



**Workforce Alliance (WA) Executive Committee  
Meeting Agenda**

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Wednesday, June 10, 2026 • 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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1. **Welcome and Introductions:** Keith Lawing (11:30)
2. **Wichita Workforce Center Remodel Update:** Chad Pettera (11:35)  
*An update will be provided on the remodel project of the Wichita Workforce Center.*  
**Recommended Action:** *Receive and file.*
3. **Program Year 2025 (PY25) Budget Review & Proposed Program Year 2026 (PY26) Budget Presentation:** Chad Pettera (11:40) (pp. 2-8)  
*Staff are reviewing the Program Year 2025 budget and presenting a proposed budget for Program Year 2026.*  
**Recommended Action:** *Approve the proposed PY25 budget with authorization to make adjustments once final carry over funding is known.*
4. **State Proposed Training Expenditure Policy:** Keith Lawing (11:50) (pp. 9-10)  
*The WA provided comments on a policy adopted by the Kansas Department of Commerce and the KansasWorks State Workforce Board that could have unintended consequences to “One-Stop” operations and support for skills training opportunities.*  
**Recommended Action:** *Take appropriate action.*
5. **Community Impact Project Updates:** Amanda Duncan (12:00)
  - *Ad Astra Technology Summit 2026*
  - *Youth Employment Project (YEP) and Jobs FORE Youth Golf Tournament*
  - *Kaufmann Returning Citizen Consortium (RCC) Planning Grant*
  - *Homeless Veterans’ Reintegration Program (HVRP)*
  - *EPA Brownfields Grant***Recommended Action:** *Take appropriate action.*
6. **Consent Agenda:** Keith Lawing (12:15)
  - A. *Approval of Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2026 (pp.11-14)*
  - B. *On-the-Job-Training (OJT) Contract for Prime Craftsman (p. 15)*
  - C. *Operations & One-Stop Operator Report (pp. 16-24)*
  - D. *Reports: Registered Apprenticeship and Communications (pp. 25-30)***Recommended Action:** *Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.*
7. **Adjourn:** Keith Lawing (12:30)

*The next WA Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 11:30 a.m.*

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## Workforce Alliance Consolidated Budget PY25

July 2025 - June 2026

*Expenditures Through 3/30/2026*

Category	WIOA				Community Impact Funds				Consolidated			
	Budget	March Expenditures	YTD Expenditures	% Budget Remaining	Budget	March Expenditures	YTD Expenditures	% Budget Remaining	Budget	March Expenditures	YTD Expenditures	% Budget Remaining
Wages	\$ 1,675,282	\$ 102,131	\$ 898,623	46%	\$ 1,149,341	\$ 100,012	\$ 1,087,563	5%	\$ 2,824,623	\$ 202,143	\$ 1,986,186	30%
Fringe	\$ 412,880	\$ 30,517	\$ 240,423	42%	\$ 282,472	\$ 16,615	\$ 217,804	23%	\$ 695,352	\$ 47,132	\$ 458,227	34%
Facilities	\$ 262,996	\$ (33,477)	\$ 200,241	24%	\$ 141,360	\$ 9,710	\$ 92,666	34%	\$ 404,356	\$ (23,767)	\$ 292,907	28%
Contract/Pro Fees	\$ 58,685	\$ 18,394	\$ 63,934	-9%	\$ 31,063	\$ 13,427	\$ 41,465	-33%	\$ 89,748	\$ 31,821	\$ 105,399	-17%
Supplies/Equipment	\$ 28,049	\$ 3,132	\$ 27,834	1%	\$ 22,325	\$ 2,176	\$ 24,675	-11%	\$ 50,374	\$ 5,308	\$ 52,509	-4%
IT	\$ 88,800	\$ 13,025	\$ 35,988	59%	\$ 67,290	\$ 12,816	\$ 65,706	2%	\$ 156,090	\$ 25,841	\$ 101,694	35%
Outreach/Cap Building	\$ 31,120	\$ 744	\$ 13,716	56%	\$ 78,010	\$ 5,286	\$ 71,505	8%	\$ 109,130	\$ 6,030	\$ 85,221	22%
Travel/Conferences	\$ 44,568	\$ 2,129	\$ 23,344	48%	\$ 35,860	\$ 1,943	\$ 31,278	13%	\$ 80,428	\$ 4,072	\$ 54,622	32%
Grants Awarded	\$ 185,000	\$ 4,429	\$ 25,058	86%	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 133,447	-78%	\$ 260,000	\$ 4,429	\$ 158,505	39%
Staff Development	\$ 7,890	\$ -	\$ 889	89%	\$ 12,050	\$ -	\$ 631	95%	\$ 19,940	\$ -	\$ 1,520	92%
Indirect	\$ 302,184	\$ 8,628	\$ 103,270	66%	\$ 295,000	\$ 21,495	\$ 315,511	-7%	\$ 597,184	\$ 30,123	\$ 418,781	30%
Misc/Dep/Int	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ 27,000	\$ 13,237	\$ 19,530	28%	\$ 27,000	\$ 13,237	\$ 19,530	28%
Work Experience	\$ 862,749	\$ 47,846	\$ 463,747	46%	\$ 325,000	\$ 10,590	\$ 401,051	-23%	\$ 1,187,749	\$ 58,436	\$ 864,798	27%
On The Job Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ 765,250	\$ -	\$ 254,164	67%	\$ 765,250	\$ -	\$ 254,164	67%
Incentives	\$ 2,000	\$ 100	\$ 300	85%	\$ 74,000	\$ 550	\$ 21,525	71%	\$ 76,000	\$ 650	\$ 21,825	71%
Occupational Training	\$ 186,201	\$ 2,709	\$ 39,643	79%	\$ 780,000	\$ 53,441	\$ 512,879	34%	\$ 966,201	\$ 56,150	\$ 552,522	43%
Supportive Services	\$ 139,704	\$ 11,582	\$ 72,833	48%	\$ 379,200	\$ 1,195	\$ 60,231	84%	\$ 518,904	\$ 12,777	\$ 133,064	74%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,288,108</b>	<b>\$ 211,889</b>	<b>\$ 2,209,843</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>\$ 4,540,221</b>	<b>\$ 262,493</b>	<b>\$ 3,351,631</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>\$ 8,828,329</b>	<b>\$ 474,382</b>	<b>\$ 5,561,474</b>	<b>37%</b>

**Analysis**

Budget: The PY25 budget reflects expenditures from July 2025 through March 2026. While the contract line item is currently overspent for the year, there are surpluses in other budget categories, so this is not a concern at this time.

The budget provides a breakdown of funding between WIOA (LWDB budget) and non-WIOA sources (Community Impact Funds), as well as combined totals. Direct client spending accounts for 33% of total expenditures so far this fiscal year, totaling \$1,826,373.

**Recommended Action**

Receive and file.

**Item**

Program Year 2025 (PY25) Budget Review and Draft Program Year 2026 (PY26) July 2026 – June 2027 Budget

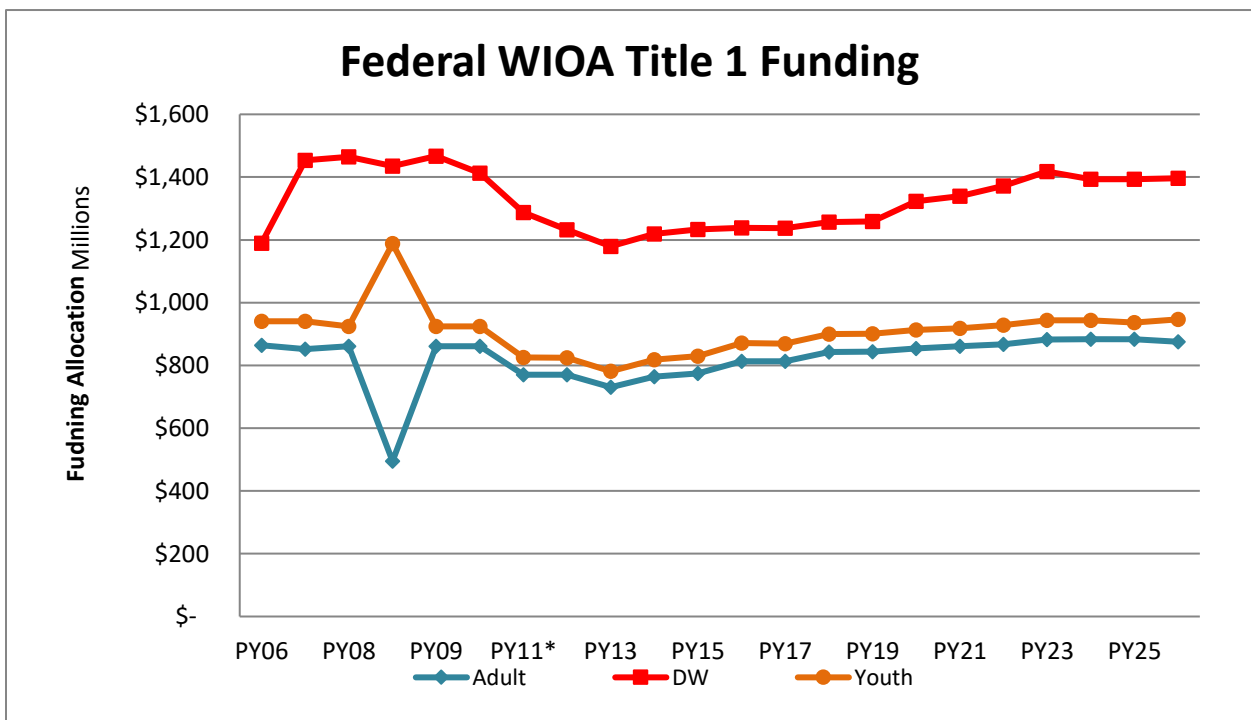
**Background**

The federal government released state funding levels for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) for program/fiscal year that starts July 1, 2026, the final allocations from the Kansas Department of Commerce (KDC) have not been released, but are expected soon. A draft PY26 is being presented based on level WIOA funding, and staff bringing back a final budget to the committee once allocations are received from KDC.

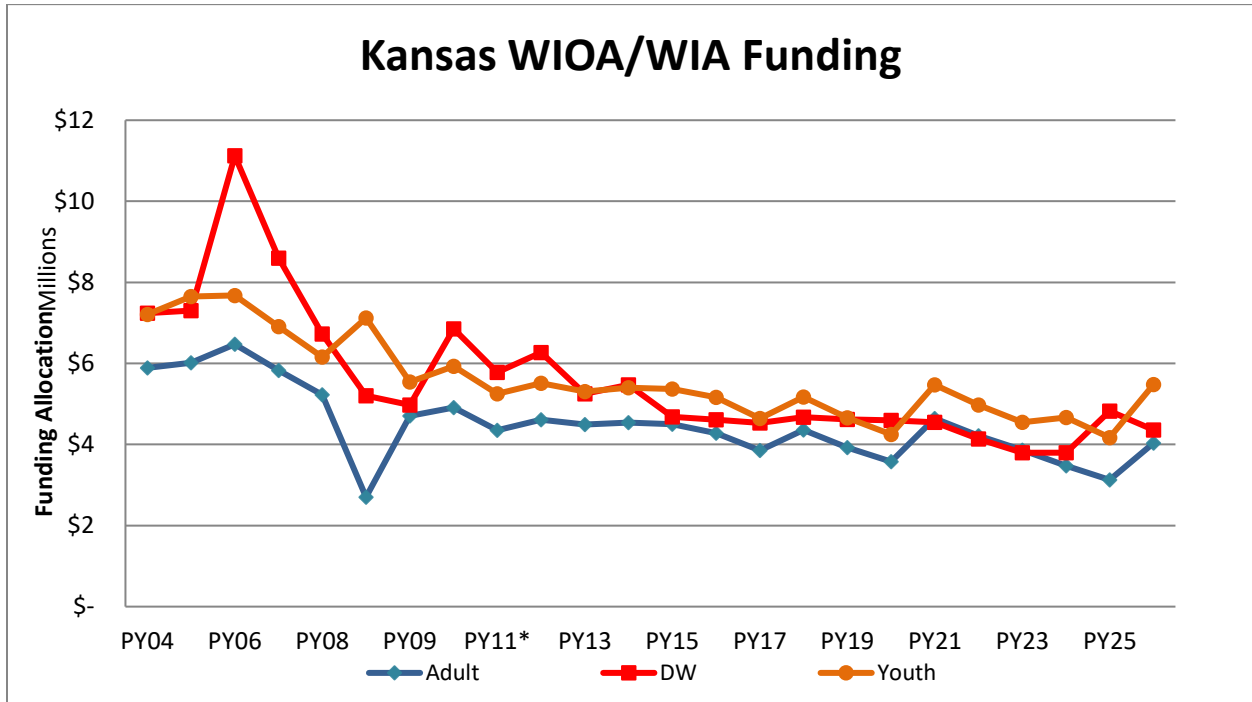
**Analysis**

Overall total WIOA funding allocated to the states increased 0.15% or \$4.9 million from last year. Funding for the individual programs is estimated at Adult at \$8.75 million, Dislocated Worker \$1.4 billion, and Youth \$9.3 million.

