

May 5, 2025

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

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TO: House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means  
FR: Executive Office for Administration and Finance, Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development  
DT: May 5, 2025  
RE: Monthly Approved and Authorized Training Programs report

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### Background/Narrative

The table below includes key datapoints outlined in Chapter 88 of the Acts of 2024. The data is updated as of May 1, 2025. The Administration continues to pursue key activities related to these datapoints below.

### Approved Training Programs

Datapoint	Value as of 5/1/25	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program	1,890	Individual is defined as an adult, at least 18 years old, who is either an EA shelter resident or has recently exited shelter.
Number of individuals participating in an approved training program since the last report	152	This number has fallen slightly due to individuals unenrolling from training programs. Trainees may unenroll for a number of reasons, such as starting paid employment, or exiting shelter to a new area.
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program	960	'EA resident' is defined as an individual who actively resides in EA shelter or in a temporary respite center. This number does not include people who have recently exited from shelter.
Number of EA residents participating in an approved training program since the last report	27	This number has fallen slightly because (a) some trainees have unenrolled as above, and (b) some enrolled students have exited shelter so are no longer counted in this number.
List of approved training programs	756 programs	756 trainings from the <a href="#">Massachusetts Eligible Training Provider</a> list have been identified and selected for EA residents in the following industries:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Manufacturing</li> <li>• Health and human services</li> <li>• Clean energy and technology</li> <li>• Finance &amp; Insurance</li> <li>• Information Technology</li> <li>• Transportation</li> <li>• Hospitality</li> <li>• Education</li> <li>• Life Sciences</li> <li>• Construction</li> <li>• Early childhood education</li> </ul> <p><u>Other Trainings Include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Training Program</li> <li>• 1 Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program</li> </ul>
Municipalities where the approved training programs are located	72	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	0	LWD is keeping waitlists for new programs. No individuals are on waiting lists at this time.
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an approved training program since the last report	0	LWD is keeping waitlists for new programs. No individuals are on waiting lists at this time.
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program	5733	
Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an approved training program since the last report	963	
Number of individuals who received an EAD	1,940	The number of individuals who participated in an approved training program and now have

while participating in an approved program		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	121	

**Authorized Training Programs**

**Implementation status of authorized training programs:** Subregulatory guidance issued by the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 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 5/1/25	Notes
Number of individuals participating in an authorized training program	39	Individual is defined as an adult, at least 18 years old, who is an EA shelter resident, or has recently exited shelter.
Number of individuals participating in an authorized training program since the last report	0	
Number of EA residents participating in an authorized training program	8	‘EA resident’ is defined as an individual who actively resides in EA shelter or in a temporary respite center. This number does not include people who have recently exited from shelter.
Number of EA residents participating in an authorized training program since the last report	-3	This number has fallen due to authorized trainees exiting shelter.
Number of individuals waiting for placement in an authorized training program	0	
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	5,733	

Number of individuals who were provided notice of the availability of an authorized training program since the last report	963	
Number of employers approved to offer an authorized training program by municipality and industry	6	See Appendix B for the municipalities and respective industries for authorized training programs.
Number of employers seeking to offer an authorized training program	1	There is one employer who has submitted an application and needs to submit additional information.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an authorized program	39	The number of individuals who participated in an authorized training program and now have an EAD. Includes both current and exited EA residents.  Having an EAD is a requirement of entry into an authorized training program.
Number of individuals who received an EAD while participating in an authorized program since the last report	0	
Number of individuals offered employment after receiving an EAD in an authorized training program	N/A	Number of individuals are not available. Individuals in authorized training programs have not been offered employment at this time.
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. Individuals in authorized training programs have not been offered employment at this time.

## Appendix A: Approved Training Programs Municipalities

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

## Appendix B: Authorized Training Programs

<b>Training Program Employer</b>	<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Industry</b>
Beth Israel Deaconess	Boston	Healthcare
Optiline	Headquarters in Nashua, NH. Worksite locations in Walpole & Wakefield, MA.	Construction
Beth Israel Lahey Health	Burlington	Healthcare
88 Acres	Canton	Advanced Manufacturing
Catania Oils	Ayer	Advanced Manufacturing
Greenleaf Foods	Turner Falls	Food Service