

Area 12 Youth RFP Questions

- 4.2 - The RFP outlines funding allotment for in school and out of school youth as 80/20 – would this be reviewed based on the outcome of the waiver (WIOAPL 17-40.2) which indicates 50/50?

No as BCW/Workforce has determined they want to emphasize services to OSY

- In the September 2022 Board and CEO Quarterly meeting it was discussed to change the WDB's requirement for 25% Work Experience to be less rigid and to meet the state standards of 20%. Is this going to be changed?

No as when we target 25% we are assured of meeting the required 20%

- QUESTION 26A asks for the estimate for the number of exits by 6/30/22...that has already occurred and will be an actual versus an estimate...was this the correct question?

You are correct it should have read 6/30/23

- 4.2 - The RFP indicates that 25% of the total served for a program year shall be exited before the end of the program year. How will this take into account the specific individual goals which require longer term training needs and individuals with multiple barriers which have to be overcome in the program? For example, some ITAs extend past a year.

Please see change – 75% of youth not enrolled in an ITA must exit in the same program year in which they are enrolled

- Question 32 Please clarify what the question is asking “How WIOA will assist with improving outcomes for the youth to be served?”

What will proposer offer youth that will improve their work prospects and earning capacity

- Question 36 Is there a budget template for the RFP?

Yes

- Are job descriptions and resumes needed?

If requested they must be provided

- Are the tables in RFP pages 12-15 considered attachments or are they counted towards the proposal narrative page count/limit?

They are part of the overall response

- Are the checklists in questions 30,31 and 35 considered attachments or do they impact proposal narrative page count/limit?

See above

- Question 26a asks “# of youth placed in post-secondary education”. Is this referring to the program outcome measure of entering post-secondary education at the time of exit, or is it asking of all exited youth how many were ever (during their time of enrollment) placed in post-secondary education?

The performance measures.

- “ALL ISY SENIORS MUST EXIT BEFORE THE END OF THE PROGRAM YEAR 75% OF OSY WHO ARE NOT IN TRAINING - MUST BE EXITED IN THE SAME PROGRAM YEAR IN WHICH THEY WERE ENROLLED ALL YOUTH CARRIED FORWARD FROM THE PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR MUST BE EXITED IN THE NEW PROGRAM YEAR.” This was stated in the Q&A for the RFP. WIOA exits are based on goal obtainment or disengagement. A senior who graduates but does not enter post-secondary education or employment has not achieved self-sufficiency and we would not exit until we assist with future planning and connect to employment. We have also not exited youth in the same program year they were enrolled, unless they were successful. We serve the hardest to serve youth, homeless, parenting, youth with a disability, and high school drop outs. These barriers take time to overcome, often more than a year. The expectation is to exit youth, whether they have met their goals or not?

The RFP is clear USDOL is frowning on carry forwards who don't meet performance being carried forward endlessly. Proposers should do careful assessments before enrolling individuals, Funding is based on number served and the intent is not to keep serving the same youth year after year.