



Request for Proposals for

Wagner-Peyser Employment Services and Trade Adjustment Assistance

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On behalf of the Mayor's Workforce Development Board (MWDB), the Detroit Employment Solutions Corporation (DESC) is seeking proposals from qualified applicants that adopt a human-centered design approach to provide the following services to eligible job seekers and employers:

- Wagner-Peyser Act Employment Services (ES) and related Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) services;
- WIOA Basic Career Services; and
- Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA).

Selected applicants will assist DESC and the MWDB to build a workforce system that yields the greatest benefits for job seekers and businesses and achieves the following goals: 1) serve and build the skills of over 40,000 residents per year via Career Centers located strategically across the city, and 2) increase residential employment, improve family financial stability and reduce the poverty rate.

The selected ES/TAA service provider(s) will coordinate with DESC's Career Center contractors to provide seamless basic career services to Unemployment Insurance (UI) claimants, adversely affected workers, employers and other qualified job seekers. **Wagner-Peyser ES and Trade Adjustment Assistance services must be delivered by merit-based staffed organizations.**

Award amounts will be determined solely at DESC's discretion after review and evaluation of the proposals. The contract period is as follows: **July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020; contracts are renewable for up to two (2) additional one-year periods.**

DESC strongly encourages potential applicants to attend the RFP conference on **March 7, 2019 at 10:00 AM** (Local Time), at DESC's offices at 440 East Congress – 3R Conference Room, Detroit, MI 48226.

Requests for the RFP package must be emailed to DESC at descprocurement@detempsol.org. In order to receive a RFP package, qualified applicants must submit the following information via email: company name, address, office phone number, contact person's name, title, and valid email address.

Proposals must be submitted electronically on or prior to **March 22, 2019 at 12:00 PM (Local Time)**. Each applicant is responsible for ensuring that its bid is received by DESC on a timely basis. **Late bids will not be accepted.**



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