



DEPARTMENT OF
CAREER SERVICES

Workforce Issuance

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To: MassHire Workforce Board Chairs
MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
MassHire DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: July 25, 2024

Subject: **Funding Opportunity - YouthBuild Competitive Grants**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce development partners of funding opportunities supporting pre-apprenticeship programs via YouthBuild.

Background: Under this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), the Department of Labor (DOL) will award grants through a competitive process to organizations providing pre-apprenticeship services that support education, occupational skills training, and employment services to opportunity youth, ages 16 to 24, who are performing meaningful work and service to their communities. The YouthBuild program model prepares participants for quality jobs in a variety of careers, in diverse industry sectors, particularly in infrastructure sectors, and includes wrap-around services such as mentoring, trauma-informed care, personal counseling, transportation supports, and employment preparation - all key strategies for addressing violence in communities. YouthBuild applicants must include construction skills training and may include occupational skills training in other

An equal opportunity employer/program.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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in-demand industries. This expansion into additional in-demand industries is the Construction Plus component

Eligible applicants include: Independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, special district governments, non-profits having a 501(c)3 status with the IRS other than institutions of higher education, Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized governments, State governments, Native American governments (federally recognized), County governments, public housing authorities, Indian housing authorities, City or Township governments.

DOL anticipates up to 75 awards ranging from \$700,000 to \$1,500,000.

For complete funding details, please visit: **FOA-ETA-24-53**

Action

Required: Please share with staff, partners and youth as appropriate.

Effective: Immediately.