

# Quarter Two Administrator Meeting

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# Outline

- Grantee Network Update
- Participant Metrics & Demographics
- Program Improvement Strategies
- Bid Credit Program
- Important Upcoming Events and Dates
- Questions

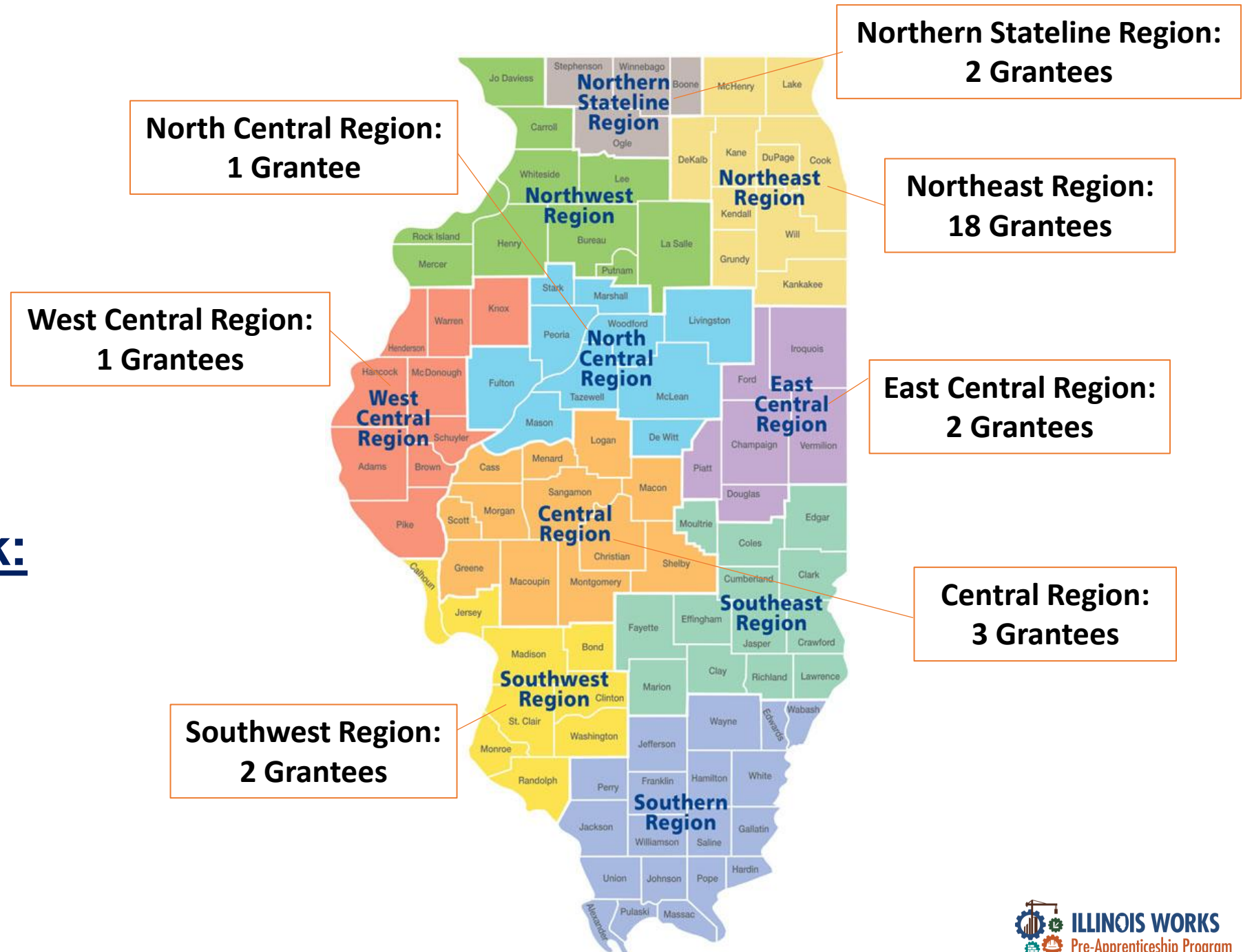


# Grantee Network Update



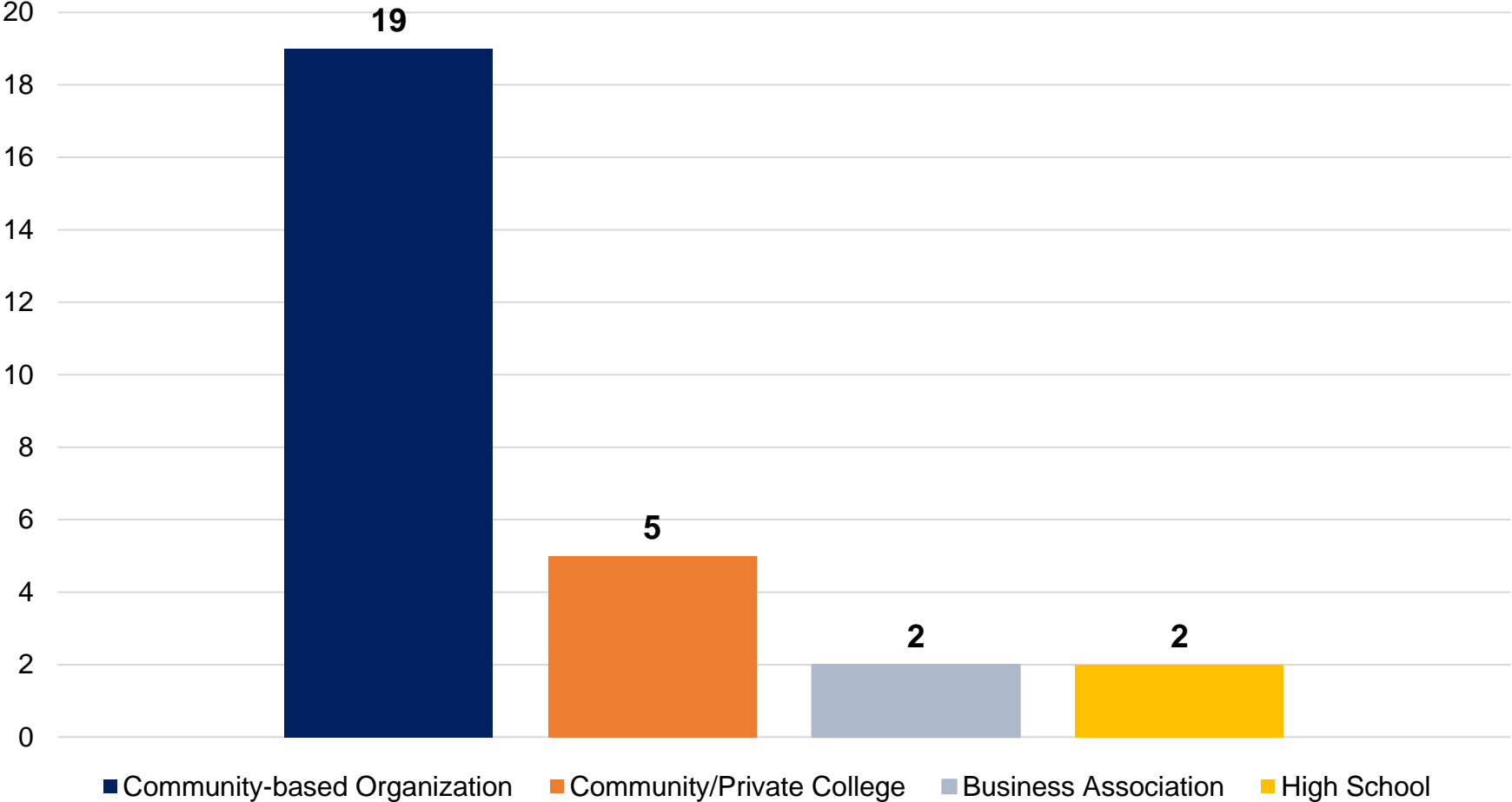
# 2023 Grantee Network

## 2023 ILWPP Grantee Network: 29 Grantees



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## ILWPP Grantee Organization Type

