

State of Alaska

Department of Labor and Workforce Development

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1. Parties Affected

This policy applies to recipients of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) High Concentration of Eligible Youth (HCEY) public funds issued by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB).

2. Background

WIOA Youth program subrecipients provide specific employment and training services consisting of [14 basic elements](#) as outlined in WIOA, and an additional element as mandated by the Department (suicide prevention), in multiple locations across the state.

[WIOA Title 1B, Chapter 2, Section 129 \(b\) \(1\) \(F\)](#) requires the state to provide additional assistance to local workforce development areas (local areas) that have a high concentration of eligible youth; eligible youth are defined in WIOA [Youth Program Eligibility Policy 07-502](#). Alaska is designated as one local area consisting of the entire state.

WIOA HCEY funds may be used for, but are not limited to, providing additional assistance for capacity building, partnership development, program design, resource sharing, specialized training programs, or additional funding to youth subrecipients.

3. Policy

WIOA Statewide Activity funds will be used to provide additional assistance to areas with high concentrations of eligible youth by funding workforce development projects or system enhancement activities that strengthen the workforce system and foster creative solutions and best practices that address youth barriers to employment and training.

HCEY projects may vary based on department workforce development priorities, the needs of eligible youth, employer needs, and employment projections based on labor market analysis.

Specific HCEY projects and the amount of Statewide Activity funds identified for those projects will be determined annually by the AWIB Executive Director.