

FRESNO REGIONAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Youth Council
February 19, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m.

Workforce Connection
3170 W. Shaw Avenue
Room 105/106
Fresno, CA 93711

Mission Statement: To design, procure, and oversee Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act youth services to ensure all available resources serve the needs of Fresno County youth.

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ROLL CALL

AGENDA CHANGES: REMOVAL OF ITEMS OR EMERGENCY ADDITIONS

ABSTENTIONS/RECUSALS/DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

COUNCIL CHAIR/STAFF COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Item	Description	Presenter	Enclosure	Action	Page #
1.	November 20, 2025, Youth Council Meeting Minutes	Konczal	Yes	Approve	4
2.	Youth Program Success Stories	M. Espinosa	Yes	Information	8
3.	ValleyBuild Earmark Grant Contract Awards	Matthews	Yes	Recommend to Approve	9

CONSENT ITEM

4.	Recommend to Accept Consent Items (4A – 4C). <i>Items pulled from consent will be handled with the other regular items at the end of the agenda, including any information items that are pulled.</i>				
4A.	Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report	Moncivais	Yes	Recommend to Accept	11
4B.	Young Adult Satisfaction Report	McAlister	Yes	Recommend to Accept	14
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NON-CONSENT ITEMS

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7.	Rural West Marketing	M. Espinosa	Yes	Information	26
8.	Young Adult Demographics Report	Stogbauer	Yes	Information	27
9.	Rural West Young Adult Services Funding Allocations	Konczal	Yes	Discussion	33
10.	Agenda Items for May 21, 2026, Meeting	Konczal	No	Discussion	--
11.	Meeting Feedback	Konczal	No	Discussion	--

**Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board
Youth Council
Attendance Report 2025**

Canceled

Canceled

2/20/2025 5/15/2025 8/21/2025 11/20/2025

Anderson CA Department of Rehabilitation	X	A	X	--
Bonner SEIU 52	X	A	X	A
Buttles Fresno Adult School	X	P	X	P
Dodson CA Teaching Fellows Foundation	X	P	X	A
Engel-Silva Proteus, Inc.	X	P	X	P
Madden Career Nexus	X	P	X	P
Martindale Dept. of Social Services, Administration	X	P	X	P
Metters PG&E	X	A	X	P
Sotiropulos Hyatt Real Estate	X	P	X	P
Tutunjian Commission	X	P	X	P
Watson CART	X	A	X	P

P = Present

A = Absent

X = Canceled

-- = Not a Member at Time of Meeting

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AGENDA ITEM:	1
MEETING DATE:	February 19, 2026
ACTION:	APPROVE

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Blake Konczal, Executive Director
SUBJECT: November 20, 2025, Youth Council Meeting Minutes

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the minutes of the November 20, 2025, Youth Council Meeting.

ATTACHMENT:

November 20, 2025, Youth Council Meeting Minutes



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Youth Council
November 20, 2025

SUMMARY MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT – Keda Buttles, Michelle Engel-Silva (arrived at 4:08 p.m.), Kurt Madden, Katherine Martindale (arrived at 4:03 p.m.), Terry Metters, Jr., Vasili Sotiropoulos, Michelle Tutunjian, and Rick Watson

ABSENT – Alysia Bonner and Natalie Dodson

AGENDA CHANGES: Item 3 – Student Training and Employment Training Program Year Three Contract Award: Item corrected to show correct contract award amount. Corrected item distributed to the Youth Council.

ABSTENTIONS/RECUSALS/

DISCLOSURES OF

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF

INTEREST: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Council Member Martindale arrived (4:03 p.m.)

Item	Description/Action Taken
1.	<p><u>May 15, 2025, Youth Council Meeting Minutes</u></p> <p>Blake Konczal, Executive Director, Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB), presented the May 15, 2025, meeting minutes for the Youth Council's (Council's) approval, or correction and approval.</p> <p>MADDEN/TUTUNJIAN – APPROVED THE MAY 15, 2025, YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. (UNANIMOUS)</p>
2.	<p><u>Youth Program Success Stories</u></p> <p>Martha Espinosa, Deputy Director Marketing, Grants and Business Initiatives, FRWDB, shared the success stories of FRWDB's First Quarter Business of Excellence and First Quarter Youth Achievement Award winners.</p> <p>The Business of Excellence Award winner was Ranch Market in Sanger. Ms. Espinosa shared that this business had gone above and beyond to create meaningful opportunities for young adults. Over the past 12 months, Ranch Market had hosted six (6) youth Work Experience opportunities and made two (2) hires. Ms. Espinosa presented a video, showcasing Ranch Market.</p>

Council Member Engel-Silva arrived (4:08 p.m.)

The Youth Achievement Award winner for the First Quarter was Ricardo De La Rosa. Ms. Espinosa shared that Mr. De La Rosa is a remarkable young adult whose story embodied perseverance, dedication, and the transformative impact of Workforce Connection's Young Adult programs. Mr. De La Rosa completed a nine (9)-month intensive Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) training at Institute of Technology and was hired as an HVAC Technician with California Climate Pros. Ms. Espinosa shared a video highlighting Mr. De La Rosa's story.

Ms. Espinosa noted that FRWDB had been utilizing these types of success stories in its marketing efforts and outreach.

This was an information item.

3. Student Training and Employment Program Year Three Contract Award

Maricela Diaz, Youth Program Manager, FRWDB, presented for the Council's recommendation for FRWDB approval, \$611,329.42 in award allocations for the third-year funding of the Student Training and Employment Program (STEP) grant. This funding was awarded by the California Department of Rehabilitation and the Foundation for California Community Colleges for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. Award allocations were detailed in the agenda item, with America Works being awarded \$88,042.54 for program oversight.

Ms. Diaz stated that the STEP program aims to strengthen partnerships with key stakeholders in the region who support students with disabilities (SWDs) by maintaining open referral pathways and improving access to services. The program would provide work experience, job preparation training, job exploration and postsecondary counseling, and self-advocacy training for SWDs.

Council Member Martindale asked the age of the individuals who would be served through this grant. Nuvia Varela, Program Manager with America Works, stated it was youth aged 16 to 21 with a known disability. Council Member Buttles asked how many students would be served. Ms. Varela indicated that 154 were served in years one and two of the grant, and another 64 would be served under the year three contract. Council Member Martindale asked if performance for previous years could be included in future agenda items of this nature. Mr. Konczal indicated that FRWDB staff would include that information in the future and would also bring quarterly performance reports to the Council for formula and grant funding.

MARTINDALE/WATSON – RECOMMENDED THAT THE FRWDB APPROVE THE STUDENT TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM YEAR THREE CONTRACT AWARD. (UNANIMOUS)

4. Ratification of New Youth Council Member

Mr. Konczal presented for the Council's recommendation for FRWDB approval, the ratification of Erin Evans to the Youth Council. Ms. Evans is the Associate Director Human Resources at the California Teaching Fellows Foundation.

MADDEN/METTERS – RECOMMENDED THAT THE FRWDB RATIFY ERIN EVANS AS A NEW YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER. (UNANIMOUS)

5. **Consent Items 5A – 5D**

Council Member Martindale pulled Consent Item 5D for discussion.

TUTUNJIAN/ MADDEN – APPROVED CONSENT ITEMS 5A THROUGH 5C. (UNANIMOUS)

Item 5D: Local Performance Results Report

Ms. Diaz presented the First Quarter Program Year (PY) 2025–2026 Youth Program Providers of Services Local Performance Results Report for FRWDB approval. Council Member Martindale noted prior challenges with the Rural West area being under-served and referenced the report showing in-school youth in the area remained under-served. She asked what steps were needed to help FRWDB meet its goals for this community. Mr. Konczal explained that the in-school youth goal for Rural West represents just under two percent (2%) of FRWDB's overall youth service goal. Ms. Varela reported that America Works and FRWDB continue outreach efforts to engage out-of-school youth in the area, while Ms. Espinosa described the marketing strategies being used. Phyllis Stogbauer, Senior Deputy Director, FRWDB, stated that securing office space in Coalinga for a consistent staff presence one (1) to two (2) days per week would be key to reaching out-of-school youth. Council Member Martindale offered to identify office space for provider staff, and Ms. Stogbauer indicated she would follow up to obtain the contact information.

Mr. Konczal stated that it was important to focus on enrollment in the Rural West, but that after all the efforts to increase enrollments in this area, the FRWDB may decide to move the funding to another area where young adults could be served, in which case FRWDB staff would bring an item to the Council to discuss and make recommendations on reallocation of funding.

MARTINDALE/METTERS – APPROVED CONSENT ITEM 5D. (UNANIMOUS)

6. **Youth Demographics Report**

Ms. Stogbauer presented the First Quarter PY 2025-2026 Youth Demographics Reports for the Council's review. She noted that there was very little change from the previous quarter's reports. There were no questions from the Council.

This was an information item.

7. **Agenda Items for February 19, 2026, Meeting**

Mr. Konczal indicated that the following items would be brought to the Council for recommendation at its February 19, 2026, meeting:

1) A policy recommendation that deals with how funding should be directed when an area is not meeting goals, and 2) FRWDB staff will provide a more detailed report about marketing efforts taken to increase enrollments in the Rural West.

