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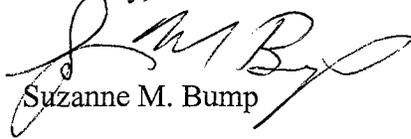
Dear Assistant Secretary DeRocco:

It is my pleasure to submit Massachusetts' application for Workforce Investment Act Section 503 Incentive Funding in the amount of \$1,500,386. The Massachusetts Department of Education, the Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, and the Commonwealth Corporation collaborated on the development of this proposal along with other related stakeholder groups.

We intend to use these funds to supplement and expand services for out-of-school youth who are in need of basic education, career counseling, occupational skill development and progression toward post-secondary education. Our adult education providers, vocational technical providers (Perkins), Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Centers and other key youth providers will submit applications through and aligned with their Pathways to Success by 21 (P21) teams to compete for these resources. As you know, P21 is our statewide organizing process to engage youth providers to build partnerships and transform service models to increase educational and employment outcomes for youth. In addition, state partners will use a portion of funding to roll out training for youth workers at various organizations and agencies based upon a "competency" framework vetted by the statewide P21 team.

We look forward to working with the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration on this grant. If you require additional information, please contact Jennifer James, Undersecretary of Workforce Development, in my office at 617.626.7124.

Sincerely,



Suzanne M. Bump

cc: Grace Kilbane, Regional Administrator, USDOL-ETA, Region 1
David P. Driscoll, DOE

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**APPLICATION FOR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT SECTION 503 INCENTIVE
GRANTS, PROGRAM YEAR 2004 PERFORMANCE
Grant Period: June 30 2007 to June 30 2009**

STATE AGENCY TO RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER FUNDS:
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Sub-Grantees and amounts: Commonwealth Corporation
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AMOUNT: \$1,455,374 of the total grant will be sub-contracted to Commonwealth Corporation to be administered as local sub-grant awards to regions, in collaboration with the Adult Basic Education/Perkins interagency partners.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS BY 21: OLDER YOUTH CAREER PATHWAYS GRANT INITIATIVE

AMOUNT: \$1,300,000 for regional grant applications (6 regions for \$200,000 competitive grants; \$100,000 for 10 regions at \$10,000 for partnership grants)

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: WIA Title I Statewide Activities

Purpose of the FY07 Grants: The majority of Massachusetts Incentive Award (~\$1.2M) will supplement and expand services for *out-of-school* youth who are in need of basic education, career counseling, occupational skill development and progression toward post-secondary education. Our adult education providers, vocational technical providers (Perkins), Workforce

Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Centers and other key youth providers will submit competitive applications through their regional Pathways to Success by 21 (P-21) teams. P-21 is our statewide organizing process to engage youth providers to build partnerships and transform service models to increase educational and employment outcomes for youth.

The regional grant application process will allow approximately six regions to receive up to \$200K until June 2009. These larger grants will fund up to 6 regions to create career pathways for disconnected older youth that result in skill gains in literacy, numeracy, occupational, high school or GED completion, post-secondary enrollment and/or job placement. Regions around the state will design models that leverage and expand the existing network of services to meet these outcomes, including the partner services in adult basic education, Perkins postsecondary education and workforce investment act funding. The additional youth service agencies and organizations on the P-21 regional teams will engage in local program design to facilitate referrals and transitions to employment, to postsecondary education and training, including registered apprenticeship programs. The partners will directly engage youth to assist in the model design as part of this Youth Career Pathways Grant Initiative.

P-21 is a capacity building effort focused on designing partnerships of youth serving organizations at both the state and regional levels. The state partners' goal this year is to build consistency in service modeling through a limited application process (described above) to encourage local partners to change service design and create integrated system. In addition, the state partners agreed to provide a minimum of \$10,000 grants (total of \$100,000) for partnership activities and assessment of local partnerships for those regions that do not receive a larger grant. Using these resources, we will pilot the new Public Private Venture assessment tools developed for the federal youth vision team with our regional and state partnerships to assess "partnership" outcomes. State partners feel it is critical to our "change agenda" to keep all partnerships moving forward across the state in order to grow a networked, statewide infrastructure of youth serving agencies.

