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INTRODUCTION

These guidelines provide direction for local plans submitted [under Public Law 113-128, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act \(WIOA\)](#). WIOA requires each local workforce development board (LWDB) to develop and deliver to the state a comprehensive four-year plan. These plans must be submitted in partnership with the chief elected official. Regulations require states and LWDBs to regularly revisit and recalibrate state plan strategies in response to changing economic conditions and workforce needs of the state [\(20 CFR, Unified and Combined Plans Under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, §676.135\)](#).

The law emphasizes the importance of collaboration and transparency in the development and submission of local plans. Affected entities and the public must have an opportunity to provide input in the development of the plan. Local boards must make the plan available electronically and in open meetings to ensure transparency to the public.

Local workforce development boards provide leadership and should seek broad stakeholder involvement in the development of their local plan. Local elected officials, local workforce development board members, core program partners and mandatory one-stop partners are an integral part of the planning process. WIOA encourages an enhanced, integrated system by including core programs in its planning and performance requirements. Each plan addresses how the LWDB coordinates service delivery with core programs of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Division of Blind Services and the Division of Career and Adult Education.

Each plan is based on current and projected needs of the workforce investment system, with an increased emphasis on coordination and collaboration at all levels to ensure a seamless system for employers and job seekers, including those with disabilities. Local plans identify the education and skill needs of the workforce and the employment needs of the local area. Plans include an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of services provided to address identified needs. Assessments include the best available information, evidence of effectiveness, and performance information for specific service models and a plan to improve program effectiveness by adopting proven or promising practices as a part of the local vision. LWDBs provide a comprehensive view of the systemwide needs of the local workforce development area.

Local plans address how LWDBs foster strategic alignment, improve service integration and ensure the workforce system is industry-relevant, responding to the economic needs of the local workforce development area and matching employers with skilled workers. Services described in local plans should lead to greater efficiencies, reduce duplication, and maximize financial and human resources. These plan guidelines require LWDBs to address current and future strategies and efficiencies to address the continuous improvement of Florida's workforce system and its focus on customer service excellence.

Local plans should align with CareerSource Florida's business and market-driven principles to be the global leader for talent. These principles include:

- Increasing the prosperity of workers and employers
- Reducing welfare dependency
- Meeting employer needs
- Enhancing productivity and competitiveness

KEY DATES

ON OR BEFORE

Key Dates Sent to Local Boards.....	October 11, 2019
Local Plan Guidelines Issued	November 1, 2019
Labor Market Analysis Sent to Local Boards.....	December 6, 2019
Local Plans Due	March 16, 2020
WIOA Statewide Unified Plan Due	March 2, 2020
WIOA Statewide Unified Plan Approved	May 1, 2020
Local Plans Approved	June 4, 2020
WIOA Program Year 2020 Begins.....	July 1, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS

Prior to the date on which the local board submits a local plan, the local board shall:

- (1) Make copies of the proposed local plan available to the public through electronic and other means, such as public hearings and local news media (WIOA §108(d)(1)).
- (2) Provide a 30-day period for comment on the plan before its submission to CareerSource Florida, Inc., beginning on the date on which the proposed plan is made available, prior to its submission to the Governor (WIOA §108(d)(2)).
- (3) Provide a description of the process used by the board to obtain input and comment by representatives of businesses and labor organizations for the development of the plan (WIOA §108(d)(2)).
- (4) Describe efforts to coordinate with other workforce partners to obtain input into the development of the plan.
- (5) Include, as an attachment with the plan to the Governor, any comments expressing disagreement or offering recommendations for continuous improvement, the LWDB's response to those comments, and a copy of the published notice (WIOA §108(d)(3)).

PLAN SUBMISSION TO CAREERSOURCE FLORIDA

ONLINE FORM

CareerSource Florida, Inc., established an online form for WIOA local plan submissions, required attachments and contact information for primary and secondary points of contact for each local workforce development board. **Please note the local plan and all attachments must be submitted in a searchable PDF format.**²

The web address for submitting local plans, required attachments and links to requested documents is <https://careersourceflorida.com/wioa-form/>

It is recommended that those submitting local plans carefully review these instructions and those posted online prior to submitting plans.