Council Member Tutunjian requested that FRWDB staff bring an information item showing the STEP grant's performance over the past two (2) years.

8. **Meeting Feedback**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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AGENDA ITEM:	2
MEETING DATE:	February 19, 2026
ACTION:	INFORMATION

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Martha Espinosa, Deputy Director Marketing, Grants and Business Initiatives
SUBJECT: Youth Program Success Stories

INFORMATION:

Martha Espinosa, Deputy Director Marketing, Grants and Business Initiatives, Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB), will share the success stories for the FRWDB's Second Quarter Youth Business of Excellence Award winner, Midas, an auto service and repair center.

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AGENDA ITEM:	3
MEETING DATE:	February 19, 2026
ACTION:	RECOMMEND TO APPROVE

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Ashley Matthews, Senior Special Projects Manager
SUBJECT: ValleyBuild Earmark Grant Contract Awards

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) approve the reallocation of ValleyBuild Earmark Grant funds, State Budget Earmark passthrough by the California Workforce Development Board, as outlined below.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Through this modification, revised costs for proper billing and internal record keeping will be updated. ValleyBuild will be able to continue to meet contractual goals and increase overall growth and success of the program.

As this grant has been extended by six (6) months, to June 30, 2026, this recommended modification supports ValleyBuild by adding capacity to staffing, training, equipment and outreach funds to support the four (4) ValleyBuild cohorts scheduled in Fresno, Madera and Tulare. These cohorts are scheduled for March 2026 through June 2026. In addition, this modification would increase funding to Central Valley Pipe Trades to support an additional cohort in the Modesto region.

A detailed outline of the proposed budget changes can be found below.

	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Difference
FRWDB Administrative/Project Oversight	\$281,399.42	\$344,798.80	\$63,399.38
Outreach and Marketing	\$150,000.00	\$206,000.00	\$56,000.00
FRWDB Staff Travel	\$18,650.58	\$38,650.58	\$20,000.00
Participant Training Pool	-	\$226,220.31	\$226,220.31
Participant Work Experience	\$192,000.00	\$150,000.00	(\$42,000.00)
Participant Support Services	\$444,728.00	\$492,030.61	\$47,302.61
Michael Bernick	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	-
Tradeswomen, Inc.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	-
IMAGO	\$275,000.00	\$249,999.00	(\$25,001.00)
America Works	\$22,500.00	\$22,500.00	-
Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission	\$71,250.00	\$67,760.36	(\$3,489.64)

TBD Legal	\$45,000.00	-	(\$45,000.00)
Rios Company	\$227,300.00	\$268,753.40	\$41,453.40
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers – Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee	\$42,723.00	-	(\$42,723.00)
NorCal Laborers Training Trust	\$106,000.00	-	(\$106,000.00)
Mother Lode Job Training	\$161,260.00	-	(\$161,260.00)
Stanislaus County Workforce Development	\$117,986.00	-	(\$117,986.00)
San Joaquin Workforce Development Board	\$119,606.00	\$119,606.00	-
Modesto Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	\$72,780.00	\$90,520.00	\$17,740.00
San Joaquin Building Trades Council	\$125,343.00	\$125,343.00	-
Kern Inyo Mono Workforce Board	\$47,460.00	\$47,460.00	-
Kern Inyo Mono Building Trades Council	\$138,234.00	\$137,836.81	(\$397.19)
Baker Manock & Jensen	\$75,000.00	-	(\$75,000.00)
Drug Screens	\$2,520.00	\$29,016.45	\$26,496.45
Women's Conference	\$122,260.00	\$144,404.68	\$22,144.68
Graduation	\$6,000.00	\$19,100.00	\$13,100.00
Office Supplies	-	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Software	-	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Equipment	-	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
Total	\$3,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

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AGENDA ITEM: 4A

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ACTION: RECOMMEND TO ACCEPT

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Rebecca Moncivais, Monitoring Manager
SUBJECT: Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) accept the following Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report for the Second Quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025-2026.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

FRWDB staff conducts monitoring of all contracts to ensure compliance with federal, state, and local regulations and policies specific to programmatic and fiscal systems under the authority of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Sections 183(a) and 184(a)(4).

The attached tables provide the status of the fiscal and program monitoring for the Second Quarter of PY 2025-2026.

ATTACHMENT:

Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report – Second Quarter, Program Year 2025-2026

Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report
Second Quarter, Program Year 2025-2026

Fiscal Monitoring:

Fiscal monitoring of the following sub-recipients was completed during the second quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025-2026:

NONE

Fiscal monitoring of the following sub-recipients was in process at the end of the second quarter:

Sub-Recipient	Grant	Results
Equus Workforce Solutions PY 2025-2026, Initial Fiscal Review (November 2025)	Urban West Youth Services	Review in process
Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission PY 2025-2026, Initial Fiscal Review (November 2025)	Urban East Youth Services	Review in process
America Works of California, Inc. PY 2025-2026, Initial Fiscal Review (November 2025)	Rural West Youth Services	Review in process
Proteus PY 2025-2026, Initial Fiscal Review (December 2025)	Rural East Youth Services	Review in process

Young Adult Providers of Services' Monitoring Report
Second Quarter, Program Year 2025-2026

Program Monitoring:

Programmatic monitoring of the following sub-recipients was completed during the second quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025-2026:

Sub-Recipient	Grant	Results
Equus Workforce Solutions PY 2024-2025 (March 2025)	Urban West Youth Services	<p>Finding: 1) Participant contact issues</p> <p>Finding closed on 11/12/25</p>
Equus Workforce Solutions PY 2024-2025 (March 2025)	Youth Offender Services	<p>Findings: 1) Participant contact issues 2) CalJOBS Participant Plan issues 3) Youth service codes issue</p> <p>Findings closed on 11/12/25</p>

Programmatic monitoring of the following sub-recipient was in process at the end of the second quarter:

Sub-Recipient	Grant	Results
Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission PY 2025-2026 (November 2025)	Urban East Youth Services	Review in process

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Veronica McAlister, Associate Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Young Adult Satisfaction Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) accept the Young Adult Program Satisfaction Report for the Second Quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025-2026.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) Joint Powers Agreement states, in part, that FRWDB staff shall fulfill administrative responsibilities as set forth in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). These responsibilities include administering programs as described in the WIOA, developing budget plans, and carrying out additional administrative duties such as assessing performance and evaluating the benefit, productivity, and impact of all programs funded under the WIOA, as amended or superseded. FRWDB staff are also responsible for submitting progress reports to the appropriate governing bodies.

As part of these responsibilities, FRWDB staff have implemented the Young Adult Program Satisfaction process and data collection system. Subcontracted service providers submit youth satisfaction data to FRWDB staff on a monthly basis. The data is then aggregated, analyzed, and reviewed quarterly, and the findings are presented to this Council for review.

To further strengthen this process, FRWDB staff have introduced a new electronic satisfaction survey to enhance data accuracy, accessibility, and response rates among youth participants. The transition to this digital format will streamline data collection and enable more timely and comprehensive analysis of participant feedback.

The Second Quarter Young Adult Satisfaction Survey Report for PY 2025–2026 is attached for your review.

FRWDB staff continue to collaborate with service providers to improve processes that enhance young adult participant satisfaction. These improvements are based on data collected through satisfaction surveys, monitoring reviews, complaints, and monthly operations meetings between providers and FRWDB staff.

ATTACHMENT:

2025-2026 Quarter 2 Customer Satisfaction Survey

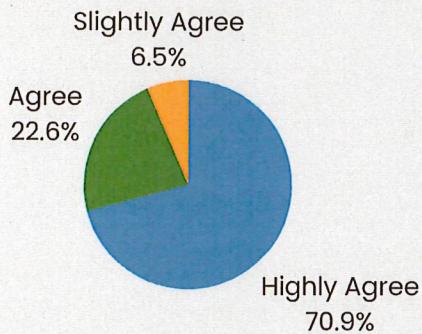
2025-2026 QUARTER 2 CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY



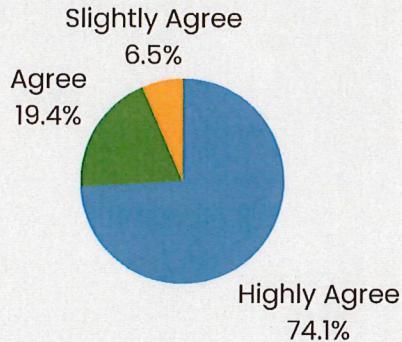
Young Adult Program Exit Survey

SURVEY QUESTIONS:

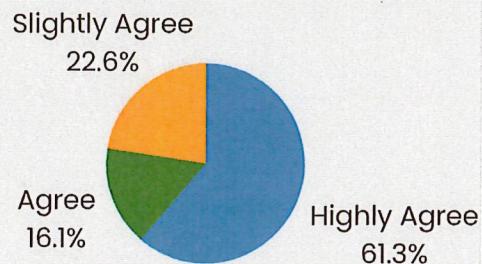
The Young Adult Program was helpful to me.



