

# Application Guide for Module 10: Budgeting: Achieving Innovation & Opportunity in WIOA

## Using this Guide

As you go through this training, you will see these icons which indicate a prompt for reflection. You can:



1. Pause the training and do the prompt, OR
2. Complete the training and then go through the guide.

## Creating Opportunities Through Partnerships

- What are the LWDB's identified local needs? What are the LWDB's strategic priorities?
- Who are the LWDB's partners? Who else could/should be involved to assist in reaching the LWDB's goals and priorities?
- Reflect on your most successful partnership. What makes it successful? What changes could be made to strengthen it? [How did it help meet local needs and/or achieve strategic priorities?](#)
- How have you been successful developing partnerships with the 14 required WIOA partners? For any partners that you have not been successful in building relationships with, what actions or activities can the LWDB engage in to strengthen the relationship?
- How have these required partnerships and community resources impacted the LWDB's success?
- What challenges might the LWDB face in implementing braided funding? How can your LWDB coordinate with multiple partners to work towards shared strategic goals?

## Strategies for Innovation

- How can the LWDB build its s's internal capacity? What area or areas need the LWDB's attention to strengthen the current capacity?




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<b>External Funding Source</b>	<b>How funds from this source can support LWDB's local plan</b>	<b>Potential partner, agency, or resource</b>	<b>LWDB's communication and outreach plan</b>
Federal Grants			
State Grants			
Local Government/Community Grants			
Nonprofit Organizations			
Private Sector			



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- Looking at the innovative funding methods, which of these strategies has your LWDB found success with? Which do you think represents the greatest opportunity to your area? What needs to be in place to begin implementing it?

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- How can the LWDB support the coordination and sharing of supporting documentation between programs and partners? What sharing practices already exist within the local system? How can the LWDB strengthen the distribution of supporting documentation?
- What additional support or information would help you in thinking innovatively about the LWDB's budget and creative leveraging of funds?

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## Local Workforce Development Asset Map

- Individually or as a LWDB, create a web or map that illustrates your overall local workforce system and the entities involved. [Think of this as a visual representation of your Memorandum of Understanding](#). You will be identifying supports and resources unique to your area that can support the LWDB's mission and vision. A sample workforce development asset map from St. Louis is provided to be used as a guide.
- To begin, think back to those partnerships you've already identified. Include both your existing partnerships and those that you identified ones you wish to create. Begin to add them to your map. When identifying these partnerships, it may be helpful to label those that the LWDB already has an existing relationship with and those that may need the LWDB's investment and attention to strengthen. Feel free to use an asterisk to mark the relationships that are not currently strong to better assess where resources may need to be invested.
- Now, refer back to those resources and supports that you identified earlier as potential funding sources that align with the LWDB's strategic goals. Feel free to mark these with a dollar sign.
- Finally, looking back at the asset map you created, what areas have been identified as needing attention? What relationships or resources need investment from the LWDB? What action steps does the LWDB need to take to begin cultivating these relationships or secure funding?



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