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CaliforniansForAll Youth Workforce Program Fact Sheet

Overview

As part of Governor's Newsom 2021 budget, CaliforniaVolunteers has received \$150 million dollars to support a youth workforce jobs program in California's 13 largest cities. Funds will be allocated programmatically to each city depending on population.

Program Goal

To increase youth employment, develop youth interest in and experience towards a career in public service, and strengthen City capacity to address key areas of education, climate, and food insecurity.

<u>Structure</u>

- CaliforniaVolunteers will grant directly to cities
- City is responsible for selecting and/or developing job positions and recruiting, hiring, and managing participants
- Sub-Grants: Cities will have the ability to sub-grant to existing organizations that provide youth employment, particularly in the outlined priority populations
- Funding may be used to expand existing youth workforce programs or create new programming
- Programs may run continuously or be structured as intermittent summer programs
- Employment opportunities may be between 50% and 100% FTE

<u>Timeline</u>

- Applications go live 10/15/21 rolling through 1/1/22
- Grants begin 11/1/21
- Funds must be encumbered and expended by end of fiscal year 2024

Allowable Grant Activities and Expenses

- Administration of program (not to exceed 10%)
- Salary (minimum of \$15/hour)
- Wrap-Around Services: (not to exceed 40%)
 - o Transportation
 - o Job Readiness / Training
 - Case Management
- Suggested job types and activities:
 - o Climate
 - Food Insecurity
 - Local COVID-19 recovery needs, as defined by City

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Disallowable Grant Activities

- Activities that require higher level of safety precautions
- Activities that require specialized training not provided by the City
- Job placements at for profit entities
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Youth Eligibility and Priority

- Age: 16-30 years old
- Priority given to young people who:
 - Have not participated in the #CaliforniansForAll College Program or AmeriCorps
 - May have difficulty finding employment
 - Are low-income
 - Are unemployed and/or out of school
 - Are or were justice-involved
 - Are transitioning from foster care
 - Are engaged with the mental health or substance abuse system
- Priority applicants should make up no less than 75% of the total applicants (e.g. meet at least two of the criteria listed above)
- Cities may propose their own criteria target population for approval by CaliforniaVolunteers

<u>Metrics</u>

- Outputs (required)
 - # of youth employed through the program
 - # of youth employed in each focus area
 - o % of youth who retain jobs for the full term (3 months for summer jobs or 1 year)
 - o % of participants receiving positive performance evaluations at the end of their term
 - Job training evaluations (skill building for future employment)
- Outcomes (suggested)
 - o % of youth employed after conclusion of program (1-month, 6-months, 12-months)
 - % of youth who report job satisfaction after at least one year of employment, as measured by a survey
 - % of youth who report an interest in a possible public service career after at least one year of employment, as measured by a survey
 - o % of youth employed in public service job on year after program

<u>Branding</u>

Cities will be expected to take part in CaliforniaVolunteers events/training/and job development programs as requested by CaliforniaVolunteers and be expected to use CaliforniaVolunteers developed-branding for the Youth Workforce Development Program. CaliforniaVolunteers will provide support to cities who wish to engage in a media campaign to show the collective impact of the program.

Questions/Comments

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