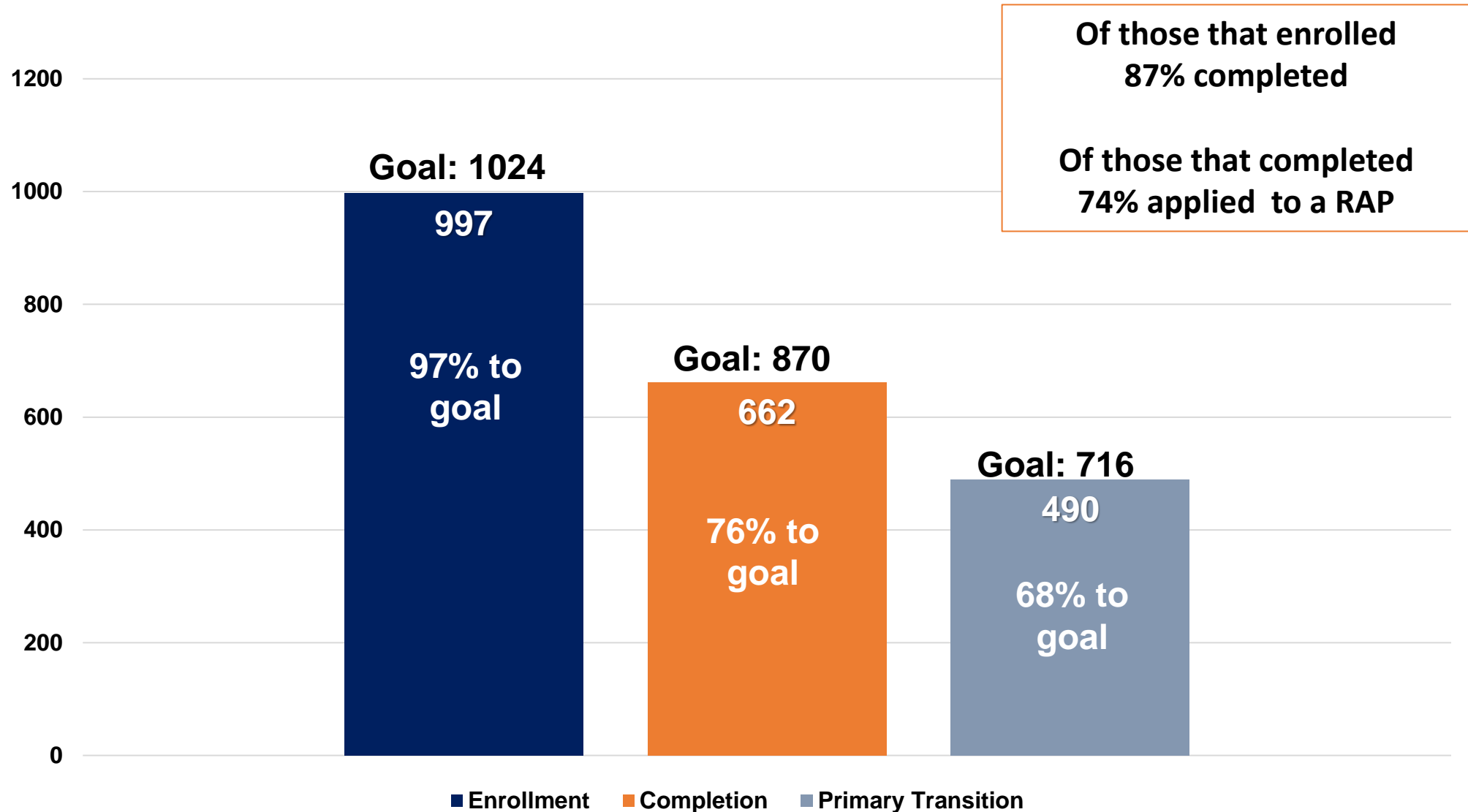




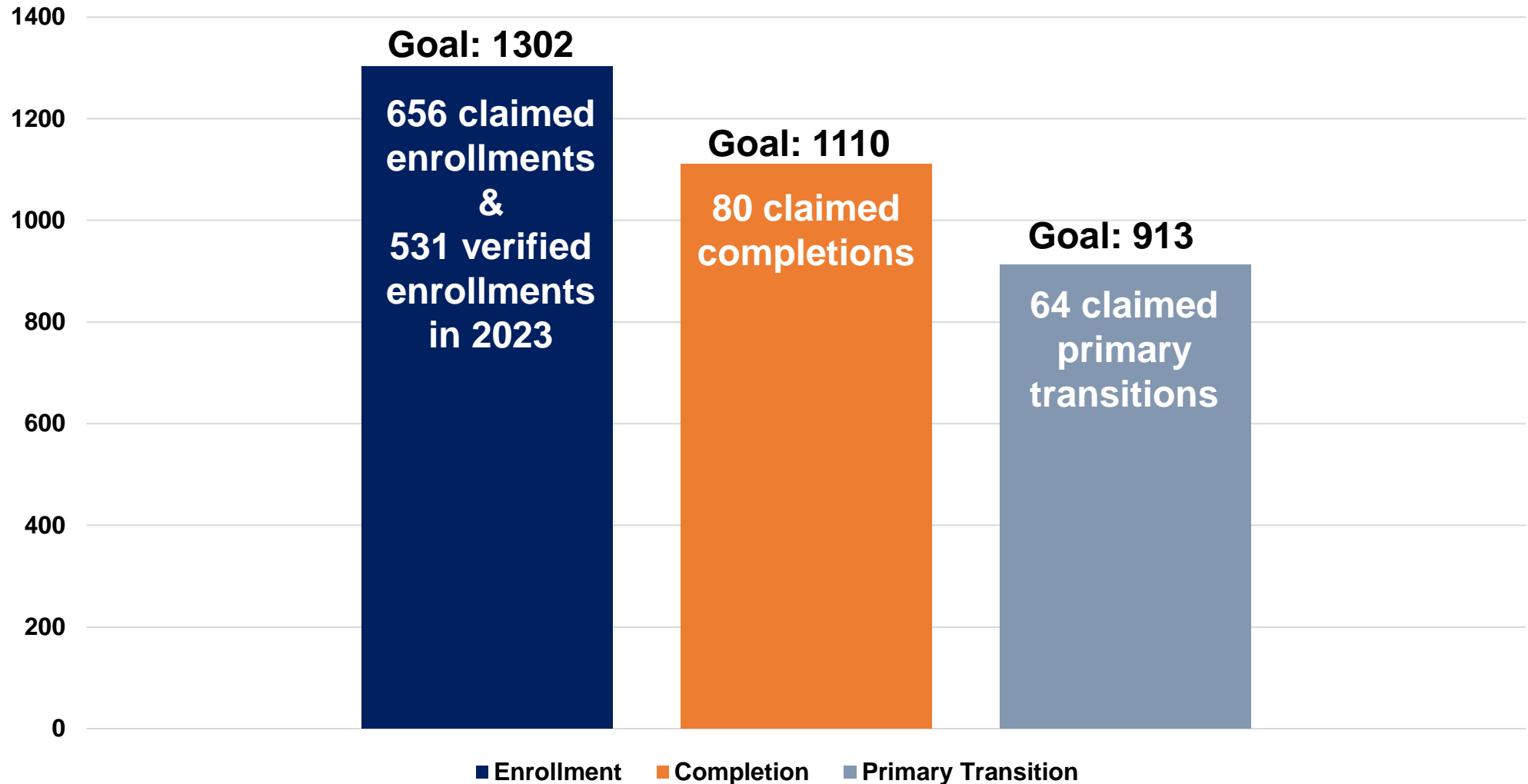
# Participant Metrics & Demographics