	PY26	PY25	Change \$	Change %
Adult	\$875,480,000	\$883,351,000	\$(7,871,000)	-0.90%
Dislocated Worker	\$1,396,161,000	\$1,393,378,000	\$2,783,000	0.20%
Youth	\$946,979,800	\$936,974,800	\$10,005,000	1.06%
Total	\$3,218,650,800	\$3,213,703,800	+\$4,917,000	0.15%

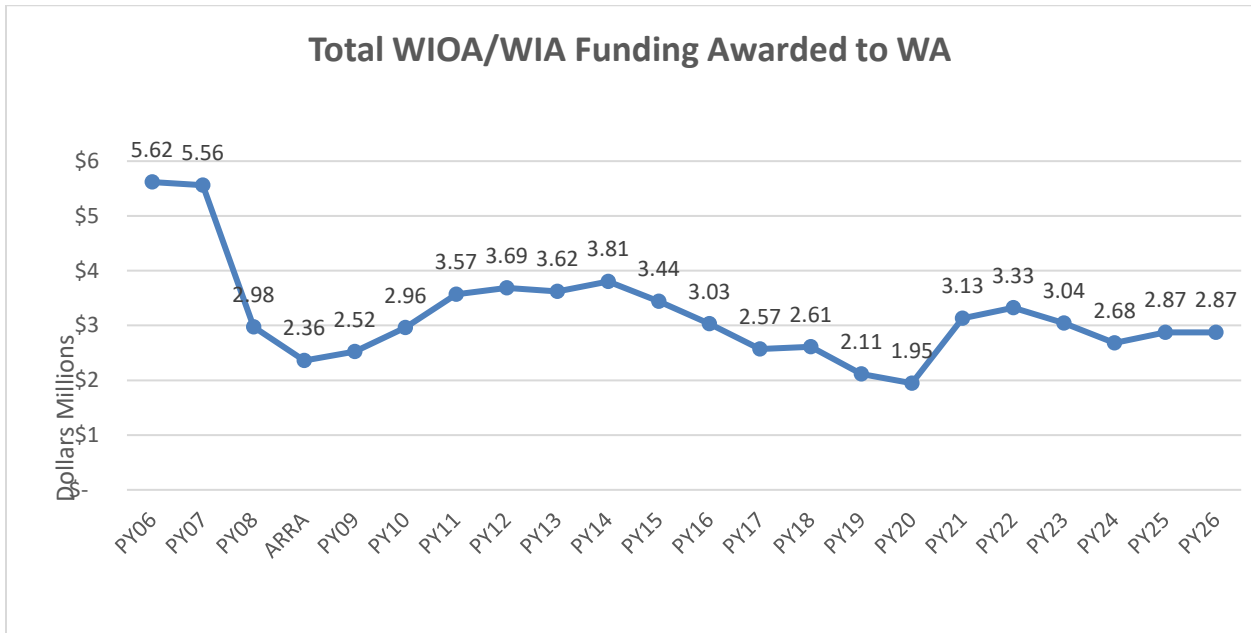
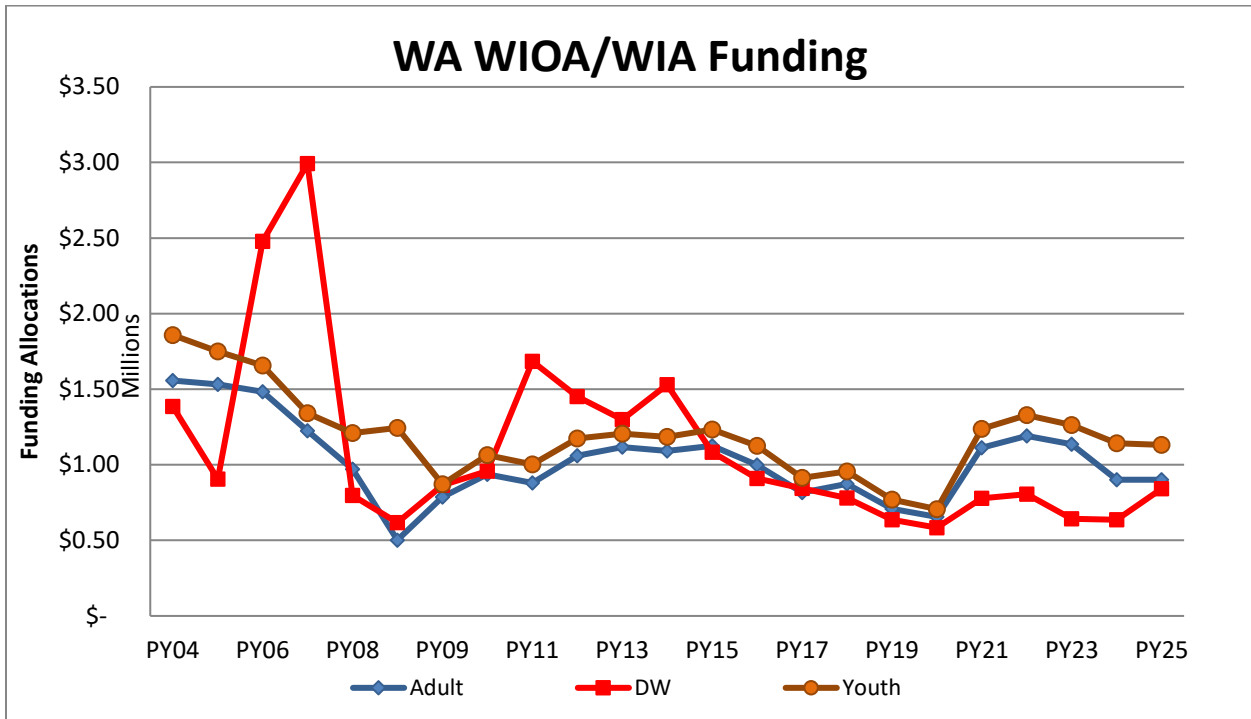


WIOA funding for the State of Kansas for all funding streams is increasing 13% from PY25 with an increase in Adult and Youth. Adult is increasing from \$3.1 to \$4.0 million (24%), Dislocated Worker is decreasing 4.8 million to \$4.3 million (-11.6%), Youth funding is increasing from \$4.2 to \$5.5 million (25.8%). Overall Kansas will see an increase of 13.5% or \$1.7 million.



WIOA funding streams allocated to the WA over the past four years. (PY26 Estimated)

WA Allocation	PY26	PY25	PY24	PY23
<b>Adult</b>	\$901,304	\$901,304	\$901,686	\$1,135,921
<b>DW</b>	\$841,273	\$841,273	\$636,439	\$642,268
<b>Youth</b>	\$1,131,151	\$1,131,151	\$1,143,159	\$1,262,607
<b>Total</b>	\$2,873,728	\$2,873,728	\$2,681,284	\$3,040,796



**Other CIF Planned Revenue Sources for PY26**

- Senior Community Services Community Services Program- \$751,915
- Rapid Response- \$42,875
- Work Based Learning- \$147,125
- PACES- \$24,192
- YEP- \$100,622
- REAP- \$86,510

OKEP- \$85,400  
 Evergy- \$104,125  
 EPA Brownfields- \$228,130  
 Vets HVRP- \$495,450  
 SNAP- \$14,740  
 Total Other Planned Revenue for PY26- \$2,946,005

Overall the PY26 Budget for the organization is decreasing next fiscal year from \$8,828,329 million to \$6,898,215 million. There is a reduction in wage/fringe, operations costs as well as for customer training. WA has not filled some positions in the past several months, to avoid layoffs and some of the current funded FTEs may be covered by grants in process. The planned budget allocates 34% of funds to direct client services which include work experience, training and supportive services.

History of WA Budgets by Fiscal Year

	WIOA	CIF	Total
PY26	\$4,654,001.00	\$2,244,214.00	\$6,898,215.00
PY25	\$4,274,005.00	\$4,554,324.00	\$8,828,329.00
PY24	\$4,411,852.00	\$5,238,160.00	\$9,650,012.00
PY23	\$4,521,839.00	\$5,938,723.00	\$10,460,562.00
PY22	\$4,798,226.00	\$5,237,078.00	\$10,035,304.00
PY21	\$4,121,313.00	\$5,762,762.00	\$9,884,075.00
PY20	\$3,612,962.00	\$6,974,078.00	\$10,587,040.00
PY19	\$3,461,552.00	\$4,189,013.00	\$7,650,565.00
PY18	\$4,108,420.00	\$4,016,105.00	\$8,124,525.00

The Workforce Alliance Finance Committee reviewed and approved the budget at their meeting on June 1, 2026 and recommended approval by the Chief Elected Officials Board (CEOB). The Committee will meet again to review and approve an updated budget after funding allocations have been received from the State of Kansas.

The CEOB reviewed and approved the proposed budget at their meeting on June 4, 2026.