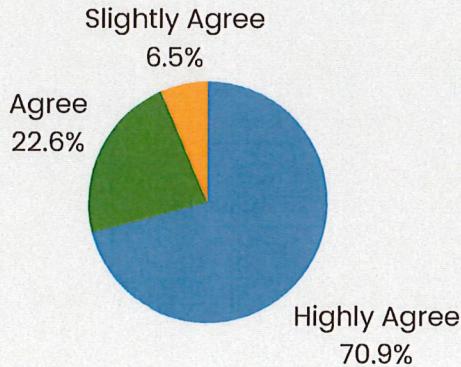
Staff was helpful during my time in the program.



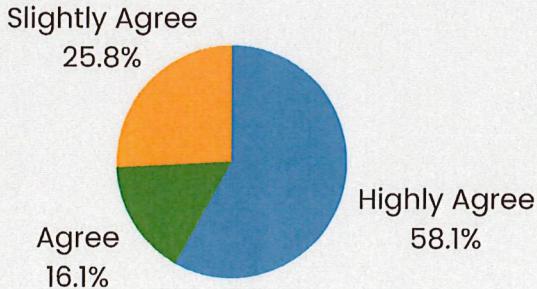
The assessments/tests helped me identify my career or educational interests?



The Young Adult Program provided me with the skills I needed to continue my education and/or get and keep a job.



The Young Adult Program helped me figure out what I want to do.



Total Participants Closed: 276

Total Participant Responses : 31

In School Youth: 46

Out of School Youth: 230

COMMENTS:

"When I visit the West Shaw location, I am not stressed. I can rely on WC staff to be helpful, insightful, and I leave from there accomplished."

"No suggestions or idea. Was really helpful overall."

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AGENDA ITEM:	4C
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ACTION:	RECOMMEND TO ACCEPT

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Veronica McAlister, Associate Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Local Performance Results Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) accept the attached Young Adult Program Providers of Services Local Performance Results Reports for the Second Quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025-2026.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The FRWDB Joint Powers Agreement states, in part, that FRWDB staff shall fulfill administrative responsibilities as set forth in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), including the administering of programs as described in the WIOA, as well as developing budgets and administrative plans. Additional administrative responsibilities shall include assessing the performance and evaluating the benefit, productivity, and impact of all programs funded under the WIOA, as amended or superseded, and submitting progress reports. FRWDB staff will submit both upon request and no less than every quarter.

The attached worksheets provide local performance results for each of the Young Adult Provider of Services for the Second Quarter of PY 2025-2026.

ATTACHMENT:

Young Adult Services Year-to-Date Local Performance Results – Second Quarter of Program Year 2025-2026

FRWDB "Young Adult Services"

Year-to-Date Local Performance Results

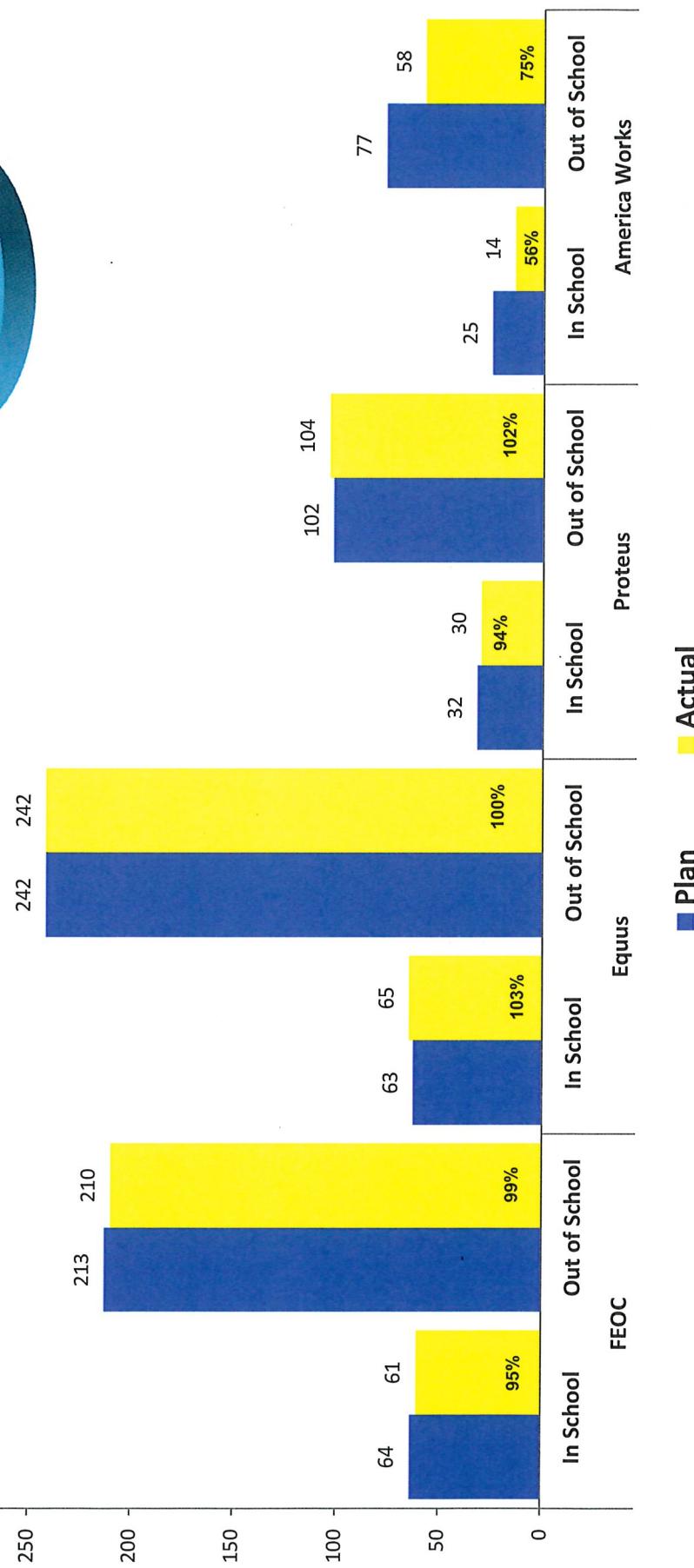
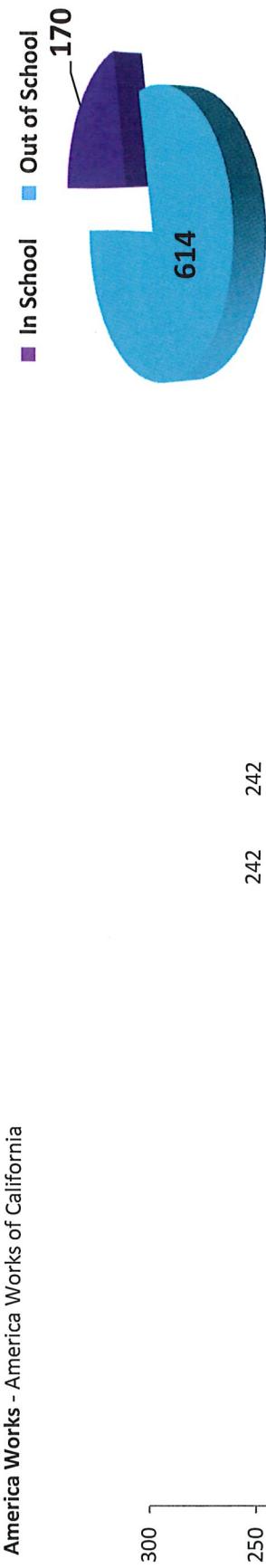
Program Year 2025-2026

July 2025 - December 2025

FEOC - Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission
Equus - Equus Workforce Solutions
Proteus - Proteus, Inc.
America Works - America Works of California