All local plans must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) on **Monday, March 16, 2020.**

Prior to plan submission, please ensure:

- **The local board reviewed the plan;**
- **The board chair and the chief elected official signed the appropriate documents;**
- **The name and number of the local board and are on the plan cover page;**
- **The plan submitted or point of contact is on the cover page;**
- **The structure and numbering follows the plan instructions format;**
- **A table of contents with page numbers is included and each page of the plan is numbered;**
- **Text is typed, preferably in the fonts Arial or Calibri, with a font size of 11 or greater;**
- **Responses to all questions are informative and concise; and,**
- **The name of the local area, the page number and plan submission date are listed in the footer of the document.**

² A searchable PDF file is a PDF file that includes text that can be searched upon using the standard Adobe Reader “search” functionality [CTRL+F]. In Microsoft Word Click **File > Save As** and choose where you want the file to be saved. In the **Save As** dialog box, choose **PDF** in the Save as type list. Click **Options**, make sure the **Document structure tags for accessibility** check box is selected, and then click **OK**.

ATTACHMENTS

Please provide a link to the local board's website showing the attachments described below or upload attachments in a searchable PDF file with the local plan:

- A. Executed Memoranda of Understanding for all one-stop partners (Section III(b)(2) and Section IV(a)(1)(d) of the State of Florida WIOA Unified Plan);
- B. Executed Infrastructure Funding Agreements with all applicable WIOA required partners (Section III(b)(2) and Section IV(a)(1)(d) of the State of Florida WIOA Unified Plan);
- C. Executed Interlocal Agreements (in cases where there is more than one unit of general local government);
- D. Agreements describing how any single entity selected to operate in more than one of the following roles: local fiscal agent, local board staff, one-stop operator or direct provider of career services or training services entity will carry out its multiple responsibilities, including how it develops appropriate firewalls to guard against conflicts of interest. Also attach copies of any procedures on how roles are delineated to verify the firewalls are effective.
- E. The current board member roster, meeting minutes for the local plan agenda item, discussions about the plan, and the board's vote on the local plan;
- F. Any comments submitted during the public comment period that represent disagreement with the local plan (Public Law 113-128, Section 108(d).
- G. If the local area includes more than one unit of general local government in accordance with WIOA sec. 107(c)(1)(B), attach the executed agreement that defines how parties carry out roles and responsibilities of the chief elected official;
- H. A copy of the agreement executed between the chief elected official(s) and the Local Workforce Development Board;
- I. A copy of the current by-laws established by the chief elected official to address criteria contained in §679.310(g) of the WIOA regulations;

NOTE: THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT HARD COPIES OF LOCAL PLANS OR ATTACHMENTS.

If you have any questions, please contact CareerSource Florida at:
FloridaWIOA@careersourceflorida.com

Once plans are received, the plan's official review by CareerSource Florida and the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) begins. All plans are reviewed for completeness and adherence to plan formatting requirements.

If there are questions or concerns local boards are notified. **The content of plans is reviewed by both DEO and CareerSource Florida staff with recommendations provided to the CareerSource Florida Board of Directors at its meeting scheduled for June 4, 2020.**

A recommendation for approval is made unless the staff review indicates: (1) there are deficiencies in local workforce investment activities that are not addressed, or (2) the plan is inconsistent with WIOA and its regulations, including required public comment provisions. It is recognized that this updated plan will include strategies and activities that are fully completed, as well as some that are still being developed and implemented.

FLORIDA'S VISION FOR IMPLEMENTING THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

The implementation of WIOA ensures Florida has a business-led, market-responsive, results-oriented, and integrated workforce development system. The system fosters customer service excellence, ensures continuous improvement, and demonstrates value by enhancing employment opportunities for all individuals, including those with disabilities. This focused and deliberate collaboration among education, workforce, and economic development networks increases economic prosperity by maximizing the competitiveness of Florida businesses and the productivity of Florida's workforce.

