



PbS Employment Matching Award Application

PbS believes stable and fulfilling employment serves as a bridge back to community and adult life when youths leave facility care. To promote work opportunities and experiences while youths are in custody, the PbS Employment Matching Award will match up to \$1,000 of what selected youths earn from July 1 - Sept. 1, 2019. The winners will receive the funds upon release.

Applications will be accepted until June 30 and winners will be notified in July. In order to be considered, youths must:

- Be a resident of a state or county facility or community residential program participating in PbS at the time the application is submitted,
- Be employed between July 1 - Sept. 1, 2019, and
- Submit all components of the application: applicant information and youth questionnaire, one staff recommendation and proof of employment.

Earnings will be matched only for the time the youth resides at the program.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the PbS Help Desk:

help@pbstandards.org.

Thank you and good luck!

Performance-based Standards (PbS)
639 Granite Street | Suite 112 | Braintree, MA 02184
(P) 781.843.2663 | (F) 781.843.1688
help@pbstandards.org | <https://pbstandards.org>





Applicant Information

Contact Information

Youth Name:

Staff Contact Name:

Staff E-mail Address:

Staff Telephone:

Facility Name:

Facility Address:

Youth's Expected Release Date:

Employer Name:

Employer E-mail Address:

Employer Telephone:

Employment Information

Employer:

Job Title:

Expected Hours Per Week:

Hourly Wage:

Are there any deductions made directly from these wages for restitution, court fees or other expenses?





Youth Questionnaire

Instead of requesting an essay from applicants this year, we would like you to answer the questions below to help us better understand and increase support for employment opportunities for youths in custody. The responses will be kept confidential, will not impact your eligibility for the award and will only be used internally by PbS to inform our effort to expand the award program to assist more youths.

Every year we receive more applications than we can currently fund and must select winners by random drawing. We are launching a new initiative in August to raise money and increase financial support available for youths in facilities participating in PbS. Your answers will help us talk about the current availability of employment opportunities and needs when you leave.

1. How much do you agree with the following statements?

I have the skills and experiences I need to be successfully employed.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

I have a plan for my long-term education and employment that is helpful.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

I am ready to get a job/continue my current employment when I leave.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

I have the supports I need to be successfully employed.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

2. Over the past year or so, have you ever:

Earned a certificate or award for educational, vocational or athletic achievements?

Yes No

Done volunteer work in the community that made you feel good?

Yes No

Participated in any team meetings about your reentry/aftercare plan?

Yes No

3. How well do these statements describe you?

I'm confident I will succeed.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

It will be easy to pay my rent/ living expenses.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

I know my life has a purpose.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree





4. When you leave, how likely are you to:

Spend your free time in a positive community activity, such as a sports team or a club?

- Very Likely Somewhat Likely A Little Likely Not at All Likely

Find a job that you enjoy doing?

- Very Likely Somewhat Likely A Little Likely Not at All Likely

5. What things from the list below do you have in your possession or can you easily get if you need them?

- Valid ID (license, state ID, school ID)
- Birth certificate
- Social Security card
- Passport
- Medical records
- Immunization records
- Prescriptions
- Cell phone
- Other: _____

6. What type of career do you plan to go into in the future and why?





Attachments

Staff Recommendation

Please tell us why you are recommending this youth. Does he/she have clear career goals and show ability to meet goals? How will the employment matching award help him/her stay on the path to meaningful, gainful employment? (*No more than 250 words, please.*)

Proof of Employment

Please attach proof of the youth's employment. It can be a pay stub or other documentation from the employer confirming the youth is hired and working.

Application Checklist

Please upload all materials online:

<https://pbstandards.org/awards/employment-matching-award/employment-matching-award-application-upload>

- Application (include completed applicant information and youth questionnaire)
- Staff Recommendation (can be a typed letter or written on staff recommendation form)
- Proof of Employment (can be a pay stub or other documentation from employer)

