

Workforce Investment Act Title I-B Youth Program

Program Description	<p>The WIA youth program provides education, training, and employment opportunities for low-income youth to achieve academic and employment success.</p> <p>The year-round youth program emphasizes basic skills competencies, academic and occupational training, and exposure to the job market and employment. Activities may include assessment to determine basic skill and functioning educational level; alternative school services; instruction leading to completion of secondary school, including dropout prevention strategies; tutoring, study skills training; internships, job shadowing and work experience; occupational skills training such as vocational classes or on-the-job training; adult mentoring, leadership development opportunities; financial literacy and comprehensive guidance and counseling.</p> <p>Support services such as transportation, child care, work clothing and tools are provided under certain circumstances to allow an individual to participate in the program. There are also follow-up services to help individuals who have completed the program.</p>
Eligible Participants	Low-income youth between the ages 14 to 21 who also fall within one or more of the following categories: deficient in basic literacy skills, school dropout, homeless, pregnant or a parent, offender, runaway, or foster child. Males, 18 years of age or older must also meet the additional requirement of registration for Military Selective Service.
Allocations	At least 85% of the Federal allotment to the State is distributed to the four counties based on the number of unemployed and low-income individuals. Local Area Workforce Investment Boards and Mayors determine how the funds are used. Remaining funds are used for statewide activities and initiatives.
Funding Source	Federal Formula Grant (USDOL)
Funding Period	07/01/10-06/30/11
Federal Funding	Allotment: \$2,286,665
State Funding	None
Geographic Areas Served	Statewide: City and County of Honolulu Hawaii County Maui County Kauai County
Number of Participants	07/01/09-06-30/10: 567 participants
Cost / Participant	PY 2009: \$3,618 (excluding other funding sources which may have been utilized by the participant)

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Key Outcomes	Program Year 2009 Outcomes:		
	Measure	PY 2009 Goal	Actual Outcome
	Older Youth: Entered employment (those who exited the program in PY2009 and found employment soon after exit)	33.0%	50%
	Older Youth: Employment retention (those who exited the program in PY2009, found employment and remained employed for at least 6 months)	60.0%	66.7%
	Older Youth: Average Earnings (of those who are employed in the 1 st -3 rd quarters after the exit, the total earnings in the 2 nd and 3 rd quarters after exit)	\$2,500	\$1,739
	Older Youth: Credential Rate (those were employed or in advanced training or postsecondary education and received a credential {credential must be attained within 9 months after exit})	38.0%	25%
	Younger Youth: Skill Attainment (Percentage of skill goals (basic, work readiness or occupational skills) attained by all youth.	71.0%	88.8%
	Younger Youth: Diploma Attainment (those youth who attained high school diploma or equivalent soon after exit.	44.0%	66.3%
	Younger Youth: Retention (percentage of youth in post-secondary education, advanced training, employment, military service or qualified apprenticeship soon after exit)	44.0%	48%