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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director

Department of Career Services

Date: October 12, 2016

Subject: Microloan Program Webinar

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other

local workforce partners of an event through WorkforceGPS: "<u>Introduction to the</u> <u>Office of Economic Opportunity: Microloan Program</u>" live webinar. The event is

Thursday, October 20th from 1:00pm-2:30pm.

Background: The Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Reentry Employment

Opportunities (<u>REO</u>) are working together to highlight the rule changes making it easier for formerly incarcerated persons to participate in SBA's microloan program. This webinar will discuss rule changes that open new opportunities for

former prisoners to secure financing.

A WorkforceGPS account is required for registration. WorkforceGPS is the next generation, device-friendly website for peer-to-peer connection and resources. Click here to create a free account. Seating is limited – early registration is

encouraged.

Action

Requested: Please share the information with staff and partners as appropriate.