

ST. LOUIS CITY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD  
AND  
ST. LOUIS AGENCY ON TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT (SLATE)



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FOR:

**BounceBack Program Services**

Opening Date  
8:00 a.m., Central Time, September 18, 2014

Closing Date  
5:00 p.m., Central Time, October 24, 2014

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

## BounceBack Program Provider

**SUMMARY:** All information required to submit a bid is contained in this Request for Proposal (RFP) announcement. The St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) and the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City announce the availability of funds under the Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Grants through the Department of Labor. Costs for the BounceBack Program Provider submitted subsequent to the initial offering may be negotiated based on verifiable market changes. Period of performance for the program is projected to be from December 1, 2014 – Jun 30, 2015. SLATE and the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City reserve the right to renew programs for an additional three contractual periods for those programs that become operational as a result of this RFP. Such renewal of contracts will be based on fund availability, performance and on determination of needed services, activities, and delivery methods to be used by SLATE and the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City.

**DATES:** The release date of this request for proposal is September 18 2014. The closing date for receipt of bids under this solicitation is October 24, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. Central Time. No exceptions to the mailing and hand-delivery conditions set forth in this notice will be granted. Bids that do not meet the conditions set forth in this notice will not be considered. SLATE will not accept any amendments, revisions or alterations to bids after the RFP due date.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** All questions must be submitted in writing and received prior to 5:00 p.m. on October 17, 2014. All correspondence should be to the attention of Kelley Bernardi, Deputy Director, SLATE, 1520 Market Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, St. Louis, MO, 63103. Written responses to all questions received will be posted on our website: [www.stlworks.com](http://www.stlworks.com). Questions received after the October 17, 2014 deadline will not be answered. Telephone inquiries regarding an interpretation of the contents of the RFP are not permitted. **A pre-bid conference will be held October 7 at 2:00 PM at SLATE Missouri Career Center, 1520 Market Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103.**

- A. Living Wage Ordinance -- Contracts for services in excess of \$50,000 may be subject to the City's Living Wage ordinance (Ordinance #65597). The Ordinance requires that, unless specific exemptions apply, all individuals performing work pursuant to a contract between the City and a contractor must be paid a minimum of the applicable wage rates set forth in the Living Wage Bulletin. If rates are adjusted during the term of the contract, then the applicable wage rates must also be adjusted by the contractor. The Living Wage Ordinance can be found at <http://www.slpl.lib.mo.us/cco/ords/data/ord5597.htm>.
- B. Affidavit and E-Verify –The winning bidder must subscribe to and use E-Verify to ensure all staff and potential staff working under this contract meet the illegal immigrant policies set forth by the State of Missouri.

## **PART I. General Information**

The St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) and the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City are seeking to contract for a BounceBack Program Provider.

### **Required Qualifications and Duties:**

The following is an outline of required qualifications and duties. Bidders must give a detailed narrative explaining how the following services will be accomplished.

#### **Nitty Gritty Workshops**

Expected number of annual workshops—minimum 6 sessions through June 30, 2014. Provisions include setup, program delivery, and take-down.

Describe the expertise of individuals (staff) assisting in workshops and how their skills relate to previous BounceBack programs.

Describe how often you will provide workshops for this time period.

Describe how you will cover the following topics in each workshop and how much time you would spend per topic:

- Learn how to conduct a personal skills assessment
- Discuss what soft skills employers expect
- Learn best ways to identify job opportunities
- Create a winning resume
- Understand the Applicant Tracking System process
- Implement effective networking techniques
- Organize yourself for an interview

#### **Information Technology Forum**

Recommended occurrence — one 6-hour program. Provisions include setup, program delivery, and take-down.

- How will you extend invitations/gather information to/from businesses to provide feedback on hiring trends in the St. Louis region?

#### **Additional Services**

Describe how you will use social media to provide outreach, program promotion and networking opportunities for potential and actual workshop/program participants. List all the social media sites you will use for this project.

Describe your knowledge of the Information Technology industry, including IT employment needs, IT companies in the St. Louis area, and any partnerships you will create.

Describe how you will ensure all participants register with jobs.mo.gov, a service of the Missouri Career Centers.

## **PART II. Application Process and Guidelines**

### **Submission of Bid Package**

Bidders must submit, in a sealed package, an original and five (5) copies of the completed bid package for review.

Bids must be ***received*** by 5:00 p.m., Central Time, on October 24, 2014, whether submitted by mail or hand-delivered. Telegraphed, faxed and e-mailed bids will not be considered. Late, incomplete, or alternate submissions will not be considered.

Bids shall be mailed or hand-carried to the SLATE Career Center, 1520 Market Street, 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103, Attention: Bid for BounceBack Program Services.