Overall, the concept proposal we are submitting for FY07 will allow us to build on the last two years worth of organizing and partnership work documented in the local Regional Action Plans. These partnerships are moving past the initial "politeness" stage and into deeper work on policy and perception change. The state partners intend to move this sentiment forward by narrowing the use of funding to *disconnected, older youth population* in Massachusetts within a specific set of service "modules" or components that lead to employment and education outcomes (see grant requirements). Our primary goal is to create a *consistent model* of outreach, service and support for disconnected older youth in several P-21 regions to test the "scalability" of these models and the results ascertained in different regions of the state.

Background: The state partners have agreed to intertwine WIA Incentive Funding with a broad based strategy under the P-21 umbrella.

The rationale for this type of grant activity was identified through a two-year planning process at the state and local levels called the Pathways to Success by 21 (P-21) Initiative. The P-21 coalition is led by the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (WIA Title I), the Department of Education (WIA Titles II and III), and the Executive Office of Health and Human

Services. P-21 includes a wide variety of additional partners including the Departments of Mental Health, Public Health and Transitional Assistance as well as the Board of Higher Education, Massachusetts Executive Office of Community Colleges and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission. Our collective goal is to dramatically improve the future prospects for vulnerable youth, both in school and out-of-school, across the Commonwealth—those aged 18-24, who are at-risk of dropping out of school, dropouts within our communities, unemployed youth/older youth, those with disabilities and those without the necessary skills to access good jobs. The mission of P-21 is to improve the capacity of our state’s youth/older youth development services by creating a system that maximizes service impact and youth/older youth outcomes in education and employment.

Two years ago, regional partners convened by WIA Youth Councils, received funding to develop Strategic Action Plans to improve services and impact for at-risk youth. These local Strategic Action Plans suggest the need for additional resources around alternative education, basic skills and GED attainment, occupational skill training and intensive case management for youth, across all the local strategic plans. All of the regional strategies were analyzed and summarized on a statewide level and vetted with state representatives from the partnering agencies. This task led to the development of proposed statewide Action Steps. The recommendations designed by P-21 represent the voices of hundreds of regional and state partners from various agencies and community-based organizations across the state. A priority identified at the regional and state levels includes a critical need to strengthen services to at-risk youth/older youth by increasing the ability of adult basic education (ABE) providers (25% of whose service population is older youth), public two year colleges, occupational training providers, One-Stop Career Centers, state custody programs and others to coordinate their services in creative new ways.

The Commonwealth’s P-21 initiative began prior to the issuance of the White House Task Force on Disadvantaged Youth (www.doleta.gov/ryf/WhiteHouseReport/Vision.cfm#content) and the publication of the new Federal vision for youth services (U.S. DoL TEGL No. 3-04). We share the goal of encouraging youth programs to serve the neediest youth, with priority given to out-of-school youth, high school dropouts, runaway and homeless youth, youth in foster care, court involved youth, children of incarcerated parents, and migrant youth. Over time, P-21 has developed into the vehicle that we are using to integrate youth services under the federal vision.

Grant Requirements: The Regional grants will be administered by the Commonwealth Corporation on behalf of the WIA partners, including the Title I partners, the Title II partners, and the Title III partners. Grants will be made to a maximum of 6 regions for up to \$200,000 per region. Applications for funding from the local areas will require sign off by the mandatory partners, namely, WIA Title I, II and III. An oversight committee will include representatives of the key partners of the WIA Incentive funds.

Required partners for the grant will be lead by the P-21 team for a region and the application must have sign off from the Title I, II and III partners. Title II Adult basic education agencies are required partners and must be approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education. Perkins Act Postsecondary Local Plan Career/Vocational Technical Education Providers will be required partners. And, Workforce Investment Boards/Youth Councils/One-Stop Career Centers will be the third required partner for each grant. In addition, other P-21 team members, including the

Departments of Mental Health, Youth Services, and Social Services etc will be encouraged to assist in designing the regional model as a source of referrals, support services and expertise.

