ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND EVALUATION PY 20-21 – SFP

The Employment Development Department, in coordination with the California Workforce Development Board and the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, announces the availability of up to $200,000 of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I Governor’s Discretionary funds in an English Language Learner Technical Assistance and Evaluation (ELL TA) Solicitation for Proposals (SFP).

The goal of this initiative is to assist Program Year (PY) 2019-20 and PY 20-21 ELL program awardees with the design, development, and implementation of projects that accelerate employment and re-employment strategies for English language learners and scale a service model centered around an integrated education and training (IET) program. Projects funded under this initiative will provide coordinated technical assistance and develop new and innovative, sustainable strategies that foster success for individual participants. These funds will create virtual communities of practice, provide continuous support to address project challenges, and evaluate project successes and areas for improvement. This year, grant funds will be directed towards providing support for individuals who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Projects will prioritize support for ELL projects whose service delivery model has been disrupted by COVID-19.

Eligible applicants are Local Workforce Development Areas, education and training providers, county social service agencies, business-related non-profit organizations, and workforce intermediaries.

Proposals must be received by Wednesday, January 20, 2021, no later than 3 p.m. PT. An informational teleconference will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2020 at 10 a.m. PT. For call-in information, please email a request to EDDWSBSFP1@edd.ca.gov by 12 noon on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. To view this SFP, please visit the EDD Workforce Development Solicitations for Proposals webpage.

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