

## **Request for Proposals**

### **2020 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Title I**

#### **Year-Round Workforce Development Services to Youth**

Posted: **Tuesday, January 14, 2020**

Mandatory Information Session (Bidder's Conference): **Thursday, January 23, 2020 – 1 p.m.**

Deadline for Submission: **Wednesday, February 19, 2020 – 12 p.m.** (Noon)

Award Notification: **Wednesday, June 17, 2020**

RochesterWorks, Inc. anticipates the availability of \$1,140,000 in WIOA Youth Funds and seeks to solicit proposals from governmental units, public or private not-for-profit or for-profit corporations, local educational agencies, faith-based and community-based agencies to support Youth Workforce Development Service Navigators (Navigator) for the period July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The objective of a Navigator is to provide a coordinated approach through which RWI and its community partners can collaborate to create community-wide access of workforce development services to youth. This will result in the maximization of resources to reduce the duplication of service by providing structured employment opportunities, increasing basic skills, job retention, and the earnings of local youth. A Navigator may be one individual or portions of multiple individuals, all depending upon the service delivery, design and leverage of resources. Preference will be given to Agencies with the capacity to house two or more Navigators. Agencies without the capacity to house more than one Navigator should provide a detailed plan of action on how youth will be served through a Navigator transition.

Under this solicitation, up to 19 Navigators will be sought to focus on WIOA supported services for older disconnected out of school youth. For the purpose of this solicitation, older disconnected youth will meet the criteria of being aged between 16 to 24, not attending school nor employed and are not readily employable due to the lack of basic skills.

To learn more about this funding opportunity go to the RochesterWorks! website at [www.rochesterworks.org](http://www.rochesterworks.org), on the bottom of the page click on *Request for proposals*. A mandatory informational session is scheduled for **1:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, January 23, 2020** at the **United Way of Greater Rochester, 75 College Avenue, Rochester, New York 14607**. **Please park in the Auditorium parking lot. Registration is requested before 12 Noon on January 21.**

E-mail Cassilda Campbell at [Ccampbell@rochesterworks.org](mailto:Ccampbell@rochesterworks.org) with the name and contact information (email, phone number) of the staff(s), along with the organization to be represented.

Seating is limited. Standing room will be available.