**Recommended Action:** *Approve the proposed budget with authorization to make adjustments once final funding levels are release by the Kansas Department of Commerce.*

**Proposed Workforce Alliance PY26 Budget  
July 2026 - June 2027**

**Planned Revenues**

Revenue Stream	PY25 Carry Over	PY26 Allocation	Transfer (up to 100%)*	Total PY26 Funding	% of Budget
Adult	\$ 250,000	\$ 856,239	\$ 400,000	\$ 1,506,239	21.84%
Dislocated Worker	\$ 315,000	\$ 799,209	\$ (400,000)	\$ 714,209	10.35%
RRAA/Set A Side	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	0.00%
Youth	\$ 425,000	\$ 1,018,036		\$ 1,443,036	20.92%
Admin	\$ 125,727	\$ 70,000		\$ 195,727	2.84%
Senior	\$ -	\$ 751,915		\$ 751,915	10.90%
Rapid Response*	\$ -	\$ 42,875		\$ 42,875	0.62%
Pathway 6	\$ -	\$ 198,519		\$ 198,519	2.88%
DOCK	\$ -	\$ 22,185		\$ 22,185	0.32%
REAP	\$ -	\$ 86,510		\$ 86,510	1.25%
PACES	\$ -	\$ 24,192		\$ 24,192	0.35%
YEP	\$ -	\$ 100,622		\$ 100,622	1.46%
EPA	\$ -	\$ 228,130		\$ 228,130	3.31%
Evergy	\$ -	\$ 104,125		\$ 104,125	1.51%
RETAIN	\$ -	\$ 594,261		\$ 594,261	8.61%
Vets HVRP	\$ -	\$ 495,450		\$ 495,450	7.18%
OKEP	\$ -	\$ 85,400		\$ 85,400	1.24%
Work Based Learning	\$ -	\$ 147,125		\$ 147,125	2.13%
SNAP	\$ -	\$ 14,740		\$ 14,740	0.21%
General	\$ -	\$ 49,955		\$ 49,955	0.72%
	<b>\$ 1,115,727</b>	<b>\$ 5,782,489</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,898,216</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**Planned Expenditures**

Category	PY26 Proposed	PY25 Budget	PY25 Exp. Thru March	PY25 % of Expenditures	Budget Difference PY25/PY26
Wages	\$ 2,447,209	\$ 2,824,623	\$ 1,986,186	70%	\$ (377,415)
Fringe	\$ 615,977	\$ 695,352	\$ 458,227	66%	\$ (79,375)
Facilities	\$ 425,088	\$ 404,356	\$ 292,907	72%	\$ 20,732
Contract/Pro Fees	\$ 118,365	\$ 84,486	\$ 105,399	125%	\$ 33,879
Supplies/Equipment	\$ 45,440	\$ 50,374	\$ 52,508	104%	\$ (4,934)
supplies/Hardware/Licenses	\$ 121,830	\$ 156,090	\$ 101,694	65%	\$ (34,260)
Outreach/Meetings	\$ 84,080	\$ 109,130	\$ 85,221	78%	\$ (25,050)
Travel/Conference	\$ 55,900	\$ 74,240	\$ 54,622	74%	\$ (18,340)
Indirect	\$ 520,535	\$ 362,691	\$ 418,782		\$ 157,844
Grants Awarded	\$ 110,000	\$ 435,893	\$ 158,505	36%	\$ (325,893)
Staff Development	\$ 8,590	\$ 14,990	\$ 1,520	10%	\$ (6,400)
Misc/Dep/Int	\$ 27,000	\$ 102,000	\$ 19,531	19%	\$ (75,000)
Youth Work Experience	\$ 459,977	\$ 306,886	\$ 100,885	33%	\$ 153,092
Adult WX/Incumbent	\$ 788,228	\$ 880,863	\$ 763,912	87%	\$ (92,636)
OJT	\$ 251,177	\$ 765,250	\$ 254,164	33%	\$ (514,073)
Incentives	\$ 26,500	\$ 76,000	\$ 21,825	29%	\$ (49,500)
Education & Training	\$ 388,956	\$ 966,201	\$ 552,522	57%	\$ (577,245)
Supportive Services	\$ 403,364	\$ 518,904	\$ 133,064	26%	\$ (115,540)
Indirect	<b>\$ 6,898,216</b>	<b>\$ 8,828,329</b>	<b>\$ 5,561,474</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>\$ (1,930,113)</b>

	PY26		PY25	YTD Expenditures	
Operations/Overhead	\$ 4,580,013	66%	\$ 4,951,534	\$ 3,735,102	67%
Direct Client	\$ 2,318,202	34%	\$ 3,514,104	\$ 1,826,373	33%

**PY26 Budget by Funding Allocation**

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>WIOA Total</b>	<b>Admin</b>	<b>Adult</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>OSY</b>	<b>SCSEP</b>	<b>RR</b>	<b>CIF Total</b>	<b>Pathway 6</b>	<b>knectY</b>	<b>Vets</b>	<b>DOCK</b>	<b>App. Exp.</b>	<b>EPA</b>	<b>WBL</b>	<b>PACES</b>	<b>YEP</b>	<b>REAP</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Evergy</b>	<b>SNAP</b>	<b>OKEP</b>
Carry Over	\$ 1,115,727	\$ 1,115,727	\$ 125,727	\$ 250,000	\$ 315,000	\$ 425,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PY26 Allocation	\$ 5,782,489	\$ 3,538,274	\$ 70,000	\$ 856,239	\$ 799,209	\$ 1,018,036	\$ 751,915	\$ 42,875	\$ 2,244,214	\$ 198,519	\$ 594,261	\$ 495,450	\$ 22,185	\$ 93,000	\$ 228,130	\$ 147,125	\$ 24,192	\$ 100,622	\$ 86,510	\$ 49,955	\$ 104,125	\$ 14,740	\$ 85,400
Transfer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400,000	\$ (400,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,898,216</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 195,727</b>	<b>\$ 1,506,239</b>	<b>\$ 714,209</b>	<b>\$ 1,443,036</b>	<b>\$ 751,915</b>	<b>\$ 42,875</b>	<b>\$ 2,244,214</b>	<b>\$ 198,519</b>	<b>\$ 594,261</b>	<b>\$ 495,450</b>	<b>\$ 22,185</b>	<b>\$ 93,000</b>	<b>\$ 228,130</b>	<b>\$ 147,125</b>	<b>\$ 24,192</b>	<b>\$ 100,622</b>	<b>\$ 86,510</b>	<b>\$ 49,955</b>	<b>\$ 104,125</b>	<b>\$ 14,740</b>	<b>\$ 85,400</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>WIOA Total</b>	<b>Admin</b>	<b>Adult</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>OSY</b>	<b>SCSEP</b>	<b>RR</b>	<b>CIF Total</b>	<b>Pathway 6</b>	<b>RETAIN</b>	<b>One Work</b>	<b>DOCK</b>	<b>App Exp</b>	<b>VETS ICT</b>	<b>WBL</b>	<b>PACES</b>	<b>YEP</b>	<b>REAP</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Evergy</b>	<b>SNAP</b>	<b>OKEP</b>
Wages	\$ 2,447,208.50	\$ 1,625,036.00	\$ 62,219.00	\$ 789,416.00	\$ 289,700.00	\$ 389,500.00	\$ 65,701.00	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 822,172.50	\$ 67,722.50	\$ 168,750.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 15,000.00
Tax	\$ 186,292.99	\$ 123,411.27	\$ 4,535.33	\$ 63,354.35	\$ 20,932.71	\$ 27,382.50	\$ 5,026.13	\$ 2,180.25	\$ 62,881.72	\$ 5,180.77	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,650.00	\$ 497.25	\$ 1,759.50	\$ 4,590.00	\$ 880.00	\$ 4,675.00	\$ 699.20	\$ 1,350.00
Benefits	\$ 429,684.18	\$ 309,728.18	\$ 10,232.85	\$ 161,010.68	\$ 47,099.50	\$ 76,110.00	\$ 11,855.15	\$ 3,420.00	\$ 119,956.00	\$ 11,750.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 2,805.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 4,520.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 1,656.00	\$ 16,000.00
Rent	\$ 331,560.00	\$ 216,600.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 124,000.00	\$ 24,700.00	\$ 60,700.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 114,960.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 1,560.00	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Building Enh	\$ 16,113.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,113.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,113.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Security	\$ 26,800.00	\$ 20,150.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 10,950.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 4,850.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Utilities	\$ 50,615.00	\$ 39,085.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 22,100.00	\$ 4,860.00	\$ 10,900.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 11,530.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 500.00
Insurance	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Communications	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 5,780.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 530.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 8,820.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Equipment	\$ 30,500.00	\$ 26,900.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 9,150.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 800.00
IT Supplies	\$ 53,675.00	\$ 24,250.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,425.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 875.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 500.00
IT Licenses	\$ 41,100.00	\$ 29,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 11,750.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 500.00
IT Contracts	\$ 27,055.00	\$ 17,050.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 2,025.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 10,005.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 500.00
Postage	\$ 340.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dues	\$ 19,339.00	\$ 4,605.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 14,734.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9.00
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Job Fairs	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 7,200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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Supportive Services	\$ 403,364.15	\$ 199,364.15	\$ -	\$ 23,143.77	\$ 76,220.38	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 204,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00
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## **Item**

### State Training Expenditure Policy Update

#### **Background**

The Kansas Department of Commerce and the KANSASWORKS State Workforce Board proposed a policy requiring Local Workforce Development Boards to spend 40 percent of WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker funds on skills training activities. While the stated goal is to increase participation in skills training, the Workforce Alliance believes the policy is likely to have the opposite effect in South Central Kansas—resulting in fewer individuals accessing skills training and employment services rather than more.

The Workforce Alliance and numerous workforce partners, employers, and community stakeholders expressed concern that the policy reduces local flexibility, weakens integrated service delivery, and limits the ability to braid WIOA funds with other public and private resources that currently allow significantly more individuals to participate in training than could be served through WIOA funding alone. As a result, stakeholders consistently argued that the policy may reduce, rather than expand, access to workforce training opportunities that serve as a bridge to quality employment.

A central concern raised throughout the discussion was the absence of data demonstrating that a mandatory WIOA expenditure requirement will increase the number of Kansans participating in skills training programs or improve workforce outcomes. Despite extensive stakeholder comments and requests for additional analysis, no clear evidence was presented showing that spending mandates alone lead to increased training participation, credential attainment, employment, or wage gains.

In response to the proposal, the Workforce Alliance submitted formal comments, coordinated stakeholder feedback, and engaged in direct discussions with State Workforce Board leadership. Following the April 14, 2026 State Board meeting, action on the policy was delayed until June 2 to allow additional stakeholder input and discussion. During that period, Workforce Alliance leadership met with State Board representatives and submitted a memorandum outlining alternative strategies to increase access to skills training through greater alignment of WIOA, Workforce Pell, Kansas Promise Scholarships, SNAP Employment and Training, TANF, Adult Education, apprenticeship programs, and private-sector and philanthropic investments.

These recommendations focused on expanding training capacity and participation through stronger system alignment and leveraged investments rather than imposing expenditure mandates tied to a single funding source.

#### **Analysis**

Despite the concerns raised by Local Workforce Development Boards, employers, workforce partners, and community organizations across Kansas, the State Workforce Board approved the training expenditure policy at its June 2, 2026 meeting.

The approval was disappointing given the volume of stakeholder feedback and the Workforce Alliance's understanding from conversations with State Board leadership that a more measured and collaborative approach would be considered. Workforce Alliance comments consistently

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emphasized support for expanding access to skills training while recommending additional analysis, stakeholder engagement, and development of broader statewide strategies before implementing a mandatory expenditure threshold.

The Workforce Alliance remains committed to working collaboratively with the State Board, Kansas Department of Commerce, and workforce system partners to identify practical solutions that increase training participation and workforce outcomes while preserving local innovation, integrated service delivery, and accountability for results.

Given the significance of this policy and the broader discussion surrounding workforce training investments, staff recommends inviting State Workforce Board Chair David Harwood and the State Workforce Board Vice Chair to attend the Workforce Alliance Board meeting on July 22, 2026.

The purpose of the discussion would be to move beyond the policy debate and focus on collaborative statewide strategies to increase access to skills training programs and funding opportunities for Kansans. Potential topics could include Workforce Pell implementation, Kansas Promise Scholarship alignment, SNAP Employment and Training expansion, apprenticeship growth, co-enrollment strategies, employer-led training models, and opportunities to better leverage private-sector and philanthropic investments.

**Recommended Action:** *Invite the State Workforce Board Chair and Vice Chair to participate in the July 22, 2026 Workforce Alliance Board meeting to discuss strategies for increasing access to workforce training and workforce development funding across Kansas.*



**Workforce Alliance Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB)**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
May 13, 2026 – 11:30 AM

The Workforce Alliance (WA) Executive Committee met virtually on May 13, 2026 via Zoom. Board Chair Alana McNary welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order.

**1. Wichita Workforce Center Remodel Update / Butler Workforce Center**

- Project is nearing completion, with an estimated timeline of two to three weeks remaining.
- Remaining construction items include installation of glass partitions at the front desk, carpet installation in main walkways, hanging interior doors and activating security badge systems
- Staff relocation within the center is planned for early June following the El Dorado transition.
- Tours of the updated facility are available to board members; an open house is planned in the coming months.
- El Dorado Workforce Center Closing and Staff Transition
  - Partnership established with El Dorado Chamber to relocate WA services to the Civic Center.
  - Approved space will include dedicated staff workspace with public access computers as well as shared meeting and event space.
  - Current center closes May 21<sup>st</sup> and movers are scheduled May 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - Minor service disruption anticipated but minimized due to timing with holiday.
  - New location expected to enhance collaboration with employers and community partners.