The Youth Career Pathways model funded through competitive grants will be required to describe a process to assist older youth participants in developing and implementing personalized plans for their future. These plans will outline the necessary education and training steps for progress and success, as well as document the various services to be provided by relevant partners. A key goal of the model should be to assist students in identifying “career pathways” that consider students’ interests, skills, abilities and aspirations informed by assessment results, and the services and supports necessary for them to move along a pathway. The target population will be older out of school, unemployed and homeless youth, including former youth in state care.

The program focus will be on dropout recovery and re-engagement of older youth. The elements of the programs should incorporate integrated work and remedial activities, competitive and supportive employment, and connections to social and supportive services. Program locations are determined by each region and can be school/program-based, IHE based, career center-based or community-based. Basic education activities planned, as part of a regional model will be required to facilitate youth transitions to post-secondary education/training, including registered apprenticeships.

Thus, regional partners will be asked to describe and design a continuum of services to get youth to their intended outcomes (see Chart A). For most disconnected older youth this continuum begins with services to support basic skill development and completion of GEDs (ABE partner). Our goal is to introduce the use of a college placement test (early Accuplacer testing implemented by Perkins postsecondary partner) with other youth service organizations. In addition, career assessment (WIA partner and Perkins postsecondary education partner), enrollment in post-secondary education and training including registered apprenticeship programs as well as career and financial aid counseling, or occupational and employability skills training (WIA partner) are key elements along the continuum.

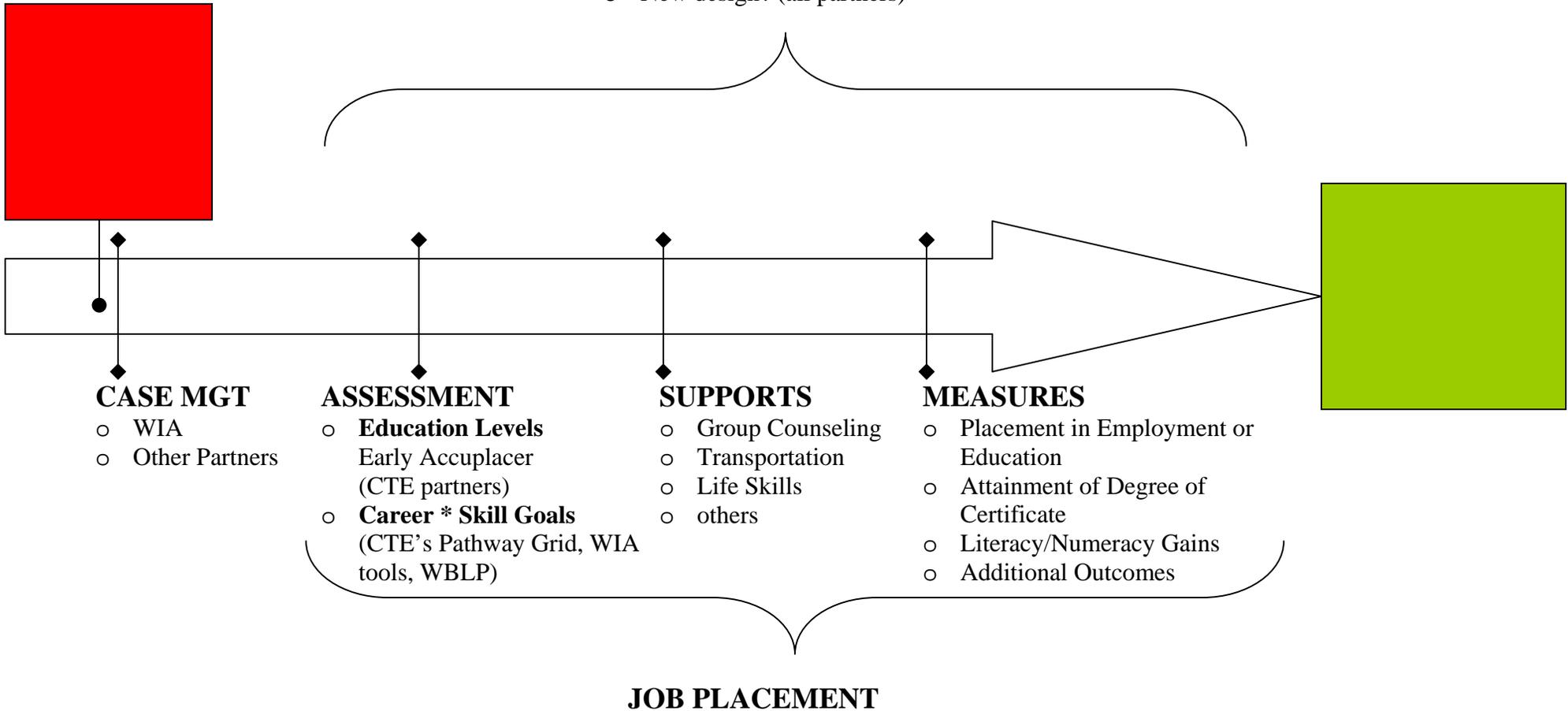
Measurable outcomes for the competitive grants will focus on placement in employment or post-secondary education, attainment of Degree or Certificate, literacy/numeracy gains for remediation activities, and up to three additional outcomes determined by the regions. Benchmarks for attendance and program enrollment will not be considered measurable outcomes.

