



# YouthBuild

## **TEGLs**

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Guidance Letters



## **TENs**

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Notices

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) issues advisories to disseminate ETA's interpretations of Federal laws, procedural, administrative, management, program direction and other information to the states, direct grant recipients, and other interested parties. All ETA advisories are available at [www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/advisories](http://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/advisories).

YouthBuild grantees are advised to review TEGs, which transmit policy and operational guidance, and TENs, which communicate announcements of meetings, publications, or general information. Both advisories are classified with two sets of numbers – the first indicates the publication order within the ETA Program Year (PY) and the second indicates the PY of publication, e.g., TEG 10-16 was the tenth TEG published in PY 2016. Changes to advisories are issued as a change to the original document and located in the same year as the original document.

## YouthBuild Guidance

### [TEGL 06-15 – Qualifying Work Sites and Construction Projects for YouthBuild Grantees](#)

- Describes the level of construction work that qualifies a work site
- Clarifies activities that may be done in conjunction with work site training that do not qualify as training
- Provides suggestions for potential work site partners

### [TEGL 07-14, Change 1 – Guidance for Implementing Construction Plus](#)

- Provides resources for researching Labor Market Information to determine local in-demand fields
- Considerations attachment provides information to determine which Construction Plus fields to offer

### [TEGL 05-10, Change 1 – Match and Allowable Construction and Other Capital Asset Costs](#)

- Explains what construction-related costs are allowable with grant/match funds for work site training
- YouthBuild Selected Items of Cost attachment provides information on construction activities and costs

### [TEGL 35-12 – Definition and Guidance on Allowable Construction Credentials](#)

- Provides guidance on minimum level of certification allowable for each of the three nationally industry-recognized construction certifications, i.e., participants may need to complete more than one module

### [TEGL 14-09 – Mental Toughness/Orientation Allowable Costs](#)

- Provides information on allowable timeframes and costs during the Mental Toughness phase of programming
- Clarifies purpose and limitations of Mental Toughness

### [TEGL 11-16, Change 1 – YouthBuild Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Acts \(DBRA\)](#)

- Clarifies that YouthBuild participants are not exempt from prevailing wage requirements determinations for any project to which DBRA labor standards apply
- Provides information on how to determine when DBRA requirements apply
- Provides examples where prevailing wage requirements may not apply due to coverage thresholds

### [TEGL 02-10, Change 1 – The Use of YouthBuild Funds Provided by Separate Year Appropriations](#)

- Clarifies policy related to the administration of multiple YouthBuild grants from separate years
- Requires that participants be enrolled separately for each grant award, i.e., not enrolled in one grant and served with funds from another – each grant award is severable and separate

## ETA Guidance

### [TEGL 16-16 – One-Stop Operating Guidance for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act \(WIOA\)](#)

- Describes the designation of One-Stop Centers as American Job Centers to establish a framework for accentuating and implementing an integrated workforce delivery system
- Attachment II provides examples of how YouthBuild benefits from partnership with the One-Stop System

### [TEGL 17-16 – Infrastructure Funding for the One-Stop Delivery System](#)

- Provides additional guidance regarding the infrastructure funding for required One-Stop partners
- Describes infrastructure funding costs, types, and sources
- Shares how to determine proportionate share of infrastructure costs for each required partner
- Defines the Infrastructure Funding Agreement and its requirements

### [TEGL 12-22 – Award Closeout Process for Expired Grants and Agreements](#)

- Implements ETA's streamlined award closeout process
- Details the necessary documents to comply with the new process

### [TEN 25-19 – Understanding Postsecondary Credentials in the Public Workforce System](#)

- Clarifies the key elements of credentials

### [TEGL 15-23 -- Reporting Instances of Suspected Fraud, Program Abuse, and Criminal Conduct](#)

- Provides reporting procedures for (sub)recipients or other entities receiving funds (in)directly from ETA

### [TEN 23-23 – Quality Pre-Apprenticeship Programs](#)

- Describes quality pre-apprenticeship programs and provides examples in diverse settings
- Identifies how pre-apprenticeship programs can increase access to Registered Apprenticeship Programs

## WIOA Performance Guidance

### [TEGL 10-16, Change 3 – Performance Accountability Guidance for WIOA Core Programs](#)

- Defines the six performance indicators, including methodology for calculating
- Provides guidance related to participant enrollment and exit

### [TEGL 14-18 – Aligning Performance Accountability Reporting, Definitions, and Policies](#)

- Streamlines WIOA performance indicators and requirements, rescinds and eliminates outdated performance guidance, and clarifies existing ETA performance accountability policies that changed due to WIOA
- Attachment 11 describes the YouthBuild-specific details of the guidance and highlights areas where YouthBuild differs from the shared DOL performance guidance described in the main body and appendices of the TEGl
- <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/advisories/training-and-employment-guidance-letter-no-14-18>

### [TEGL 23-19, Change 3 – Guidance for Validating Required Performance Data](#)

- Provides guidelines for ensuring the data submitted for performance reporting are valid and reliable
- Clarifies the use of self-attestation to satisfy certain participant eligibility requirements
- YouthBuild-specific summary available on [WorkforceGPS](#)

### [TEGL 26-16 – Guidance on the Use of Supplemental Wage Information](#)

- Advises on the use of supplemental wage information to assist in performance accountability requirements
- Defines which sources of supplemental wage data are allowable for documentation

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## Research and Evaluation

DOL launched an evaluation of YouthBuild in 2010 and used a random assignment design to examine the impacts of the program as implemented by 75 sites operating nationwide. For the evaluation, eligible individuals in the 75 sites were assigned at random either to a program group, which was eligible to participate in YouthBuild, or to a control group, which was not eligible to participate in YouthBuild. Both groups had access to all other services available in the community.

### [Laying a Foundation: Four-Year Results from the National YouthBuild Evaluation](#) (November 2018)

- Presents key findings four years after random assignment into the study

### [Building a Future: Interim Impact Findings from the YouthBuild Evaluation](#) (November 2016)

- Presents the effects of YouthBuild 12 and 30 months after young people applied to participate

### [Adapting to Local Context: Findings from the YouthBuild Evaluation Implementation Study](#) (February 2015)

- Provides an overview of how the programs vary in organizational characteristics, services, and approach