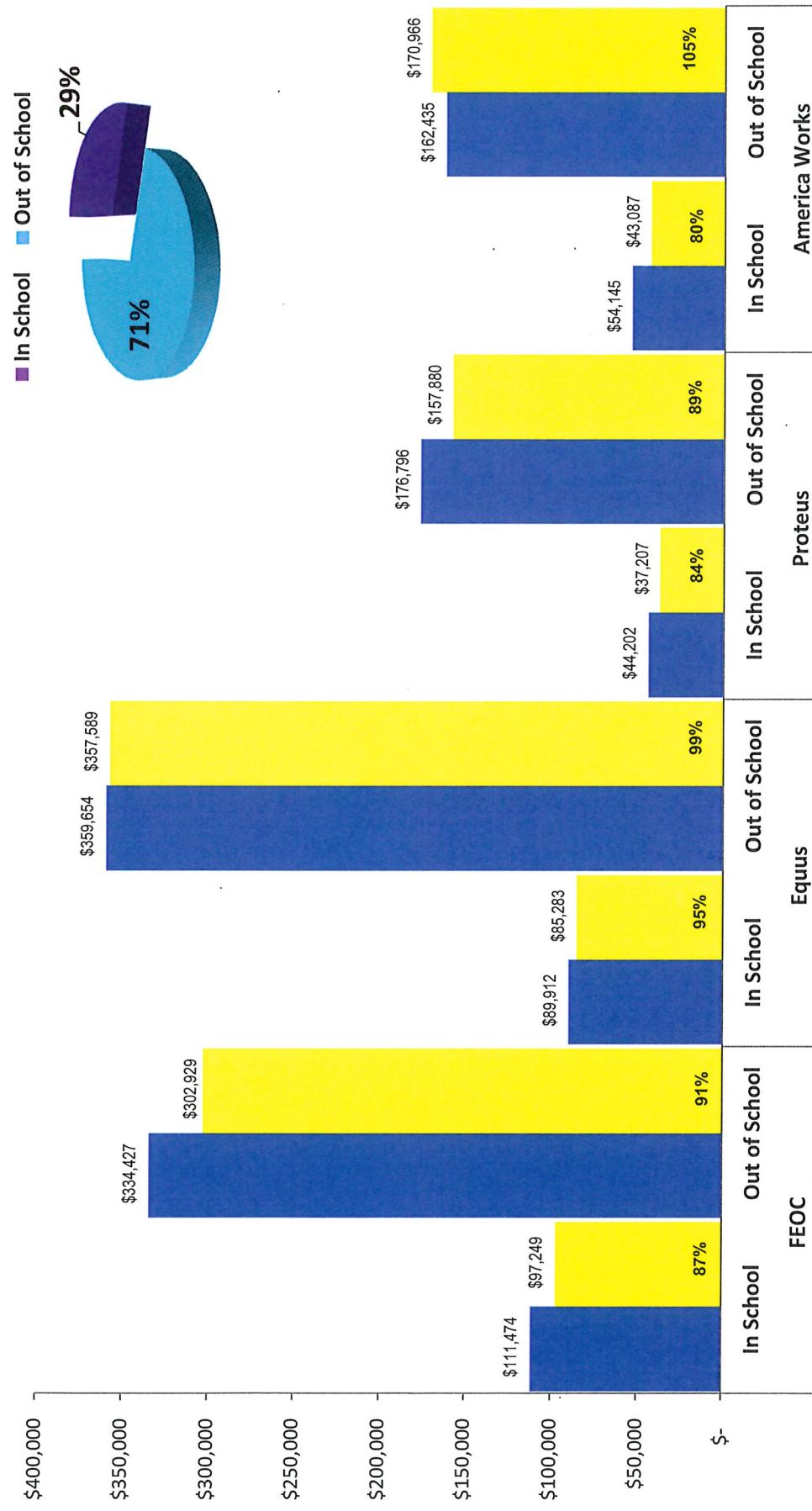
Youth Served

Total Served- 784



Youth Expenditures

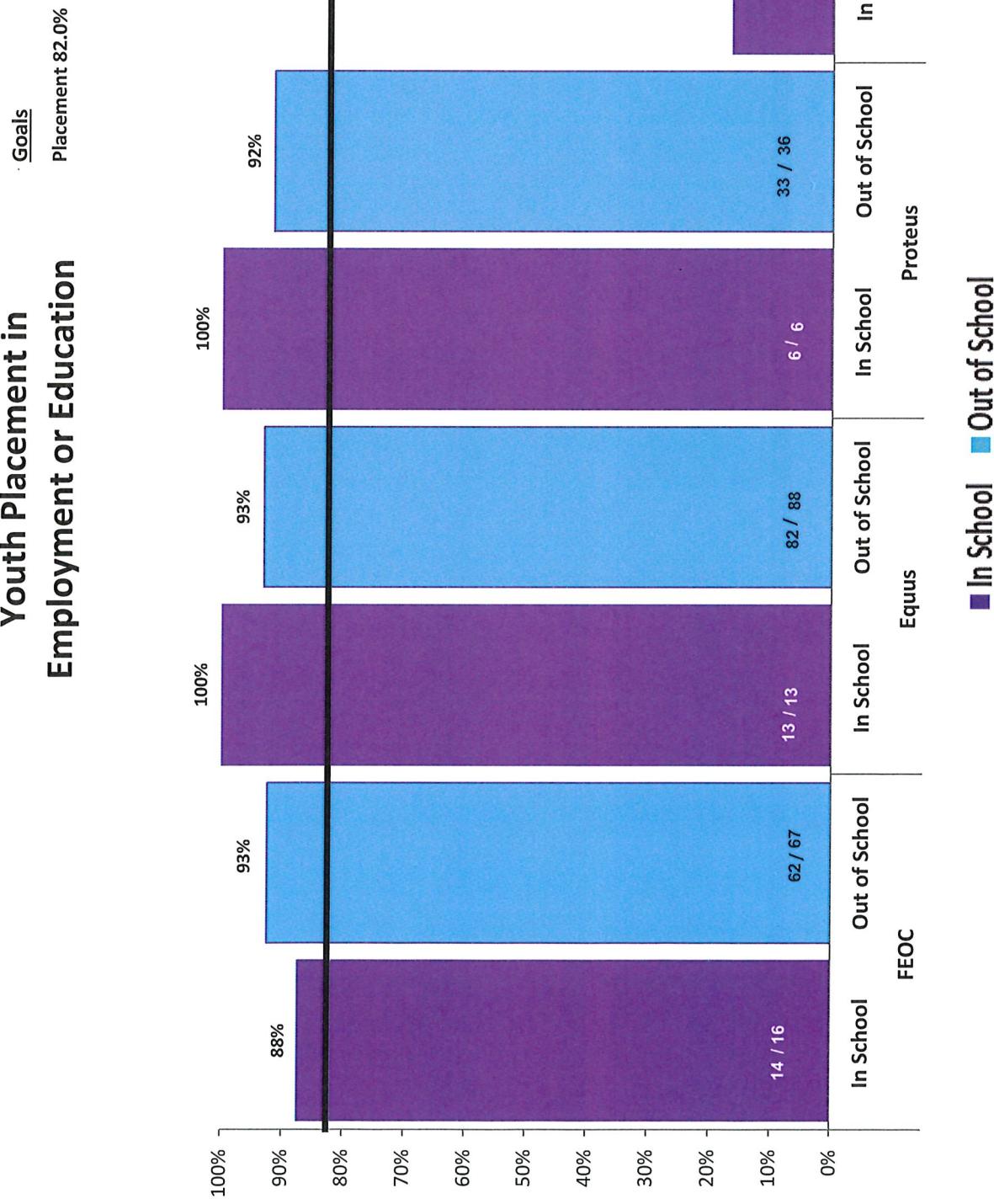
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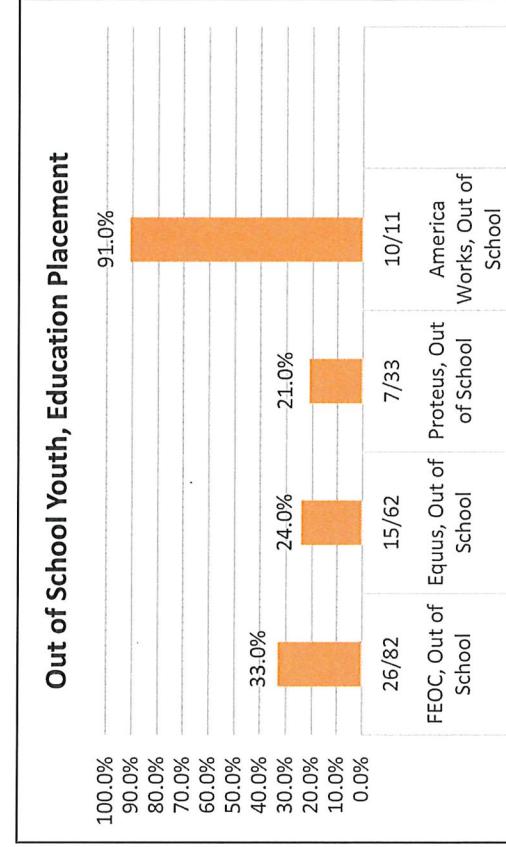
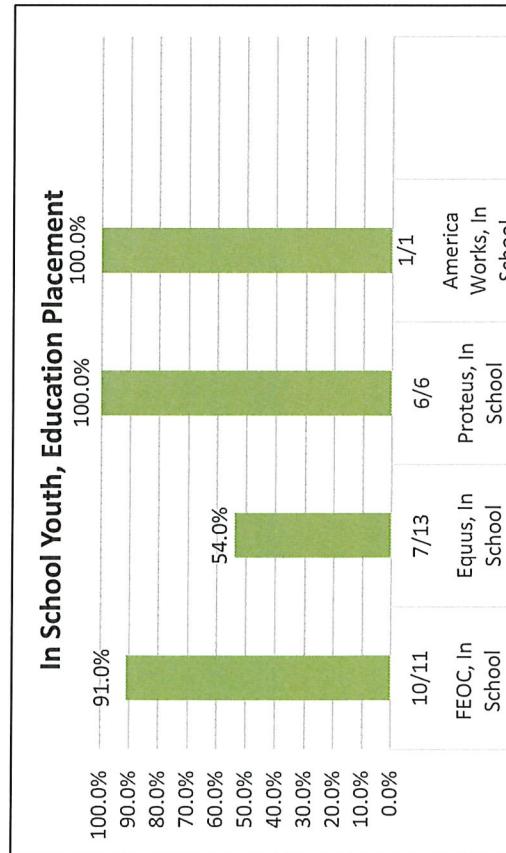
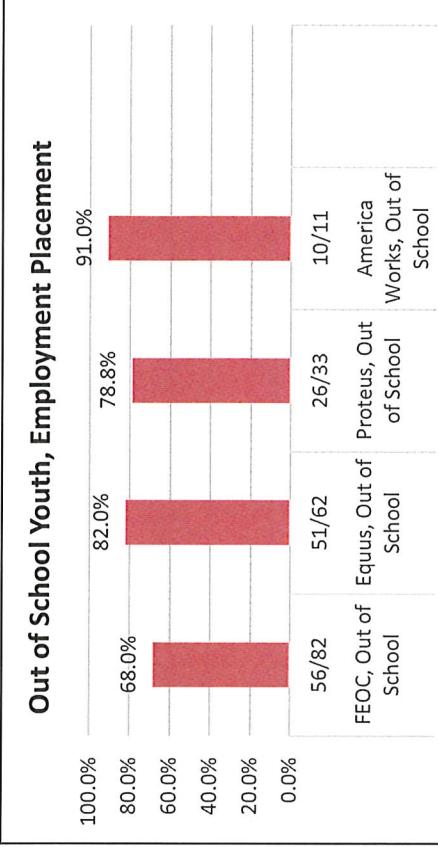
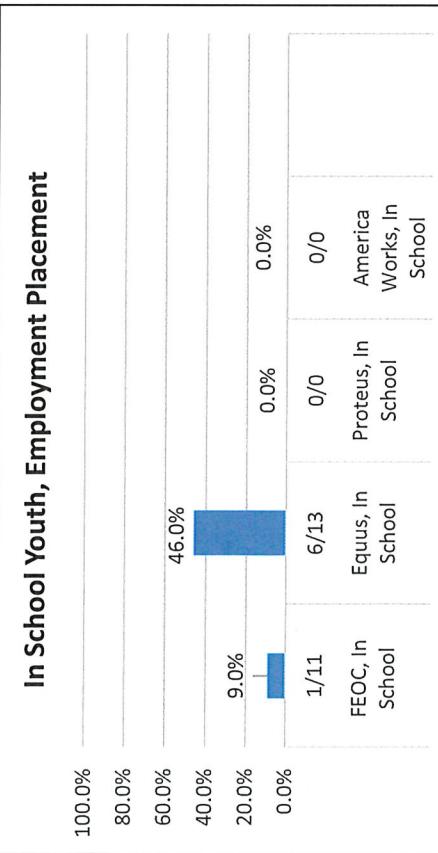


