"Shared Youth Vision Collaborative: Expanding Partners in 2006" May 31, 2006 - 2:00 pm EST

Questions and Answers

- **Q1.** When are the applications going to be available?
- A1. June 20, 2006.
- **Q2.** When will the pilot states be chosen?
- **A2.** After the Advanced Forums because only those states selected for the Advanced Level Forums will be allowed to apply to be a pilot state.
- **Q3.** Are state teams encouraged to work with their off-reservation urban Indian population since most urban areas have more disadvantaged American Indian youth than reside on several reservations in their respective states?
- **A3.** Yes. The process works the same as it does for the urban centers--states are encouraged to collaborate with those youth services that serve Indians within the urban centers or the off-reservation centers.
- **Q4.** Is there a Youth Vision Web site?
- **A4.** Yes. Information on the Youth Vision can be accessed at: www.doleta.gov/ryf.
- Q5. Based on the 2004 Regional Youth Conference states attended, many started collaborative youth vision projects in early January '05. We started a project that is already being funded through another grant for older youth and foster care. Will you encourage the continuation and expansion of projects states have been working on or are we expected to come forward with new projects?
- **A5.** We would encourage states to continue successful projects that are meeting your Youth Vision state plan.

- **Q6.** With respect to the upcoming pilot projects next year or later this year, what is the time period for these pilot projects?
- **A6.** We are currently in the process of determining this and other factors regarding the pilots. We plan on having this information available after the forums. The pilot projects will more than likely begin in the winter of 2007 and continue for up to one year.
- **Q7.** How will the applications be distributed?
- **A7.** They will be distributed through the youthfed.team@dol.gov e-mail system and will also be posted on the Regional Youth Forum Web site: www.doleta.gov/ryf. Materials will also be sent to the governor's offices and Tribal leaders.
- **Q8.** What will the Workforce Innovations Youth Vision Workshop focus on?
- **A8.** The Workforce Innovations workshop will provide an opportunity for attendees to discuss and interact with each other regarding activities that relate to the Youth Vision work they are doing in their states. It will provide a forum for people to talk about and share information on shared youth vision activities.
- **Q9.** If selected, how many team members can come to the forum?
- **A9.** At least one representative from each partner agency must attend, not to exceed 12 members on the team.
- Q10. Could you provide more information on the Workforce Innovations Conference?
- **A10.** Yes. You can go to the Web site which is www.workforceinnovations.org that has all the information, the sessions and the theme for Workforce Innovations, which will be held in Anaheim, California, July 11 through 13.