*Report was received and filed.*

**2. State Proposed Training Expenditure Policy**

The WA provided comments on a policy proposed by the Kansas Department of Commerce (KDC) and the KansasWorks State Workforce Board that could have unintended consequences to “One-Stop” operations and support for skills training opportunities.

- The State Board deferred their decision on the policy to June 2nd. Keith Lawing will reach out to State Board Chair before that meeting.
- Key concerns raised:
  - State board lacks consistent quorum and engagement.
  - Stakeholder comments were not shared with board members.
  - Proposed policy could negatively impact current service integration model.
- The WA’s integration approach was recently recognized as a best practice in the recent KDC Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Monitoring Report creating concern over conflicting state direction.
- There is a need to improve direct communication with state board members and leadership and board committee members are encouraged to directly contact state board members.
  - Staff will develop concise talking points summarizing the current success of the local model and potential impacts of proposed policy to distribute to Committee members to use in communications with state board members, elected officials, etal.
  - Staff will also forward a list of state board members, a copy of the previously submitted WA comments and the monitoring report to board members.
  - Potential invitations to the Lieutenant Governor and state workforce members to visit the Workforce Center.

*Report was received and filed.*

3. **WIOA Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Program Policies: Self-Sufficient Wage Review for Program Year 2026**

WIOA tasks the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) with setting an economic self-sufficiency standard for the local area.

- Current wage is \$16.72/hour - Living wage benchmark per MIT is \$20.78/hour.
- Staff proposed a \$3.5% increase to the Program Operations and Performance (POP) Committee at their meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The committee supported a higher initial increase of 4% (\$17.39/hour) to help close the wage gap with the caveat that staff evaluate impacts on training providers and employers and broader regional entry-level wage indicators.
- Current OJT wages already exceed proposed threshold, minimizing employer impact.
- Staff will implement updated wage requirement across all programs and conduct further wage analysis for demand occupations and monitor employer and program impacts.

*Kathy Jewett (Michele Gifford) moved to approve the Program Operations and Performance Committee recommendation for an initial increase to the self-sufficient wage by 4% bringing it to \$17.39 per hour. Motion adopted.*

4. **Demand Occupation List for Program Year 2026**

An ongoing function of the WA LWDB is to annually review the Demand Occupations List (Occupations Approved for Training) for Local Area IV.

- An annual review was completed based on labor trends and training availability.
- Staff proposed the following changes:
  - Removal of 11 occupations lacking local training providers
  - Removal of one duplicate/unused certification program
  - Addition of dental assisting as a new occupation
- Staff will continue monitoring training provider availability and reassess removed occupations if training access returns.
- The WA Program Operations and Performance Committee approved the list with staff proposed changes at its meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

*Tony Naylor (Cheryl Childers) moved to approve the Demand Occupation List for Program Year 2026 as presented. Motion adopted.*

5. **WIOA Memorandum of Understanding for Required One-Stop Partners**

The WIOA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for required one-stop partners is expiring and being renewed for Program Year 2026.

- The comment period ended with staff receiving minimal feedback.
- Minor updates included personnel/organizational changes and clarification of responsibilities between WSU Tech and Goodwill.
- MOU outlines roles, service coordination, and cost-sharing among partners.
- Final approval required prior to July 1st deadline.
- Staff will submit MOU to CEOB for approval in June and distribute finalized MOU to partners for signatures.
- Potential state/federal changes could potentially require amendments to the MOU.
- Staff requested that the language of this item's recommended action, "Approve the WIOA MOU and authorize the CEOB Chair and President and CEO to sign" be revised to reflect that the board recommends approval to the CEOB Chair to sign rather than authorize.

*Rod Blackburn (Kathy Jewett) moved to approve the WIOA One Stop Partner Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), authorize the President & CEO to sign and recommend to the Chief Elected Officials Board (CEOB) Chair to approve and sign. Motion adopted.*

## 6. Community Impact & Program Updates

- Youth Employment Project (YEP)
  - Momentum Job Fair on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Century II hosted 972 students.
    - Staff are working to identify lower-cost venue/logistics options for next year.
    - Feedback is being collected from students, employers, and schools to review for possible improvements to next year's format.
  - WA's summer Camp HYPE career sessions are filling quickly.
  - There are increased internship placements this year, including law firm opportunities. Staff continue to work to expand internship placement partnerships
  - Jobs FORE Youth Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 14, 2026 - Planning is underway, including sponsorship updates and pricing adjustments.
- Kaufmann Returning Citizen Consortium (RCC) Planning Grant
  - The project includes a coalition of multiple partners in the Kansas City and Wichita region in a planning grant to design a five-year program to assist justice-involved individuals (JII) gain employment, provide services to address barriers to employment and support pre- and post-release employment outcomes. A decision is expected in June.
  - In partnership with the Wichita Regional Chamber, the WA will host an employer engagement outreach breakfast on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Wichita Workforce Center with 40 to 50 potential employer and community partners attending to learn about participating in the program and being part of a workforce reintegration pipeline.
- HVRP (Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program)
  - Three-year, \$1.5M grant program to help veterans who are homeless or at risk for homelessness. Target population includes individuals with high barriers to employment.
  - 16 participants are enrolled; staff are in the early-stages of ramp-up and staff are increasing outreach and referral channels as well as strengthening partnerships with service providers.
  - Monitor progress toward enrollment and placement goals.
- EPA Brownfields Grant
  - \$500K grant supporting training programs for employment in environmental fields.
  - 19 participants enrolled; 28 credentials earned. Potential for participants to progress into advanced training pathways.
  - Staff continue to enroll and train cohorts as well as track employment outcomes as participants complete programs.
- Additional Strategic Initiatives
  - Workforce Pell grant applications underway with community colleges.
  - An employer-focused child care solutions convening is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup> at the library – Michigan Tri-Share model and employer tax credits to be highlighted.
  - Legislative public forum on May 15<sup>th</sup>; approximately 20 legislators confirmed.
  - AI workshops are being expanded to additional counties.

*Report was received and filed.*

## 7. Consent Agenda

Approval of meeting minutes for April 8, 2026, WIOA element contract amendments/extensions, Program Year 2025 budget update, Workforce Center operations and one-stop operator update for March and WA Communications, Corrections/Fair Chance and Registered Apprenticeship program updates were presented to the Committee for review and/or approval.

The one-stop operator contract with Goodwill was adjusted to meet a four-year limit requirement rather than five. The contract will be re-bid earlier than planned when the current term expires.

*Michele Gifford (Kathy Jewett) moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Pat Jonas, CPRF abstained from the vote. Motion adopted.*

## 8. Workforce Alliance Updates

- Budget and Funding for Program Year 2026
  - Adult and Youth funding increased; Dislocated Worker funding decreased slightly (no significant layoffs locally, impacting funding formulas).
  - Local allocation amounts pending state processing.
  - A draft budget will be developed for next meeting.
- Work Ready Credential
  - The State of Kansas is discontinuing funding for ACT WorkKeys program on June 30, 2026.
  - Staff are expecting decreased workforce center traffic
  - Alternative assessment tools are available and are being researched.
  - School districts use WorkKeys and independently manage their participation.
  - Staff are communicating program changes to employers and education and community partners.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 PM.

### Attendees:

#### LWDB Executive Committee Members

Rod Blackburn  
Cheryl Childers  
Michele Gifford  
Kathy Jewett  
Pat Jonas  
Alana McNary, Chair  
Tony Naylor

#### Staff/Guests

Marcy Aycock  
Amanda Duncan  
Denise Houston  
Keith Lawing  
Shirley Lindhorst  
Mary Mann  
Chad Pettera  
Janet Sutton  
Angela Slattery, One-Stop Operator, Goodwill

**Item**

On-the-Job Training (OJT) Contracts for the Eligible Training Provider List (ETP)

**Background**

*Approval of Addition to the ETP List for OJT*

The following employer has submitted an application to be added to the ETP list for OJT.

Employer:	<b>Prime Craftsman Homes</b>
Company Description:	Modular Home Manufacturer / Construction
Location:	Wichita, Sedgwick County
Occupation(s):	Framer, Trim Carpenter, HVAC Technician, Plumbing Technician, Electrical Technician, Cabinet Maker, flooring Technician, Mule, Sawyer
Training Length:	TBD
Average Wage Range:	\$25.00/hr is the average entry level wage
Benefits:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health, dental and life insurance</li> <li>• PTO after 90 days</li> </ul>
Comments:	<p>Prime Craftsman Homes is a Native woman-owned, TERO-certified modular home builder in Oklahoma, dedicated to creating durable, efficient, and truly affordable housing. Our homes are built offsite for faster delivery, designed to be insurable and mortgageable for traditional financing, and reinforced for extreme weather conditions.</p> <p>We are committed to combating the housing and homelessness crisis by partnering with organizations like Eden Village Tulsa and other community initiatives across the state. Our innovative construction approach, building homes in a controlled environment and placing them on permanent foundations, reduces costs, speeds up delivery, and ensures long-term stability.</p> <p>Using American-made products and ADA-compliant designs, we provide housing solutions for families, communities, and disaster relief efforts nationwide.</p> <p>This grant will help Prime Craftsman Homes grow in the Wichita / Sedgwick County area.</p>
OJT Funding Streams <i>subject to availability</i>	All Funding streams are available and appropriate based on occupation and new hire eligibility requirements.

**Recommended Action**

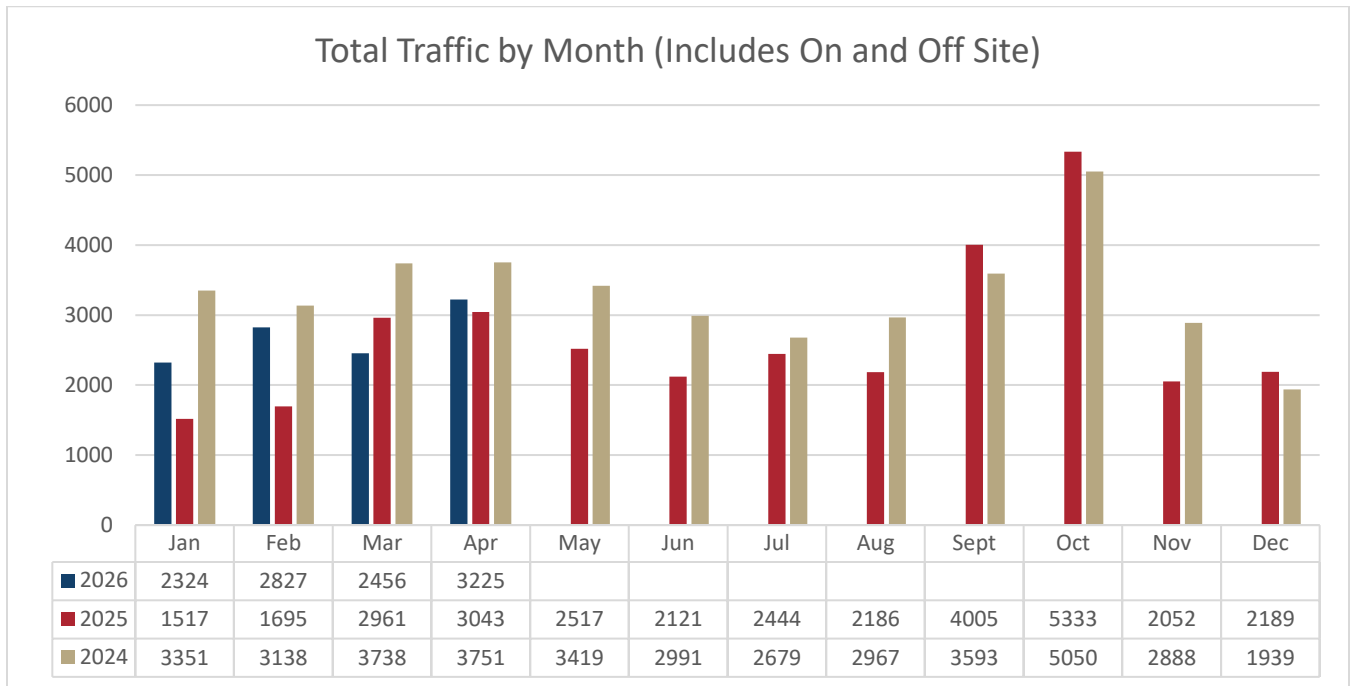
*Approve the addition of Prime Craftsman Homes to OJT ETP list.*

