

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING
Enterprise Center Conference Room 206
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February 9, 2012 – 9:30 am (Thursday)

AGENDA

Strategic Goal 4: To close skill gaps and increase job placements within our communities

- Tactics:
 - Seek grants that are relevant to jobs most likely to be available in the communities served.
 - Communicate the Workforce Connection's "value proposition" to businesses that do not currently use its services.
 - Develop/strengthen relationships with businesses that currently do not use Workforce Connection services.

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 11-1-11 (previously emailed)

D. ACTION ITEMS

1) Student Scholarships, **page 1**

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS

F. STATUS REPORTS

1) School Coordinated Youth Services ITN Update

2) Henkels & McCoy Update

3) Workforce Intelligence Youth July 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011, **page 3**

G. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

H. ADJOURNMENT



RECORD OF ACTION/APPROVAL

Youth Committee – 2-9-12

TOPIC/ISSUE:

Student Scholarships

BACKGROUND:

One of the critical educational and economic development issues facing our three counties is the education of our workforce beyond the high school level.

One of the ways we can work with our school districts to improve the attainment of higher education degrees/certifications for our high school graduates is to partner with them in working with low-income motivated and achieving students through “workforce scholarships” to continue their education at the college or technical school level.

POINTS OF CONSIDERATION:

- Currently, we can offer Individual Training Accounts to adults to further their education. Adult WIA funding is traditionally more than our WIA youth funding level. Persons aged 18 and above are considered adults.
- Adult funding offers a broader range of services for high school graduates than using youth funding, which has an overlap age range of 14-21.
- By partnering, as appropriate, with each school district, we expand the ability of students in each area to obtain advanced education.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board approve a High School graduate scholarship(ITA) program that will involve offering five(5) scholarships in each county, beginning June 2012.

Scholarship criteria:

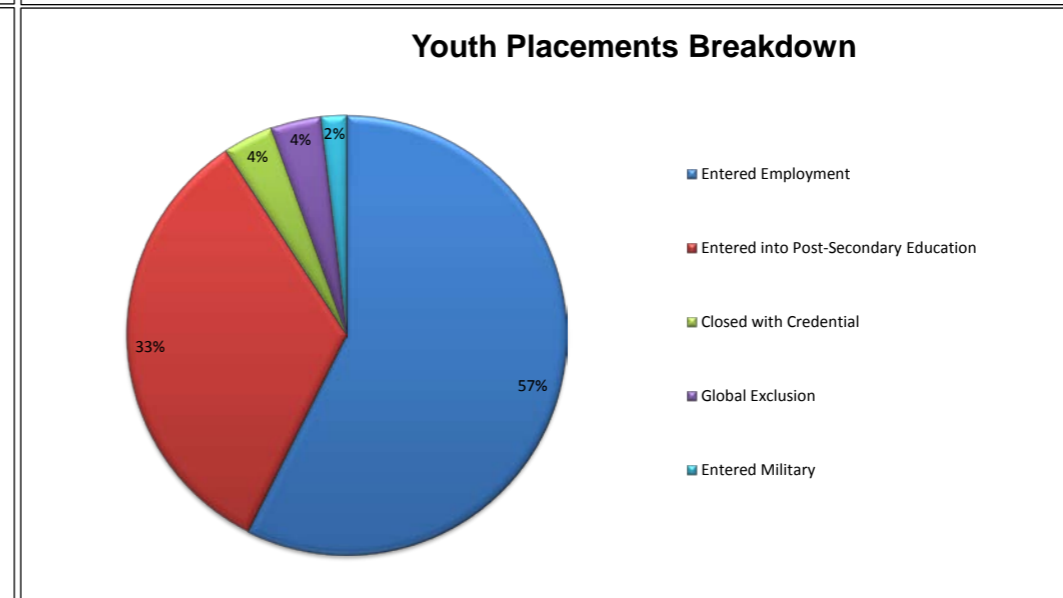
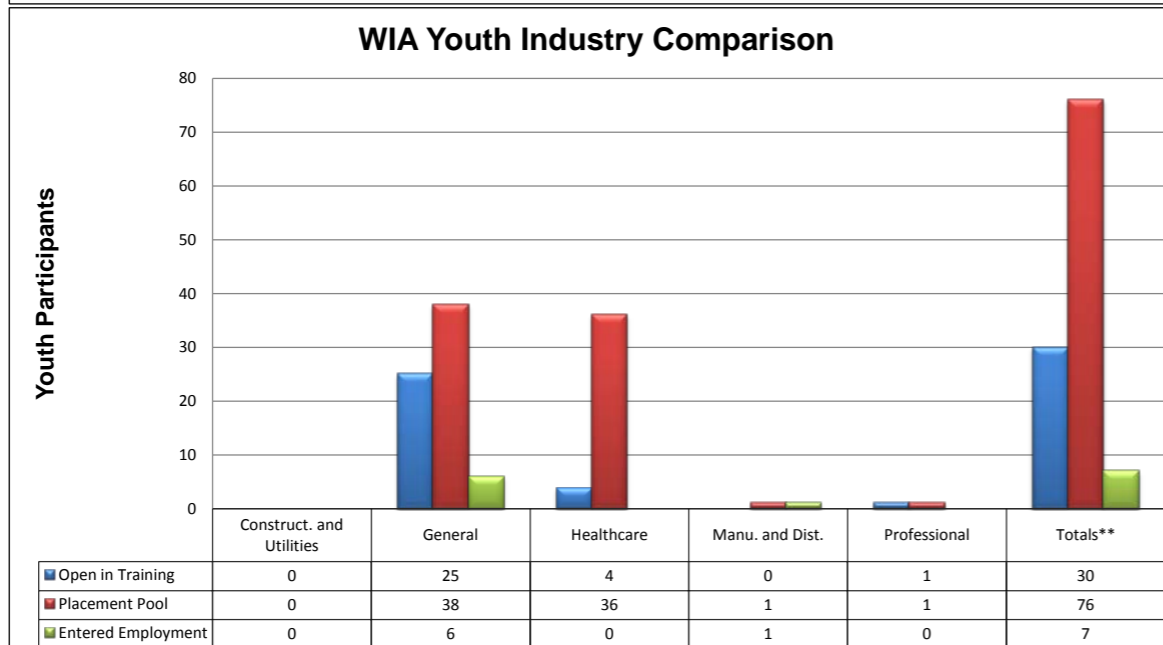
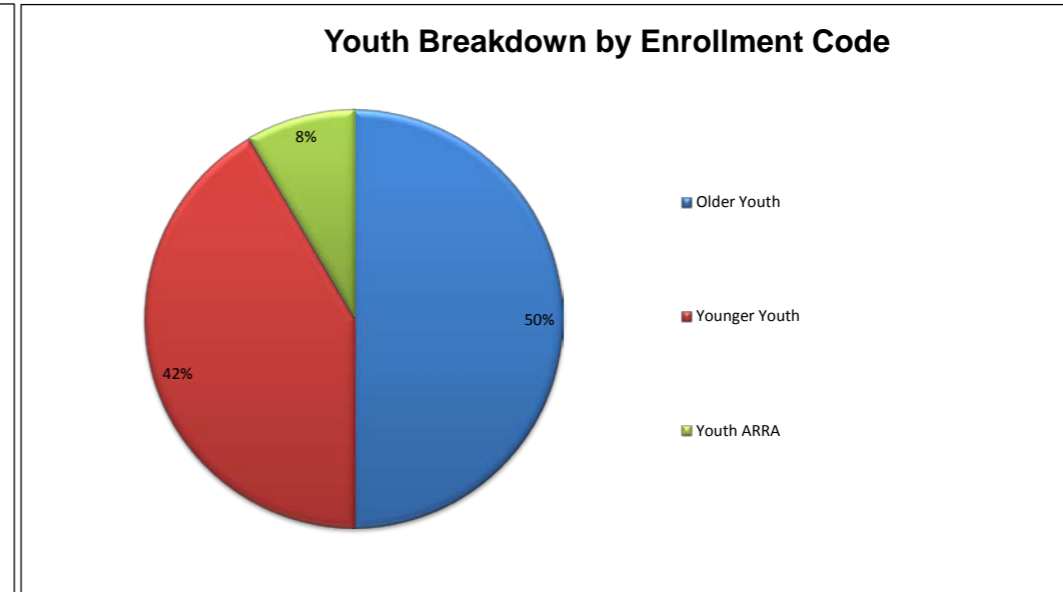
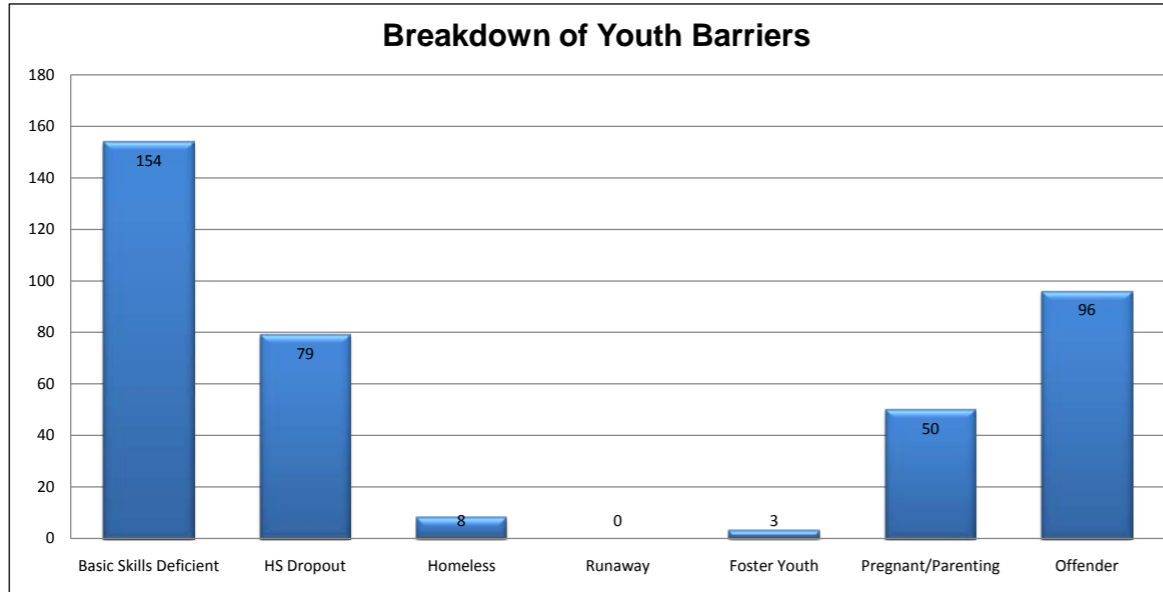
- Graduate is or will be age 18 at the time of “enrollment”.
- That scholarships target STEM educational attainment (AS or certifications); or that the course of study is in demand within industry sectors targeted by our economic development partners or in demand by

our existing industries. Course of Study must be on our Locally Determined Priority Occupation List.

- That the award of these scholarships be in concert with the efforts of each school district and awarded based upon grade criteria developed with the respective district. This criteria to be submitted at the next Youth Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

BOARD ACTION:



Total Youth Served for PY11/12:	272	AVG closure Wage (With Credential):	\$8.18
Total Youth Closed for PY11/12:	54	AVG closure Wage (No Credential):	\$8.25
Youth Carry Forward for PY11/12:	141	ROI for PY 11/12 Youth Services:	\$464,042.28

**Training totals for WIA Youth Industry Comparison are calculated by distinct activity.