

DEED Office of Adult Career Pathways – SFY26/27 Drive for Five – Job Placement Services RFP Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. **We are a Chamber of Commerce and currently filing as 501(c)3. I wonder if our organization is qualified for Adult Career Pathways Programs (such as Drive for 5 Initiative - Job Placement Services) as many require a 501(c)6 filing status.**
 - a. Drive for 5 – Job Placement Services applicants must be a Chamber of Commerce or Trade Association with 501(c)6 tax filing. Please refer to [DEED's Competitive Grants and Contracts webpage](#) to explore Adult Career Pathways grant opportunities for organizations with a 501(c)3 tax filing.
2. **I'm reviewing the State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2026 and 2027 *Drive for 5 – Job Placement Services Competitive Grant* and had a quick question. Is this an unrestricted cash award, and what types of budget items do typically funded organizations include (e.g., general operating expenses, staffing, program delivery)?**
 - a. Drive for 5 – Job Placement Services grants are not unrestricted cash awards. Grant payments will be made on a reimbursement basis, and requests for reimbursement must reflect actual expenses incurred. Administrative costs may not exceed 10% of total expenditures. For eligible services, see page 7 of the [RFP](#). For additional information on cost categories, please refer to the [ACP Cost Category Guidance](#).