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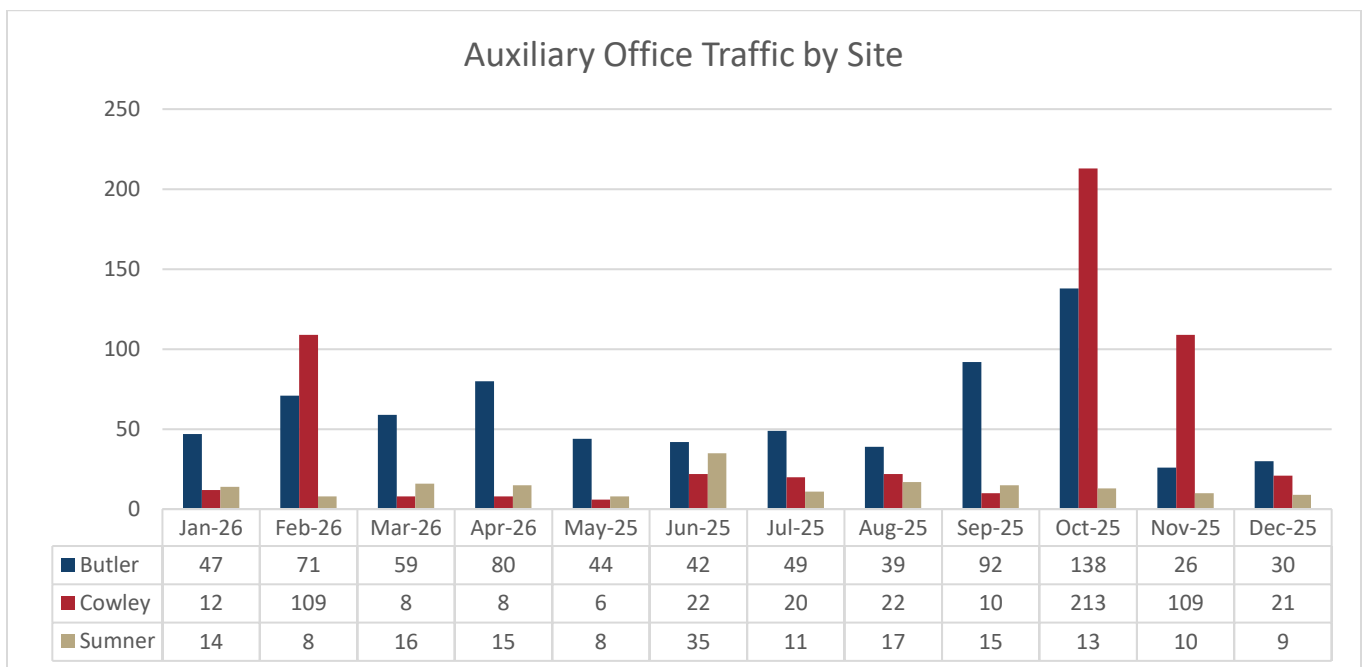
Workforce Centers Operations April 2026 Update

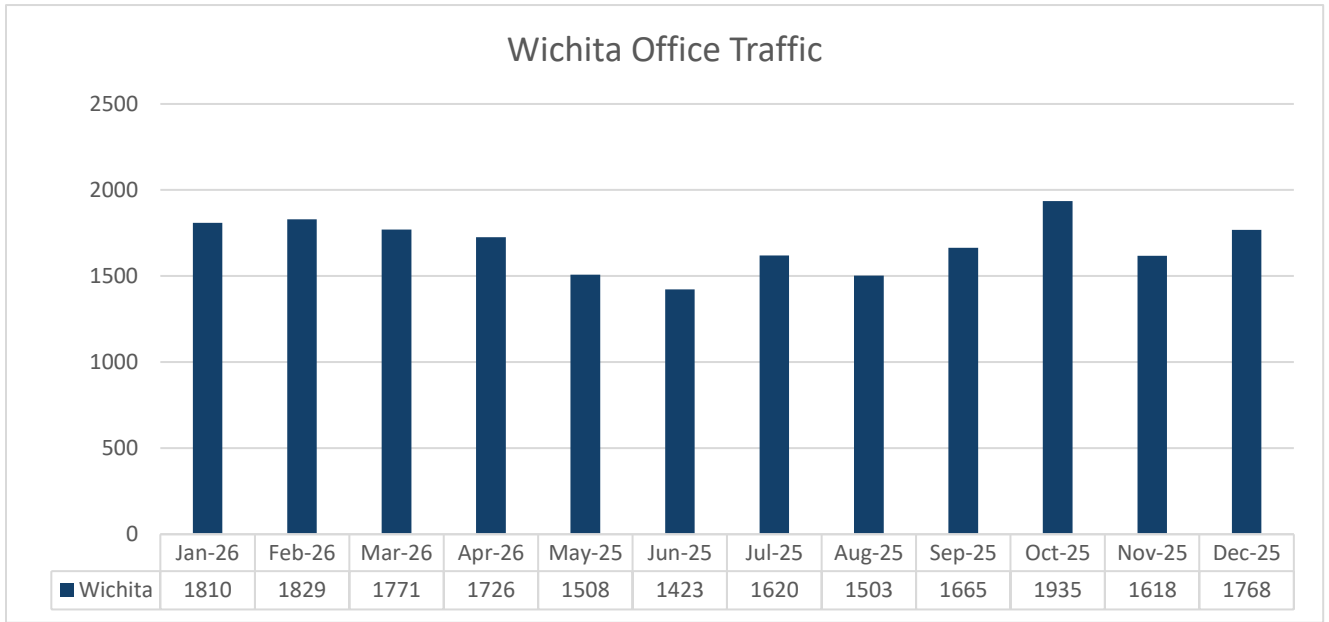
**Job Seeker Traffic**

The bar graph below provides a visual representation of job seeker traffic through April of 2026. Overall, job seeker engagement at all four centers is steady.



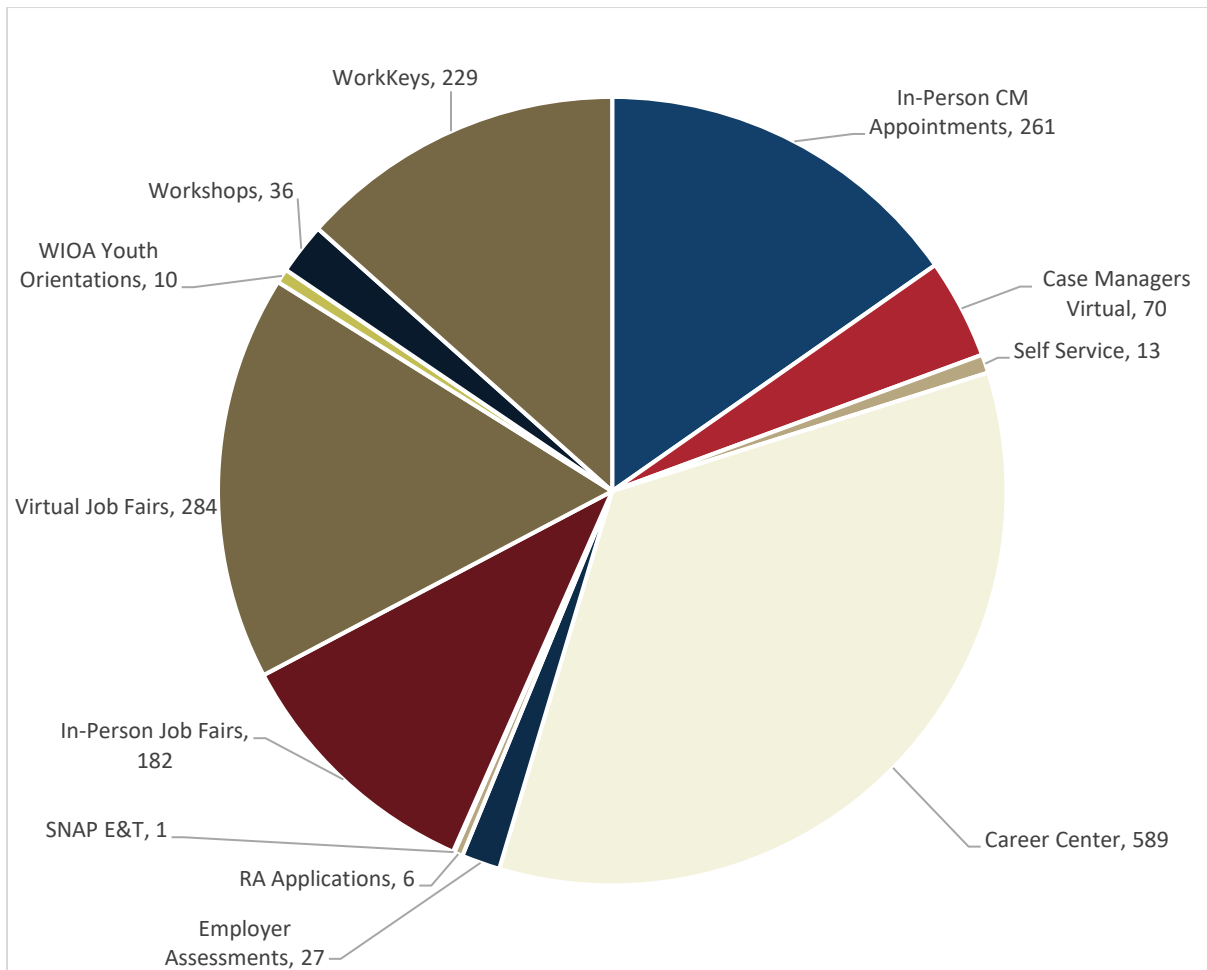
This bar graph offers a breakdown of the job seeker traffic by Auxiliary Offices in Butler, Sumner, and Cowley counties.



