

September 23, 2024

The Honorable Michael J. Rodrigues
Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State House, Room 212
Boston, MA 02133

The Honorable Aaron Michlewitz
Chair, House Committee on Ways and Means
State House, Room 243
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chairs Rodrigues and Michlewitz:

Pursuant to Chapter 88 of the Acts of 2024, we are transmitting to you this monthly report on the Working Training for EA Residents.

Sincerely,

Secretary Matthew J. Gorzkowicz,
Executive Office for Administration
and Finance

Secretary Lauren Jones,
Executive Office for Labor and
Workforce Development

Secretary Edward Augustus
Executive Office for Housing and
Livable Communities

Cristina Aguilera Sandoval
Executive Director of the Office for
Refugees and Immigrants

MEMORANDUM

TO: House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means
FR: Executive Office for Administration and Finance, Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development
DT: September 23, 2024
RE: Monthly Approved and Authorized Training Programs report

Background/Narrative

The table below includes key datapoints outlined in Chapter 88 of the Acts of 2024. The data is updated as of September 19, 2024. The Administration continues to pursue key activities related to these datapoints below.

Approved Training Programs

Datapoint	Value as of 09/19/24	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program	1,465	Individual is defined as an adult, at least 18 years old, who is an EA shelter resident or in a temporary respite center.
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program since the last report	100	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program	1,246	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program since the last report	100	
List of approved training programs	1,386 programs	1386 trainings from the Massachusetts Eligible Training Provider list have been identified and selected for EA residents in the following industries: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advanced Manufacturing• Health and human services• Clean energy and technology• Finance & Insurance• Information Technology• Transportation• Hospitality• Education

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Sciences • Construction • Early childhood education
Municipalities where the approved training programs are located	95 communities	See Appendix A for the respective municipalities where the approved training programs are located.
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an approved training program	N/A	Not tracked at this time – as new programs launch, LWD will begin keeping waitlists for new programs.
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an approved training program since the last report	N/A	Not tracked at this time – as new programs launch, LWD will begin keeping waitlists for new programs.
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program	547	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program since the last report	213	
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an approved program	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an approved program since the last report	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.

Authorized Training Programs

Implementation status of authorized training programs: Subregulatory guidance issued by the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development on May 30th, 2024 pursuant to House Bill No. 4466 pertaining to the administration of authorized training programs established in subsection (dd) of section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 6, and section 38NN of chapter 63 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 8, including, but not limited to, requirements to be deemed an authorized training program.

Datapoint	Value as of 09/19/24	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an authorized training program	0	Individual is defined as an adult, at least 18 years old, who is an EA shelter resident or in a temporary respite center. LWD is finalizing the system and process for tracking these numbers.
Number of individuals participating in an authorized training program since the last report	0	
Number of EA residents participating in an authorized training program	0	Number of individuals are not yet available; LWD is finalizing the system and process for tracking these numbers.
Number of EA residents participating in an authorized training program since the last report	0	
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an authorized training program	0	Number of individuals are not yet available; LWD is finalizing the system and process for tracking these numbers.
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an authorized training program since the last report	0	Number of individuals are not yet available; LWD is finalizing the system and process for tracking these numbers.
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program	547	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program since the last report	213	
Number of employers approved to offer an authorized training program by municipality and industry	0	LWD is finalizing procedures and the program to enable employers to offer authorized training programs.

Number of employers seeking to offer an authorized training program	0	LWD is finalizing procedures and the program to enable employers to offer authorized training programs.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an authorized program	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an authorized program since the last report	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.
Number of individuals offered employment after receiving an EAD in an authorized training program	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.
Number of individuals offered employment after receiving an EAD in an authorized training program since the last report	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating the data collection system to improve our tracking and reporting capabilities, but currently do not have the capability to report on this metric as defined.

EA Individuals Enrolled in Training Programs

Datapoint	Value as of 09/19/24	Notes
Number of EA residents enrolled in any type of job training program.	1,239*	Residents of EA shelter self-reporting enrollment in any type of job training program, including but not limited to Authorized and Approved Training Programs.

* The decrease in this value since the last report is most likely due to enrolled families exiting shelter.

Appendix A: Approved Training Programs Municipalities

Andover	Enfield	Milton	Springfield
Ashland	Fairhaven	New Bedford	Taunton
Avon	Fall River	North Adams	Tewksbury
Bedford	Fitchburg	North Andover	Turners Falls
Bellevue	Framingham	North Attleboro	Tyngsboro
Billerica	Franklin	North Oxford	Watertown
Boston	Gardner	Northampton	Wellesley
Bourne	Georgetown	Nottingham	West Barnstable
Braintree	Gloucester	Oxford	West Boylston
Brockton	Greenfield	Palmer	West Springfield
Brookline	Hathorne	Pawtucket	Westborough
Burlington	Haverhill	Pembroke	Westfield
Buzzards Bay	Holyoke	Pikeville	Westford
Cambridge	Hyannis	Pittsfield	Westport
Canton	Hyde Park	Plainville	Westwood
Charlestown	Issaquah	Plymouth	Whitefield
Charlton	Lancaster	Quincy	Wilbraham
Chelsea	Lawrence	Randolph	Wilmington
Chicopee	Lexington	Rocky Hill	Woburn
Cranston	Lincoln	Roxbury	Worcester
Dallas	Linwood	Salem	
Danvers	Lowell	Seekonk	
Dartmouth	Malden	South Easton	
Devens	Marlborough	Somers	
East Providence	Mattapan	Somerville	