# Network Verified Outcome Metrics - 2022



# Network Goal Outcome Metrics - 2023

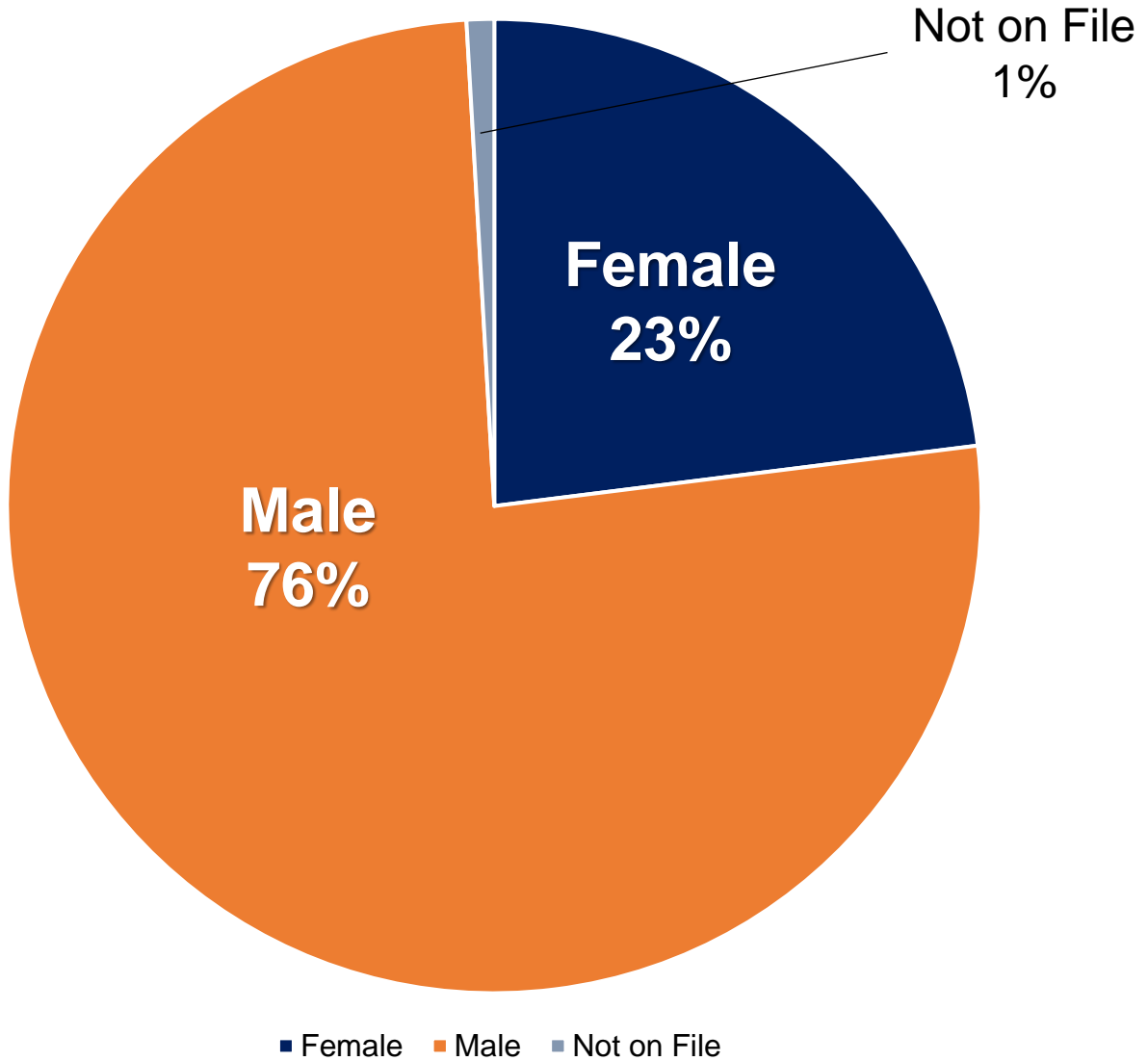


