



## Youth Contract Awards PY20

DuPage County released an RFP on behalf of the WIB for Title I Youth services in April of 2020. The RFP was seeking innovative proposals to serve In-School Youth (ISY) and Out of School Youth (OSY). Contract length is from 7/1/20-6/30/21.

Seven proposals were received from five entities and scored by the evaluation team. Based upon the evaluations, the team recommends the following awards:

### **Parents Alliance Employment Project- Inspired by Ability (OSY)**

PAEP has been administering the Inspired by Ability since 2018 utilizing WIOA funding. Through this proposal, PAEP will partner with Turning Pointe Autism Foundation to administer the currently funded WIOA funded Inspired by Ability program with an emphasis on creating a track within the program to serve and support individuals with autism. Together, these agencies will bring both areas of expertise of supported employment and autism instruction to offer OSY paid job skills and training and placement.

Number of clients served: 16

Contract award: \$220,419

Cost per: \$13,776

### **Parents Alliance Employment Project- Project Search (ISY)**

PAEP has been administering the Project Search program at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital since 2014. Due to COVID-19, PAEP has been in contact with Northwestern Medicine regarding Project Search programming. In the event Northwestern is not able to host PAEP participants, PAEP has submitted contingency plans to run programming at alternate sites. workNet will stay in close contact with PAEP regarding the status of Project Search.

Number of clients served: 11

Contract award: \$88,890

Cost per: \$8080

**DuPage Regional Office of Education (ROE)**

The DuPage ROE will provide dropout prevention programs for the schools and students of DuPage County. The Alternative Services programs will provide opportunities for at-risk students to successfully complete their high school equivalency (HSE) or diploma, participate in life skills training, work with adult mentors, practice work readiness skills during paid work experiences, and receive support to successfully transition to employment or post- secondary training.

Number of students served: 20

Contract award: \$232,370

Cost per: \$11,625

**World Relief DuPage/Aurora (WRDA)**

WRDA proposed a Youth Workforce Development Program to provide services that lead to increased education and job readiness, as well as work experience and employment opportunities to out-of-school immigrant youth. WRDA was awarded its first WIOA contract in 2019 and has demonstrated positive performance outcomes.

Number of students served: 29

Contract award: \$252, 154

Cost per: \$5103 (not including the cost of ITAs) Average cost of current clients: \$83000