CHART A

EDUCATION ACQUISITION

Remediation leading to transition to post-secondary

- Work and Learning Services (ABE partner, CTE partner)
- GED program (ABE partner, CTE partner)
- New design? (all partners)



Technical Assistance/Professional Development

AMOUNT: \$80,000.00

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: WIA Title I Statewide Activities

Incentive Funding for Professional Development for Youth Serving Organizations:

The statewide P21 steering committee is working on developing a unified professional development agenda for youth workers under its statewide strategy #7.

Resources from the incentive grant will allow us to rollout sessions for all P-21 regional partners to better address the needs of at-risk older youth in programs. This Strategy 7 workgroup is crafting a framework for unified staff development based upon the work of a Boston organization call Achieve Boston. <http://www.achieveboston.org/competency.asp>. As a statewide coalition, agencies reviewed these competencies and have agreed to move forward to offer a statewide rollout to our front line staff using a training curriculum based on the School-Age and Youth Development (“SAYD”) credential process designed by Achieve Boston for out-of-school time (“OST”) professionals. The proposed framework combines 50 hours of trainings and 2 credit bearing college courses to create a common, competency based standard for youth serving staff in P-21 partner agencies. Based on the 2005 Massachusetts After-School Research Study and other recent research, we expect this pilot to result in greater staff engagement that, in turn, will result in improved outcomes for the youth in our care.

Achieve Boston’s SAYD credential reflects eleven competency areas for OST professionals that Achieve Boston has vetted statewide. Our pilot would begin with an interactive process including partner administrators, supervisors, and staff, to edit selected competencies to better reflect the needs of participating P-21 partners. We will then select trainings and courses that reflect these competency goals and recruit staff to participate. Achieve Boston has already identified trainers and college courses appropriate for its own use, and while we may not use these same providers, their path breaking efforts should prove useful in designing our own content. Achieve Boston will assist Commonwealth Corporation in that effort.

This work will be blended into the scheduled regional forums with P21 teams intended to increase connections between youth services providers from a multitude of partners (Workforce Investment Act, Adult Education, Perkins, Department of Education/K-12, Department of Youth Services, Department Social Services, Department of Mental Health, Board of Higher Education etc). In addition, the workforce system – utilizing the Commonwealth Corporation – is continuing its work with the System for Adult Basic Education Support (SABES) to build curriculum for adult education teachers on working with younger populations and integrating career awareness into learning.