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# Participant Demographics

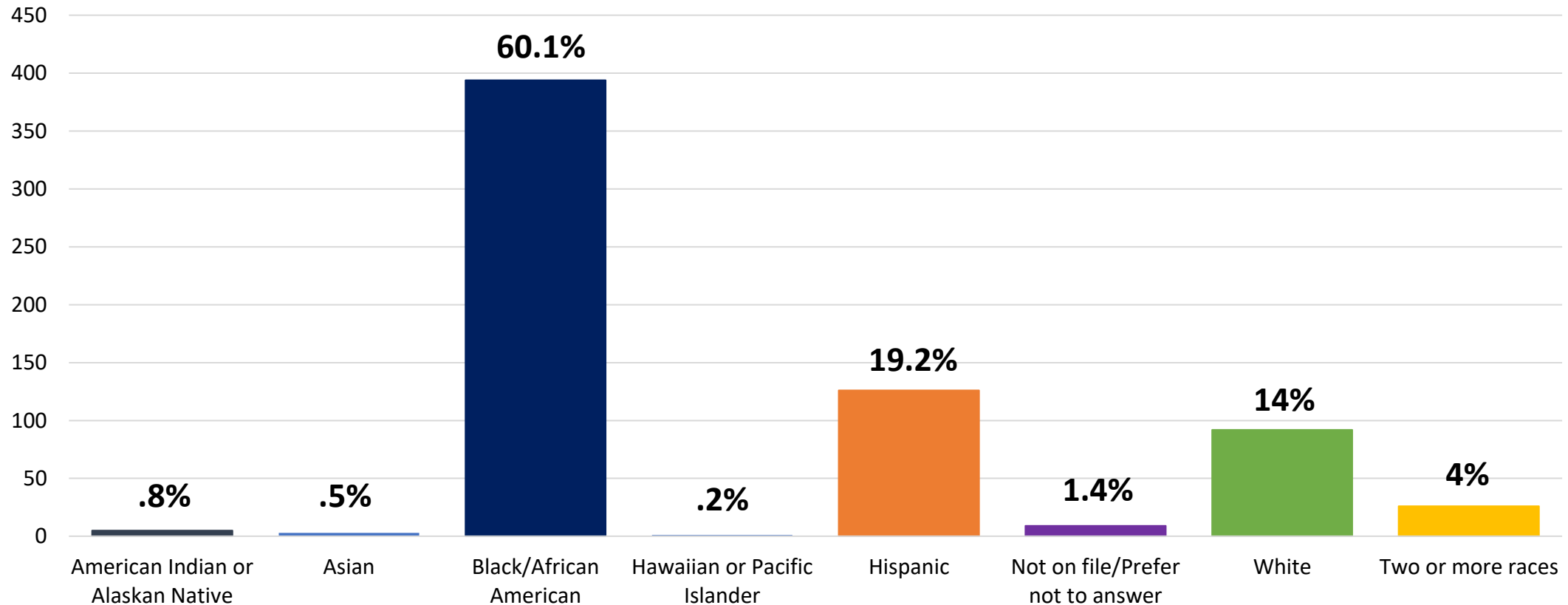
