




**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)  
WORKFORCE IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE LETTER (WIGL)**

**DATE:** January 24, 2017

**NO:** DC-WIGL-2017-004-CareerPathwaysFundingAnnouncement

**TO:** LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS  
AMERICAN JOB CENTERS  
WIOA YOUTH SERVICE PROVIDERS  
WIOA ELIGIBLE TRAINING PROVIDERS  
DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (DOES)  
OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION (OSSE)  
DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES (DDS)  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (DHS)

**FROM:** ODIE DONALD II   
Executive Director, Workforce Investment Council (WIC)

**SUBJECT:** CAREER PATHWAYS FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

**1. Purpose.**

WIC, in collaboration with OSSE Adult and Family Education, announces the release of funding for sector-partnership grants to serve District adults with high-barriers to employment, including low levels of literacy and basic skills.

**2. References.**

DC WIOA Unified State Plan  
Career Pathways in the District of Columbia Strategic Plan

**3. Definitions.**

WIGL – Workforce Implementation Guidance Letter  
WIC – District of Columbia Workforce Investment Council  
OSSE – Office of the State Superintendent of Education  
RFA – Request for Applications

**4. Background.**

In order to expand innovative career pathways programming, the WIC and OSSE will award grants to sector-based partnerships who submit successful applications in response to the attached RFA. The RFA is also available on the [OSSE Adult and Family Education Grant, Matching Funds, and Re-Grants](#) web page.

To navigate to the OSSE Adult and Family Education Grant, Matching Funds, and Re-Grants web page, follow the steps below:

Step 1: Go to [www.osse.dc.gov](http://www.osse.dc.gov)

Step 2: Click on Programs

Step 3: Click on Postsecondary and Career Education (PCE)

Step 4: Click on Adult and Family Education

Step 5: Click on Adult and Family Education Grant, Matching Funds, and Re-Grants

**5. Grant Technical Assistance.**

Pre-application conferences will be held on Monday, January 30, 2017 from 10:00am-12:00pm and on Friday, February 3, from 1:00pm-3:00pm. Conferences will be held at OSSE, 810 First Street NE, Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20002. Additional technical assistance will be provided through the WIC's Career Pathways Community of Practice with dates to be determined with two weeks of this announcement.

**6. Announcement of Awardees.**

WIC/OSSE will announce awardees in Spring 2017.

**7. Action Requested.**

WIC request that interested parties submit applications in accordance with the directions detailed in the RFA.

**8. Inquiries.**

Inquiries regarding this guidance should be directed to:

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**9. Attachments.**

Request for Application for Adult Education and Family Literacy Act Grant and Career Pathways Grant



**10. Expiration.**

Eligible providers must submit their application in OSSE's Enterprise Grants Management System (EGMS) by 3 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017. Late applications will not be accepted and incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the panel. It is recommended that eligible providers submit their grant application three to five days in advance of the deadline.