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To: Local Workforce Development Areas (LWDAs)

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Subject: PY23/FY24 - Rapid Response Funds

The following ALERTS are attached:

<u>ALERT</u>	<u>FUND SOURCE/TYPE</u>
ALERT PY23/FY24-4A	Rapid Response - Increase to Base Funding
ALERT PY23/FY24-4B	Rapid Response - Work-Based Learning Funding Opportunity

The ALERTS are subject to change as additional information is received by DERS pertaining to the funding sources identified.

ALERTS are available on the Division website using the link:
<https://des.az.gov/WIOATitle1FundsAllocation>

Should there be any change to the grant award funding amounts, the allocations will be adjusted accordingly, and a revised ALERT will be issued.

For any questions regarding this ALERT, please contact wioaprogram@azdes.gov

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**Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services ALERT
PY23/FY24-4A - WIOA Rapid Response (DW) - Increase to Base Funding**

Local Workforce Development Areas received base rapid response funds in July 2023 to build capacity to implement strategies and activities necessary to:

- 1) Plan for and respond to as quickly as possible following an event described in [§ 682.302](#); and
- 2) Deliver services to enable dislocated workers to transition to new employment as quickly as possible.

The purpose of rapid response is to “promote economic recovery and vitality by developing an ongoing, comprehensive approach to identifying, planning for, responding to layoffs and dislocations, and preventing or minimizing the impact of layoffs of dislocations on workers, businesses, and communities.” [20 CFR § 682.300(b)]. [List of elements of a successful rapid response system.](#)

Base rapid response funds are being increased by \$200,000 to each LWDA to facilitate further capacity building to meet the needs of the communities served through each LWDA and provide immediate access to LWDAs to plan and conduct rapid response events. This should assist with addressing the concern raised at the September 2023 Workforce Arizona Council meeting regarding LWDAs access to rapid response funds.

As with all Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds, reports will be pulled from the system of record, so please ensure that data pertaining to the service provision and other relevant activities have been entered in accordance with the IGA.

Should LWDAs require funds beyond the available base funds to conduct rapid response events, please continue to submit requests using the process identified here: [Request for Rapid Response Funding.](#)

Please send your questions to WIOA@azdes.gov.

**Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services ALERT
 PY23/FY24-4B - WIOA Rapid Response (DW) - Work Based Learning Funding Opportunity**

Approximately \$775,000 in rapid response funds for LWDA's interested in developing new or expanding current work based learning programs with the following focus areas:

- Establishing new **Registered Apprenticeship Programs** as an industry-driven system of employment, on-the-job training, and related technical instruction. (Section 509 of the WIOA Training Services Policy)
- Developing, funding, and managing **Incumbent Worker Training** programs or other worker upskilling approaches designed to meet the special needs of an employer (including a group of employers) to retain a skilled workforce, or to avert the need to lay off employees. (Section 510 of the WIOA Training Services Policy)
- Connecting businesses and workers to **On-The-Job** under a contract with an employer or a RA sponsor (Section 508 of the WIOA Training Services Policy)
- Expanding or developing **Customized Training** Programs designed to meet the specific needs of an employer or group of employers committed to employing an individual upon successful completion of training. (Section 511 of the WIOA Training Services Policy)

Allowable Expenses include:

- ❖ Costs to operate and comply with program requirements;
- ❖ Full and/or partial tuition assistance for participants*;
- ❖ Salary assistance for participants*;
- ❖ Related training expenses for participants, such as books, materials, tools, and uniforms*.

(Note: *In accordance with both state and local area policies)

This funding must be obligated by June 30, 2024, and liquidated by August 15, 2024, or the funds will be returned to the Department of Economic Security.

The following information must be submitted for consideration of the funding no later than **Friday, November 10, 2023**.

- **Project Narrative:** Provide a project narrative to include populations this project will serve, service areas or geographic areas, partner agencies included in the project, and the rationale/need for the project funding. The narrative should include the anticipated outcomes - how the project will measure success through implementation, performance, and accountability.
- **Budget:** Identify program costs including personnel, fringe benefits, travel, equipment, supplies, contractual, construction, indirect charges, and both federal and non-federal leveraged and/or matched funds. If awarded funding, justification on each program cost may be sought.
- **Summary Table** for LWDA's requesting funds for multiple activities (see SAMPLE below).

Activity	Amount	Outcome
Apprenticeship	\$100,000	12 apprentices successfully completed programs in the healthcare field

Grand Total Requested	\$100,000	
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Proposals will be reviewed as they are received and evaluated for allowability as identified in 20 CFR § 682.110. Awards will be announced no later than **Monday, November 20, 2023**.

