

FY '12 Youth Council Work Plan-(Updated 4-20-12)

Priority Industries	Strategies	Progress
Healthcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborate with Healthcare Consortium to ensure youth are directed/informed about career path options. - Create apprenticeship/summer opportunities. 	<p>WIB staff participating in College and Career Readiness Task Force at NBHS promoting all Sector Initiatives.</p> <p>Fourth meeting was held in April to follow up on the usage of Work Based Learning Plans and potential for a recognition event for employers who have hosted interns during the school year.</p>
Manufacturing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborate with Manufacturing Consortium to ensure youth are directed/informed about career path options. - Create apprenticeship/summer opportunities. - Create a pipeline with the vocational high schools and potential employers (in collaboration with Southeastern Mass. Advanced Manufacturing Consortium (SMAMC)). 	<p>Youth Council Chair has participated directly in meetings of the Consortium through April.</p>
Clean Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - YouthBuild – Assist with their expansion into Green Jobs. - Work with BCC and the schools to build capacity and awareness of Green Center programs. - Create apprenticeship/summer opportunities. - Create a pipeline with the vocational high schools and potential employers (in collaboration with Division of Apprenticeship Training). 	<p>Exploring possible partnership with Brockton Area WIB and Sustainable Energy Partnership to apply for MA. Clean Energy Center Youth Pipeline grant-\$400k available across the State.</p> <p>BAWIB did not meet RFP submission deadline. Still maintaining a partnership among BAWIB, GNBWIB, Beaumont Solar and YouthBuild to explore private grant opportunities.</p> <p>Entered into MOA with Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School for same CEC grant submission for purpose of developing a Clean Energy Mobile Classroom.</p>

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Older OOS Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support Dual Enrollment initiatives for at-risk youth. - Targeted outreach through community-based organizations. - Create campus and area-wide presence of youth services. - Maintain youth resource guide. - Support High School Dropout Outreach & Recovery efforts. - <u>Provide real world job and internship opportunities for all youth using the MA Work Based Learning Plan with the goal of job readiness for all participants.</u> 	<p>Youth Council & WIB adopted Common Measures for OOS Youth in 2nd Quarter of FY12.</p> <p>All Contracts modified in February. Convened Working Group to discuss Common Measure Incentives with vendors.</p> <p>Adopted by Youth Council and WIB in 2nd Quarter of FY12.</p> <p>YC Director in process of inventorying all Work Based Learning Plans within GNBWIB purview.</p> <p>There are 43 Work based learning plans from last summer's "stipend" program. Wendy at New Directions is checking to see if someone can enter them into the system.</p> <p>YC Director is pursuing collaboration with Commonwealth Corporation for funding from USDOL Innovation Fund, a pool of 98 million. Comm. Corp is proposing to apply an industry sector approach to working with Out-of-School Youth, ages 18-24, to prepare them for entry-level jobs in precision machining/advanced manufacturing.</p> <p>GNBWIB was not selected for the first Year I cohort, but may be added in Year two should the grant be funded.</p>
Youth Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue seeking additional funding for Connecting Activities and other WIB priorities for youth, Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education Funds 596, 596b, 597, 626, 627, etc.. - DESE 596b to be submitted in January to provide funding for 597 professional development. - Explore 596 school-year submissions in tandem with NBPS. 	<p>Secured \$105,000 in CA funding from DESE, \$30,000 for CA from NBPS from Race to the Top grant, \$37,000 from area schools and Verizon Foundation.</p> <p><u>Total funding to date for CA is \$172,000.</u></p>

<p>Youth Grants</p>	<p>- YouthWorks (some state funds from current year were used to support last year's summer jobs). Continue dialogue with the state to augment funding; seek other funding streams.</p>	<p>Discussion underway on developing 597 Grant for \$26,000 with NBPS and NDS. Grant application submitted on January 20th for \$33,429 with NBHS, NDS and Ocean Explorium.</p> <p>The 596 (\$3,955) and 597 (\$26,919) proposals were funded and contracts have been issued as of April 13, 2012.</p> <p>Responded to Commonwealth Corporation Employer Engagement RFP for \$15,000 with Connecting Activities. Received notification on 2/21 it was not funded— only 3 funded across the State.</p> <p>Submitted a request in January to the RGK Foundation for \$5000. It was declined in February.</p> <p>Have identified \$66,000 in various grant opportunities to benefit Summer Jobs Initiatives and intern programs to be submitted December/January 2012. Submitted Grant Application for \$17,500 to Mabel Louise Riley Foundation for CA . Application declined in January. Additional \$40K under development in January.</p> <p>Submitted applications in February to the Webster Bank Fund, Daniels Fund, Island Foundation, Building 19 Fund and the Cabot Family Charitable Trust.</p>
<p>Summer Jobs</p>	<p>- Discuss various program models (age appropriate) with Mayor in January/February, 2012.</p>	<p>Convened Working Group in November to initiate discussion with further recommendations to follow. Seeking to brief Mayor as soon as schedule allows.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborate with the Mayor’s Office, Chamber, and other partners to support planning and implementation of Mayor’s Summer Jobs Program that focus and provide Work Based Learning Plans – especially soft skills – for all youth. 	<p>Mayor’s staff briefed on 2/21. Received response to proceed on 2/29. The former Mayor’s stipend program has been officially renamed “Mayor’s Summer Youth Enrichment Program”</p> <p>A public “Mayor’s Summer Jobs Initiative” Informational session was held on 4/4 at the McCoy Rec. center. There were approximately 100 attendees. Applications for all summer jobs programs were distributed. A press conference announcing the Enrichment Program was held on 4/13. Letters to employers asking for donations and placements have been mailed to 150 businesses.</p>
Annual Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Begin meeting in January to start dialogue for FY ‘13 funding. - Consider Youth Business Plan questions and how to align with scorecard. 	Incorporated in BDO Charter Review. Charter Review Working Group Chair met with WIB Staff to commence formal review in March.
Budget Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Determine In-School and Out-of-School funding priorities. - Continue to seek leveraging funds. - Expand Connecting Activities funding through schools and businesses. 	
Improved Procurement Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review FY ‘12 procurement process to enhance transparency and accountability. - Develop procurement calendar. - Review RFP for job readiness, 21st Century skills and STEM components. - Gather feedback from vendors on user friendliness of procurement process. 	
Other Priorities		

Common Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>New Common Measures for Performance issued by state in September. Modify all FY '12 In School and Out of School contracts with vendors.</i> 	<p>Working with Frameworks Provider (NDS) and vendors to modify contracts. Youth Council & WIB adopted Common Measures for OOS Youth in 2nd Quarter of FY12. Contracts in process of modification in January All Contracts modified in February. Convened Working Group to discuss Common Measure Incentives with vendors.</p>
<p>UMass Mentoring</p> <p>Apprenticeships</p> <p>NBPS Adult Ed. Advisory Board</p> <p>Lifelong Learning Group</p> <p>Youth Conservation Corps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Investigate Bridgewater's model with Brockton Public Schools; determine viability.</i> - <i>Convene key stakeholders to discuss pilot.</i> - <i>Work with BCC and Division of Apprenticeship Training to tie apprenticeships to OJT and to reinstitute pre-apprenticeships in schools and in programs.</i> - <i>Support activities as appropriate.</i> - <i>Support activities as appropriate.</i> - <i>Support activities as appropriate.</i> 	<p>WIB Staff participating on Adult Ed. Board in January.</p>

New entries highlighted in yellow

Gray indicates secondary tier priority industry.