### **Late Bids**

Any bids received after the exact time specified above for receipt **WILL NOT BE HONORED.**

### **Format of the Bid**

The bid must include a Table of Contents and a completed Executive Summary Form. To ensure your bid is considered fully, you must respond completely to each section. All attachments should be included at the end under an "Attachments" heading.

### **Bid Package**

In addition to the Table of Contents and Executive Summary Form, the bid package must consist of the following sections.

- Table of Contents
- Executive Summary Form
- Detailed Description of Qualifications Using Point Listed in Part I of this RFP:
- Budget/Cost Pricing:

- Budgets are not to exceed \$8,000 annually and must include line item cost descriptions, including any rent, supplies, etc.

- Provide a budget sheet for the time frame of December 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015, and a separate budget for years 2-4, July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018.

No advance payments will be provided. Complete the attached Application Fact Sheet.

**Assurances**

Complete and sign the attached Assurances and attach to the original and each of the five copies.

**Review Process**

- All responses will be evaluated by reviewers using the following criteria and by assigning points. The total points possible is 100. Bids must receive a minimum of 70 points of the total possible in order to be considered for funding by the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City and the City of St. Louis/SLATE.
  - Experience of Bidder (0 – 50 points)
  - Budget/Cost (0 – 50 points)
- Any bidder that is not selected, or has its bid denied for consideration, will be notified in writing.
- Bidders that are selected will be notified in writing.
- Bidders may request, in writing, a copy of the written reviewer comments, if any, and the points awarded (by category and total).

APPLICATION FACT SHEET

BounceBack Program Provider

NAME OF MANAGER: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street, City, State & Zip code)

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code, Number & Ext)

**CERTIFICATION: This bid has been developed according to policies and procedures governing the City of St. Louis and a Request for Proposal Application issued by the City of St. Louis/SLATE and the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City. We/I understand that this RFP Response is subject to revision, in consultation with us/me, in order to make it compatible with the overall City plan. It is fully understood that acceptance of this RFP Response for review in no way assures its approval for consideration for funding. If approved for funding, we/I will accept full responsibility for all operation, management and financial expenditures and will later reimburse the City of St. Louis for all costs found to be disallowed in an official audit.**

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Date Submitted

Signature of Authorized Official

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Title of Authorized Official

Typed Name of Above Official

## **Award Requirements and Contract Provisions**

If selected to provide training or services under the auspices of the City of St. Louis and  
the Workforce Investment Board of St. Louis City,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name/Business)

hereby assure and certify that the following is recognized and followed:

### ASSURANCES

1. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will establish in accordance with WIA Section 184, fiscal control and fund accounting procedures that may be necessary to ensure the proper disbursement of and accounting for funds made available by the Contract Agreement.
2. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the requirements of the common rule Uniform Administrative Requirements (or as amended) applicable to the type entity receiving WIA Title I funding under this agreement.
  - 29 CFR, Part 97 – Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments; or
  - 29 CFR, Part 95 – Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and other Non-Profit Organizations, and with Commercial Organizations, Foreign Governments, Organizations Under the Jurisdiction of Foreign Governments, and International Organizations.
3. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the federal allowable costs/cost principles that apply to the type entity receiving WIA Title I funding under this Contract Agreement. The regulations at 29 CFR 95.27 and 29 CFR 97.22 (and 20 CFR 667.200(c)(1-5) identify the federal principles for determining allowable costs.
4. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with restrictions regarding Lobbying codified at 29 CFR Part 93.
5. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with requirements for a Drug Free Workplace codified at 29 CFR Part 98.

6. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with requirements for Debarment and Suspension as codified at 29 CFR Part 98.
7. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (or as amended) and associated Code of Federal Regulations as applicable to the entity directly or indirectly as recipients of contracted funds from the state of Missouri.
8. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and implementing regulations at 29 CFR part 31, which prohibit discrimination and require provision of equal opportunity on the basis of race, color, or national origin.
9. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (including amendments made by the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008), and U.S. Department of Labor's implementing regulations at 29 CFR part 32, which prohibit discrimination and require provision of equal opportunity on the basis of disability.
10. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, and implementing regulations at 29 CFR part 36, which prohibit discrimination and require provision of equal opportunity on the basis of sex in education and training programs.
11. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and implementing regulations at 29 CFR part 35, which prohibit discrimination and require provision of equal opportunity on the basis of age, but permit certain distinctions based on or related to age.
12. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Privacy Act of 1975, as amended.
13. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity provisions codified at 29 CFR Part 37.
14. In accordance with the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, Public Law 101-166, Section 511, "Steven's Amendment", the Contracting Agency and its subrecipients shall not issue any statements, press releases, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money unless the prior approval of the state agency is obtained and unless they clearly state the following as provided by the state agency:
  - the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money;
  - the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program; and

- percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by nongovernmental sources.
15. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255) as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616) as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; Sections 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. 290 dd.3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.) as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and the requirements of any other non-discrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
  16. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provides for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
  17. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with provisions of the Hatch Act (U.S.C. 1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
  18. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a 7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. 276c and 18 U.S.C. 874, and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40.327-333), regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.
  19. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply as applicable, with the Flood Insurance Purchase Requirements of Section 102(A) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
  20. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P. L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in flood plains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451 et. seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clear Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clear Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.); (g) protection

of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-205).

21. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
22. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a.1 et seq.).
23. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
24. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
25. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
26. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations.”
27. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will annually monitor and resolve monitoring findings of subrecipients receiving funds under WIA Title I. Such monitoring shall be done in accordance with WIA Section 184(a)(4), 20 CFR 667.400, 20 CFR 667.410, 20 CFR 667.500 and additional requirements as issued by the Contractor.
28. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will establish and maintain a procedure for grievances and complaints according to the requirements of 20 CFR 667.600 and additional requirements as issued by the Contractor.
29. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients shall not use funds received under WIA to displace any currently employed employee or previously laid off employee from the same or substantially equivalent job in accordance with WIA Section 667.270.
30. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients shall comply with the confidentiality requirements of WIA Section 136(f)(3).

31. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will not use funds received under WIA to assist, promote, or deter union organizing in accordance with WIA Section 181 (b)(7).
32. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients shall comply with 20 CFR 667.200(g)(1)(2) regarding nepotism.
33. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will not expend funds provided under WIA Title I for those activities identified and prohibited in 20 CFR 667.260, 667.262, 667.264, 667.266, 667.268, and 667.270.
34. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients receiving WIA Title I funds will provide services through the Local Workforce Investment Area Plan that are consistent with the state of Missouri Workforce Investment Plan (or as modified).
35. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Public Law 113-76 (Division H, Title I, Section 105) none of the funds appropriated under the heading 'Employment and Training' in the appropriation statute(s) may be used by a recipient or subrecipient of such funds to pay the salary and bonuses of an individual, either as direct costs or indirect costs, at a rate in excess of Executive Level II. This limitation shall not apply to vendors providing goods and services as defined in OMB Circular A-133 (codified at 29 CFR Parts 96 and 99). Where States are recipients of such funds, States may establish a lower limit for salaries and bonuses of those receiving salaries and bonuses from subrecipients of such funds, taking into account factors including the relative cost-of-living in the State, the compensation levels for comparable State or local government employees, and the size of the organizations that administer Federal programs involved including Employment & Training Administration programs. See Training and Employment Guidance Letter number 5-06 for further clarification.
36. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the "Jobs for Veterans Act" (JVA), Public Law 107-288 (38 USC 4215), as implemented by 20 CFR Part 1010. The JVA provides priority of service to veterans and spouses of certain veterans for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services. Agreement by a program operator to implement priority of service is a condition of receipt of DOL funds. The Planning Guidance (either the Stand-Alone Planning Guidance at 73 FR 72853 (December 1, 2008) or the Unified Planning Guidance at 73 FR 73730 (December 3, 2008)) and TEGL 10-09 requires states to describe the policies and strategies in place to ensure, pursuant to the Jobs for Veterans Act and the regulations, that priority of service is provided to veterans (and certain spouses) who otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for all employment and training programs funded in whole or in part by the USDOL. In addition, the states are required to provide assurances that they will comply with the Veterans' Priority of Service Provisions established by the Jobs for Veterans Act (38 USC 4215) and TEGL 10-09.
37. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with 285.530 RSMo.

- Pursuant to section 285.530.2, RSMo, the Contracting Agency shall maintain enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the contracted services included herein.
  - Pursuant to section 285.530.5, RSMo, neither the Contracting Agency nor any subcontractor shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri. In accordance with sections 285.525 to 285.550, RSMo a general contractor or subcontractor of any tier shall not be liable when such contractor or subcontractor contracts with its direct subcontractor who violates subsection 1 of section 285.530, RSMo if the contract binding the contractor and subcontractor affirmatively states that:
    - a. the direct subcontractor is not knowingly in violation of subsection 1 of section 285.530, RSMo and
    - b. shall not henceforth be in such violation and
    - c. the contractor or subcontractor receives a sworn affidavit under the penalty of perjury attesting to the fact that the direct subcontractor's employees are lawfully present in the United States.
38. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Executive Order 04-09. No award of a contract shall be made to a vendor who contemplates performing work pursuant to the contract at a site outside the United States, unless one of the conditions of Executive 04-09 is met. Reference Department Procurement Authority Delegation and Procedures located at <http://oa.mo.gov/purch/governance.html>.
39. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will expend funds provided by the Contract Agreement in accordance with WIA, WIA regulations, USDOL, DWD guidance, and all other applicable federal, state, or local laws.
40. By signature of the Contract Agreement, the Contracting Agency provides the following Certification regarding Lobbying in accordance with 29 CFR Part 93 and certifies that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief:
- No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the signatory, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
  - If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee

of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the signatory shall complete and submit Standard Form – LLL “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities”, in accordance with its instructions.