Florida's strategic vision for WIOA implementation is realized by accomplishing these three goals:

- Enhance alignment and market responsiveness of workforce, education and economic development systems through improved service integration that provides businesses with skilled, productive, and competitive talent and Floridians with employment, education, training and support services that reduce welfare dependence and increase opportunities for self-sufficiency, high-skill and high-wage careers and lifelong learning.
- Promote accountable, transparent and data-driven workforce investment through performance measures, monitoring and evaluation that informs strategies, drives operational excellence, leads to the identification and replication of best practices and empowers an effective and efficient workforce delivery system.
- Improve career exploration, educational attainment and skills training for in-demand industries and occupations for Florida youth that lead to enhanced employment, career development, credentialing and post-secondary education opportunities.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

(1) Chief Elected Official(s)

- A. Identify the chief elected official(s) by name, title, mailing address, phone number and email address.
- B. If the local area includes more than one unit of general local government in accordance with WIOA sec. 107(c)(1)(B), attach the executed agreement that defines how parties carry out roles and responsibilities of the chief elected official.
- C. Attach a copy of the agreement executed between the chief elected official(s) and the Local Workforce Development Board.

- D. Attach a copy of the current by-laws established by the chief elected official to address criteria contained in §679.310(g) of the WIOA regulations. At a minimum the by-laws must include:
- i. The nomination process used by the chief elected official to elect the local board chair and local board members;
 - ii. The term limitations and how term appointments are staggered to ensure only a portion of memberships expire in each year;
 - iii. The process to notify the chief elected official of a board member vacancy ensuring a prompt nominee;
 - iv. The proxy and alternative designee process used when a board member is unable to attend a meeting and assigns a designee per requirements at §679.110(d)(4) of the proposed WIOA regulations;
 - v. The use of technology, such as phone and web-based meetings used to promote board member participation;
 - vi. The process to ensure board members actively participate in convening the workforce development system's stakeholders, brokering relationships with a diverse range of employers, and leveraging support for workforce development activities; and,
 - vii. Any other conditions governing appointments or membership on the local board.
- E. Describe how the chief elected official is involved in the development, review and approval of the local plan.

(2) Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB)

- A. Identify the chairperson of the Local Workforce Development Board by name, title, mailing address, phone number and email address. Identify the business that the chair represents.
- B. If applicable, identify the vice-chair of the Local Workforce Development Board by name, title, mailing address, phone number and email address. Identify the business or organization the vice-chair represents.
- C. Describe how the LWDB was involved in the development, review, and approval of the local plan.

(3) Local Grant Subrecipient (local fiscal agent or administrative entity)

- A. Identify the entity selected to receive and disburse grant funds (local fiscal agent) if other than the chief elected official. WIOA section 107(d)(12)(B)(1)(iii); 20 CFR 679.420
- B. Identify the entity selected to staff the LWDB (commonly referred to as the administrative entity) and assist it in carrying out its responsibilities as a board organized under WIOA. (May be the same as the fiscal agent). 20 CFR 679.430
- C. Identify if a single entity is selected to operate in more than one of the following roles: local fiscal agent, local board staff, one-stop operator or direct provider of career services or training services, and describe how the entity will carry out its multiple responsibilities, including how it develops appropriate firewalls to guard against conflicts of interest as described in CareerSource Florida strategic policy [2012.05.24.A.2 – State and Local Workforce Development Board Contracting Conflict of Interest Policy](#).

(4) One-Stop System

- A. Describe the local one-stop system (including the number, type and location of the comprehensive center(s)³, and other service delivery points).
- B. Identify the days and times when service delivery offices are open to customers. Customers must have access to programs, services and activities during regular business days at a comprehensive one-stop center.
- C. Identify the entity or entities selected to operate the local one-stop center(s).
- D. Identify the entity or entities selected to provide career services within the local one-stop system.
- E. Identify and describe what career services are provided by the selected one-stop operator and what career services, if any, are contracted out to service providers.
- F. Pursuant to the [CareerSource Florida Administrative Policy 093 - One-Stop Career Center Certification Requirements](#), provide the required attestation that at least one comprehensive one-stop center in the local area meet the certification requirements.