Improving Performance Outcomes: Adult basic education providers have learned through recent grant-funded initiatives that the inclusion of case management services in programs that serve an older youth population increase benefits in students’ ability to persist in education and training programs, to attend more regularly, and to attain their educational goals more quickly. This is especially true for youth. In addition, when older youth participate in more intensive instruction that is connected to an occupational goal, they are likely to be more focused on their

program of studies, leading to more interest in their work, and more motivation to continue their learning. Thus, when adult education, occupational or technical training and career development is combined and intensive, youth are more likely to complete education and training and fare better in job placement.

The Incentive funding will build on existing services through Titles I, II and III through flexible resources to customize or “fill gaps” in youth services for a region. Additional resources act as a catalyst to bring together the major vendors under these three funding streams to work on a concrete project requiring joint collaboration by design.

CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

The Department of Education sent out email notification to key stakeholder groups for adult basic education providers, including, Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Education, the ABE Director's Council, appointed Adult Basic Education representatives who are members of Workforce Investment Boards, and SABES, the professional development system for adult basic education in Massachusetts. In addition, email notification was sent to all contacts for post-secondary Perkins programs. The Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development discussed the grant application format and design at a variety of statewide meetings and venues as well as the Governor's office.

Attachment I: Notification to State Legislature



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June 12, 2007

The Honorable Thomas M. McGee
Chairman
Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development
State House
Room 112
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chairman McGee,

I am pleased to share with you that Massachusetts has exceeded its federal performance measures for WIA Title I (Department of Workforce Development), the Adult Education and Family literacy Act (Department of Education) and the Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act (Department of Education) resulting in eligibility for additional federal funding earned by these programs.

Under Section 503 of the *Workforce Investment Act of 1998* Massachusetts is eligible for \$1,500,386.

The **Federal Register Notice from May 14, 2007 (Vol. 72 No. 92)**, requires the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to submit a joint application for funding by the appropriate agencies responsible for WIA Title I (Department of Workforce Development), the Adult Education and Family literacy Act (Department of Education) and the Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act (Department of Education) to receive the additional funding from the federal government.

The Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and the Department of Education are crafting an application to the United States Department of Labor, Assistant Secretary of Employment and Training as prescribed in Training and Guidance Letter Number 20-01 Change 5. Other stakeholder groups, including other state youth service agencies were part of the vetting process for this application.

We intend to use these funds to serve at-risk, out of school youth in Massachusetts. The program activity will address improving basic skills in education and provide supported pathways to post-secondary education and employment. Through an interagency initiative called Pathways to Success by 21 (P21), we intend to support increased

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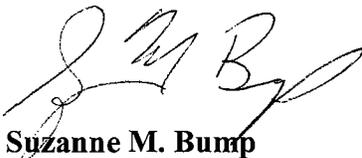
collaboration and expand locally the service capacity and access for these youth to Massachusetts Adult Basic Education providers, Vocational Technical Providers and One-Stop Career Centers as well as build linkages to other key youth service providers in the Commonwealth. We intend to accomplish this through grants to the 16 Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIBS), who have been conveners in the P 21 process for the last two years. Six \$200,00 grants will be issued through a competitive process and ten \$10,000 grants will be distributed to the other LWIBS through an application process. In addition, we will use a small portion of the funding to continue a statewide system building activity-bringing youth serving organizations together locally to improve outcomes for youth through collaboration and shared training. Our goals are to make youth service providers more effective in leveraging existing resources in our local communities, and to build the capacity of organizations to provide better life long outcomes for the most at-risk youth.

A copy of the application will be sent to you once the drafting process is complete.

Should you need additional information about the process or grants, please do not hesitate to call me at 617-626-7100. Also, please feel free to share this information with the members of the Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

I look forward to working with you as we move the Commonwealth forward together.

All the best,

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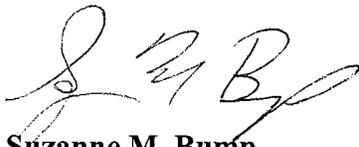
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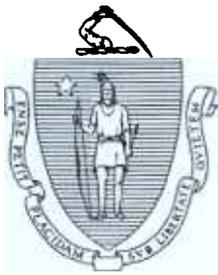
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Attachment II: Approval from state agency responsible for adult education (as defined in section 203(4) of WIA) and for vocational and technical education (as defined in section 3(9) of Perkins III).