## Gender



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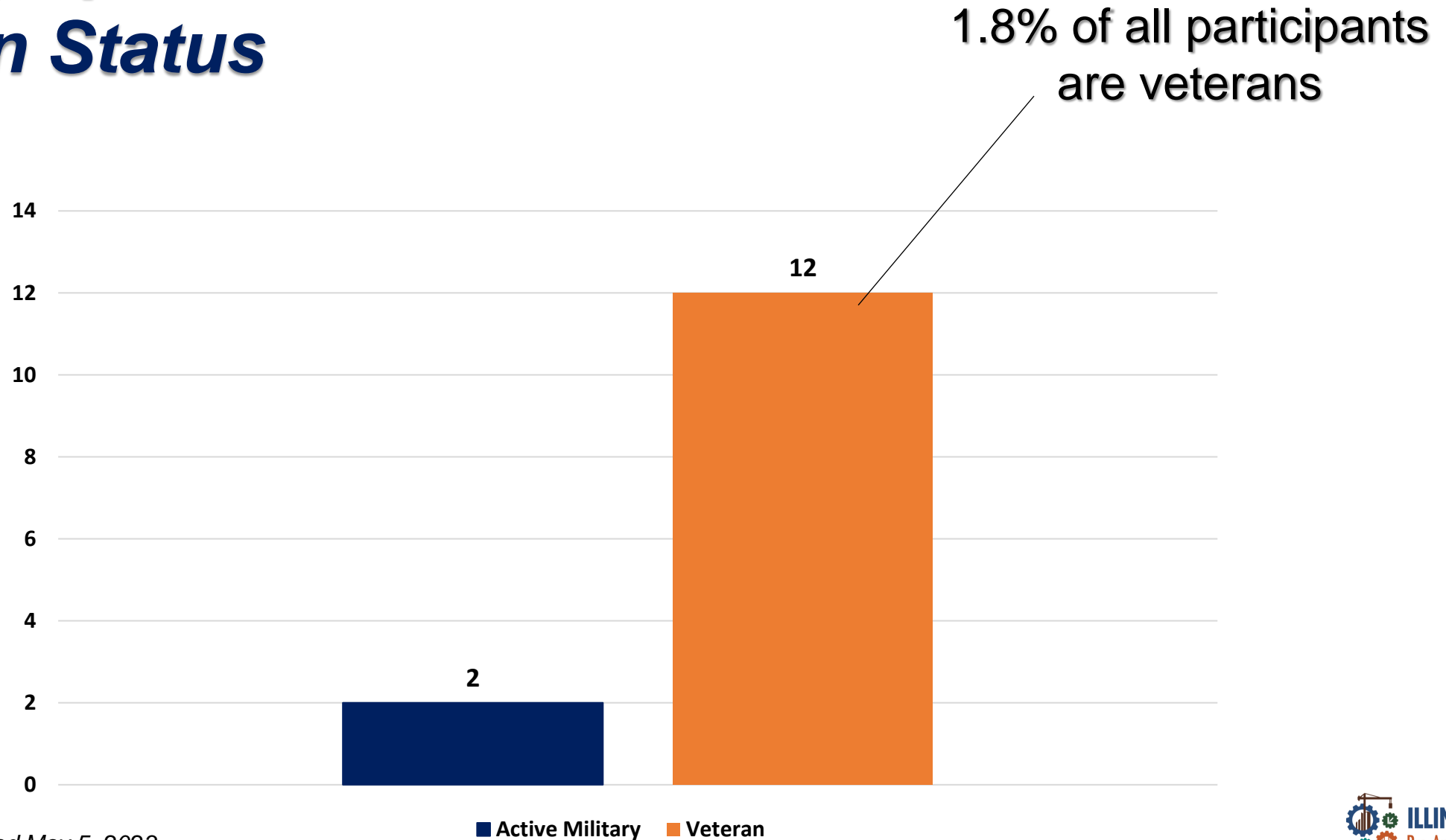
## *Race/Ethnicity*