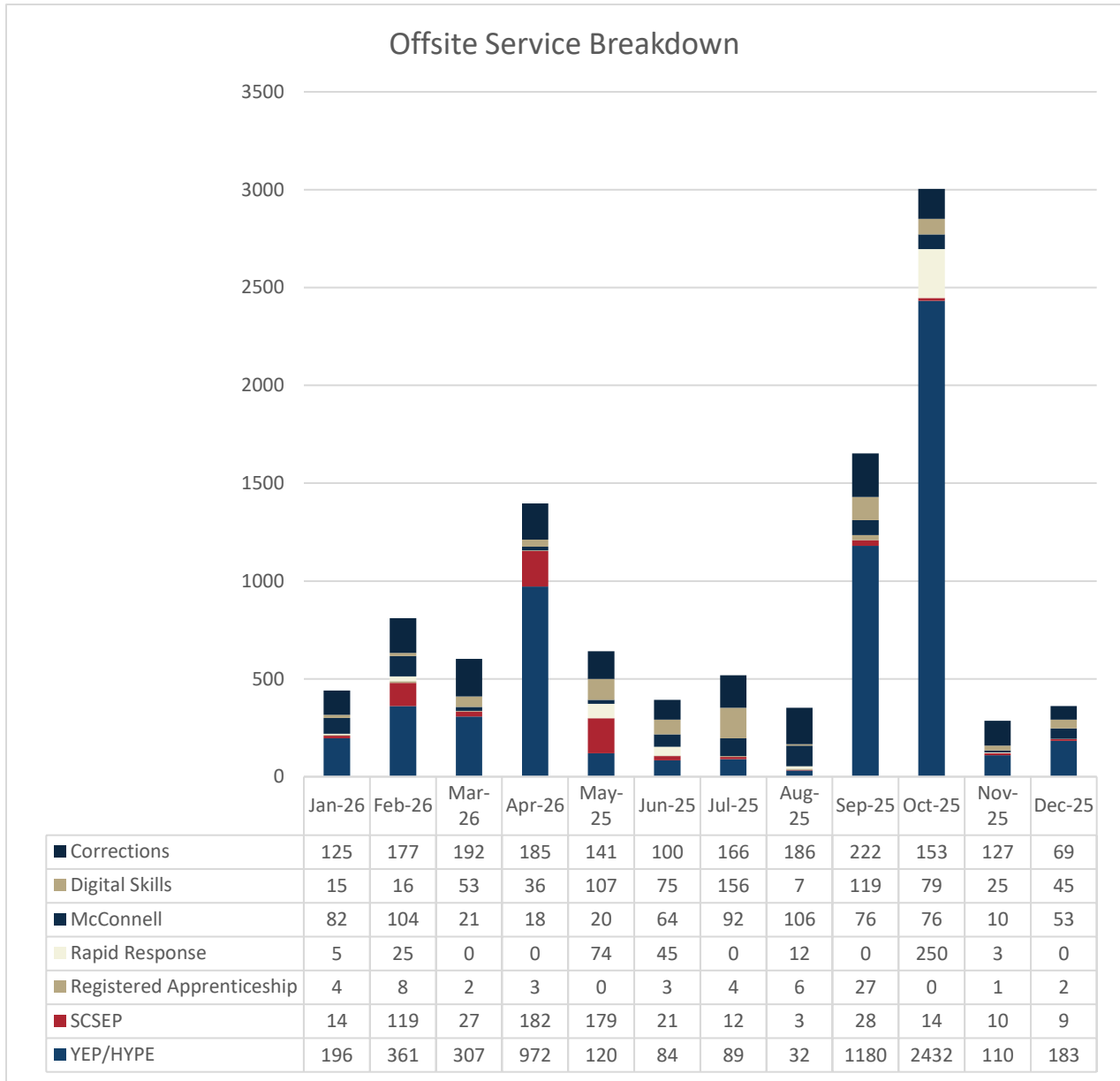


**Job Seeker Services**

This pie chart offers a breakdown of the comprehensive job seeker services provided by the Comprehensive One Stop Center, the Wichita Workforce Center.



This graph offers a breakdown of the comprehensive offsite services provided.

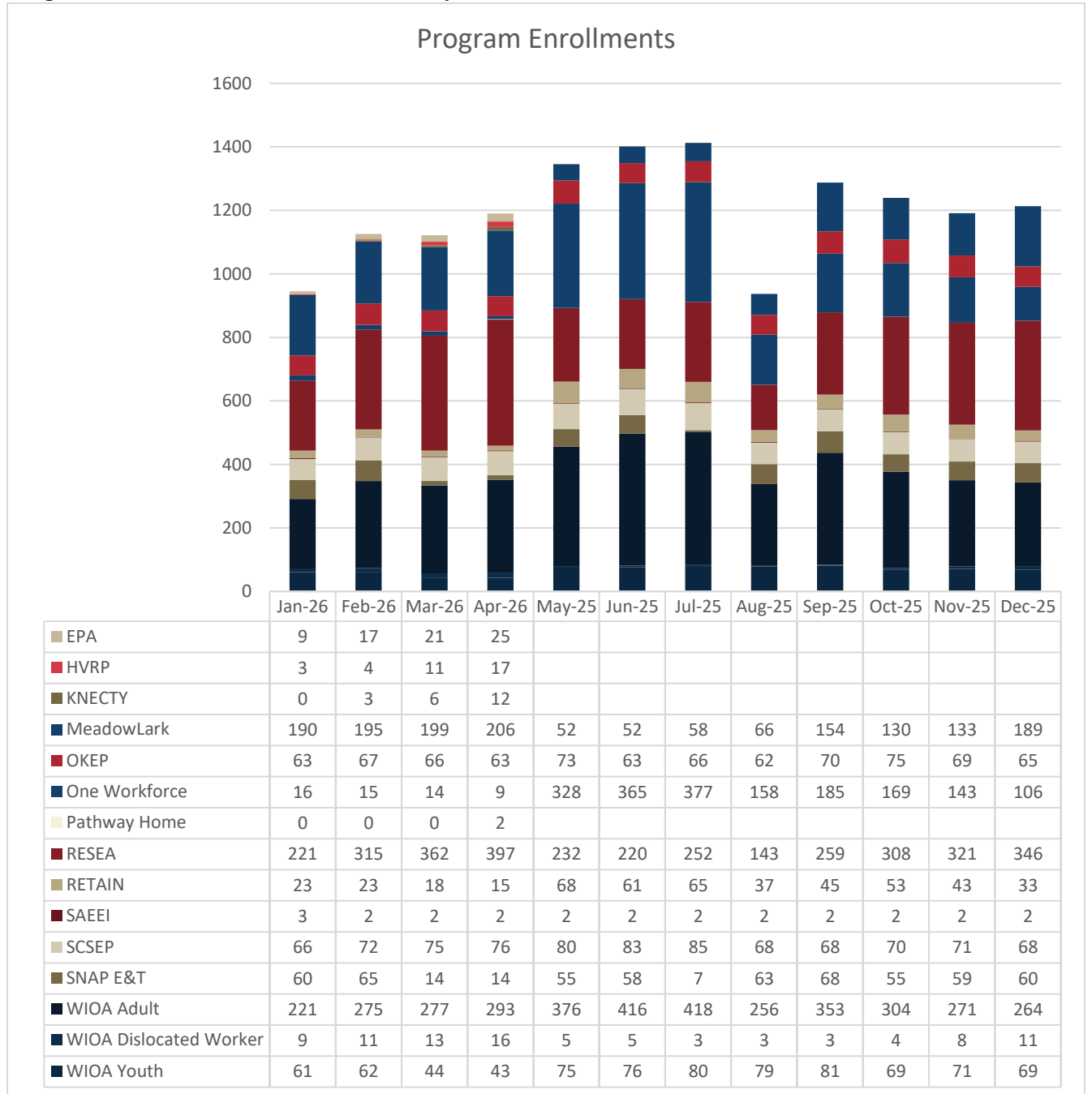


Throughout the last year, the Career Services staff has maintained a vital role in delivering comprehensive support to job seekers. Their unwavering commitment extends to helping job seekers craft effective resumes, conduct mock interviews, navigate job searches, address barriers to employment, and promptly respond to inquiries related to unemployment insurance.

In addition to conducting one-on-one appointments, the dedicated workforce center staff actively engages with customers through various avenues. This proactive approach encompasses returning calls from individuals receiving unemployment benefits, orchestrating group activities both within and beyond the Workforce Center premises, and providing timely responses to inquiries via the KansasWorks chat platform. This diversified approach underlines the center's dedication to delivering comprehensive and easily accessible support to job seekers.

**Program Enrollments**

Program enrollments have remained steady.



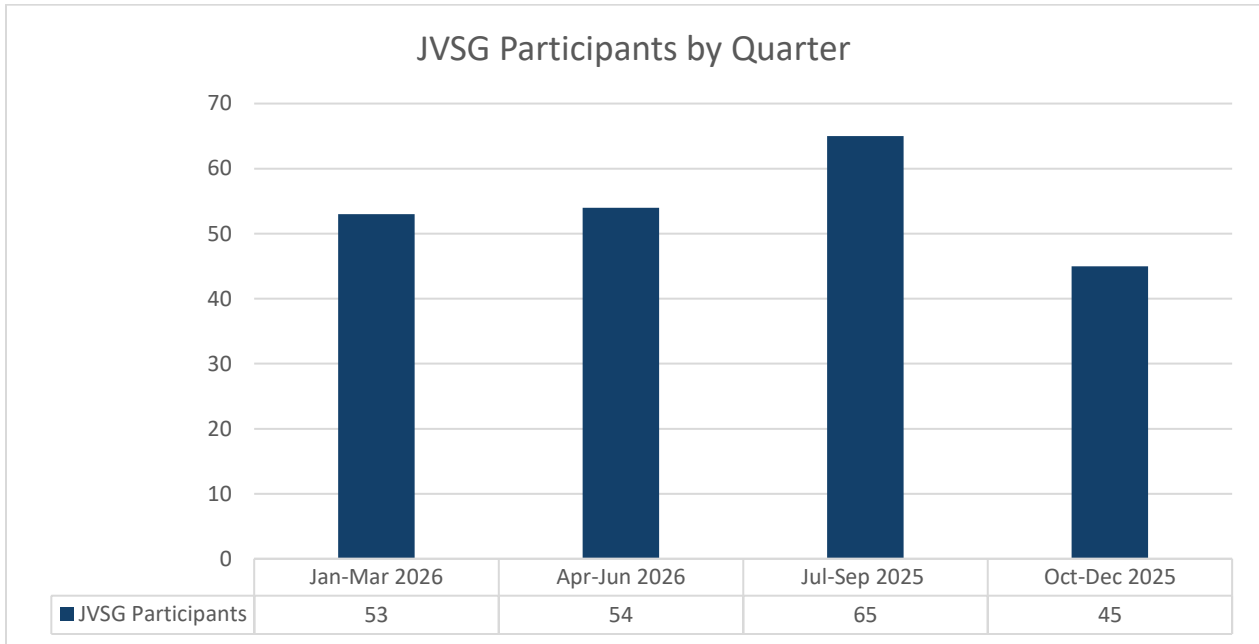
Program Enrollment Glossary

- EPA=EPA Brownfields Job Training Program
- HVRP=Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program
- KNECTY=Kansas Network for Employment and Career Transition for Youth
- MeadowLARK= Leading Apprenticeship Results in Kansas

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- OKEP=Older Kansans Employment Program
- RESEA= Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment
- RETAIN=Retaining Employment and Talent After Injury/Illness Network
- SAEEI= State Apprenticeship Equity, Expansion, and Innovation
- SCSEP= Senior Community Service Employment Program
- SNAP E&T= Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training
- WIOA= Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

