Q1. Can our proposal be designed to pay a living wage if they are 18 above and OSY?

1. Applicants are not prohibited from paying above minimum wage to WIOA Youth participants.

Q2. Are there any reporting requirements and eligibility requirements that are not in RFP?

1. Reporting Requirements – Providers will be required to submit quarterly and annual reports to the Tompkins County Workforce Development Board. The content of those reports will be a component of contract negotiations. In addition, all providers will need to comply with all One Stop Operating System (OSOS) reporting requirements. The Tompkins County Workforce Development Board and its committees may occasionally request additional information necessary to evaluate performance of contractors.

Eligibility Requirements – WIOA Youth Eligibility information is located on the USDOL, Employment and Training Administration WIOA Resource page located at https://www.doleta.gov/wioa/ Applicants should be familiar with the WIOA Law and Final Regulations. Eligibility information is also available at https://youth.workforcegps.org/resources/2017/08/29/08/48/FactSheet

Q3. Is there a minimum number of students we need to serve?

1. The Request for Proposals does not identify a minimum number of youth to be served. However, as per page 8 of the Request for Proposals all applicants need to be aware that currently enrolled WIOA Youth (approximately 67) will need to be incorporated into your proposal and continue to receive services.

Q4. Does of app process have a limit on texts or characters?

1. No. All proposal requirements are located on page 14 of the Request for Proposals.

Q5. Is the expectation that this is a standalone agency application, or can we include collaborators and include fees for the collaborators?

 Each proposal must have one legal entity that the Tompkins County Workforce Development Board would execute a contract with. All other entities in a proposal would be subcontractors of the legal entity that submitted the proposal and all subcontracting requirements located on page 9 apply.

Q6. If we chose for example to have ACFU provide financial literacy to the clients and there was a cost would we need to get bids for this service?

1. See answer to Q5.

Q7. Are there multiple awards or one?

1. The Board reserves the right to award one or more contracts.

Q8. Do have to apply for the full $300,000 or the funds?

1. No, an applicant can apply for up to $300,000.

Q9. If our starts with a number of 16 year olds as our initial cohort do we have to accommodate in school and out of school youth?

1. If an applicant chose to apply for the full $300,000 available it is unlikely that a cohort of 16 year olds will meet the 80% Out of School Youth expenditure requirement. That being said an applicant could chose to apply to serve only In School Youth utilizing the $60,000 available for In School Youth.

Q10. How does serving teens align with the Veterans Priority Services

1. If a Veteran, aged 24 and under, were to apply for services under the WIOA Youth program they would receive priority.