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MEMORANDUM

November 15, 2012

TO: Workforce Development Council

FROM: Roger B. Madsen, Director Roger B. Madsen

SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Act Formula 5% Funds for Youth in Need

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of WIA Youth in Need Distribution Formula

BACKGROUND:

Section 129 of the Workforce Investment Act sets aside a specified portion of each State's youth allocation for statewide activities, with a mandatory activity of "providing additional assistance to local areas that have high concentrations of eligible youth to carry out the activities described in the Act". A pool of $100,000 is being made available in PY 2012 to local areas for youth services, approved by the Workforce Development Council during its August 13, 2012 meeting. These funds will be distributed under the formula outlined below as adopted by the Workforce Development Council during the previous program year:

The State's strategy for providing additional assistance to local areas is as follows:

1. Half of these funds will be divided among those regions whose poverty rates for youth exceed the state average, based on the most recent data available.

2. The other half will be shared equally among those regions that expend at least 80% of their PY 2011 fund availability.

Youth in Need Allocations for PY 2012:

Region 1	$16,666
Region 2	$33,332
Region 3	$0
Region 4	$33,332
Region 5	$0
Region 6	$16,666

Documentation of regional poverty rates for youth and prior program year expenditure rates follow below:

Youth in Need Allocation Documentation

1. Poverty Rates

	Population < 18 years	< 18 years in Poverty	Local Poverty Rate	Local Rate > State?	#1 YIN Awards
Region 1	49,350	8,686	17.6%	yes	$ 16,666
Region 2	20,695	4,026	19.5%	yes	$ 16,666
Region 3	184,897	31,497	17.0%	**no**	$ -
Region 4	50,792	9,203	18.1%	yes	$ 16,666
Region 5	48,022	8,151	17.0%	**no**	$ -
Region 6	58,925	8,752	14.9%	**no**	$ -
State	412,681	70,315	17.0%		

*must exceed State Poverty Rate of 17.0%

2. PY 2011 (prior PY) Expenditure Rate

	PY 11 Funds	PY 11 Expended	PY 11 Expend Rate	Expend 80%?	#2 YIN Awards
Region 1	$1,010,671	$ 731,875	72.4%	**no**	$ -
Region 2	$575,872	$ 531,188	92.2%	yes	$ 16,666
Region 3	$1,438,270	$1,053,945	73.3%	**no**	$ -
Region 4	$342,789	$ 296,079	86.4%	yes	$ 16,666
Region 5	$256,428	$ 199,539	77.8%	**no**	$ -
Region 6	$342,973	$ 305,572	89.1%	yes	$ 16,666

*must expend at least 80% of prior PY fund availability

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Staff recommends that the council approve the distribution of Youth in Need funds as outlined above.

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