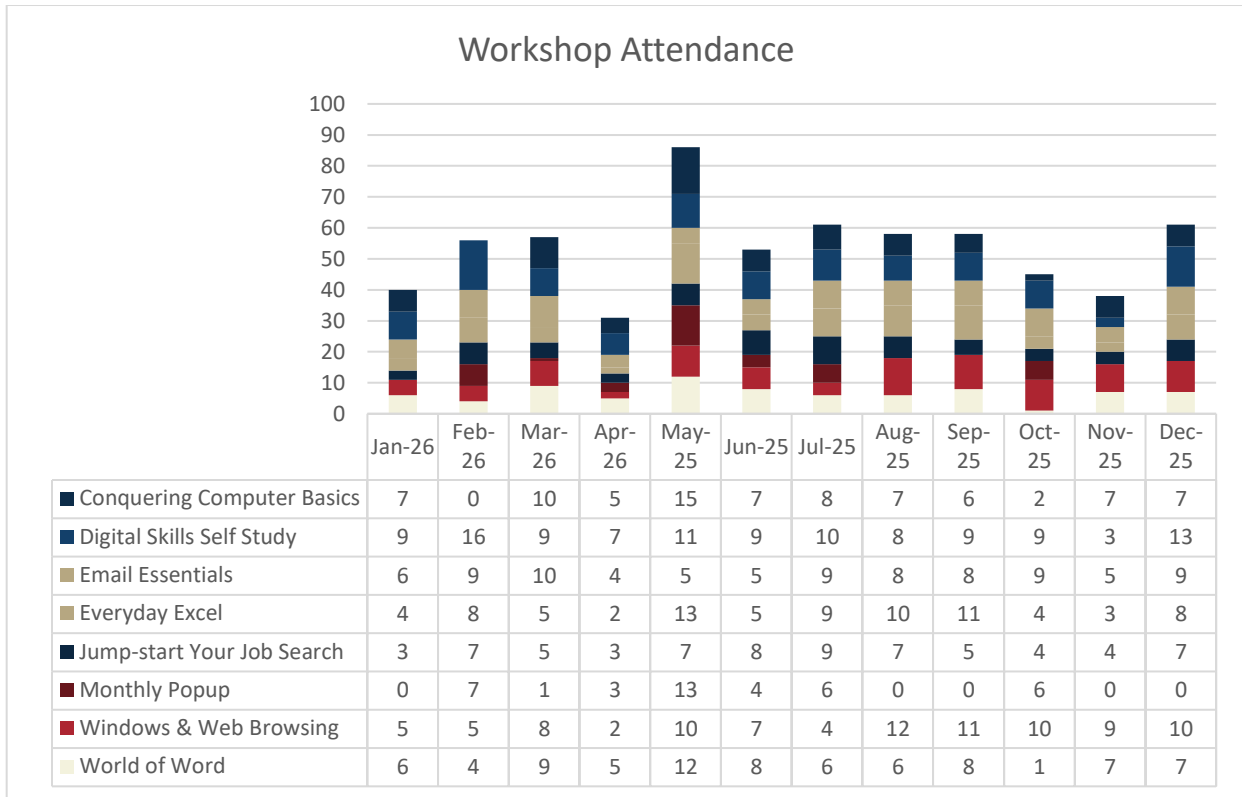


**Community Outreach & Workshops**

April activity consisted of 10 workshops and training sessions reaching 38 participants. Learners continued to make progress, initiating 33 modules and completing 15, resulting in 15 digital credentials earned. A total of 84 learning hours were recorded during the month, demonstrating ongoing participation in skill development. While no referrals were generated through partner organizations in this period, 2 individuals secured or advanced in employment reflecting the longer-term impact of prior training and services. Cumulatively, program efforts continue to build momentum, with sustained growth in participation, skill attainment, and employment outcomes.

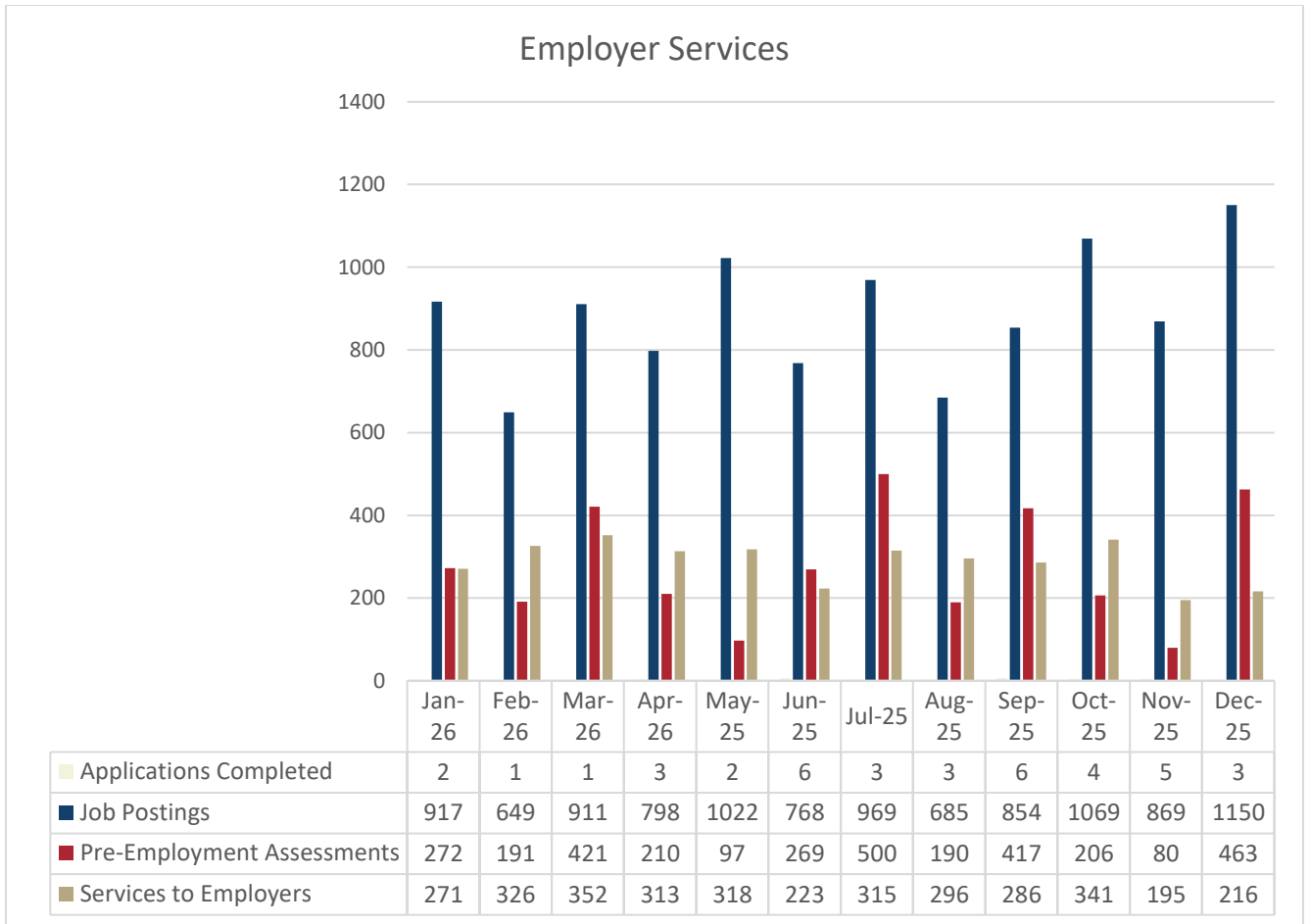
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**Employer Services Overview**

April saw a decrease of 12.4% in job postings compared to March. There were 798 total job postings across the 6-county radius for April. On a statewide level, there were 35,742 active positions available for job seekers to browse. Additionally, the system recorded a pool of 11,738 resumes for employers to consider during their recruitment efforts.



**Job Fairs**

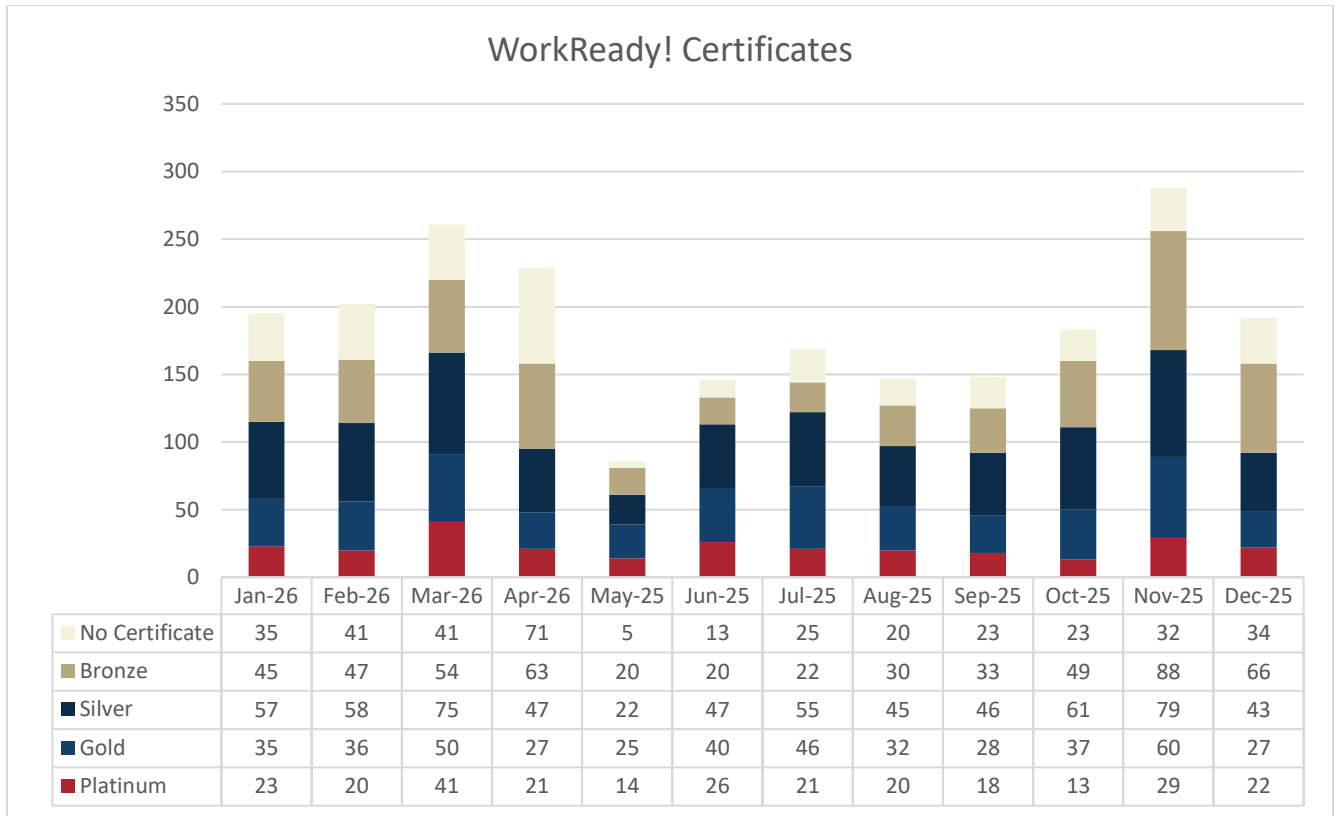
In April, the Workforce Center hosted two in person job fairs in partnership with 21 employers, bringing in 161 job seekers across both events. Additionally, 6 employers from our local area participated in the statewide virtual job fair, where 278 unique job seekers visited the local area employer booths.

**Kansas WorkReady! Assessment - ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)**

The Workforce Center has maintained a steady pool of applicants ready to take the WorkKeys Assessment. A total of 17 sessions were offered during the month of April, with 333 job seekers scheduled to complete. The area saw a decrease in attendance rate, sitting at 68.8%, with it being at 69.6% in the previous month. A total of 229 participants completed the assessment, and a 69% award rate was documented.

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**One Stop Operator Report**

April saw continued training and implementation of duties by the new One Stop Operations staff, Angela Slattery. Activities in the month of April included:

- First Workforce 101 session held with 23 individuals attending. Capacity is set at 25 for each session. Additional sessions over the next several months are scheduled.
- Five Goodwill vouchers were provided to men who recently released from incarceration
- Led April all staff meeting and assisted with Mandated Partner Meeting
- Attended the Employer Services work group meeting and In-Service planning meeting
- Provided resources and information about the Workforce Centers to individuals referred from Level Up Kansas
- Reviewed Customer Satisfaction data and reached out to customers who indicated they did not have a good experience
- Assisted with Momentum, a large student job fair at Century II. Approximately 1,000 high school students and 63 employers attended.
- Participated in two AI trainings
- Continued to shadow front desk and other Workforce Center functions to expand knowledge of the Workforce Center

**Recommended Action**

*Receive and File.*



**Registered Apprenticeship Report**

**As of 5/31/2026**

**LAIV Registered Apprenticeship Information**

A strategic priority for the Workforce Alliance (WA) is to expand the use of Registered Apprenticeship (RA), both in traditional fields and for new and emerging occupations. The ‘earn and learn’ model benefits both employers and job seekers.