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# Participant Demographics

## *Veteran Status*



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# Program Improvement Strategies



# Wrap-around & Student Support Service delivery & tracking

2022 IWRS data showed low utilization of support services

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- Quarterly Support Service Utilization Reports
- Close Out will place a higher weight on supportive service tracking



# Increase Primary Transitions & Transition Services

50% of Enrollees went to a Primary Transition in 2022

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- Quarterly transition services report provided to all grantees
- Implementation of the Transitions Program
  - Monthly transitions surveys
  - Monthly Transition Coordinator Meetings
  - Transition focused technical assistance



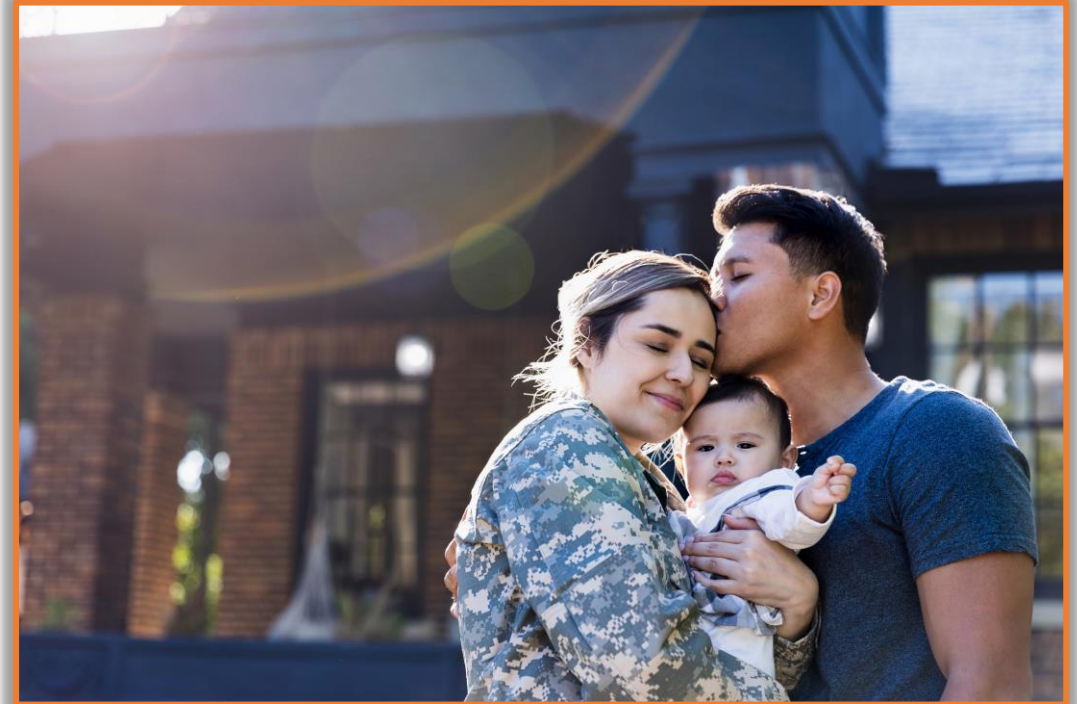


# Increased Veteran Recruitment

In 2022, 6% of Illinois apprentices were Veterans, but only 1.8% of ILWPP participants identified as Veterans

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- Updating IWRS for more accurate reporting
- Recruiting veteran focused organizations for the 2023 NOFO



# Active Tracking Follow Up

Active Tracking Follow Up started for renewal grantees in the fall of 2022. This was one of the factors on close out that had the lowest compliance.

