

NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Office of Workforce Development Adult Training Program

The District of Columbia Department of Employment Services (DOES) is seeking grant applications to meet the workforce development needs of District residents by implementing a variety of occupational programs and/or postsecondary education classes. The goal of this grant opportunity is to accelerate the ability of District residents to earn nationally recognized credentials and college credits. Successful grantees will provide: (1) credit-bearing, high-demand occupational training, (2) nationally recognized credentials, and (3) academic courses which may lead to a degree.

Eligibility: Local educational agencies, training providers, universities, and colleges licensed by The DC Education Licensure Commission (ELC) are eligible to apply. The applications will be ranked based on the applicant's capacity and ability to demonstrate: 1) a record of success in implementing a variety of high-demand occupational training and academic courses; 2) a record of participants successfully completing a variety of high-demand occupational training and academic courses; and 3) a record of working collaboratively with and/or partnering with at least two (2) of the following: a) employers, b) education and training community, and c) non-profit organizations.

Length of Awards: The grant period will be for twelve (12) months from the date of execution of a Grant Agreement with DOES. At the discretion of DOES, a maximum of four (4) one-year option periods may be granted based on performance and the availability of funding. Option periods may consist of a year, a fraction thereof, or multiple successive fractions of a year.

Available Funding for Awards: The total amount of funding that DOES anticipates to be available for this award is \$4,000,000, pending availability of funds. The funds for the Adult Training Program are made available through District of Columbia appropriations.

Anticipated Number of Awards: DOES anticipates making up to ten (10) awards depending on funding availability and responsiveness of applicants.

How to Obtain the RFA: The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on **Friday**, **September 26, 2014.** The RFA will be available on the following websites:

- DOES website: www.does.dc.gov

- OCP website: http://ocp.dc.gov/service/ocp-solicitations

- DC Grants Clearinghouse: http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse



For more information regarding this grant opportunity, applicants may contact the DOES Grants Office at doesgrants@dc.gov at 202-671-3100 or Eugenia Palmer, Program Manager for Local Initiatives, via email at eugenia.palmer@dc.gov or via phone at (202) 698-5861.

The deadline for <u>online application</u> submission is: Monday, October 27, 2014, no later than 2:00pm EST.