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Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board Fern Dominelli Chief Administrative Officer 210 Mead Boulevard Espanola ON P5E 1R9

Email: fern.dominelli@msdsb.net

Dear Mr Dominelli,

Re: Youth Job Link program

On behalf of the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to offer your organization the opportunity to deliver the new Youth Job Link (YJL) program.

As Assistant Deputy Minister David Fulford wrote to the Employment Ontario network earlier today, YJL will be integrated into the existing Resource and Information component of the Employment Service (ES), but will feature expanded youth focused offerings.

There are three categories of service within YJL, each of which is available yearround but will focus largely on summer employment. They are:

- **Career exploration** services to increase knowledge of career options and support career decision-making;
- **Career management** services to improve readiness for the labour market; and,
- Job search, readiness and matching assistance to connect youth with employers offering employment opportunities, including summer jobs.

In some cases, YJL will provide up to \$300 for a combination of individual supports and employer incentives to offset the costs of on-the-job training, new employee orientation and other hiring-related costs, for those youth that need more assistance finding work.

Youth Job Link was announced in Ontario's <u>Budget 2015</u> as part of a major reinvestment of \$250 million in the Youth Job Strategy to support several new employment programs for youth.

It is also part of the government's commitment to modernize and transform our employment and training services and implement a new, more comprehensive and targeted suite of employment programs and services to help youth across a broader spectrum of needs. This new continuum of services also includes Youth Job Connection and the Employment Service.

The following information is regarding your organization's notional allocation of YJL funding. It is subject to your organization confirming acceptance of this allocation by signing a YJL agreement with the ministry.

The YJL Resource and Information (RI) Sessions/Workshops Activity targets indicated for the Service Delivery Site(s) will not affect or count towards your ES targets. The Job Matching Supports and Incentives Target is the minimum number of job matches with supports and/or incentives you would have to commit to.

Service Provider Reference Number:					
SDS ID	Operating Funding	Flow- Through Funding	Total Funding	RI Sessions/Wor kshops Activity Target	Job Matching Supports and Incentives Target
4087A	\$ 10,400	\$ 1,600	\$ 12,000	16	5

The notional YJL allocations for your site(s) are as follows:

By **February 10, 2016**, please write to your Employment and Training Consultant to confirm receipt of this letter and indicate whether you accept our offer to deliver Youth Job Link.

We hope you will agree to deliver this important new program for youth, and look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure all Ontarians have access to effective employment and training programs and services. To learn more about the new suite of employment programs for youth, including Youth Job Link, please visit the <u>Employment Ontario Partners' Gateway</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact your Employment and Training Consultant.

Sincerely,

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Andrew Irvine Director North Region

c.c. Donna Chorney, Manager, Service Delivery