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June 11, 2007

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Dear Assistant Secretary DeRocco

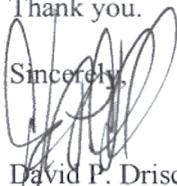
I am pleased to support the recommendations included in this package that add substantial services to those now offered by the MA Department of Education in our Adult Education and Family Literacy and Perkins programs. Having met our performance criteria established under WIA in the last fiscal year, and as this proposal details, we are well poised to expand upon the innovative initiatives to improve system performance developed through the Pathways to Success by 21 initiative. We plan to continue the work begun under the auspices of last year's incentive grant award; with an award of more than \$1.3 M, services offered in the next year to the population of older, at-risk youth in the Commonwealth could be expanded significantly.

The P-21 interagency advisory committee continues meet to inform the initiative, and the goals of the proposal herein are supported by this group. Continued collaboration among this group, and especially among each entity responsible for our being eligible for an award of \$1,370,000 incentive dollars, is essential to assure that the performance of Massachusetts continues to be exemplary. We are committed to extend our record of accomplishment and intend to do our utmost to be awarded incentive dollars in each subsequent year.

These recommendations have been shared with appropriate members of our state legislature for review and comment. Representatives of the Governor's office have been an integral part of their development, and it is our intent to move forward in this collaboration with good faith and with the expectation of continued success.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


David P. Driscoll
Commissioner of Education

Attachment III: Federal Register Notice from April 28, 2006 (Vol. 71, No. 82).

Spagnoli, Isaac Fulwood, Jr., and Patricia Cushwa.

In witness whereof, I make this official record of the vote taken to close this meeting and authorize this record to be made available to the public.

Dated: April 27, 2007.

Edward F. Reilly, Jr.,

Chairman, U.S. Parole Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[SGA/DFA-PY 06-14]

Preparing Ex-Offenders for the Workplace Through Beneficiary-Choice Contracting; Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA)

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice; amendment.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration published a document in the **Federal Register** on April 16, 2007, announcing the availability of funds and solicitation for grant applications to address the specific workforce challenges of ex-offenders and produce positive outcomes with a particular focus on employment and reduced recidivism. The document is hereby amended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Abdullah, Grants Management Specialist, Telephone (202) 693-3346.

Amendment

In the **Federal Register** of April 16, 2007, in FR Volume 72, Number 72:

1. On page 19027, in the middle column, Part I, Service Model, the following is added: Grants must be for a geographically-defined city or local community that serves participants within that area.

2. On page 19028, in the left column, Part I, Services Coordinator, stated the following: Perform all other aspects of managing the Federal grant-including fiscal controls and responsibility.

This section is amended to add: The applicant and fiscal agent for this grant must be the same organization.

3. On page 19032, starting in the left column, Part II (3) Other Eligibility Requirements, Beneficiary Eligibility, stated the following: Individuals aged 18 to 29 who have been convicted of a Federal or State crime through the adult criminal justice system, are returning from a State institution, and are not currently enrolled in a traditional program may be served by these grants.

This sentence is replaced with: Individuals aged 18 to 29 who have been convicted of a Federal or State crime through the adult criminal justice system and are returning from a State or Federal institution may be served by these grants.

4. On page 19032, in the right column, Part IV (2) Content and Form of Application Submission, stated the following: The additional materials may not exceed (15) fifteen pages in addition to the Technical Proposal.

This sentence is replaced with: The additional materials may not exceed (20) twenty pages in addition to the Technical Proposal.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 7th day of May, 2007.

