

Developing a thriving  
workforce in the  
Pittsburgh area.



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WORK**

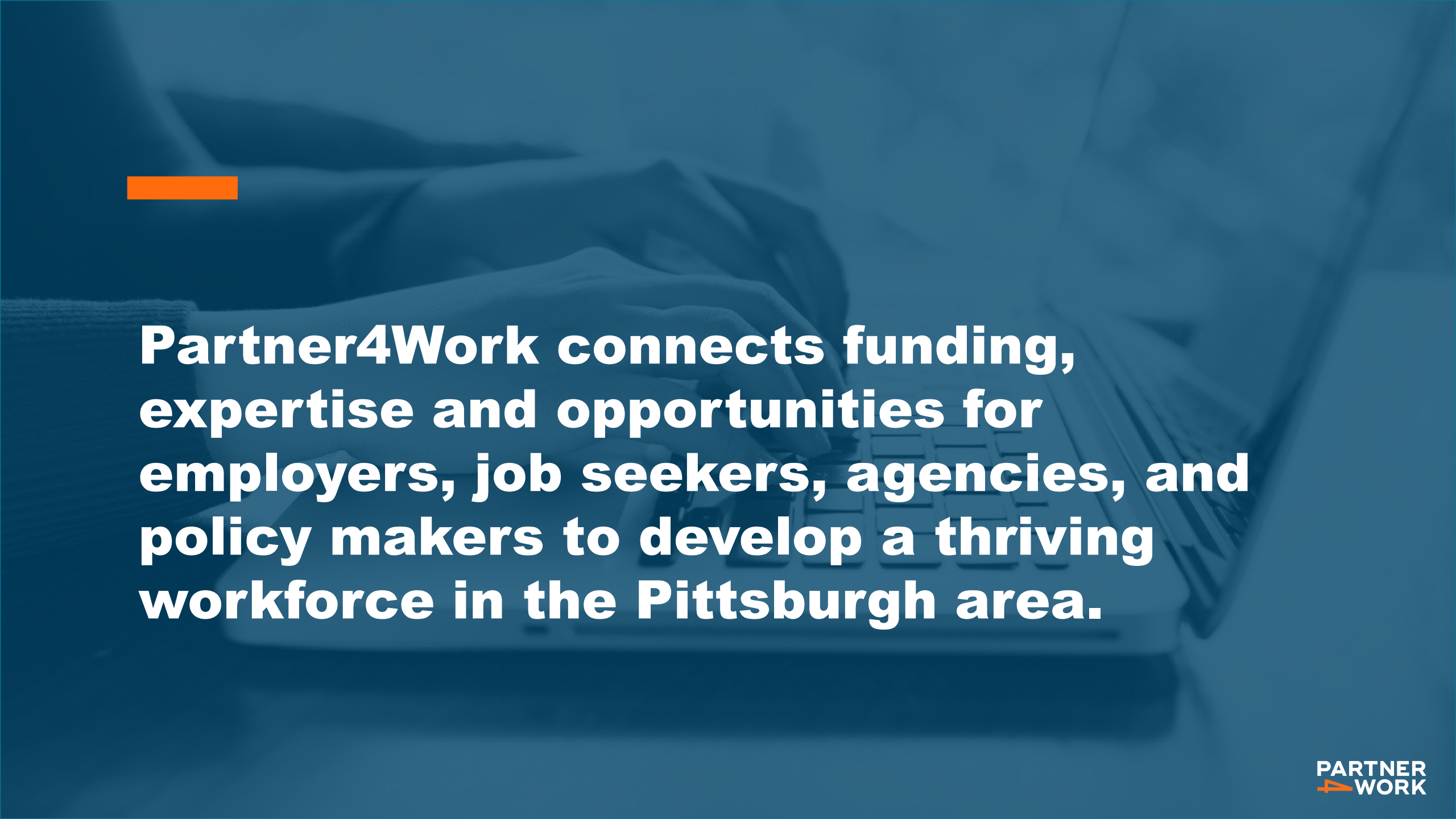


# Welcome and Introductions



**DeWitt Walton**  
**Allegheny County Council**  
**Pittsburgh Black Elected Officials Coalition**

**Dr. Nancy Washington**  
**Partner4Work Board member**



**Partner4Work connects funding, expertise and opportunities for employers, job seekers, agencies, and policy makers to develop a thriving workforce in the Pittsburgh area.**