- The signatory shall require that the language of this Certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- This Certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this Certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required Certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

41. By signature of the Contract Agreement, the Contracting Agency provides the following Certification regarding a Drug Free Workplace in accordance with 29 CFR Part 98 and certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug free workplace by:

(1.) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee’s workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(2.) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:

- A. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- B. The grantee’s policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- C. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance

programs;

- D. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(3.) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (1);

(4.) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (1) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:

- A. Abide by the terms of the statement;
- B. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(5.) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (4) (B) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such

conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number (s) of each affected grant;

(6.) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (4) (B), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

- A. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- B. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(7.) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6).

42. By signature of the Contract Agreement, the Contracting Agency provides the following Certification regarding Debarment and Suspension in accordance with 29 CFR Part 98 and certifies that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that it and its principals:

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this Contract Agreement been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in this certification; and,
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this Contract Agreement had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

- Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall submit an explanation to the Contractor.

#### 43. NONDISCRIMINATION & EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ASSURANCE:

*Note: This particular assurance (portions which are duplicated elsewhere in other assurances) is applicable to the extent that the program activities are conducted as part of the One Stop delivery system (See 29 CFR 37.2).*

As a condition to the award of financial assistance from the Department of Labor under Title I of WIA, the Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply fully with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the following laws:

- (1) Section 188 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), which prohibits discrimination against all individuals in the United States on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, or belief, and against beneficiaries on the basis of either citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States or participation in any WIA Title I B financially assisted program or activity;
- (2) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin;
- (3) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities;
- (4) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and
- (5) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs.

The Contracting Agency and its subrecipients also assure that it will comply with 29 CFR Part 37 and all other regulations implementing the laws listed above. This assurance applies to the Contracting Agency's operation of the WIA Title I B financially assisted program or activity, and to all agreements the Contracting Agency makes to carry out the WIA Title IB financially assisted program or activity. The Contracting Agency understands that the United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance.

44. The Contracting Agency assures that it will register in the System for Award Management (SAM) database at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov), and maintain current registration at all times during the pendency of this Contract Agreement. In order to register in SAM, a valid Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number is required. See [www.dnb.com](http://www.dnb.com).

45. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with the Buy American Notice Requirement. In the case of any equipment or product that may be authorized to be purchased with financial assistance provided using funds available under the Workforce Investment Act, it is the sense of the Congress that entities receiving the assistance should, in expending the assistance, purchase only American-made equipment and products, as required by the Buy American Act (41 USC 10a et seq.). See WIA Section 505—Buy American Requirements.
46. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Executive Order 13333. This agreement may be terminated without penalty, if the grantee or any subgrantee, or the contracting agency or any subrecipient engages in: “(i) severe forms of trafficking in persons; (ii) the procurement of a commercial sex act during the period of time that the grant, contract, or cooperative agreement is in effect; (iii) the use of forced labor in the performance of the grant, contract, or cooperative agreement; or (iv) acts that directly support or advance trafficking in persons.” (22 U.S.C. § 7104(g))
47. The Contracting Agency assures that it and its subrecipients will comply with Special Requirements for Conferences and Conference Space. The Contracting Agency must obtain prior approval from the Contractor before holding any conference (which includes meeting, retreat, seminar, symposium, training activity or similar event held in either Federal or non-Federal space), or any activity related to holding a conference, including, but not limited to, obligating or expending contracted funds, signing contracts for space or services, announcing Grantor’s or Contractor’s involvement in any conference, and using Grantor or Contractor official’s name or Grantor’s or Contractor’s name or logo. The Grantor or Contractor retains the right to obtain information from the Contracting Agency about any conference that is funded in whole or in part with contracted funds.
48. Pursuant to Executive Order 13043 (April 16, 1997), Increasing the Use of Seat Belts in the United States, the Contracting Agency and its subrecipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating vehicles, whether organizationally owned or rented or personally owned.
49. Pursuant to Executive Order 13513: Sec. 4. Text Messaging While Driving by Government Contractors, Subcontractors, and Recipients and Subrecipients. Contractors, subcontractors, and recipients and subrecipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving company-owned or -rented vehicles or Government-owned, Government-leased, or Government-rented vehicles, or while driving privately-owned vehicles when on official Government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Government, and to conduct initiatives of the type described in section 3(a) of the Executive Order.

**ATTESTED BY:**

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(Officer with Signatory Authority – Typed Name)

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(Signature of Above Official)

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## Fact Sheet

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Name of organization:		
Type of organization (for profit, non-profit, government):		
Total program costs:		
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