

Local Training Providers for Short Term Occupational Training FAQs

Background & Overview

The Prince George's County Workforce Development Board, through Employ Prince George's, operates the Prince George's County Public Workforce System. The Prince George's County Public Workforce System is modeled as a free membership network and branded as the Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network. Employ Prince George's serves as the administrative and fiscal agent of the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board and operator of the Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network. To leverage the multiple funding sources operating the Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network, and increase job seeker access to occupational skill trainings, the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board created the Prince George's County Local Training Provider List.

Included in the duties of Employ Prince George's is the management of the Local Training provider List. The Local Training Provider List includes all trainings that have been sourced through a competitive procurement, reviewed, and approved by the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board, and eligible for tuition assistance from an eligible Prince George's County Workforce Development Board Career Services Provider, with eligible program participants. The Local Training Provider List includes trainings and training providers from the Maryland Eligible Training Provider List who opted in to being included on the Local Training Provider List, United States Department of Labor and Maryland Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeships who opted in to be included on the Local Training Provider List, along with training providers and trainings that submitted proposals to the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board who weren't on an Eligible Training Provider List nor were they a Registered Apprenticeship.

The goal of the Local Training Provider List is to provide a comprehensive list of training providers, and their associated training programs, that Prince George's County Workforce Development Board Career Services Providers may contract with for training services using non-WIOA Prince George's County Workforce Development Board funding. Job seeker eligibility guidelines, along with other funding and programmatic guidelines, may apply as well.

Q: What is the Local Training Providers List (LTPL) and how is it different from the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL)?

A: The Prince George's County Workforce Development Board has received over \$11 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds. Over the next five years the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board, through its Administrative and Fiscal Agent Employ Prince George's, will utilize these funds to increase workforce development efforts, assist businesses reopening from the pandemic, and assist job seekers return to work in livable wage careers. To ensure the success of businesses and local economies, job seekers must have the skills, qualifications, expertise, and credentials to be competitive and productive on a work site. For these reasons, the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board and Employ Prince George's have created and released the Prince George's County Local Training Providers for Short Term Occupational Training RFP for Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network Members. The goal is to identify quality training providers, trainings (including registered apprenticeships, industry recognized apprenticeships, and pre-apprenticeships), execute agreements that allow training providers access to **non-WIOA funds** from Prince George's County

Workforce Development Board Career Services Providers, for the tuition and fees of eligible Prince George's County residents, and add these providers to the Prince George's County Local Training Providers List.

Q: I currently have a training agreement with Employ Prince George's, will I still need to reply to this RFP?

A: Any existing WIOA training agreements with Employ Prince George's do not qualify a training provider inclusion on the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board's LTPL. Training providers must respond to the RFP and include all the offered trainings that they would like to be included on the list to receive American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Q: How do I submit my reply/application to the Local Training Providers for Short Term Occupational Training RFP?

A: If you are **NOT** currently on the Maryland Department of Labor's Eligible Training Provider List, you must create an account via the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board's online portal to complete and submit **Phase I** of the RFP response package. You can access the application portal here: www.GrantRequest.com/SID_6250?SA=SNA&FID=35022. Upon review and approval, you will be invited to compete **Phase II** of the LTPL application.

If you, and your trainings, are already on the Maryland Department of Labor's Eligible Training Provider List you can **opt-in** to the LTPL list by submitting your information via our online portal here: www.GrantRequest.com/SID_6250?SA=SNA&FID=35019. **Note: You will be required to provide proof that you are on the EPTL.**

Q: Is there a maximum funding amount I can apply for?

A: No. There is not a cap on the amount of funding you can request per person per training. Additionally, you are not limited to what you can include in your per person training cost.

Q: What is the timeline for approvals?

A: Submissions to this RFP are accepted on a rolling basis. Respondents will be notified when their proposal is received. Proposals will be reviewed for compliance and completeness. Approval announcements will be made within thirty (30) calendar days from the date the proposal is submitted.