

DESE Report for the
Extended Employment Sheltered Workshop Program
January 26, 2016

Budget:

The FY-16 program budget is \$25,283,457 less \$758,504 Governor’s Withhold leaving \$24,524,953 available. As of the January 6, 2016 payment for December 2015 data, the average monthly expenditure is \$2,038,173. Amount of appropriations available for the balance of the program year (5 months) is \$10,257,745.

DESE has submitted a budget request to the Office of Administration for a \$758,504 supplemental request for FY-16 and a \$758,504 increase to the “core” request for FY-17.

DESE-EESW:

Year-to-date and current month program data is as follows:

	#Emp.	FTE	Hrs Wkd	Wages Pd	Av Wage	Wait TBH
YTD	6,652	5,162	\$15,899,321	\$15,899,321	\$3.42	1,800
Cur. Per.	6,572	5,280	618,866	\$2,345,833	\$3.79	1,807

DESE and VR are continuing meetings for coordinating efforts to meet the WIOA requirements. The MASWM Committee will meet on January 21, 2016 with VR and DESE to begin the Pilot Project to test the process and procedures for implementation of WIOA Section 511. Progress reports by DESE and MASWM committee will be presented at the conference.

DOL-WH/OSHA:

Since mid-December there have been 10 (ten) Workshops investigated by DOL-WH. We expect that about 20 (twenty) more may be investigated before October 1, 2016. Prevalent areas of non-compliance found are: “disabled for the job” (cited on all investigations) documentation/evaluation, undocumented notification to employee or guardian for payment of sub-minimum wages, inappropriate and inaccurate Prevailing Wage Survey calculations, incomplete/inaccurate task analyses and time studies, and rounding errors. In addition, FSLA errors have also been found.

OSHA investigations appear to have subsided since recent DOL activity has increased. Safety should remain to be one of your top areas of focus in operating your respective facilities. OSHA compliance is required as well as expected. The OSHA inspection teams are out there and they “will be back.”

Training:

SWIM and DESE will be planning to conduct cooperative series of regional Safety Training seminars in the spring/summer of 2016.

DESE staff will schedule and conduct a New (and Experienced) Manager Training to be held in May 2016 in Jefferson City.

DOL will be contacted to provide Section 14 c training if there is enough interest expressed by MASWM Board and Membership.

DESE and VR training will be announced and provided once the WIOA Section 511 policies and procedure are determined.