³A comprehensive center is one in which all core and required partner services are available either physically at the location or by direct linkage through technology to a program staff member who can provide meaningful information or services. See Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 16-16 ([TEGL 16-16](#)) and Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 16-16, Change 1 ([TEGL 16-16, Change 1](#)). **Additionally, Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) and Infrastructure Funding Agreements (IFA) must be executed for all partners connected to the comprehensive centers.**

ANALYSIS OF NEED AND AVAILABLE RESOURCES

- (1)** Please provide an analysis (or existing analysis pursuant to WIOA section 108(c)) of the regional economic conditions, which must include:
 - A. Information on existing and emerging in-demand industry sectors and occupations; and
 - B. The employment needs of employers in those industry sectors and occupations (WIOA §108(b)(1)(A)).
- (2)** Please provide an analysis of the knowledge and skills needed to meet the employment needs of the employers in the local area, including employment needs in in-demand industry sectors and occupations (WIOA §108(b)(1)(B)).
- (3)** Please provide an analysis of the workforce in the local area, including current labor force employment (and unemployment) data, information on labor market trends, and the educational and skill levels of the workforce in the local area, including individuals with barriers to employment (WIOA §108(b)(1)(C)).
- (4)** Please provide an analysis of the workforce development activities (including education and training) in the local area, including an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of such services and the capacity to provide such services, to address the identified education and skill needs of the workforce and employment needs of employers in the local area (WIOA §108(b)(1)(D) and WIOA §108(b)(7)).
- (5)** Please provide a description and assessment of the type and availability of adult and dislocated worker employment and training activities in the local area (WIOA §108(b)(7)).
- (6)** Please provide a description and assessment of the type and availability of youth workforce investment activities in the local area, including activities for youth who are individuals with disabilities. The description and assessment must include an identification of successful models of such youth workforce investment activities (WIOA §108(b)(9)).

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA VISION AND STRATEGIC GOALS

- (1)** Describe the local board's strategic vision and goals for preparing an educated and skilled workforce (including youth and individuals with barriers to employment), including goals relating to primary indicators of performance described in WIOA section 116(b)(2)(A) to support regional economic growth and economic self-sufficiency (WIOA §108(b)(1)(E)).
- (2)** Describe the local area's strategy to work with entities that carry out the core programs to align resources available to the local area to achieve the strategic vision and goals established by the local board.
- (3)** Describe the actions the local board will take toward becoming or remaining a high-performing board, consistent with the factors developed by the state board pursuant to section 101(d)(6) of WIOA.

- (4) Describe service strategies the LWDB has in place or will develop that will improve meeting the needs of customers with disabilities as well as other population groups protected under Section 188 of WIOA and 29 CFR Part §38.
- (5) Describe the process used to develop your area's vision and goals, including a description of participants in the process.
- (6) Describe how the LWDB's goals relate to the achievement of federal performance accountability measures to support economic growth and self-sufficiency (WIOA §108(b)(1)(E)).
- (7) Indicate the negotiated local levels of performance for the federal measures (WIOA §108(b)(17)).
- (8) Describe indicators used by the LWDB to measure performance and effectiveness of the local fiscal agent (where appropriate), contracted service providers, and the one-stop delivery system in the local area (WIOA §108(b)(17)).
- (9) Describe the definition of "self-sufficiency" used by your local area (WIOA §108(b)(1)).

COORDINATION OF SERVICES

- (1) **Coordination of Programs/Partners:** Describe how individualized career services are coordinated across programs/partners in the one-stop centers, including Vocational Rehabilitation, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Adult Education and Literacy activities. Specify how the local area coordinates with these programs to prevent duplication of activities and improve services to customers.
- (2) **Coordination with Economic Development Activities:** Describe how the local board coordinates workforce investment activities carried out in the local areas with economic development activities carried out in the local area (or planning region) in which the local area is located and promotes entrepreneurial training and microenterprise services (WIOA §108(b)(5)).
- (3) **Coordination of Education and Workforce Investment Activities:** Describe how the local board coordinates education and workforce investment activities carried out in the local area with relevant secondary and postsecondary education programs and activities to coordinate strategies, enhance services, and avoid duplication of services (WIOA §108(b)(10)).
- (4) **Coordination of Transportation and Other Supportive Services:** Describe how the local board coordinates workforce investment activities carried out under this title in the local area with the provision of transportation, including public transportation, and other appropriate supportive services in the local area (WIOA §108(b)(11)).
- (5) **Coordination of Wagner-Peyser Services:** Describe plans and strategies for, and assurances concerning maximizing coordination of services provided by the state employment service under the Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C 49 et seq.) and services provided in the local area through the one-stop delivery system to improve service delivery and avoid duplication of services (WIOA §108(b)(12)).

