

SYNOPSIS OF MODIFICATION TO  
LWIA #5 YOUTH SERVICES 5-YEAR PLAN

November, 2009

Page 1 – Local Youth Needs Analysis and Assessment – eliminated dated references to an old study (1989) and 1990's strategic planning session.

Page 2 – Current and Projected Customer Needs – eliminated old references to 1990's testimony before Congress about youth needs. Updated with current customer needs and current approaches to be used in serving youth.

Page 3 – Characteristics section – Updated unemployment statistics for youth. Updated references to U.S. DOL common measures and performance, and eliminated older performance indicators no longer in use.

Page 4 – Key Youth Customer Segments and Program Implications of local needs analysis – updated latest emphasis on serving older, out-of-school youth and high school seniors, driven by DOL WIA performance measures and limited resources to be able to serve younger youth for multiple years. Downplayed need for basic computer skills training as many more youth today have gained exposure to basic computer use, and emphasized need for literacy and numeracy gains.

Page 5 – Local Strategic Vision and Goals – Maintained language about Boards vision, added references to latest emphasis on key customer segment.

Page 6 – Goals – eliminated references to findings from old study (1989) and references to Congressional testimony. Updated language on partnerships; added language about oversight of provider performance.

Page 7 – Procurement – updated language on procurement procedures to reference those that apply to the funding stream.

Pages 8/9 – Description of Youth Activities – updated testing section, section on collaborations, and use of Individual Training Accounts for occupational training. Updated section on non-income eligible services. Added reference to work experience and the role of worksites. Added reference to use of resources and services at the Illinois workNet Centers; added reference to special summer work activities, emphasis on need for literacy and numeracy gains, occupational training, and preparation for employment.

Pages 9 thru 12 – Required Youth Elements – made minor changes in how youth elements can be accessed by youth and offered through direct delivery or referral by youth services staff and providers.

Pages 11-12 – Performance Management - Updated with DOL common measures and other performance expectations.

Page 12 – Budget and Registrants – updates incorporated in attachments.

Pages 13/14 – No changes to Youth Council Strategic Goals

