Developing a thriving workforce in the Pittsburgh area.

## PARTNER WORK

## Young Adult Workforce Services

Bidder's Conference January 10, 2019



#### **Partner4Work**

- Partner4Work is the Workforce Development Board for Pittsburgh/Allegheny County
- We connect funding, expertise, and opportunities to develop a thriving workforce in the Pittsburgh region
- We partner with...
  - **Businesses** to source and train the talent needed to grow the region's economy
  - Job seekers to break down barriers and open doors to careers in growing industries
  - Agencies to make an impact in communities and reach people where they are



#### **Grant Overview**

- Federal Department of Labor (DOL) and Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry (L&I) regulatory authority
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Youth Development Program (TANF YDP)
- Connect youth and young adults to the training and services they need to be college and career ready
- Managed eligibility and outcomes, program model flexibility



### **Approximate Funding Availability**

	WIOA	TANF	Total
Allegheny County	Up to \$1M	Up to \$750,000	Up to \$1.75M
City of Pittsburgh	Up to \$750,000	Up to \$750,000	Up to \$1.5M
Total	Up to \$1.75M	Up to \$1.5M	Up to \$3.25M



#### **Anticipated Contract Periods**

Program Dates and Contract Periods		
Contract period 1 (base)	July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020	Base contract award
Contract period 2 (option)	July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021	Renewable by Partner4Work
Contract period 3 (option)	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022	Renewable by Partner4Work
Contract period 4 (option)	July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023	Renewable by Partner4Work



### **RFP Timeline**

Review Timeline (all dates are subject to change):		
Release of RFP:	December 19, 2018	
Proposal due date:	February 4, 2019, by 5:00 pm	
Bidder's conference:	January 10, 2019, 10:00-11:00 am	
Questions regarding this RFP due:	January 25, 2019, by 5:00 pm	
Selection of providers:	April 2019	



#### **Program Overview**

- Seeking providers serving in-school youth and out-of-school youth
- Services sought:
  - Recruit and enroll participants
  - Provide comprehensive career planning, case management, and supportive services
  - Facilitate participation in occupational training, education, and/or work experience
  - Placement, retention and follow-up services
- Cohort of providers to deliver services throughout Allegheny County and the City of Pittsburgh
- Outcomes driven, community based programing responsive to the needs of businesses



### **—** Eligibility

	WIOA OSY	WIOA ISY	TANF
Age	16-24	14-21	14-24
School status	Not enrolled in any school	Currently enrolled in school	Either in-school or out-of-school
Residency	Allegheny County or The City of Pittsburgh		
Income	If eligible based on basic skills deficiency.	Low-income	Low-income or in receipt of TANF cash assistance benefits
Number of barriers	At least one	At least one	Strongly preferred
Barriers to employment	<ul> <li>A school dropout</li> <li>Within the age of school attendance, but who has not attended school for the most complete quarter</li> <li>A low-income high school grad who is basic skills deficient or English language learner</li> <li>Justice involved;</li> <li>Homeless;</li> <li>Foster youth or aging out;</li> <li>Pregnant or parenting;</li> <li>Disability; or</li> <li>In need of additional assistance to complete an educational program or secure or hold employment*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Justice involved;</li> <li>Homeless;</li> <li>Foster youth or aging out;</li> <li>Pregnant or parenting;</li> <li>Disability; or</li> <li>In need of additional assistance to complete an educational program or secure or hold</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A school dropout or individual at risk of dropping out of school;</li> <li>Basic skills deficient;*</li> <li>English language learner;</li> <li>Disability;</li> <li>Court involved or at risk of involvement;</li> <li>Child of incarcerated parent(s);</li> <li>Foster youth or aging out;</li> <li>Homeless;</li> <li>Pregnant or parenting;</li> <li>Migrant; or</li> <li>In need of additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure and hold employment.</li> </ul>

#### **14 elements**

- Programs are required to provide access to the 14 elements for those that need the service
  - Tutoring and dropout prevention strategies;
  - Alternative secondary school;
  - Paid and unpaid work experience;
  - Occupational skills training;
  - Academic education contextualized with workforce examples;
  - Leadership development;
  - Supportive services;
  - Adult mentoring;
  - Follow-up services;
  - Comprehensive guidance and counseling;
  - Financial literacy;
  - Entrepreneurial skills training;
  - Career awareness, counseling, and exploration; and
  - Post-secondary transition supports.



#### **Training, Education and Work Experience**

#### **1. Foundational skills training**

• Required of all programs

#### 2. Academic training and remediation

- Must be contextualized with workplace examples
- Should lead to measurable gain (e.g. high school credential, college credits earned, high school credits recovered, pre/post gains)

#### 3. Occupational skills training

- WIOA programs must lead to industry-recognized credential
- Applicants may provide training in house or partner with external training providers



#### **Follow-up Services**

- Rigorous follow-up for a period of twelve months after program exit with all participants for WIOA and period justified by provider for TANF
- Must be more than an attempt at contact



#### **WIOA Outcomes**

WIOA Primary Indicator of Performance	Negotiated Goal
Programmatic retention (those who begin and complete a program)	90%
Employment or Placement in Post-Secondary Education in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter after Exit	75%
Employment or Placement in Post-Secondary Education in the 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter after Exit	75%
Median Earnings 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter after Exit	\$3,500
Credential Attainment Rate*	75%
Measurable Skill Gains*	80%



#### **TANF Outcomes**

TANF Primary Indicator of Performance	Negotiated Goal
For all models: Programmatic retention (those who begin and complete a program)	90%
For all models: Participation in a Workforce Development Activity (e.g. job readiness training, work experience, academic tutoring, career exploration)	100%
For all models: Share of participants connected to Learn & Earn, summer employment, or further programming	Propose
For dual enrollment or industry-training models: Share of participants earning an industry recognized credential and/or college credits (see section 5 above)	80%
For models serving youth not planning on attending a 4-year college or those serving youth at risk of disconnection after graduation: share of participants entering post-secondary training or employment in the first quarter after exit	85%
For models serving youth at risk of dropping out: academic credits recovered or change in attendance	Propose
For models serving Community College students: credits and/or credentials earned	Propose

#### **Proposal Components and Scoring**

Proposal Review Scoring Rubric		
Cover Sheet	Required, but not scored	
Executive Summary	Required, but not scored	
Organization Overview and Capacity	10 points	
Staffing and Location	10 points	
Program Description/Design	50 points	
Budget	20 points	
Attachments	10 points	
Total points available	100 points	



# Questions



### Thank You.

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