- (6) Coordination of Adult Education and Literacy:** Describe how the local board coordinates workforce investment activities carried out under this title in the local area with the provision of adult education and literacy activities under Title II in the local area, including a description of how the local board carries out, consistent with subparagraphs (A) and (B)(i) of section 107(d)(11) and section 232, the review of local applications submitted under Title II WIOA §108(b)(10).
- (7) Reduction of Welfare Dependency:** Describe how the local board coordinates workforce investment activities to reduce welfare dependency, particularly how services are delivered to TANF and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients, to help individuals become self-sufficient.
- (8) Cooperative Agreements:** Describe the replicated cooperative agreements (as defined in WIOA section 107(d)(11)(B)(ii) between the local board or other local entities described in section 101(a)(11)(B) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C 721(a)(11)(B)) and the local office of a designated state agency or designated state unit administering programs carried out under Title I of such Act (29 U.S.C. 721(a)(11) with respect to efforts that enhance the provision of services to individuals with disabilities and to other individuals, such as cross-training staff, technical assistance, use and sharing of information, cooperative efforts with employers and other efforts of cooperation, collaboration and coordination.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LOCAL ONE-STOP SYSTEM

- (1) General System Description:** Describe the one-stop delivery system in your local area, including the roles and resource contributions of one-stop partners (WIOA §108(b)(6)).

 - A. Describe how required WIOA partners contribute to your planning and implementation efforts. If any required partner is not involved, explain the reason.
 - B. Identify any additional partners included in the local one-stop delivery system.
 - C. The local workforce development board, with the agreement of the chief elected official, shall develop and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the local board and the one-stop partners.
- (2) Customer Access:** Describe actions taken by the LWDB to promote maximum integration of service delivery through the one-stop delivery system for both business customers and individual customers.

 - A. Describe how entities within the one-stop delivery system, including one-stop operators and one-stop partners comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act regarding physical and programmatic accessibility of facilities, programs and services, technology and materials for individuals with disabilities, including providing staff training and support for addressing needs of individuals with disabilities. Describe how the LWDB incorporates feedback received during consultations with local Independent Living Centers on compliance with Section 188 of WIOA (WIOA §108(b)(6)(C)).

- B. Describe how entities within the one-stop delivery system use principles of universal design in their operation.
 - C. Describe how the LWDB facilitates access to services provided through the local delivery system, including remote areas, using technology and other means (WIOA §108(b)(6)(B)).
- (3) Integration of Services:** Describe how one-stop career centers implemented and transitioned to an integrated, technology-enabled intake and case management information system for programs carried out under WIOA and programs carried out by one-stop career center partners (WIOA §108(b)(21)).
- (4) Competitive Selection of OSO:** Describe steps taken to ensure a competitive process for selection of the one-stop operator(s) (WIOA §121(d)(2)(A)).
- (5) System Improvement:** Describe additional criteria or higher levels of service than required to respond to education/training needs, labor market, economic, and demographic conditions and trends in the local area (WIOA §108(b)(6)(A)).

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICES

- (1) System Description:** Describe the local workforce development system. Identify programs included in the system and how the local board works with each entity to carry out core programs and other workforce development programs supporting alignment in provision of services. Identify programs of study authorized under [The Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act \(Perkins V\)](#) (20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.), that support the strategy identified in the Florida Unified Plan under WIOA section 102(b)(1)(E) (WIOA §108(b)(2)).
- (2) Sub-grants and Contracts:** Describe the competitive process used to award sub-grants and contracts in the local area for WIOA-funded activities (WIOA §108(b)(16)).
- (3) Expanding Access to Employment:** Describe how the local board, working with entities carrying out core programs, expanded access to employment, training, education and supportive services for eligible individuals, particularly eligible individuals with barriers to employment. This includes how the local board facilitates developing career pathways and co-enrollment, as appropriate, in core programs, and improves access to activities leading to recognized postsecondary credentials (including portable and stackable industry-recognized certificates or certifications) (WIOA §108(b)(3)).
- (4) Key Industry Sectors:** Identify how the LWDB aligns resources that support and meet training and employment needs of key industry sectors in the local area. Describe strategic or other policies that align training initiatives and Individual Training Accounts (ITAs) to sector strategies and demand occupations (WIOA §134(c)(1)(A)(v)).
- (5) Industry Partnerships:** Describe how the LWDB identifies and collaborates with existing key industry partners in the local area. Describe how the LWDB coordinates and invests in partnership infrastructure where key industry partnerships are not yet developed (WIOA

