

December 16, 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: December 16, 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 December 12, 2024. The Administration continues to pursue key activities related to these datapoints below.

Approved Training Programs

Datapoint	Value as of 12/12/24	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program	1,956	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	179	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program	1,799	
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program since the last report	156	
List of approved training programs	746 programs	743 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• Life Sciences• Construction

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early childhood education <p><u>Other Trainings Include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Training Programs • 1 Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program
Municipalities where the approved training programs are located	80	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	1,943	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program since the last report	622	
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an approved program	973	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	273	

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 12/12/24	Notes
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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	1,943	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program since the last report	622	
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	
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	N/A	Number of individuals are not available; state agencies are continuously evaluating

EAD in an authorized training program		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 12/12/24	Notes
Number of EA residents enrolled in any type of job training program.	1,497	<p>Residents of EA shelter self-reporting enrollment in any type of job training program, including but not limited to Authorized and Approved Training Programs.</p> <p>The number is lower as compared to last month's report partially due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents exiting shelter to stable housing. • Residents becoming employed and therefore unenrolling from their training programs.

Appendix A: Approved Training Programs Municipalities

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