

WORKFORCE SERVICES INFORMATION NOTICE

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATION OPPORTUNITY – LINKING TO EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES
PRE-RELEASE (LEAP-2) THROUGH SPECIALIZED AJC LOCATIONS

On January 13, 2016, the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration announced the availability of approximately \$5 million in grant funds for the LEAP-2 grant.

The LEAP-2 grant funds will be used to establish and operate jail-based America's Job Center (AJC) locations, or expand existing career centers within jails that provide reentry services. The jail-based AJCs will be linked with AJCs that serve the general public to provide adult inmates opportunities for successful reentry into the community. Inmates eligible for these services are those scheduled for release within 180 days and who have not been convicted of a sexual offense other than prostitution. Approximately 10 grants up to \$500,000 each will be funded, not to exceed \$5 million.

Eligible applicants are Local Workforce Development Boards in partnerships with their county or municipal governments and their county, municipal or regional correctional facilities. State and federal correctional facilities are not eligible. Evidence of this partnership must be provided in the application. Current LEAP grantees may seek additional funding to propose new and separate projects that will not serve any of the same correctional facility locations currently funded by the LEAP grant.

The Employment Development Department will not be pursuing this funding opportunity.

Applications must be submitted by February 26, 2016.

For more information about this grant opportunity, please visit the grants.gov website at <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=280963>.

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