# **Atlanta Department Of Labor And Employment Services Qtrly Update**

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# **ADOLES Program Updates**

#### **Workforce Development**

- Employment and Training
  - April 22<sup>nd</sup> employment and training services begins at the Melody directly connecting programs/services to unsheltered Atlantans. We anticipate replicating this project at additional facilities in FY 2025.
- Community Asset Mapping
  - Identify community access points to ensure services are provided to individuals who may have a barrier to receiving services at our One Stop Center
- State Department of Human Services
  - Working to ensure better connection of services to City of Atlanta
     TANF recipients through stronger referral processes, braiding of funds
     for workforce development activities, to include additional training
     resources from the state TANF program

# **ADOLES Program Updates**

#### **Labor Services**

- Request for Information (RFI) and Statement of Work are being reviewed / approved for community labor and education/awareness program, where ADOLES will identify vendor(s) who will facilitate labor education to city of Atlanta residents and small businesses (topics may include wage theft and how to report; employer compliance topics (ADA certification, OSHA regulations, etc.)
- Meet regularly with organizations such as the North Georgia Labor Council, North GA Building and Trades Council (GABTA) to ensure pathways to apprenticeship opportunities; connecting 1<sup>st</sup> year apprentices to ADOLES resources through WorkSource Atlanta's WIOA program.

# **ADOLES Program Updates**

- US Conference of Mayor's "Talent for Tomorrow..." Initiative
  - Application for a grant that will train/upskill up to 150 young Atlantans in the technology field. If successful, the grant will provide resources to the city of Atlanta to upgrade IT bandwidth/ infrastructure for up to 5 community centers, and provide up to 100 scholarship opportunities for training/upskilling in technology

#### USDOL/ETA

 on a "placed-based" training initiative for up to 100 people from Atlanta to receive training through classroom certification and "on the job training" opportunities for "infrastructure-based" projects in the city of Atlanta. Allocations for training programs are being considered as an additional allocation from USDOL.

#### **WorkForce Services**

- TCSG Monitoring was held on March 4<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup>, and we have zero findings.
- Final phase of hiring youth staff to enhance the overall program efficiency and continuing to improve our program outcomes.
- Met and/or exceeded 10 of the 14 performance goals. We will continue to review our strategies and actions plans to meet all performance measures.
- Quest Grant Award \$700K has been extended to September 2025; 35 homeless or background-challenged customers have been served.
- Added 10 new Training Providers to include but not limited to construction, CDL Training and IT programs that offer nationally recognized credentials
- Launched new collaborations with CodeX Academy, Accenture –
   Learning to Lead Youth Program, and Grow with Google

#### **WorkForce Services**

#### WIOA Customer #s By Funded Group and By # Services Provided during Program Years

| Program Year<br>(Jul - Jun)    | # Adults<br>Served | # Adults New<br>Enrollments | # Dislocated Worker<br>Served | # Dislocated Worker<br>New Enrolled |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2021<br>(7.1.21-6.30.22)       | 248                | 130                         | 58                            | 38                                  |
| 2022<br>(7.1.22– 6.30.23)      | 332                | 203                         | 89                            | 56                                  |
| 2023 Goals<br>(7.1.23-3.15.24) | 298                | 166/200<br>(83% of goal)    | 87                            | 65/90<br>(72% of goal)              |

#### **WorkForce Services**

#### Customer #s By Funded Group and By # Services Provided during Program Years

| Program Year (Jul - Jun)  | # Youth Served | # Youth New<br>Enrollments |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| 2021<br>(7.1.21 -6.30.23) | 219            | 134                        |
| 2022<br>(7.1.22-6.30.23)  | 283            | 157                        |
| 2023<br>(7.1.23 6.30.24)  | 215            | 40*/100<br>(40%% of goal)  |

\*As of 2.29.24

### **Signature Programs**

Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) 2024

Tentative Dates: June 3rd thru August 2nd

- City of Atlanta Youth Residents
- 14 -24 years old
- Three Prong Approach
  - Employer Direct Hires
  - City of Atlanta Internal Departments
  - Signature Programs (S.T.E.A.M)
- Minimum wage \$15/Hourly









## **Signature Programs**

#### Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) 2024

- Youth Registration March 2024
  - Atlanta Public School visits
  - City of Atlanta Recreation Centers
  - Faith-Based Organizations
  - Non-Profit Organizations
  - Billboard Announcements
- Youth Orientation Late April to May 2024
  - Resource Fairs
- Business Registration/Orientation Ongoing

# **Signature Programs**

#### Business Services - Increasing Partnerships

- March 18<sup>th</sup> Women in Construction Luncheon
  - Skanska partnership
  - 30 women in training/current graduates



- Walmart Neighborhood Hiring Event (18 Requisitions)
  - March 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>; 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM
  - C.T. Martin Natatorium and Recreation Center
  - Hourly Wages: \$15 to \$27/Hr



# QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

