

Role of the Youth Council





Presentation Outline

- I. Workforce Investment Act of 1998
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I. Workforce Investment Act of 1998

- WIA provided the framework for the national workforce preparation and employment system
 - State and local Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) were established to oversee workforce investments
 - Youth Councils were established as a subgroup of local
 WIBs to guide the development and operation of programs for youth
- Superseded by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014, which takes effect July 1, 2015
 - Maintains basic WIB structure & responsibilities
 - Youth Councils no longer required

II. Workforce Investment Boards - Role

- Review labor market projections
- Review sector training programs to ensure that the training matches employer needs
- Assist with placements, both within member organizations and within applicable sectors
- Review and, where appropriate, approve workforce strategies and investments (e.g. Local Plan)
- Promote the WIB's work in business networks and the broader community

III. Youth Council – Statutory Role (Under WIA)

- Develop the portions of the Local Plan relating to eligible youth
- Subject to the approval of the WIB:
 - Recommend eligible providers of youth activities
 - Conduct oversight with respect to the eligible providers of youth activities
- Coordinate youth activities under WIA

IV. Youth Council – Potential Roles

- Convener of youth workforce agencies
 - Topical presentations
 - Networking and sharing
- Program review
 - In-depth program updates from OEWD
 - Other agencies?
- Capacity building
 - Presentations on evidence-based/best practices
- Coordinate youth workforce activities citywide
 - Develop a service map
 - Relationship to DCYF advisory bodies, Youth Commission, etc.?
- Other?