Note: WIOA mandates a minimum of 75% Out-of-School Expenditures and a maximum of 25% In-school Expenditures. The expenditures goal range is 95% to 100%.

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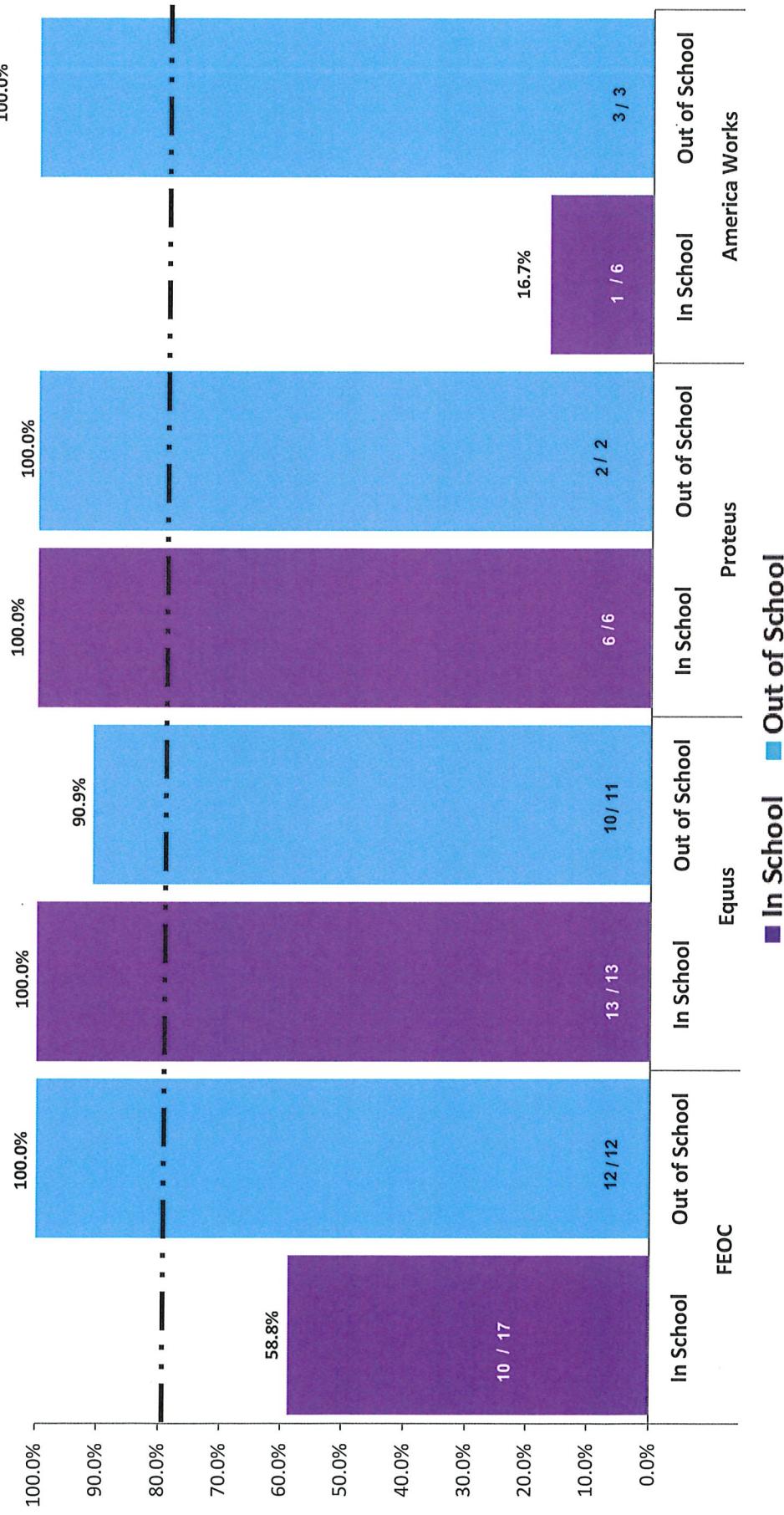
Youth Placement in Employment or Education