§134(c)(1)(A)(iv)). The local area must describe how the following elements are incorporated into its local strategy and operational sector strategy policy:

- A. Describe how selected industries or sectors are selected based on, and driven by, high-quality data (cite data source used);
- B. Describe how sector strategies are founded on a shared/regional vision;
- C. Describe how the local area ensures that the sector strategies are driven by industry;
- D. Describe how the local area ensures that sector strategies lead to strategic alignment of service delivery systems;
- E. Describe how the local area transforms services delivered to job seekers/workers and employers through sector strategies: and
- F. Describe how the local area measures, improves and sustains sector strategies.

(6) In-demand Training: Describe how the local board ensures training provided is linked to in-demand industry sectors or occupations in the local area, or in another area to which a participant is willing to relocate (WIOA §134(c)(G)(iii)).

(7) Employer Engagement: Describe strategies and services used in the local area to:

- A. Facilitate engagement of employers, including small employers and employers in in-demand industry sectors and occupations, in workforce development programs;
- B. Support a local workforce development system that meets the needs of businesses in the local area;
- C. Better coordinate workforce development programs and economic development; and,
- D. Strengthen linkages between the one-stop delivery system and unemployment insurance programs (WIOA §134(c)).

(8) Priority of Service: Describe local policies and procedures to prioritize services for veterans, recipients of public assistance, other low-income individuals, and individuals who are basic skills deficient for individualized career and training services in the adult program.

(9) Training Services: Describe how training services are provided, including how contracts for training services are used, and how such contracts are coordinated with the use of ITAs (WIOA §134(c)(1)(A)(v)).

(10) Customer Choice Process: Describe processes the local board uses to ensure customer choice in the selection of training programs, regardless of how the training services are to be provided (WIOA §108(b)(19)).

(11) Individual Training Accounts: Describe the process and criteria for issuing Individual Training Accounts (ITAs) (WIOA §108(b)(19)).

A. Describe any ITA limitations established by the board;

B. Describe any exceptions to the use of ITAs.

(12) Microenterprise and Entrepreneurial Training: Describe mechanisms currently in place or in consideration that provide microenterprise and entrepreneurial training. Describe mechanisms in place that support programs and co-enrollment, where appropriate, in core programs as described in WIOA section 134(a)(3)(A)(i) (WIOA §108(b)(5)).

(13) Enhancing Apprenticeships: Describe how the LWDB enhances the use of apprenticeships to support the local economy. Describe how the LWDB works with industry representatives and local businesses to develop registered apprenticeships, in collaboration with apprenticeship training representatives from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and other partners, including educational partners. Describe how job seekers are made aware of apprenticeship opportunities.

(14) Other Program Initiatives: Describe services provided that include implementing initiatives such as incumbent worker training programs, on-the-job training programs, customized training programs, work-based training, industry and sector strategies, career pathway initiatives, utilization of effective business intermediaries, and other initiatives supporting the board's vision and strategic goals described in Section III WIOA §134(c).

(15) Service Provider Continuous Improvement: Describe the local board's efforts to ensure the continuous improvement of eligible providers of services, including contracted services providers and providers on the eligible training provider list, so they meet the needs of local employers, workers and job seekers (WIOA §108(b)(6)(A)).

(16) Youth Program Design: Describe the design framework for local youth programs and how the 14 program elements required in §681.460 of the WIOA regulations are made available within that framework (WIOA §129(c)(1)).

A. **Define the term “a youth who is unable to compute or solve problems, or read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function on the job, in the individual's family, or in society.”**

Describe how the local board defines whether a youth is unable to demonstrate these skills sufficiently to function on the job, in their family, or in society and what assessment instruments are used to make this determination (20 C.F.R. §681.290).

B. **Define “requires additional assistance.”**

Describe how the local board defines the term “requires additional assistance” used in determining eligibility for WIOA-funded youth programs (20 CFR §681.300).

END OF LOCAL PLAN INSTRUCTIONS