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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | FY2023 & FY2024: MassSTEP ABE and MassSTEP ESOL Planning and Implementation Requests for Proposals (Planning Grant) | **FUND CODE:** 661/671/359 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $ 100,000 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $ 45,571 |
| **PURPOSE:** Funding for planning MassSTEP ABE (IET) and MassSTEP ESOL (IELCE) programs.MassSTEP ABE and MassSTEP ESOL programs are funded in two phases: planning and implementation. Planning Grants are optional. Applicants do not need to have first received a planning grant to apply for an Implementation grant.MassSTEP ABE provides adult education (AE) concurrently and contextually with workforce preparation activities, and workforce training to accelerate learning outcomes, including student attainment of a high school credential and one or more relevant industry-recognized credentials (IRCs). MassSTEP ESOL provides adult ESOL instruction concurrently and contextually with civics education in addition to workforce preparation activities and workforce training to accelerate learning outcomes, including student attainment of one or more relevant IRCs occupations. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:**  | 5 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:**  | 5 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | 0 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** Planning: Funding must be used to conduct a systematic analysis of the readiness of a collaboration to deliver a quality MassSTEP ABE or MassSTEP ESOL instructional program. Applicants must:* appoint a lead person to convene and coordinate collaboration activities
* Develop a plan and timeline to conduct an MassSTEP ABE or MassSTEP ESOL program analysis
* Identify a lead person to orient the direct work of the collaboration
* Identify a target occupation and a target occupation
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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Bristol County Sheriff’s Office (Construction) | $7,160 |
| Jamaica Plain Community Center Adult Learning Program (Healthcare) | $8,423 |
| QCC (Healthcare $10,000 ; Manufacturing $10,000 ) | $20,000 |
| YMCA—Boston (Early Childcare) | $9,988 |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | **$45,571** |