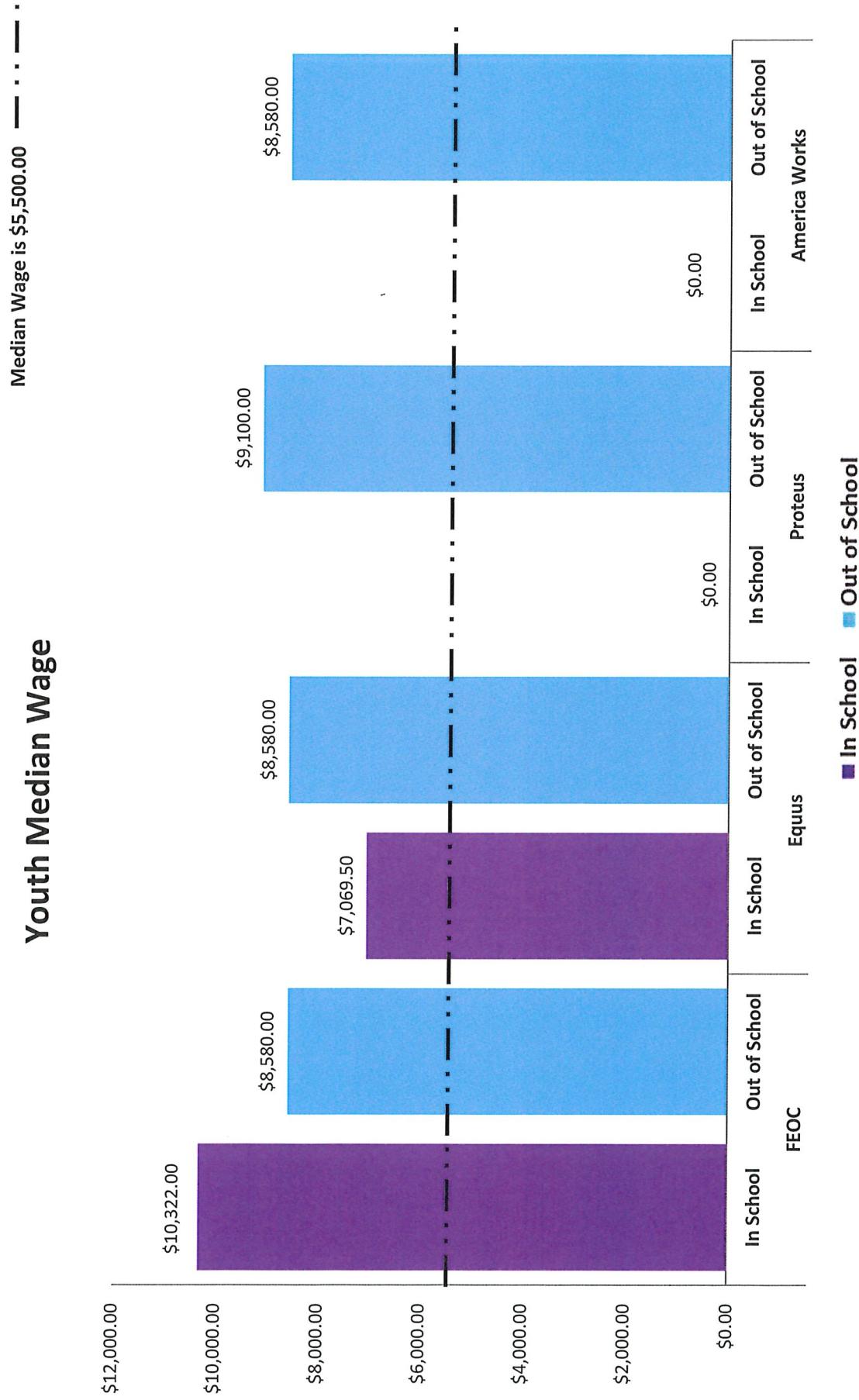


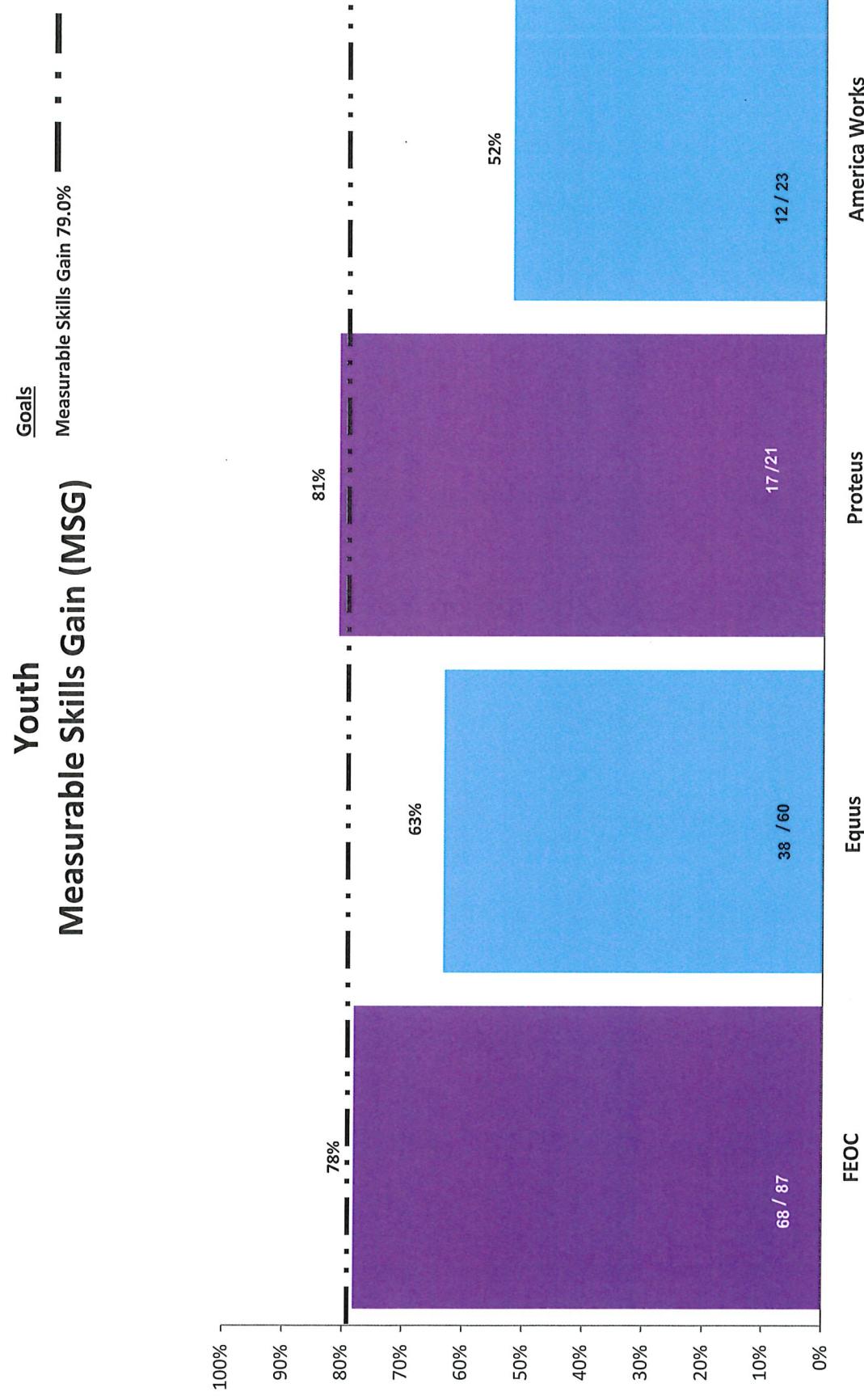
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Certificate of Attainment

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Youth Median Wage





Note: MSG Includes In-School & Out of School Youth

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Veronica McAlister, Associate Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Student Training and Employment Program Performance Overview

INFORMATION:

At the November 20, 2025, Youth Council meeting, Council Member Tutunjian requested Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) staff provide an overview of the Student Training and Employment Program's performance over the past two (2) years. Veronica McAlister, Associate Deputy Director, FRWDB, will provide the overview via PowerPoint presentation at the meeting.

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Veronica McAlister, Associate Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Young Adult Discretionary Grants Report

INFORMATION:

Competitive grant funding opportunities enable the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) to bring additional workforce development resources to Fresno and surrounding counties. Through various funding sources, these projects aim to establish pathways to employment in a variety of sectors and support the development of a resilient workforce.

Discretionary Grant Overview

Grant	Purpose	Grant End Date	Served to Date
Emergency Medical Services Corps	Prepares young adults for careers in emergency medical services through training, certification, and wraparound support.	01/31/2027	22
**Growth Opportunities	Prepare justice-involved youth and young adults for the world of work through education and training, paid work experience, mentorship, and leadership development.	08/31/2028	0
OneFresno Youth	Provides supportive services needed for employment.	05/31/2026	99
*Student Training and Employment Program (STEP) 2.0	Offers paid work experience and subsidized employment to help participants build skills and transition to unsubsidized jobs.	12/31/2025	53
**STEP 3.0	Offers paid work experience and subsidized employment to help participants build skills and transition to unsubsidized jobs.	12/31/2026	0

*This grant has ended.

**Client Services will start in spring 2026.

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ACTION:	INFORMATION

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Martha Espinosa, Deputy Director Marketing Grants and Business Initiatives
SUBJECT: Rural West Marketing

INFORMATION:

Martha Espinosa, Deputy Director Marketing Grants and Business Initiatives, Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board, will provide an in depth report of marketing efforts in the Rural West area.

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Phyllis Stogbauer, Senior Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Young Adult Demographics Report

INFORMATION:

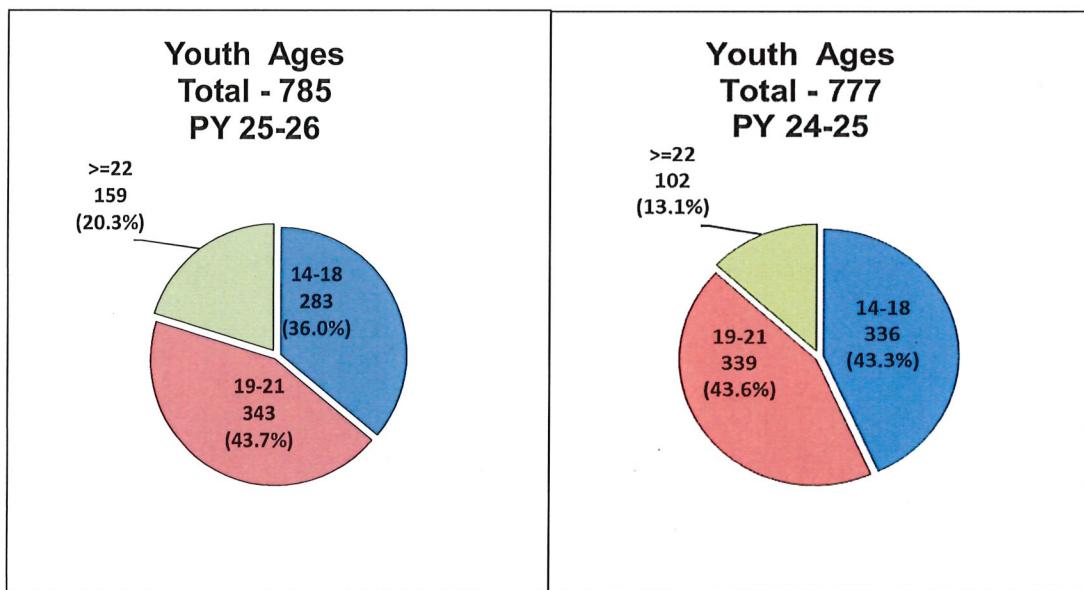
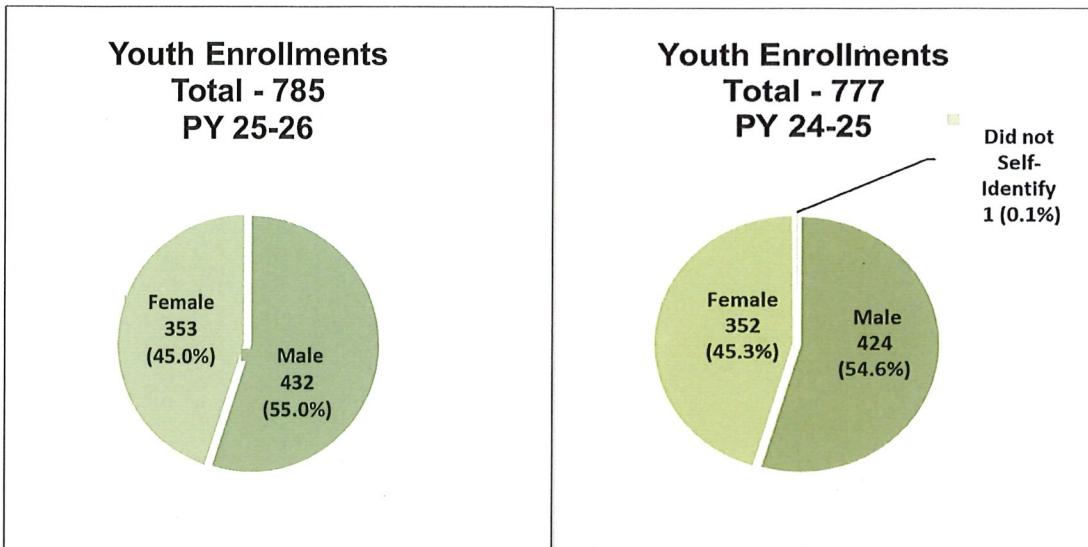
Per the Youth Council's direction, Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) staff provides cumulative quarterly reports on various demographic data for FRWDB's young adult enrollments. Attached are the reports for the Second Quarter of Program Year (PY) 2025–2026.

ATTACHMENT:

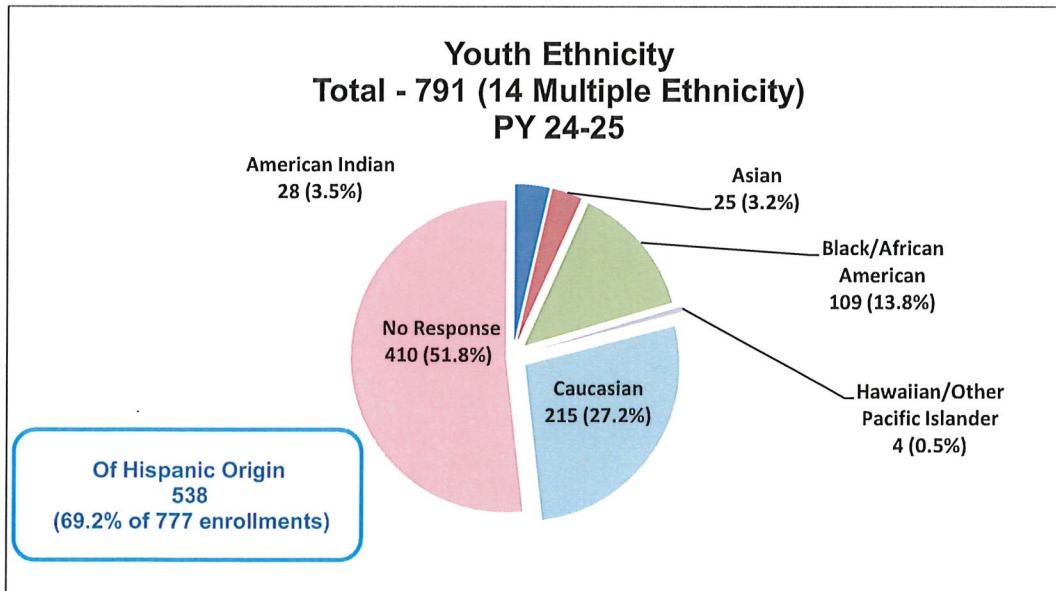
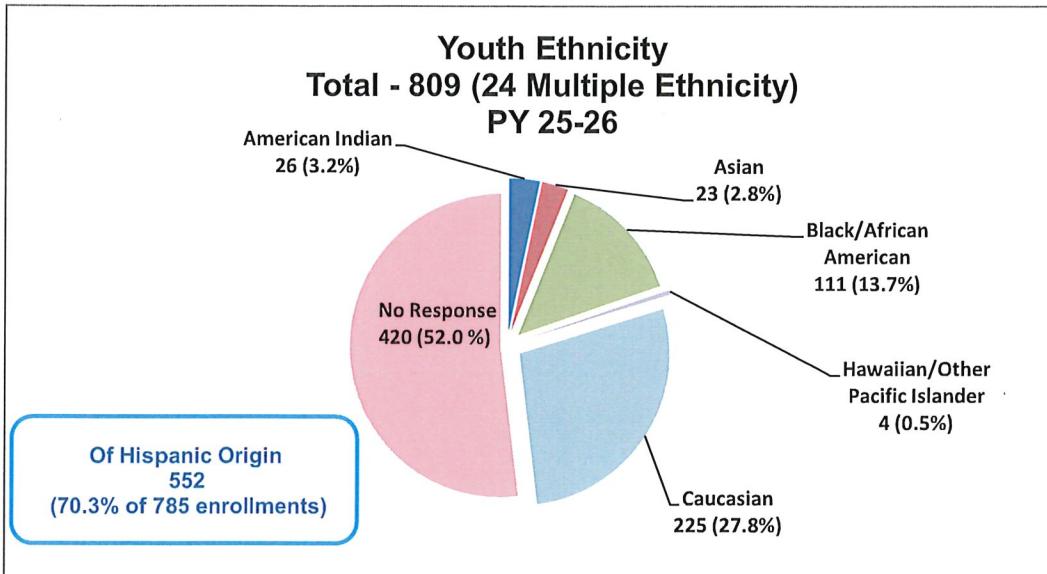
Young Adult Demographics – Second Quarter, Program Year 2025–2026



