



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT DEPARTMENT

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TO: LA's Workforce Development System

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**SUBJECT: WDS INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 27-02
COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SESSION ON THE L.A. YOUTH
WORKFORCE SYSTEM EVALUATION**

EFFECTIVE DATE

This information bulletin (bulletin) is effective upon the date of issuance.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to invite youth, service providers, employers, education partners, community organizations, public agencies, workforce system partners, advocates, and other interested stakeholders to review and provide feedback on the City of Los Angeles (City) Youth Workforce System (YWS) Evaluation: Interim Findings and Recommendations Brief, which is attached for reference.

The City will host an online Community Stakeholder Session and accept written feedback.

BACKGROUND

The City's Community Investment Department (CID) contracted with Social Policy Research Associates to evaluate the City's YouthSource Center (YSC) System and Hire LA's Youth (HLAY) program. The evaluation reviews access, service delivery, youth experience, career pathways, partnerships, data, and outcomes.

The interim briefing paper highlights strengths of the youth workforce system and recommends improvements related to:

- Youth engagement and barrier removal;
- Sector-based career pathways;

- HLAY's program design and tiered services;
- City, provider, and employer collaboration; and
- Provider funding, staffing, contracting, and data capacity.

Because the findings are preliminary, stakeholder feedback will help strengthen the final evaluation report and inform the upcoming YSC procurement.

COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER SESSION

On Wednesday, August 12, 2026, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm, the City will host an online Community Stakeholder Session to discuss the interim briefing paper and gather feedback directly from community members and youth workforce system partners.

Google Meet Information

Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2026

Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm PST

Video Call Link: <https://meet.google.com/rcj-ibtz-icv>

Or Dial: (US) +1 612-400-9183

PIN: 707 299 130#

To attend, simply add the Google Meet information above to your calendar OR, to receive a calendar invitation, email YouthData@lacity.org.

Participants are encouraged to review the interim briefing paper before the session. During the session, attendees will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the findings, recommendations, implementation considerations, and topics that should receive further attention in the final report.

WRITTEN FEEDBACK

Individuals who cannot attend the session, prefer to provide written feedback, or want to submit additional comments may use the Community Feedback Form below.

Feedback form: <https://forms.gle/Su99Q6bTkiizBumo6>

The deadline to provide feedback via the form is Friday, August 7, 2026 at 11:59pm.

Respondents do not need to answer every question on the form. They should respond to the questions most relevant to them and provide as much detail as possible. When possible, commenters are encouraged to identify the relevant section and page number in the interim briefing paper. Comments should not include confidential or personally identifying information about youth, participants, clients, or individual staff members.

WORKFORCE SYSTEM PARTNER ACTION

The YSCs, HLAY providers, WorkSource Centers (WSC), and other workforce system partners are requested to:

- Share this bulletin with staff, youth, employers, community partners, and other interested stakeholders.
- Encourage stakeholders to review the interim briefing paper.
- Promote attendance at the Community Stakeholder Session.
- Share the written feedback form with individuals who cannot attend or prefer to comment in writing.

CONTACT

For questions about the Community Stakeholder Session or feedback process, please contact Ramon Covarrubias at YouthData@lacity.org.

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Attachment: City of Los Angeles Youth Workforce System Evaluation: Interim Findings and Recommendations Brief