The WA is an approved intermediary under the Meadowlark Grant, with 25 approved programs and 19 employers: CDH, Inc., Don Hattan Dealerships, UV&S, Cox Machine, ISG Tech, F&H Insulation, Child Start, Bailey’s Learning Academy, Design One, Yingling Aviation, CMJ Manufacturing, Inc., and Little Kings and Queens Daycare, Rainbows United, Miracle Home Care, Kiddy Kollege, Rusty Eck Ford, Goodwill Industries, Azara Home Health, and Greater Wichita YMCA.

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Active Apprentices</b>
Bailey’s Learning Academy	Early Childhood Educator	Approved	6
CDH	Construction Craft Laborer	Approved	5
	Welder	Approved	0
Child Start	Early Childhood Educator	Approved	0
CMJ Manufacturing, Inc.	Machine Operator	Approved	3
	CNC Operator	Approved	4
Cox Machine	Router Operator	Approved	0
	Machine Operator	Approved	0
Design One	Upholsterer Technician	Approved	3
Don Hattan	Automotive Mechanic	Approved	0
	Tune Up Mechanic	Approved	3
F&H Insulation Sales and Services.	Coatings	Approved	1
	Insulation Worker	Approved	1
Goodwill Industries	Employment Training Specialist	Approved	0
Greater Wichita YMCA	Preschool Teacher (CDA)	Approved	0
	Preschool Teacher (CCC)	Approved	0
ISG Tech	Service Technician 1	Approved	0
Kiddy Kollege	Lead Child Care Teacher	Approved	10
Little Kings and Queens Daycare	Early Childhood Worker	Approved	0
Miracle Home Care Azara Home Health	Certified Nursing Assistant	Approved	1
		Approved	4
Rainbows United	Childcare Development Specialist	Approved	1
Rusty Eck Ford	Automotive Technician	Approved	0
UV&S	Computer Support Specialist	Approved	1
Yingling Aviation	Avionics Technician	Approved	24



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Below is the status on new program activity through the WA intermediary for the month:

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Status</b>
Prime Craftsman Homes	Multiple	In Development
HCA Healthcare	Patient Care Technician	In Development
Sumner-Cowley Electrical Co-Op	Power Lineman	In Development
Charley's Appliance	Customer Service Representative	In Development
Ginger's Plumbing	Plumber	In Development
Vermillion, Inc.	Term Tech Assembly	In Development

The WA accepts onsite applications for five RA programs. In May, two individuals engaged in the RA application process, resulting in one completed application, details are below:

<b>RA Application and Prescreen Activity</b>			
2026	Applications and Prescreens	Completed Referrals	Completion Percentage
January	3	2	66%
February	4	1	25%
March	3	1	33%
April	4	3	75%
May	2	1	50%
<b>Totals</b>	15	10	66%

**The WA works in partnership with**





**Communications Report**  
As of 6/5/26

**May 2026 Feature Stories**

[Wichita Regional Child Care and Workforce Efforts Continue with Second Annual Employer Summit](#)  
[Butler Workforce Center Relocates to El Dorado Chamber of Commerce Offices](#)

May 2026 Job of the Day		
Date	Job Title	Employer
5/1/2026	Machinist - Non-Certified	GKN Aerospace Precision Machining
5/4/2026	General Manager (Multiple Positions)	Genesh, Inc. dba Burger King
5/5/2026	CNA / Paraeducator - Special Education (VES)	Maize USD 266
5/6/2026	Evening Lead Custodian (Multiple Locations)	Derby Public Schools
5/7/2026	Welder III (Multiple Positions)	AAR
5/8/2026	Machinist (Multiple Positions)	Pinnacle Aerospace, LLC
5/11/2026	Shipping & Receiving Technician	Vermillion, Inc.
5/12/2026	Haas 5 Axis & Siemens Control CNC Machine Operator	Etezazi Industries
5/13/2026	5 Axis CNC Machine Operator	Cox Machine, Inc.
5/14/2026	Assembly Technician	B&B Airparts, Inc.
5/15/2026	Cabinetry Technician	Air Capital Interiors
5/18/2026	Gardener 1 - Park Maintenance	City of Wichita
5/19/2026	Trooper Trainee (Multiple Positions)	Kansas Highway Patrol
5/20/2026	Master Electrician	Prime Craftsman Homes
5/21/2026	Associate Registrar	WSU Tech
5/22/2026	Machinist II	BG Products, Inc.
5/25/2026	Freight Handler	FedEx Freight, Inc.
5/26/2026	Special Education Teacher - Therapeutic School	Heartspring
5/27/2026	Interpreter for Deaf / Hard of Hearing	Maize USD 266
5/28/2026	Director of Allied Health / SBA Training Center	Butler Community College
5/29/2026	Customer Service Representative	Creekstone Farms

## Digital Media Report

The Workforce Alliance uses website and social media platforms to interact, inform, and educate the public on upcoming events and workforce development resources.

The digital traffic and impact numbers are broken down into the following key areas:

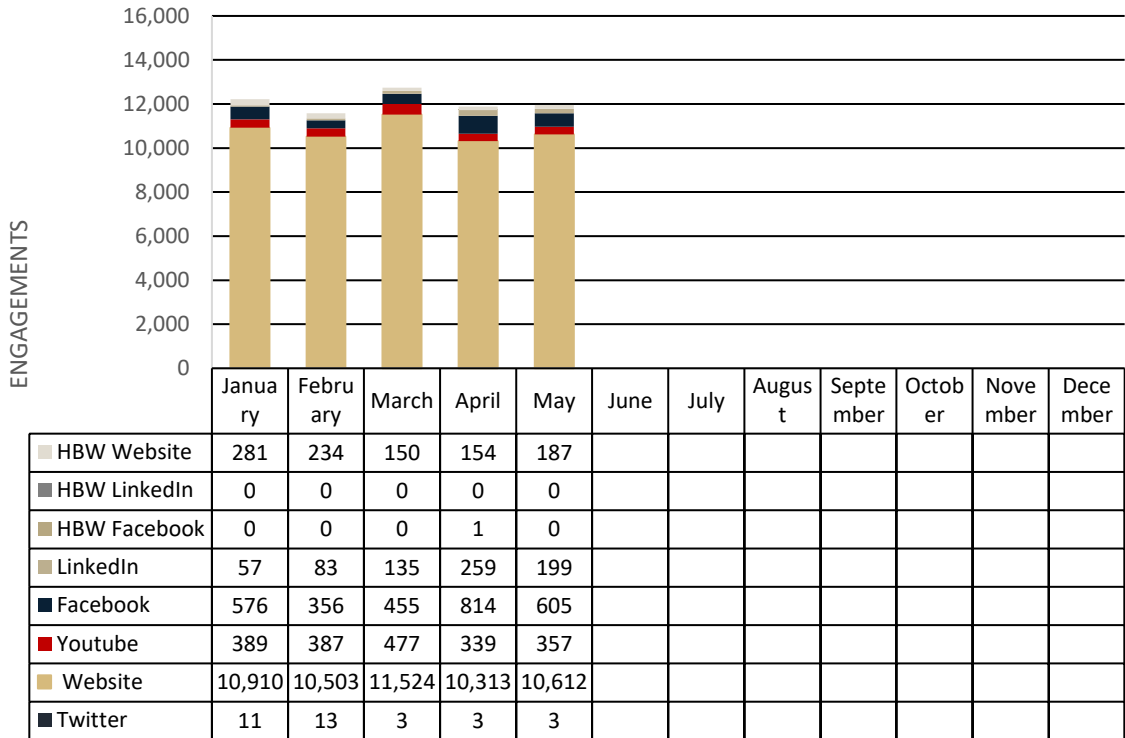
- Engagements - measures the total number of public interactions including shares, likes and comments
- Total Impressions - the number of times content is displayed to a user
- Followers – unique users who subscribe to receive updates

The data collected is from the platforms with the highest utilization:

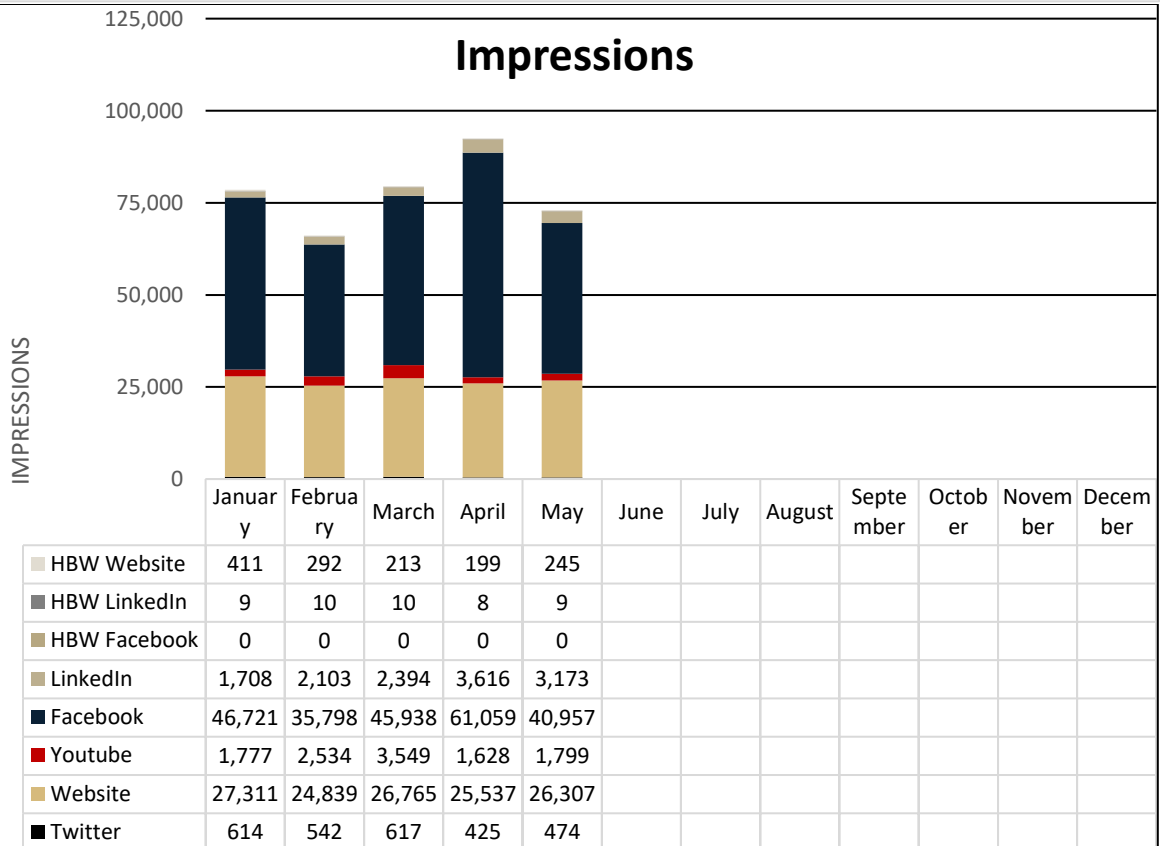
- Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/WorkforceCenter/>
- Home Base Wichita Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HomeBaseWichita>
- YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/c/Workforce-ks>
- Twitter at <https://twitter.com/workforcecenter>
- LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/workforce-centers-of-south-central-kansas/>
- Home Base Wichita LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/home-base-wichita/>
- Workforce Alliance Website at [www.workforce-ks.com](http://www.workforce-ks.com)
- Home Base Wichita Website at <https://homebasewichita.com/>

The month of May saw decreased engagement on all platforms except the WA Website, YouTube, and the HBW Website. Impressions increased across all platforms except Facebook, HBW Facebook, and LinkedIn. Followers increased on all platforms except Twitter and HBW Facebook.

## Engagements



## Impressions



## Followers/Subscribers

