

**WORKFORCE  
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**TO:** All Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Program  
Funding Recipients

**FROM:** Ed Flanagan, Director *EF*  
Division of Employment and Training Services (DETS)

**SUBJECT:** Program Year 2016 High Concentration of Eligible Youth (HCEY)  
Funding Amount & Project

WIOA Title 1B, Chapter 2, Section 129 (b) (1) (F) requires the state provide additional assistance to local workforce development areas that have a high concentration of eligible youth. An eligible youth is an individual who meets the in-school or out-of-school definition found in the [WIOA Youth Program Eligibility Policy 07-502](#).

WIOA HCEY funds may be used for a variety of workforce development projects targeting the states' neediest youth. Projects may be selected through a competitive or non-competitive solicitation and include, but not limited to, providing additional assistance for capacity building, partnership development, program design, resource sharing, specialized training programs, and/or additional funding provided to WIOA youth grant recipients.

Division [Policy 07-503.1](#) states the DETS Director shall annually determine the type of project and amount of funding to be allocated from Statewide Activities and used for HCEY activities. For PY 2016, the amount for additional assistance to areas of high concentrations of eligible youth is \$20,000 and awarded to Nine Star Education & Employment Services for the provision of adding a youth program case manager at Mountain View Boys and Girls club to enroll and serve 30 out-of-school youth participants.