Eric Luetkenhaus,

Grant Officer, Employment & Training Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA); Notice of Incentive Funding Availability for Program Year (PY) 2005 Performance; Correction

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) published in the **Federal Register** on April 30, 2007, an announcement from the Department of Labor, in collaboration with the Department of Education, regarding which states are eligible to apply for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) (Pub. L. 105-220, 29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.) incentive awards

under WIA section 503. The April 30, 2007, announcement did not include the complete list of states; the list is now revised to include all eligible states.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen A. Staha or Traci DiMartini, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Performance and Technology, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-5206, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202-693-3031 (this is not a toll-free number). Fax: 202-693-3490. E-mail: staha.karen@dol.gov or dimartini.traci@dol.gov. Information may also be found at the ETA Performance Web site: <http://www.doleta.gov/performance>.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** published on April 30, 2007, in the third column, on page 21307, corrected the **DATES** caption to read:

DATES: The ten eligible states must submit their applications for incentive funding to the Department of Labor by June 14, 2007.

On page 21308, in the chart published in the second and third columns, the eligible states and amount of each award is revised to read:

State	Amount of award
1. Arizona	\$1,478,972
2. Delaware	912,966
3. Illinois	3,000,000
4. Iowa	1,079,834
5. Massachusetts	1,500,386
6. Missouri	1,627,366
7. Oregon	1,522,101
8. Tennessee	1,757,992
9. Virginia	1,623,378
10. Washington	1,850,193

On page 21310, the PY 2005-06 Exceeded State Performance Levels chart (see Appendix) was revised to indicate that Washington State is eligible for an incentive under WIA title IB, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, and Perkins Act criteria.

Dated: May 10, 2007.

Emily Stover DeRocco,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.

APPENDIX

State	PY 2005-06 Exceeded State Performance Levels			
	WIA (Title I)	AEFLA (Adult Education)	Perkins Act (Vocational Education)	WIA Title I; AEFLA; Perkins Act
Alabama	X	X
Alaska	X

APPENDIX—Continued

State	PY 2005–06 Exceeded State Performance Levels			
	WIA (Title I)	AEFLA (Adult Education)	Perkins Act (Vocational Education)	WIA Title I; AEFLA; Perkins Act
Arizona	X	X	X	X
Arkansas			X	
California			X	
Colorado		X	X	
Connecticut		X	X	
District of Columbia		X	X	
Delaware	X	X	X	X
Florida	X		X	
Georgia		X	X	
Hawaii			X	
Idaho		X	X	
Illinois	X	X	X	X
Indiana		X	X	
Iowa	X	X	X	X
Kansas		X	X	
Kentucky	X		X	
Louisiana		X	X	
Maine			X	
Maryland		X	X	
Massachusetts	X	X	X	X
Michigan	X	X		
Minnesota	X	X		
Mississippi		X	X	
Missouri	X	X	X	X
Montana		X	X	
Nebraska		X	X	
Nevada			X	
New Hampshire		X		
New Jersey	X		X	
New Mexico				
New York		X	X	
North Carolina			X	
North Dakota	X	X		
Ohio		X	X	
Oklahoma			X	
Oregon	X	X	X	X
Pennsylvania			X	
Puerto Rico			X	
Rhode Island				
South Carolina		X	X	
South Dakota	X	X		
Tennessee	X	X	X	X
Texas		X	X	
Utah			X	
Vermont			X	
Virginia	X	X	X	X
Washington	X	X	X	X
West Virginia		X	X	
Wisconsin		X	X	
Wyoming		X	X	

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Arts Advisory Panel

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that eight meetings of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts will be held at the Nancy

Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20506 as follows (ending times are approximate):

Folk & Traditional Arts (application review): May 31–June 1, 2007 in Room 716. This meeting, from 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. on May 31 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 2, will be closed.

Media Arts (application review): June 4–6, 2007 in Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on June 6, will be open to the public for a policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to

5:45 p.m. on June 4, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on June 5, and from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 6, will be closed.

Musical Theater (application review): June 12–13, 2007 in Room 714. A portion of this meeting, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on June 13, will be open to the public for a policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 12 and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 13, will be closed.

Local Arts Agencies (application review): June 13–14, 2007 in Room 730.