Workforce Innovation and  
Opportunity Act (WIOA)



COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY



PARTNER  WORK

Providers deliver workforce development  
programs for adults and young adults

**Partner4Work**  
supports a  
modernized workforce  
system that is  
**flexible, responsive,  
accountable, and  
collaborative.**



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# Connecting to the public workforce system

**Markese Long**  
**Community Engagement Specialist**  
**Partner4Work**





## Who we serve

### Young Adults (14-24 years old)

- High school students
- Recent graduates with skills deficiencies
- High school drop-outs
- Opportunity youth

### Adults

- Unemployed or underemployed
- Low-income
- Veterans
- Returning citizens



# Programs & services



# Adults

## PA CareerLink®

- Resume, job search, and placement assistance; training and credentialing; career assessments

## TANF EARN, Work Ready (Allegheny County)

- Work-readiness assistance; career development; access to supportive services

## Special Initiatives

- Reentry program; neighborhood-based services; career services for relocated residents of public housing properties



# Young Adults

## Opportunity Youth

- Academic remediation and occupational skills training; work-readiness and paid work experience; job placement and career pathway

## High School Students

- College and career readiness; paid work experience; academic supports

## Learn & Earn Summer Youth Employment

- Work-readiness training; paid work experience



A photograph of two women working in a nursery or greenhouse. They are surrounded by many small potted plants. One woman is wearing a white t-shirt and a necklace, and the other is wearing a patterned top and glasses. They are both looking down at the plants. The image has a blue tint and a white text overlay.

**Strengthening the  
system**



## Our priorities

- Industry-focused
- Employer-driven programs
- Meeting job seekers where they are

A blue-tinted photograph of three male technicians in a workshop. They are gathered around the open hood of a car, looking at the engine. One technician on the left is wearing safety glasses and is focused on a task. The technician in the middle is also wearing safety glasses and is looking towards the right. The technician on the right is looking towards the camera. In the background, a sign is partially visible with the text "Always is employed at Honda Motors as a Technician" and "Service with People".

# Partnering with us



## What you'll need

- Performance outcomes
- Knowledge of your clients, neighborhood
- Connection to employers
- Multiple sources of funding
- Systems to track clients and funds
- Recent audit
- Ability to integrate with our data management system
- Willingness to try new things



# Why work with us?

A photograph of two women in a greenhouse, wearing gloves and working with numerous small potted plants on a table. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter. An orange horizontal bar is positioned above the title text.

## Benefits of partnering

- Access to multi-year funding opportunities
- Program capacity building
- Joining a community of practice, a team of partners
- Opportunity to try innovative approaches, pilot new ideas





## The tools we bring

- Labor-market data and analysis, and intelligence about workforce needs from the business community
- Convenings to share best practices and connect with other partners
- Workforce development funds

# Upcoming funding opportunities

Program Area	Request for Proposal (RFP)	Estimated funding level	RFP release date	Proposal due date	Current no. of providers
Adult	One-stop system provider (PA CareerLink®)	Up to \$3 million	Mid-December	02/04/19	1
Adult	TANF EARN Services	Up to \$3 million	Mid-December	02/04/19	3
Youth	In-school youth (ISY); out-of-school youth (OSY) programming	Up to \$3.5 million	Mid-December	02/04/19	14



# Questions?

# PARTNER WORK

The Workforce Development Board for the Pittsburgh Area

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