Missouri TANF/WIOA Coordination

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History - Temporary Assistance E&T

- Until 2010 Family Support Division (FSD) contracted with the Division of Workforce Development (DWD) to operate the employment and training part of TANF through the 14 Workforce Development Boards in Job Centers (then called Career Centers)
- 2010 FSD contracted with various non-profits in 19 Community Action Agency regions to operate the employment and training part of TANF, renamed the Missouri Work Assistance (MWA) program
- In 2016, FSD released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for MWA changing the requirements

Request for Proposal –

Highlights

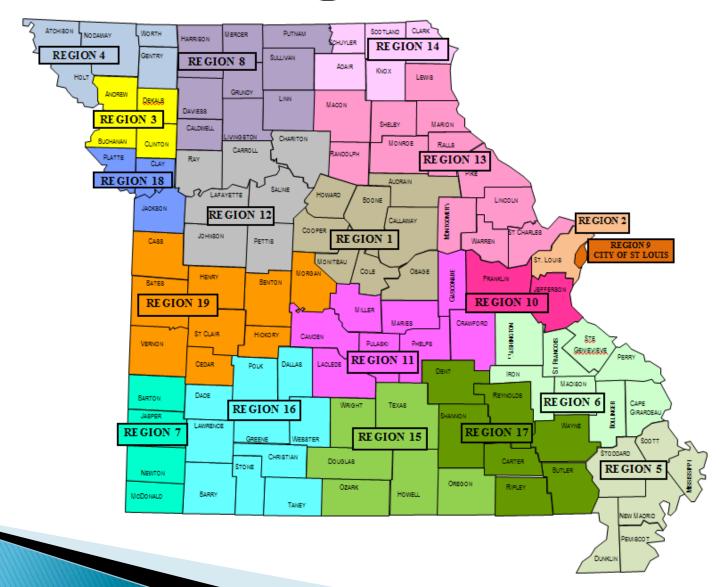
Dates

- ▶ Released RFP November 23, 2016
- ▶ Bid timeframe ended January 20, 2017
- Expected awards by August 30, 2017
 - 60 day transition period for new contractors

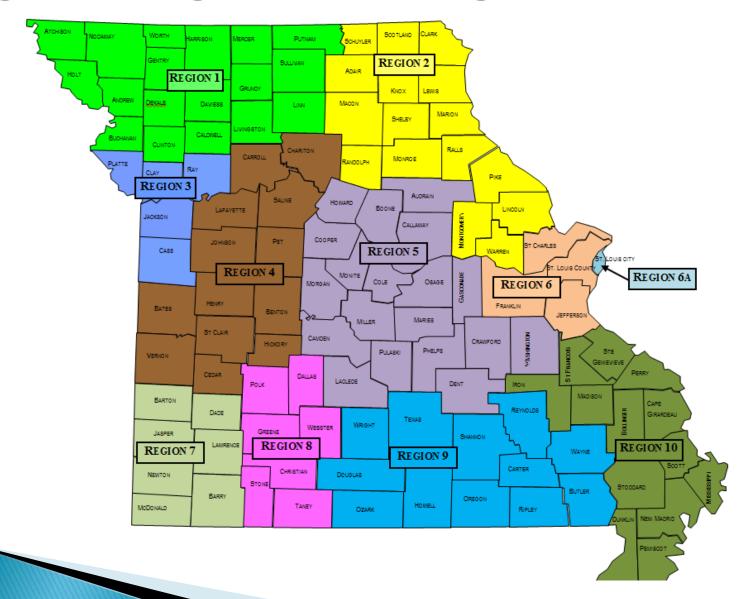
WIOA Coordination

- Requires the MWA contractors administer the same initial assessment tool as the DWD
- Encourages physical co-locating with WIOA partners
- Focuses on career pathways, sector strategies, stackable credentials, short-term trainings and apprenticeships
- Changed the regions to mimic WIOA regions

Current MWA Regions



Regions Changed to WIOA Regions*



Focus on the Participant

Previous Contracts	New Contracts
Require the federally minimum hours of participation	Require the federally minimum hours of participation
Must participate in core and non-core activities for required hours in each	Can participate in the activities that will move the participant toward self-sufficiency
Supportive services capped per year	Supportive services continually assist as participants move through career pathways and stackable credentials
No requirement to serve those receiving Transitional Employment Benefits	Required to serve those that are receiving Transitional Employment Benefits
No assistance available after hours	Case managers available 24 hours a day

