 must be allocated to the three workforce investment areas that chartered the one-stop career centers in existence since May 1997. The formula used to distribute the One-Stop Career Center funds was as follows: \$2,750,000 to Boston, Hampden and Metro North based on their relative share of disadvantaged adults, number of employers and number of unemployed; \$1,250,000 distributed to the other 13

workforce areas; and the remainder of funds, if any, distributed equally to all 16 areas.

In Fiscal Year 2010, the legislature provided funds (\$4,994,467) for One-Stop Career Centers, provided that centers in existence from May 1997 “shall maintain the same level of service provided in the previous fiscal year...” The formula used gave \$2,750,000 to the three areas, with the remainder split among the other thirteen areas.

In Fiscal Year 2011, the legislature provided \$4,994,467 “for One-Stop Career Centers” with no specifications on the distribution among the career centers. Keeping with earlier practice, \$2,750,000 was allocated to Boston, Hampden and Metro North based on the three factors noted above; \$1,249,989 was divided among the other 13 areas; and \$994,478 was divided equally among all 16 areas. Thus, \$2,936,463 went to the three identified areas and \$2,058,004 to the other thirteen areas.

In Fiscal Year 2012, the legislature provided \$4,494,467 “for One-Stop Career Centers,” again with no specifications on the distribution among the career centers. Boston, Hampden and Metro North were allocated \$2,749,997, with the remaining \$1,744,470 distributed equally to the other 13 areas (\$134,190 each).

The Fiscal Year 2013 Budget language stipulates “\$4,494,467 - "For the one-stop career centers, including the administration and oversight to these centers provided by the department of career services." The distribution methodology (outlined below) has been changed to accommodate this instruction.

Formula

Change: For Fiscal Year 2013, \$2,474,997 is allocated to Boston, Hampden and Metro North based on the three factors (disadvantaged adults, number of employers, and number of unemployed) that have been used to distribute the funds among the three areas. The Department of Career Services is allocated \$275,000, ten percent of the amount that has traditionally gone to Boston, Hampden and Metro North. The remainder of the funds (\$1,744,470) is distributed equally to the other 13 workforce areas (\$134,190 each).

FY 2014: During Fiscal Year 2013, EOLWD in consultation with the workforce partners will develop a new performance based formula that will be used to allocate Fiscal Year 2014 State One-Stop Career Center funds to all workforce areas.

Action

Required: Local Workforce Investment Boards should assure that all parties engaged in Fiscal Year 2013 planning are provided with this information.

Effective: Immediately

Inquiries: Please email all questions to PolicyQA@detma.org. Also, indicate Issuance number and description.

Attachment: Attachment V: State One-Stop Allocations for Fiscal Year 2013

(Attachment V is also posted on massworkforce.org under MassWorkforce Policy Issuance No. 12-26, *Fiscal Year 2013 Local Annual Plan Guidance*, May 22, 2012 found at <http://www.massworkforce.org/Issuances/PolicyIssuance2012.htm>.)