Requirements upon award:

- Obligations must be reported on the reimbursement reports. Any funds not obligated by June 30th, 2024, must be returned to the Department of Economic Security.
- The final request for reimbursement must be submitted no later than August 15, 2024.
- Upon completion of the work, submit a narrative/presentation to share the results of the population benefiting from the effort, to learn from local community experience, and to showcase partnership successes.

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PY23/FY24								
	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL
Begin Date	4/1/2023	7/1/2023	7/1/2023	10/1/2023	10/1/2023	7/1/2023	10/1/2023	10/1/2023
End Date	6/30/2025	6/30/2025	6/30/2025	6/30/2025	6/30/2025	6/30/2024	6/30/2024	6/30/2024
Final Report Due	8/15/2025	8/15/2025	8/15/2025	8/15/2025	8/15/2025	8/15/2024	8/15/2024	8/15/2024

NEAZ	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$34,869	\$6,726	\$4,534	\$27,472	\$16,492	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,093
Prog	\$313,830	\$60,536	\$40,810	\$247,260	\$148,427	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,135,863
Total	\$348,699	\$67,262	\$45,344	\$274,732	\$164,919	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,225,956

Cochise	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$46,296	\$8,875	\$16,273	\$36,251	\$59,188	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$166,883
Prog	\$416,664	\$79,876	\$146,464	\$326,255	\$532,688	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,826,947
Total	\$462,960	\$88,751	\$162,737	\$362,506	\$591,876	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,993,830

Coconino	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$47,013	\$5,700	\$6,091	\$23,284	\$22,151	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$104,239
Prog	\$423,113	\$51,305	\$54,814	\$209,557	\$199,363	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,263,152
Total	\$470,126	\$57,005	\$60,905	\$232,841	\$221,514	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,367,391

Maricopa	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$463,872	\$85,181	\$119,596	\$347,926	\$434,973	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,451,548
Prog	\$4,174,847	\$766,630	\$1,076,366	\$3,131,329	\$3,914,759	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$13,363,931
Total	\$4,638,719	\$851,811	\$1,195,962	\$3,479,255	\$4,349,732	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$14,815,479

Mohave	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$69,021	\$14,795	\$11,333	\$60,429	\$41,217	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$196,795
Prog	\$621,189	\$133,150	\$101,994	\$543,856	\$370,957	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$2,096,146
Total	\$690,210	\$147,945	\$113,327	\$604,285	\$412,174	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$2,292,941

Phoenix	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$383,609	\$71,265	\$76,784	\$291,083	\$279,263	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,102,004
Prog	\$3,452,479	\$641,382	\$691,052	\$2,619,751	\$2,513,367	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$10,218,031
Total	\$3,836,088	\$712,647	\$767,836	\$2,910,834	\$2,792,630	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$11,320,035

Pima	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$261,821	\$48,155	\$57,693	\$196,692	\$209,831	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$774,192
Prog	\$2,356,384	\$433,397	\$519,238	\$1,770,228	\$1,888,475	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$7,267,722
Total	\$2,618,205	\$481,552	\$576,931	\$1,966,920	\$2,098,306	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$8,041,914

Pinal	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$73,120	\$16,732	\$15,515	\$68,343	\$56,429	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$230,139
Prog	\$658,080	\$150,590	\$139,638	\$615,088	\$507,859	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$2,396,255
Total	\$731,200	\$167,322	\$155,153	\$683,431	\$564,288	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$2,626,394

Santa Cruz	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$43,818	\$7,565	\$5,281	\$30,898	\$19,206	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,768
Prog	\$394,365	\$68,082	\$47,526	\$278,084	\$172,856	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,285,913
Total	\$438,183	\$75,647	\$52,807	\$308,982	\$192,062	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,392,681

Tribal	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$170,713	\$32,011	\$17,841	\$130,750	\$64,888	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$416,203
Prog	\$1,536,413	\$288,098	\$160,569	\$1,176,752	\$583,993	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$4,070,825
Total	\$1,707,126	\$320,109	\$178,410	\$1,307,502	\$648,881	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$4,487,028

Yavapai	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$40,676	\$8,419	\$9,308	\$34,388	\$33,853	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$126,644
Prog	\$366,086	\$75,771	\$83,771	\$309,489	\$304,679	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,464,796
Total	\$406,762	\$84,190	\$93,079	\$343,877	\$338,532	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$1,591,440

Yuma	PY YT	PY AD	PY DW	FY AD	FY DW	PY RR	FY RR	FY RR- WBL	Total
Admin	\$410,556	\$75,478	\$40,289	\$308,293	\$146,532	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$981,148
Prog	\$3,695,001	\$679,302	\$362,600	\$2,774,634	\$1,318,783	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$9,155,320
Total	\$4,105,557	\$754,780	\$402,889	\$3,082,927	\$1,465,315	\$125,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$10,136,468