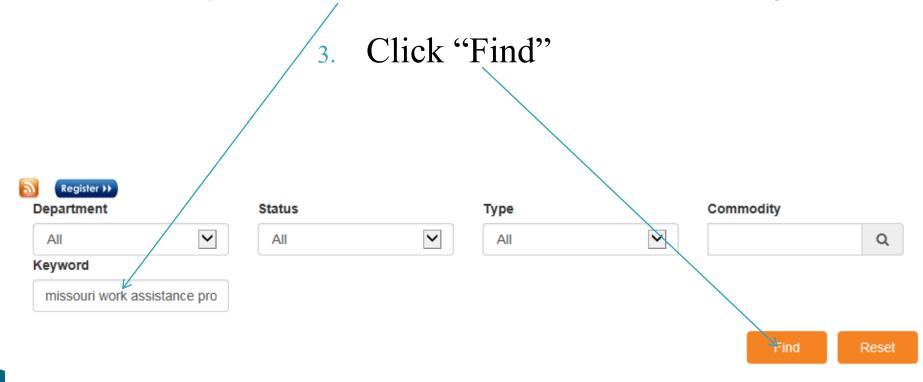
Focusing on Outcomes

Previous Contracts	New Contracts
Performance outcomes and incentives are based on contractors meeting and increasing their federal work participation rate	 Performance outcomes and incentives are based on participants: Obtaining HiSET Entering into unsubsidized employment No longer on TA due to earned income and have a defined Career Pathway In an official apprenticeship or short-term training for 30 hours or more per week

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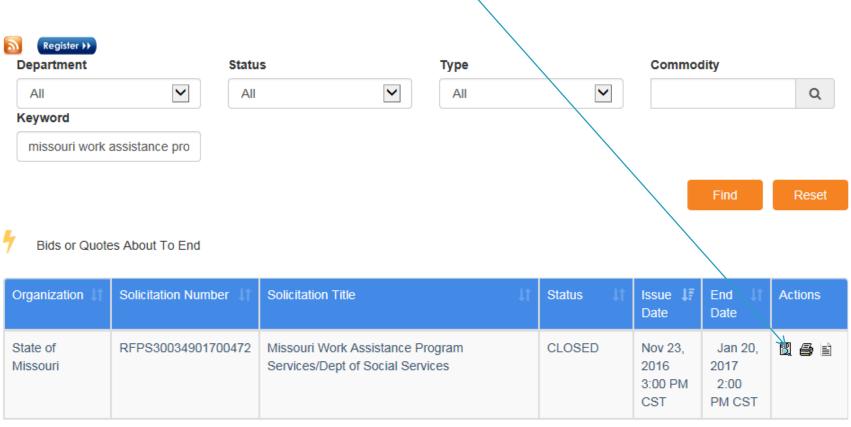
Locating

- Go to: https://missouribuys.mo.gov/bidboard.html
- 2. Enter Keyword: "Missouri Work Assistance Program"



Locating

4. Click "View Solicitation Summary"



Results Displayed: 0 - 1 of 1 solicitations

Solicitation Summary Information Displayed on MO Buys

- Buyer Contact Information Office of Administration
- 2. Solicitation Header Information Dates, Description and Terms
- 3. Solicitation Items Regions
- 4. Mandatory Documents RFP and related documents
- 5. Addendum Documents Revised RFP and related documents
- 6. Solicitation Addendum

WIOA Coordination

WIOA Convening

- FSD hosted in October 2015 to kickoff WIOA integration and implementation
- Regions sent representatives
- Allowed partners face-to-face introductions
- Showed how committed the State was in ensuring WIOA is a success
- Fostered sharing of ideas

WIOA Convening

- Participants broke out into regions -
 - Developed vision statements
 - Identified:
 - Areas of change
 - Challenges
 - Strengths and resources
 - Potential roadblocks
 - Solutions
 - Defined success

Workforce Development Boards

- Nine Missouri Work Assistance Program Development Specialists (FSD staff) are on the Boards
- ▶ Benefits of FSD representation:
 - Increases understanding of programs offered
 - Builds trust and understanding between the agencies
 - Allows for information sharing regarding programs, job fairs, and other local events
 - Provides employer information that is shared with MWA contractors

Design & Delivery Team

- Focuses on streamlining Agency programs, referral systems and procedures
- Agencies represented:
 - Family Support Division
 - Division of Workforce Development
 - Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
 - Higher Education
 - Mental Health
 - Rehabilitation Services for the Blind
- FSD contracted with a consultant to develop an electronic Resource Directory and Referral Tool

Steering Committee

- All agencies are represented
- Discuss grant opportunities
- Determine next steps for various committees
- Develop ongoing vision/mission statements

Thank you!

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