

MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

Mass Workforce Issuance

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

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
Department of Career Services

Date: October 19, 2016

Subject: Upward Bound Program Funding Opportunity Announcement

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Development Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce development partners of Funding Opportunity, ED GRANTS-101716-001, Upward Bound Program, announced through the Department of Education (DOE) Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE) Monday, October 17, 2016.

Background: The DOE/OPE announces the availability of approximately \$273 million in grant funds for its [Upward Bound \(UB\) Program](#). The Upward Bound Program is one of seven programs known as the Federal TRIO Programs. The UB Program is a discretionary grant program that supports projects designed to provide students with the skills and motivation necessary to complete a program of secondary education and to enter into and succeed in a program of post-secondary education.

The Department has a strong interest in ensuring that groups traditionally underrepresented in post-secondary education, such as low-income students, first-generation college students, students with limited English proficiency, students with disabilities, homeless students, students who are in foster care or aging out of foster care, and other disconnected students, receive services provided by the UB Program.

Funding Opportunity Number: [ED GRANTS-101716-001](#)
Application Deadline: November 28, 2016
Expected Number of Awards: 813

Expected Average Award:

\$335,890 (\$257,500-\$768,622 Range)

Period of Performance:

Up to 60 months

Eligible Applicants:

Institutions of higher education, public and private agencies, and organizations including community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth, combinations of such institutions, agencies & organizations, and secondary schools

Action

Requested: Please share with managers, staff and partners as appropriate.