



Workforce Issuance

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Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
MassHire Workforce Board Chairs
MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
MDCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: March 4, 2021

Subject: **Rapid Reemployment Program Request for Proposals**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce partners of Rapid Reemployment Program Request for Proposals. Funding of up to \$4.652M is available for retraining and employment programs to support our state's recovery.

Background: The Workforce Skills Cabinet is pleased to announce new investments to support our state's recovery through the Partnerships for Recovery Plan announced by the Baker-Polito Administration in October 2020. The Baker-Polito Administration is making funds available to address the significant economic impact of COVID-19 on the more than 1.8 million Massachusetts residents who have experienced an employment interruption due to COVID.

On behalf of the Workforce Skills Cabinet, Commonwealth Corporation is pleased to announce the release of the Partnerships for Recovery Request for Proposal to

to fund the scale up of existing training vendors, partnering with employers and MassHire Career Centers to train and place individuals impacted by COVID for priority occupations to meet post-COVID hiring demand.

Action

Required: Please see the **Request for Proposals** for more information.
<http://commcorp.org/available-funding/>

Applicants can sign up at [this link](#) to receive email notifications when new responses are posted

Effective: Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis. Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received and in most cases an applicant will be notified of the outcome of their application within 30 days. Grant applications may be submitted starting March 3, 2021 through September 30, 2021, or until grant funds are exhausted.

Inquiries: Questions should be submitted to RRP@commcorp.org