**Third Sector Capital Partners, Inc. Pay for Success Competition**

***Application Form for Feasibility Technical Assistance***

**Overview**

State Executive Offices, State Workforce Agencies, and Local Workforce Boards (highly recommended in conjunction with State Executive Offices or Workforce Agencies) wishing to apply for Third Sector’s Pay for Success (PFS) Round 2 competition can find our application below. Please review the *P4P Readiness Framework: Description of Selection Factors* in the Application Guide when completing the application.

**EXTENDED DEADLINE: Completed applications are due by February 24th, 2016 by 5:00 p.m. PST**. Applicants are encouraged to submit the Letter of Interest form by January 29, 2015 (deadline extended from 12/31). The Letter of Interest form and submission instructions are available on Third Sector’s website: <http://www.thirdsectorcap.org/our-work/sif/>.

Competition winners will be required to enter into an MOU with Third Sector. If selected, applicants should, to the extent legally permissible, be willing to make key final documents from the PFS technical assistance process publically available, including, but not limited to, feasibility studies, contracts and evaluation plans.

**Application Timeline**

The following timeline is subject to amendment. Any amendment will be posted on Third Sector’s website at: <http://www.thirdsectorcap.org/our-work/sif/>.

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| December 7, 2015 | Letter of Interest Released |
| December 7, 2015  1:00 p.m. EST | Webinar for Potential Applicants  Register here: [www.thirdsectorcap.org/our-work/sif/](http://www.thirdsectorcap.org/our-work/sif/" \t "_blank) |
| December 7-23, 2015 | Open Information Period for Applicants |
| January 4, 2016 | Application Released |
| January 4 – February 24, 2016 | Open Information Period for Applicants |
| January 12, 2016 | Webinar 2 for Potential Applicants |
| January 29, 2015  by 5:00 p.m. PST | Letter of Interest Forms Due (recommended but not required) – extended deadline |
| **February 24th, 2016  by 5:00 p.m. PST** | **Applications Due** |
| March 14-22, 2016 | Finalist Due Diligence Interviews |
| March 28, 2016 | Notification to Sub-Recipients |
| March 28 – April 6, 2016 | Sub-Recipients Announced |

**Open Information Period**

During the Open Information Period, Third Sector will offer potential applicants the opportunity to engage with Third Sector staff to answer situation-specific questions related to the application criteria. Applicants will be limited to a maximum of 2 hours of engagement time. To schedule, please email [sifcompetition@thirdsectorcap.org](mailto:sifcompetition@thirdsectorcap.org).

**Minimum Eligibility Criteria**

* Applicants must meet the following criteria: State Executive Offices, State Workforce Agencies, and Local Workforce Boards (highly recommended in conjunction with State Executive Offices or Workforce Agencies) who demonstrate clear interest in pay-for-performance exploration through their WIOA implementation plans or other actions, including data access agreements to key administrative databases. State Education Agencies, TANF Agencies, and service providers are also encouraged to partner with applicants. Preference will be given to state-level applications and applications across multiple jurisdictions.
* Area of Impact must fall within Youth Development and Economic Opportunities.
* Applicant must substantively answer all questions or requests in the application.

**Application Instructions**

* Applications are limited to 10 pages (single-spaced, Arial, 12-point font size, one-inch margins, numbered pages).
* Applications should include a 1-page cover letter (as cover page) that includes, in addition to the information requested in the Application Details, a description of the latest priorities around Pay for Performance in the WIOA Implementation Plan and why the applicant is well positioned to benefit from Third Sector’s feasibility and technical assistance services.
* Page limit does not include cover letter, table of contents, appendix or attachments.
* Applications must be submitted as a single, searchable .PDF file. Please submit applications to [sifcompetition@thirdsectorcap.org](mailto:sifcompetition@thirdsectorcap.org) using subject “SIF Application Submission”
* Applications received after the submission deadline will not be accepted.

**Application Form**

Please answer all of the following questions under **Applicant Details** and **Selection Factors**.

**Applicant Details**

1. Please indicate which type of application you are submitting:

[ ] State Executive Office

[ ] State Workforce Agency

[ ] Local Workforce Board

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please list governmental or service provider partners, if applicable, and contact person and position at each entity.

**Selection Factors**

Please refer to the *P4P Readiness Framework: Description of Selection Factors* in the Application Guide for additional support in answering these questions. Applications will be scored out of 100 points.

**Factor 1**: Describe the organizational leadership and staff capacity that can be utilized during the P4P project. [25 points]

**Factor 2:** Describe your commitment to exploring how state or local WIOA dollars or other sources can serve as success payments for performance-based projects. [25 points]

**Factor 3**: Describe your knowledge and understanding of performance-based contracting and experience with evaluations in workforce development. [10 points]

**Factor 4**: Describe the target populations and geographical areas of interest in this project. Additionally, P4P projects rely on rigorous data evaluation in order to measure success and identify economic and social benefit. Describe the potential outcomes that could be used for eachtarget population of interest in this project, and any accessible databases and/or baseline information that could facilitate measuring selected outcomes. [25 points]

**Factor 5:** Describe the current landscape of contracts and services for target populations of interest in factor 4. [5 points]

**Factor 6:** Summarize any existing exploratory efforts or work at your agency with interventions and/or service providers in the youth workforce development space that could be part of a pay for performance project. Please include how the intervention or service provider may serve the identified target populations of interest, including programmatic design, impact on outcomes, evidence base, and cost structure. [10 points]