

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment and Training Administration
Funding Opportunity Announcement
FOA-ETA-21-04**

Amendment One

YouthBuild

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor

ACTION: Amendment to FOA-ETA-21-04

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration announced on December 11, 2020, the availability of funds and the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) for YouthBuild grants to be awarded through a competitive process.

The document is hereby amended as follows:

The following language has been removed:

ADDRESSES: *Address mailed applications to:*

*The U.S. Department of Labor
Employment and Training Administration, Office of Grants Management Attention: Brinda Ruggles, Grant Officer
Reference FOA-ETA-21-04
200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N4716
Washington, D.C. 20210*

Section IV. APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Section IV.B.3.a)(2) is deleted and replaced with the following:

Poverty Rate (Maximum 6 Points)

The application must provide, across all zip codes that make up the proposed area the applicant intends to serve, the weighted average poverty rate from the ACS poverty data available at <http://www.census.gov>. The national poverty rate against which DOL will evaluate applicants is 13 percent (using 5-year ACS estimates as of 2018). For specific instructions on how to calculate this information, please see Section VIII. Other Information. Applicants are required to provide as an attachment, the print out of the American Community Survey data source information used. If applicants do not provide, as an attachment, the print out of the ACS data source information used, they will receive 0 points for the Poverty Rate criterion.

To assist with the weighted average calculations, applicants are encouraged to use the “Weighted Average Worksheet” available for download at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/youth/youthbuild/>.

DOL will score applicants based on the weighted average poverty rate across all zip codes that the applicant proposes to serve.

- If the weighted average poverty rate is 13 percent or more across all zip codes to be served: 6 Points.
- If the weighted average poverty rate is between 10 percent and 12.99 percent across all zip codes to be served: 4 Points.
- If the weighted average poverty rate is between 7 percent and 9.99 percent across all zip codes to be served: 2 Points.
- If the weighted average poverty rate is less than 7 percent across all zip codes to be served: 0 Points.

SECTION IV.C. SUBMISSION DATE, TIME, PROCESS, AND ADDRESS

Section IV.C is deleted and replaced with the following:

We must receive your application by February 9, 2021. You must submit your application electronically on <https://www.grants.gov> no later than 4:00:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application before the closing date to minimize the risk of late receipt. We will not review applications received after 4:00:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date. We will not accept applications sent by hardcopy, e-mail, telegram, or facsimile (FAX).

Section IV.C.1 is deleted and replaced with the following:

1. Hardcopy Submission

No applications submitted in hardcopy by mail or hand delivery (including overnight delivery) will be accepted for this funding opportunity.

The following paragraph has been removed from Section IV.C.2.b):

We will not consider any hard copy application received after the exact date and time specified for receipt at the office designated in this notice, unless we receive it before awards are made, it was properly addressed, and it was (a) sent by U.S. Postal Service mail, postmarked not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of applications (e.g., an application required to be received by the 20th of the month must be postmarked by the 15th of that month); or (b) sent by professional overnight delivery service to the addressee not later than one working day before the date specified for receipt of applications. “Postmarked” means a printed, stamped or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable, without further action, as having been supplied or affixed on the date of mailing by an employee of the U.S. Postal Service. Therefore, you should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation “bull’s eye” postmark on both the receipt

and the package. Failure to adhere to these instructions will be a basis for a determination that the application was not filed timely and will not be considered. Evidence of timely submission by a professional overnight delivery service must be demonstrated by equally reliable evidence created by the delivery service provider indicating the time and place of receipt.

Section VIII. OTHER INFORMATION

Section VIII.A. is deleted and replaced with the following:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINDING UNEMPLOYMENT DATA USING THE UNITED STATE CENSUS BUREAU DATA

- 1) For best results, use Microsoft Edge. Microsoft Edge can be downloaded for free at: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/edge>
- 2) Go to <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>
- 3) Type: S2301 in the box and click “Search”
- 4) Click on “Employment Status” under Tables
- 5) Next to “Product” click on the drop down menu and select “2018: ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables”
- 6) Next click “Customize Tables” (on the right hand side of the “Product” drop down menu)
- 7) Click “Geos” – the third icon from the left
- 8) Scroll down and click “Zip Code Tabulation Area (Five-Digit)”
- 9) Select your State
- 10) Type in the five-digit zip code, select it, then click “Close” at the bottom right of that screen
- 11) If using multiple zip codes, type in the additional zip codes before closing the selection window.
- 12) To determine the total number of unemployed youth in each age group, use the unemployment rate estimate for the populations 16 to 19 years and ages 20 to 24 years. Multiply the total estimated population of that age group by the unemployment rate for the same population. Add the two numbers together to determine the total number of youths aged 16 to 24 that are unemployed within the zip code.
- 13) Divide the total unemployed population aged 16 to 24 by the total population aged 16 to 24 (as determined by adding the total estimate population for 16 to 19 and 20 to 24) to provide a weighted average rate of youth unemployment in the targeted area(s).
- 14) If serving an area that encompasses multiple zip codes, add together the total estimated number of unemployed youths in each age group for each zip code and divide this total number by the total estimated population aged 16 to 24 for all zip codes. Divide the total estimated number of youth unemployed by the total estimated population across the zip codes to determine the weighted average unemployment rate for the proposed service area.

Section VIII. B. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINDING POVERTY DATA USING THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU DATA, and Section VIII.C. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINDING POVERTY DATA USING THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU DATA FOR INDIAN RESERVATIONS, OKLAHOMA TRIBAL STATISTICAL AREAS, NATIVE

ALASKAN VILLAGES, OR NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS is deleted and replaced with the following:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINDING POVERTY DATA USING THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU DATA FOR ALL APPLICANTS

- 1) For best results, use Microsoft Edge. Microsoft Edge can be downloaded for free at <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/edge>
- 2) Go to <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>
- 3) Type: S1701 in the box and click “Search”
- 4) Click on “Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months” under Tables
- 5) Next to “Product” click on the drop down menu and select “2018: ACS 5-Year Estimates Subject Tables”
- 6) Click “Customize Tables” which is on the right hand side of the “Product” drop down menu
- 7) Click “Geos” – the third icon from the left
- 8) Scroll down and click “Zip Code Tabulation Area (Five-Digit)”
- 9) Select your State
- 10) Type in the five-digit zip code, select it, then click “Close” at the bottom right of that screen
- 11) If using multiple zip codes, type in the additional zip codes before closing the selection window.
- 12) To determine poverty rates, use the “percent below poverty level” estimate for the total population for your target service area.
- 13) If serving an area that encompasses multiple zip codes, add the below poverty level estimate for the total population for whom poverty status is determined for each zip code to be served. Add the total estimated population for whom poverty status is determined for each zip code. Divide the total number below poverty level across the zip codes being targeted by the total population for whom poverty status is determined. This is your weighted average poverty rate for the proposed service area.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Aiyana Pucci, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Management, at pucci.aiyana@dol.gov.

Signed January 4, 2021 in Washington, D.C. by:

Brinda Ruggles
Grant Officer, Employment and Training Administration