



Workforce Accelerator Fund 11

Weekly Q&A as of October 18, 2022

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Eligible Applicants

Q: In Section One. Overview, Innovation Impact Projects, the RFA states, “Through Accelerator, the CWDB will fund applicants who have successfully managed WIOA-funded grant projects in the past.” Is this a requirement? Or can applicants who have not managed WIOA grant projects still apply?

A: Yes, it is a requirement that applicants must have WIOA experience in order to qualify. The WAF 11 funding opportunity is open to all previous CWDB fund projects (awardees).

Q: My agency is interested in applying for the WAF 11. Are we eligible? What is the deadline to submit online? In addition, we never received an email notification that WAF 11 was open.

A: The WAF 11 opportunity is open to all previous CWDB-funded projects (awardees) and must have the WIOA experience in order to qualify.

The CWDB sends out email notifications to individuals on our distribution list. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, please send a request to WAF@cwdb.ca.gov.

Q: Can grantees have two WAF grants running simultaneously? That is to say, we were awarded WAF 10 for Early Childcare and are interested in applying for WAF 11 for a different sector.

A: It is possible that a grantee can have two active WAF grants with overlapping grant terms.

Q: Are new partners/projects eligible to apply for Accelerator 11? The RFA states, “The purpose of Accelerator 11 is to scale and replicate previous successful projects supported by the CWDB and potentially connect them to existing High Road Training Partnerships.” If only



past projects are eligible, how can we find a list of existing projects in our region (13 – Inland Empire)?

A: The lists of previous awardees and projects from Accelerator 5.0 to 10 are available on the [Workforce Accelerator Fund](#) website.

Q: Can WAF 10 awardees apply for WAF 11?

Updated answer as of 10/13/2022

A: To be eligible to apply, an applicant must be a fiscal agent/awardee of a previous CWDB State/Federal funded grant program; and to qualify, the applicant must have WIOA experience.

Accelerator 10 projects will not count towards this as the grant is still in its early phases of implementation. Successful Accelerator 9.0 projects (and past cohorts) will be considered. This will be vetted/confirmed before awards to ensure eligibility criteria have been met.

Q: Can a partner who was part of a grant award for WAF 9.0 be the lead applicant if the lead applicant staff for the previous project has transferred to the partner organization?

A: To be eligible, the applicant (organization) must be the fiscal agent/awardee of a previous CWDB State/Federal grant program, and to qualify, the applicant (organization) must have WIOA experience.

Q: On www.caetp.force.com it states that only previously funded projects are eligible for funding. Is this correct?

A: Yes, that is correct.

Allowable Activities

Q: For a Micro transit project, is the driving of incumbent workers to and from the worksite an allowable activity and an allowable expense under Accelerator 11.0 Funding?

A: If staff travel is associated with transporting participants Under Accelerator 11, the applicant may allocate grant funds to support staff travel.

Cal-E-Grants & Online Application

Q: What is the correct link to the RFA application?

A: The RFA can be found [here](#), through the Workforce Accelerator webpage.

Q: What is the correct due date? I see one listed as 10/24 and one listed as 10/31.

A: All applications are due October 31, 2022, by 3:00 pm via the [Cal-E-Grants website](#).

Q: I am unable to fund the online paper application. Can you please provide that for me?

A: There is no paper application. The application is fully electronic and in the Cal E-Force system. If you would like to download a copy of the blank application, you can after you click *Apply* and enter your information for the new application then click *Save*. Locate *Print View* near the upper right corner of the screen. Right-click on the screen, locate the Destination field,



then select print or save as PDF. Your final application must be completed and submitted through the Cal-E-Grants system.

Match Funds

Q: For a Micro transit project, is the driving of incumbent workers to and from the worksite an allowable match requirement? The transportation of workers is a "must" to meet the deliverables of the proposed project.

A: Leverage/match fund can be in-kind or cash. "In-kind match" is a non-cash contribution of value provided by the grantee e.g., the value of services, labor, space, training, supplies, equipment, travel, etc.

Application Workshop

Q: Will the WAF 11 application workshop and live Q&A will be recorded and available to those who are unable to attend the workshop?

A: WAF 11 Live Session Q&A was not recorded but the Q&A from the session will be posted on the website.