




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

DATE: February 21, 2017

NO: DC-WIGL-2017-007-DCOne-StopOperatorRFQAnnouncement

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: DIANE PABICH 
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SUBJECT: DC ONE-STOP OPERATOR RFQ ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Purpose.

The Government of the District of Columbia, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, on behalf of the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity and the Workforce Investment Council, is soliciting statements of qualifications from professional firms for selection of a One-Stop Operator.

2. References.

WIOA Section 121(d)(2)(A)
TEGL 15-16
DC WIOA Unified State Plan

3. Definitions.

WIGL – Workforce Implementation Guidance Letter
WIC – District of Columbia Workforce Investment Council
RFQ – Request for Qualifications
DMPED – Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
DMGEO – Deputy Mayor for Greater Economic Opportunity

4. Background.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) was signed into law by President Barack Obama on July 22, 2014, and took effect on July 1, 2015. As the first legislative reform of the public workforce system in 15 years, WIOA provides for a paradigm shift in how workforce services are delivered and fosters innovative practices to increase performance, enhance customer service, and better meet the needs of jobseekers and businesses. The establishment of a one-stop delivery system is a cornerstone of the reforms contained in WIOA. The one-stop system serves as the doorway to the public workforce system. As such, the District must ensure all customers have access to high-quality one-stop centers that connect them with the full range of services available in their communities.

As both the state and local board, the WIC is charged with overseeing the implementation of WIOA, including leading the competitive procurement of a One-Stop Operator. The WIC seeks qualified respondents who, through innovative approaches and in alignment with the District's vision and goals detailed in the DC Unified State Plan, are able to fulfill the scope outlined in the RFQ.

5. Announcement of Awardees.

Qualified firms will be announced in Spring 2017.

6. Action Requested.

The WIC requests that interested parties submit Statement of Qualifications in accordance with the directions detailed in the attached RFQ.

7. Inquiries.

Inquiries regarding this guidance should be directed to:

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8. Attachment.

Request for Qualifications for One-Stop Career Centers Operator

9. Expiration.

Submissions must be submitted by Wednesday, March 22, 2017, by 2:00 PM EST local time. Please review detailed submission directions in the attachment.