Attachment IV: Standard Form 424 & Standard Form 424(A)

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*1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	*2. Type of Application * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	*Other (Specify) _____
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3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:
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5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	*5b. Federal Award Identifier:
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State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:
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8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*a. Legal Name: Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development

*b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 046002284	*c. Organizational DUNS: 947581567
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d. Address:

*Street 1: One Ashburton Place
Street 2: Suite 2100
*City: Boston
County: Suffolk
*State: MA
Province: _____
*Country: USA
*Zip / Postal Code 02108

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: Department of Workforce Development	Division Name: Division of Career Services
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f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: Ms. *First Name: Jennifer
Middle Name: _____
*Last Name: James
Suffix: _____

Title: Undersecretary of Labor and Workforce Development

Organizational Affiliation:
Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development

*Telephone Number: 617-626-7124 Fax Number: 617 727-1090

*Email: Jennifer.James@state.ma.us

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***9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

A.State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

*Other (Specify)

***10 Name of Federal Agency:**

United States Department of Labor / Employment and Training Administration

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

17.267

CFDA Title:

Incentive Grants – WIA Section 503

***12 Funding Opportunity Number:**

*Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

All cities and workforce investment areas in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

***15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts -- Pathways to Success by 21. Massachusetts proposes to focus on disconnected older youth that results in skill gains in literacy, numeracy, occupational, High School or GED completion, post-secondary enrollment and job placement. We will award sub-grants to six communities to support local efforts to coordinate and complement services. Our federal 'Shared Vision' will support the state's Pathways to Success by 21 initiative, which has both state and local components.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

*a. Applicant: MA-08

*b. Program/Project: All

17. Proposed Project:

*a. Start Date: 7/1/07

*b. End Date: 6/30/09

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

*a. Federal	<u> \$1,500,386</u>
*b. Applicant	<u> 0</u>
*c. State	<u> 0</u>
*d. Local	<u> 0</u>
*e. Other	<u> 0</u>
*f. Program Income	<u> 0</u>
*g. TOTAL	<u> \$1,500,386</u>

***19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on _____
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E. O. 12372

***20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes", provide explanation.)**

Yes No

21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U. S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Ms. *First Name: Suzanne

Middle Name: _____

*Last Name: Bump

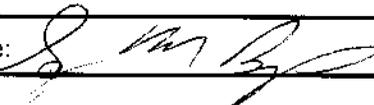
Suffix: _____

*Title: Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development

*Telephone Number: 617-626-7124

Fax Number: 617-727-1090

* Email: Suzanne.Bump@state.ma.us

*Signature of Authorized Representative: 

*Date Signed: 6/12/07

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***Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation**

The following should contain an explanation if the Applicant organization is delinquent of any Federal Debt.

Budget Information - Commonwealth of Massachusetts | PY2005 WIA Performance Incentive Grant Budget | June 14, 2007

Section A -- Budget Summary						
Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1. WIA Performance Incentive Grants	17.267			\$ 1,500,386.00		\$ 1,500,386.00
2.						\$ -
3.						\$ -
4.						\$ -
5. Totals		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500,386.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500,386.00
Section B -- Budget Categories						
6. Object Class Categories	Grant Program Function or Activity				Total (5)	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
a. Personnel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
c. Travel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
d. Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
e. Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
f. Contractual	\$ 1,455,374.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,455,374.00	
g. Construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
h. Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-h)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
j. Indirect Charges	\$ 45,012.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,012.00	
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$ 1,500,386.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500,386.00	
7. Program Income		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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Section C - Non-Federal Resources

(a) Grant Program	(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e) TOTALS
8.				\$ -
9.				\$ -
10.				\$ -
11.				\$ -
12. TOTAL (sum lines 8-11)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Section D - Forecasted Cash Needs

	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 225,000.00
14. Non-Federal					
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 225,000.00

Section E - Budget Estimates of Federal Funds Needed for Balance of the Project

(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (Years)			
	(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
16. WIA Performance Incentive Grants	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 1,000,386.00		
17.				
18.				
19.				
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16 - 19)	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 1,000,386.00	\$ -	\$ -

Section F - Other Budget Information

21. Direct Charges:	22. Indirect Charges: Provisional indirect rate of 3% will be applied to the funding base of \$1,500,386 to result in an indirect cost of \$45,012.
22. Remarks:	

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