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Dear 21<sup>st</sup> Century Workforce Initiative Regional Partners:

During August 2007, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Regions were notified that additional funds were being provided for implementation of the regional strategies as identified in the regional plans that were submitted during May 2007. Bureau of Workforce Programs (BWP) Policy Issuance 07-05 notified regions that they could submit proposals to implement projects that were consistent with their approved plans. Proposals would be taken on a rolling, continual basis until all available funding was allocated for projects. To date, the BWP has received a small number of proposals.

Because the Department of Labor & Economic Growth (DLEG) will be conducting a review of unallocated Program Year 2007 funds, and their possible use for other projects, it is imperative that the regions submit implementation project proposals by **February 15, 2008**.

Proposals should be submitted to:

Ms. Janice Cooper, Interim Program Manager  
Michigan Regional Skills Alliances (MiRSA) Section  
DLEG - Bureau of Workforce Programs  
Victor Office Center  
201 North Washington Square, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Plans should also be submitted electronically to [21stcentury@michigan.gov](mailto:21stcentury@michigan.gov).

If your region is unable to submit a proposal by February 15, 2008, we are requesting that you notify Ms. Cooper with regard to the amount of funding that will be required for your 21<sup>st</sup> Century Regional Planning implementation project, as well as the date that you anticipate submitting your proposal as soon as possible.

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to Ms. Cooper at (517) 373-6392 or by e-mail to [cooperj1@michigan.gov](mailto:cooperj1@michigan.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet Howard".

Janet Howard, Interim Director  
Bureau of Workforce Programs

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cc: MiRSA Workforce Development Specialists