MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

MassWorkforce Issuance

Workforce Issuance No. 15-21

□ 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 Operations Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director

Department of Career Services

Date: March 20, 2015

Subject: Availability of Funds for Linking to Employment Activities Pre-release

Specialized American Job Centers

Purpose: To inform Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center

Operators, and other local workforce investment partners of the Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA) funding opportunity FOA-ETA-15-03; Linking to Employment Activities Pre-release

Specialized American Job Centers.

Background: The DOL/ETA announces the availability of approximately \$5 million in grant

funds authorized by Section 171 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and Scetion 212 of the Second Chance Act of 2007 for Linking to Employment Activities Pre-release Specialized American Job Centers (AJCs) grants.

Application Deadline: April 3, 2015

Eligible Applicants: Local Workforce Investment Boards**

Number of Awards: 10

Ceiling Amount: \$500,000

Period of Performance: 24 months (starting June 2015)

** LWIBs must apply in partnership with their county or municipal governments and their county, municipal, or regional correctional facilities.

To participate in a funded project under these grants, an individual must:

- Have been convicted as an adult and imprisoned under municipal, county, Federal, or state law;
- Have not been convicted of a sexual offense other than prostitution;
- Be a sentenced offender confined in the municipal, county, or regional correctional facility for adults in which the jail-based specialized AJC operates on the date of the participant's enrollment in the program; and
- Have a release date scheduled within 180 days of the individual's enrollment in the program.

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