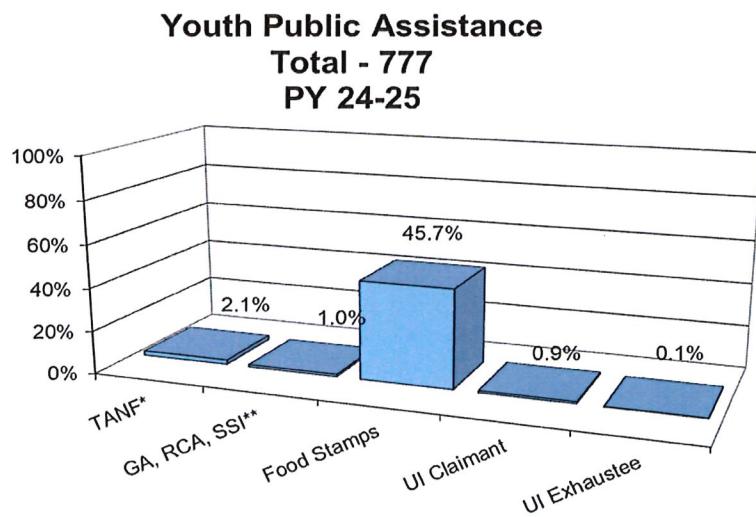
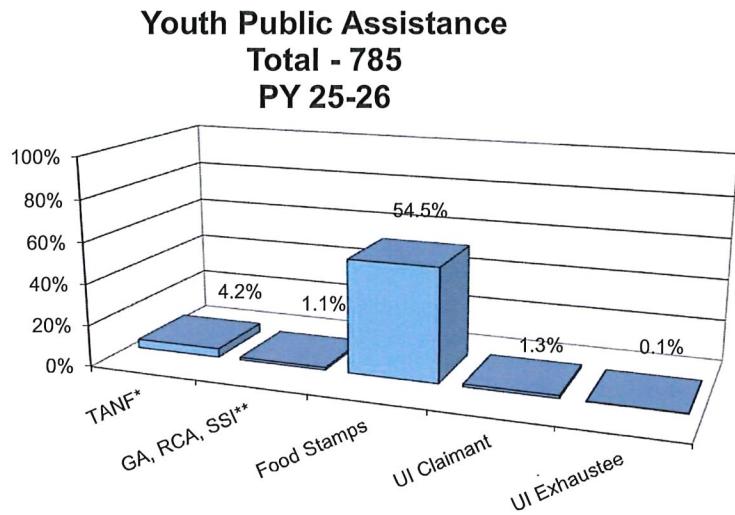
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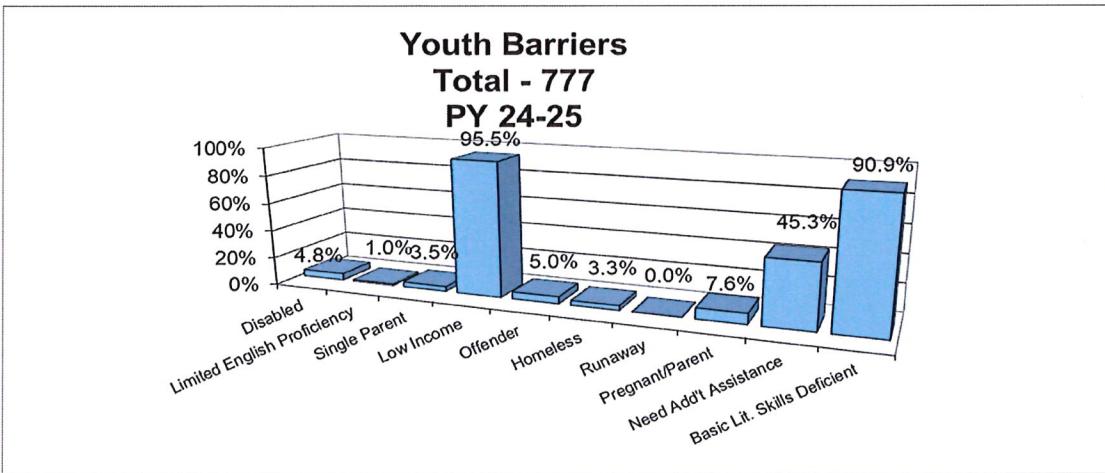
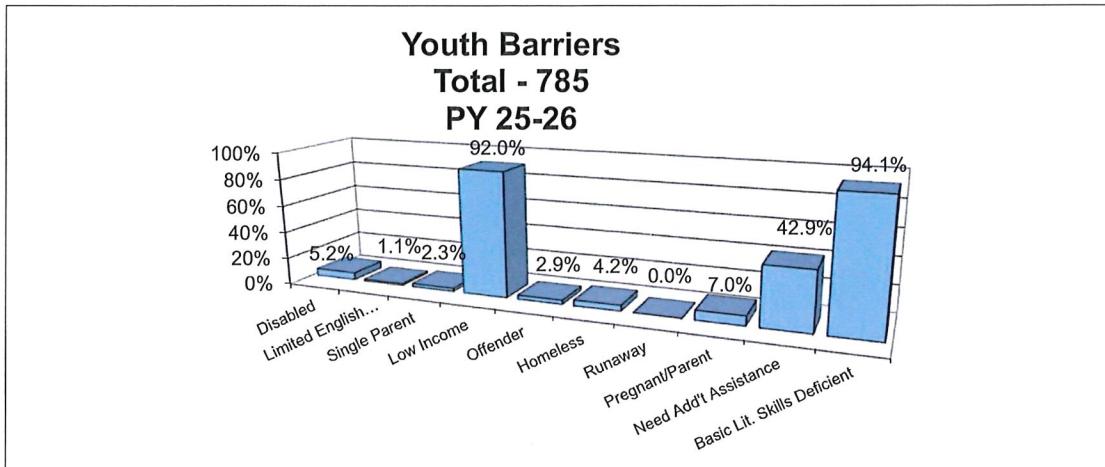


TANF - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

GA - General Assistance, RCA - Refugee Cash Assistance, SSI - Supplemental Security Income

UI - Unemployment Insurance

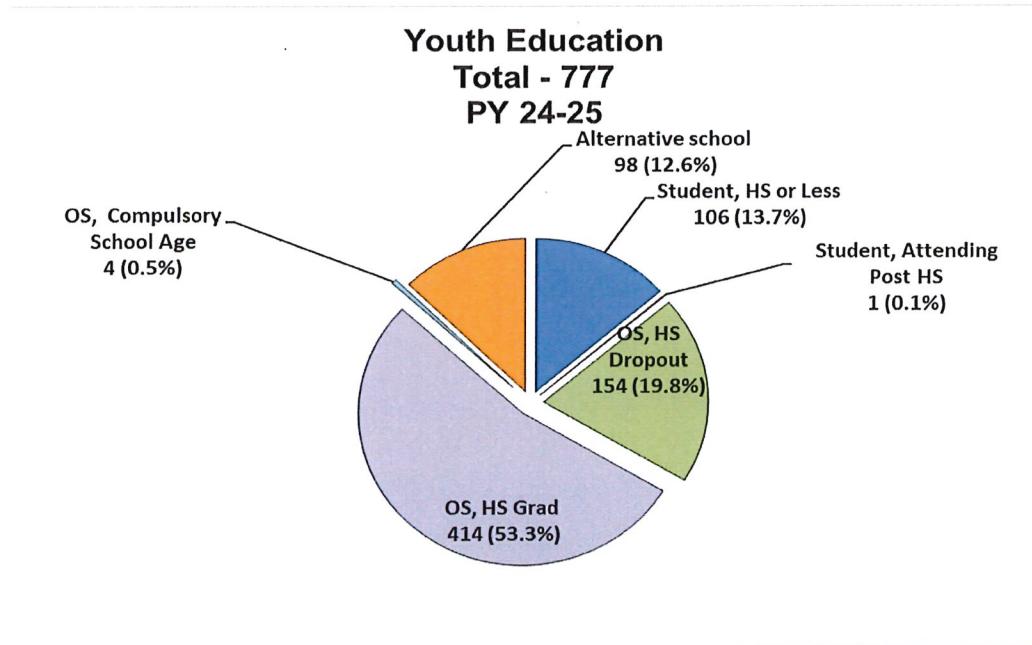
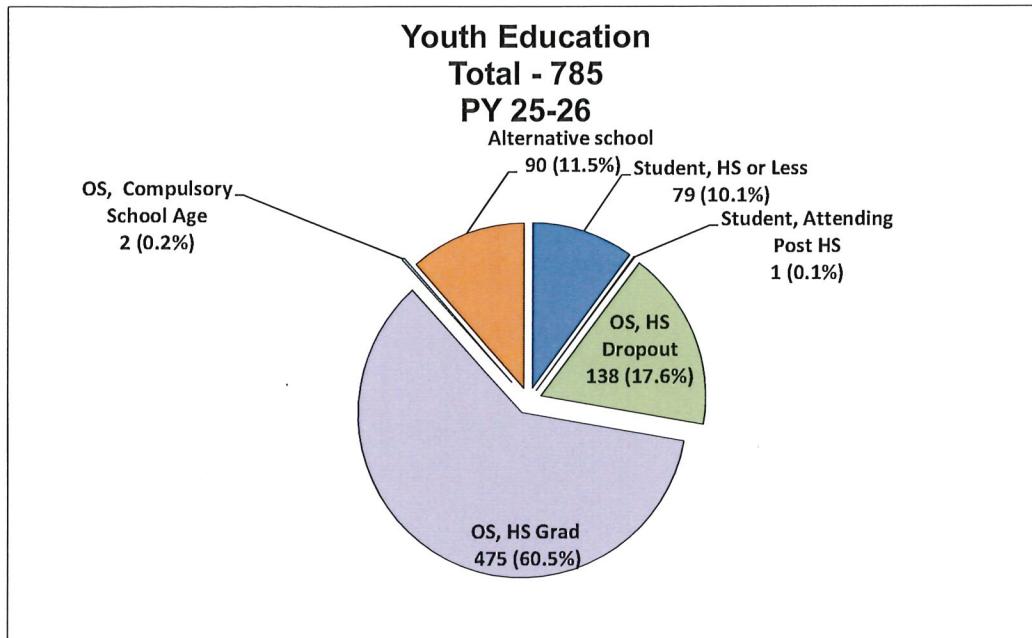
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Additional Assistance Barriers

1. Is at risk of dropping out of school
2. Gang Involved
3. Has experienced recent traumatic events, is a victim of abuse, or resides in an abusive environment
4. Has completed a substance abuse program
5. Poor Employment History (Older Youth ONLY)
6. Family Barriers (any one of the following):
 - a. Has a family history of long term unemployment;
 - b. During the past two years, parents/guardians have been unable to find and maintain full time stable employment;
 - c. Has a family history of long-term public assistance
7. Resides in a non-traditional family setting (any one of the following):
 - a. Being raised in a single parent household, without access to the financial and parenting support of another adult in the home;
 - b. Being raised by a guardian, relative or non-parent responsible for youth's care;
 - c. Parent is currently in jail or in prison or has been in jail or in prison for six months of the past two years

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TO: Youth Council
FROM: Blake Konczal, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Rural West Young Adult Services Funding Allocations

DISCUSSION:

Staff will present recommendations at the meeting regarding the allocation of funding for Rural West Young Adult Services, in light of low enrollment numbers.