October 21, 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,   Secretary Lauren Jones,
Executive Office for Administration   Executive Office for Labor and
and Finance   Workforce Development

Secretary Edward Augustus   Cristina Aguilera Sandoval
Executive Office for Housing and   Executive Director of the Office for
Livable Communities   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:	October 21, 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 October 17, 2024. The Administration continues to pursue key activities related to these datapoints below.

Approved Training Programs

Datapoint	Value as of 10/17/24	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program	1,809	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	344	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program	1,594	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program since the last report	348	
List of approved training programs	745 programs*	743 trainings from the Massachusetts Eligible Training Provider list have been identified and selected for EA residents in the following industries: • Advanced Manufacturing • Health and human services • Clean energy and technology • Finance & Insurance • Information Technology • Transportation • Hospitality • Education

		• Life Sciences • Construction • Early childhood education Additionally, two English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) programs overseen by the Office of Immigrants and Refugees are offered as approved training programs. *The number is lower than the last report due to an inventory of programs indicating closures and/or programs no longer being offered.
Municipalities where the approved training programs are located	74 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.
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Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program	841	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program since the last report	294	
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an approved program	540	The number of individuals who participated in an approved training program and now have an EAD. Includes both current and exited EA residents.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an approved program since the last report	N/A	This is a new metric that was not tracked on the prior report.

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 10/17/24	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.
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.
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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 who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program	841	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program since the last report	294	
Number of employers approved to offer an authorized training program by municipality and industry	0	
Number of employers seeking to offer an authorized training program	0	

	Value	Notes
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.
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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 10/17/24	Notes
Number of EA residents enrolled in any type of job training program.	1,760	Residents of EA shelter self-reporting enrollment in any type of job training program, including but not limited to Authorized and Approved Training Programs.

Appendix A: Approved Training Programs Municipalities

Andover	Franklin	Randolph
Ashland	Gloucester	Roxbury
Avon	Greenfield	Seekonk
Bedford	Hathorne	Smithfield
Billerica	Holyoke	Somers
Boston	Hyde Park	South Easton
Bourne	Lawrence	Springfield
Braintree	Lexington	Taunton
Brockton	Lowell	Tewksbury
Brookline	Malden	Turners Falls
Burlington	Marlborough	Tyngsboro
Buzzards Bay	Mattapan	Watertown
Cambridge	Milton	Wellesley
Canton	Nashua	West Barnstable
Charlestown	New Bedford	West Boylston
Charlton	North Andover	Westborough
Chelsea	North Adams	Westfield
Dallas	Northampton	Westford
Danvers	Nottingham	Westport
East Providence	Oxford	Westwood
Enfield	Palmer	Whitefield
Fairhaven	Pawtucket	Wilbraham
Fall River	Pittsfield	Woburn
Fitchburg	Plymouth	Worcester
Framingham	Quincy	