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- Quarterly report will be sent to grantees with their compliance outlining the participants who have outstanding active tracking questionnaires

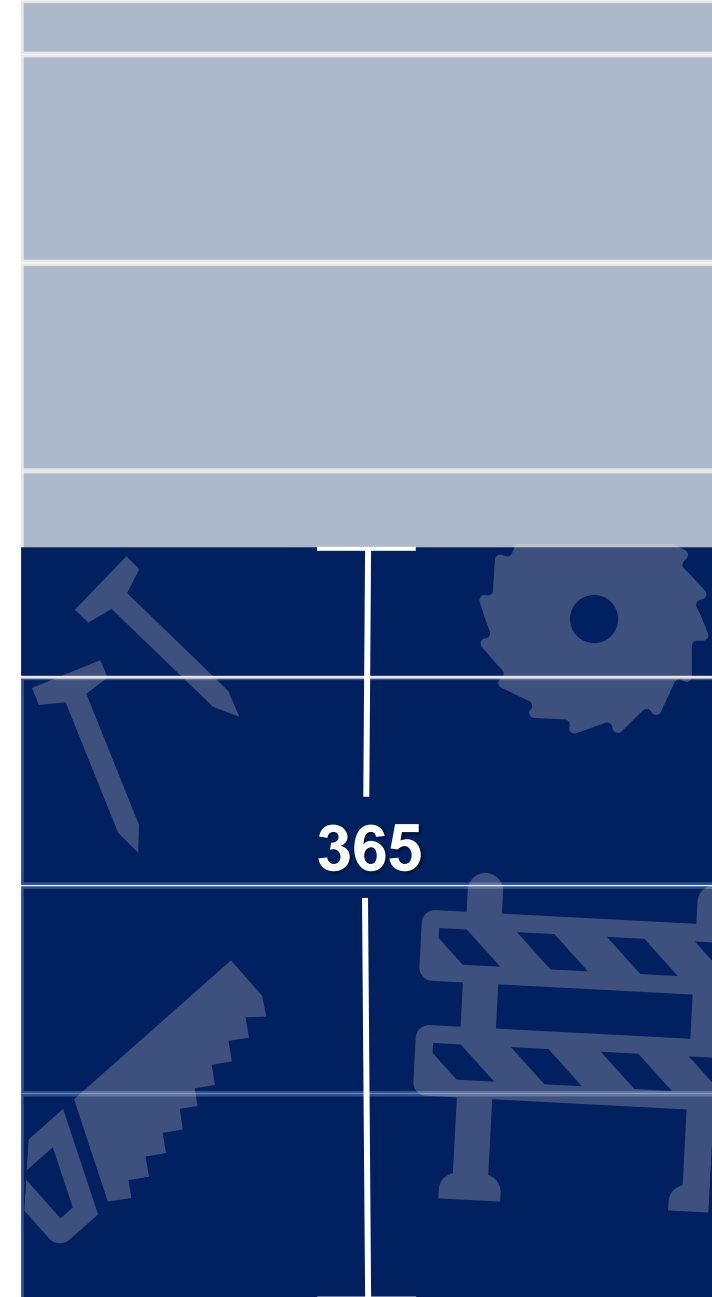


# Applicant Tracking System

As of 5/18/2023, there were 662 verified Completions. However, **only 55% of these have been entered into ATS**

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- A participant will need to be entered into ATS to get a verified completion
- Resume templates created and made available to all grantees and their participants



# ILW Close Out

The 2022 Close Out took longer than anticipated due to all data being checked at one time instead of on an ongoing basis.

*How ILWPP is improving:*

- Close out will take place on a monthly basis as part of monthly compliance
- Each metric will be verified before it is added to the reimbursement maximum



# NIU Evaluation

Northern Illinois University's Center for Governmental Studies (CGS) started conducting the first year of ILWPP Program Evaluation in the spring of 2023.

This evaluation will culminate in a report later this summer and utilize:

- IWRS data
- Grantee documentation
- Focus Groups
- Participant interviews

This report will offer key insights and findings into additional network improvements and impact.



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# Bid Credit Program

The Bid Credit Program will launch marketing to contractors beginning in Summer 2023.

Marketing materials will be distributed to grantees in the next few weeks to provide to their contractor partners.



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# Important Upcoming Events & Dates



# End of Fiscal Year

State of Illinois's fiscal year will end on June 30, 2023.

During this time, the Comptroller's office shuts down processes including reimbursement.

**All expenses & budget modifications will pause leading up to this close and lasting roughly 6 weeks.**

ILW will alert grantees of the exact date when it is communicated by OGM.

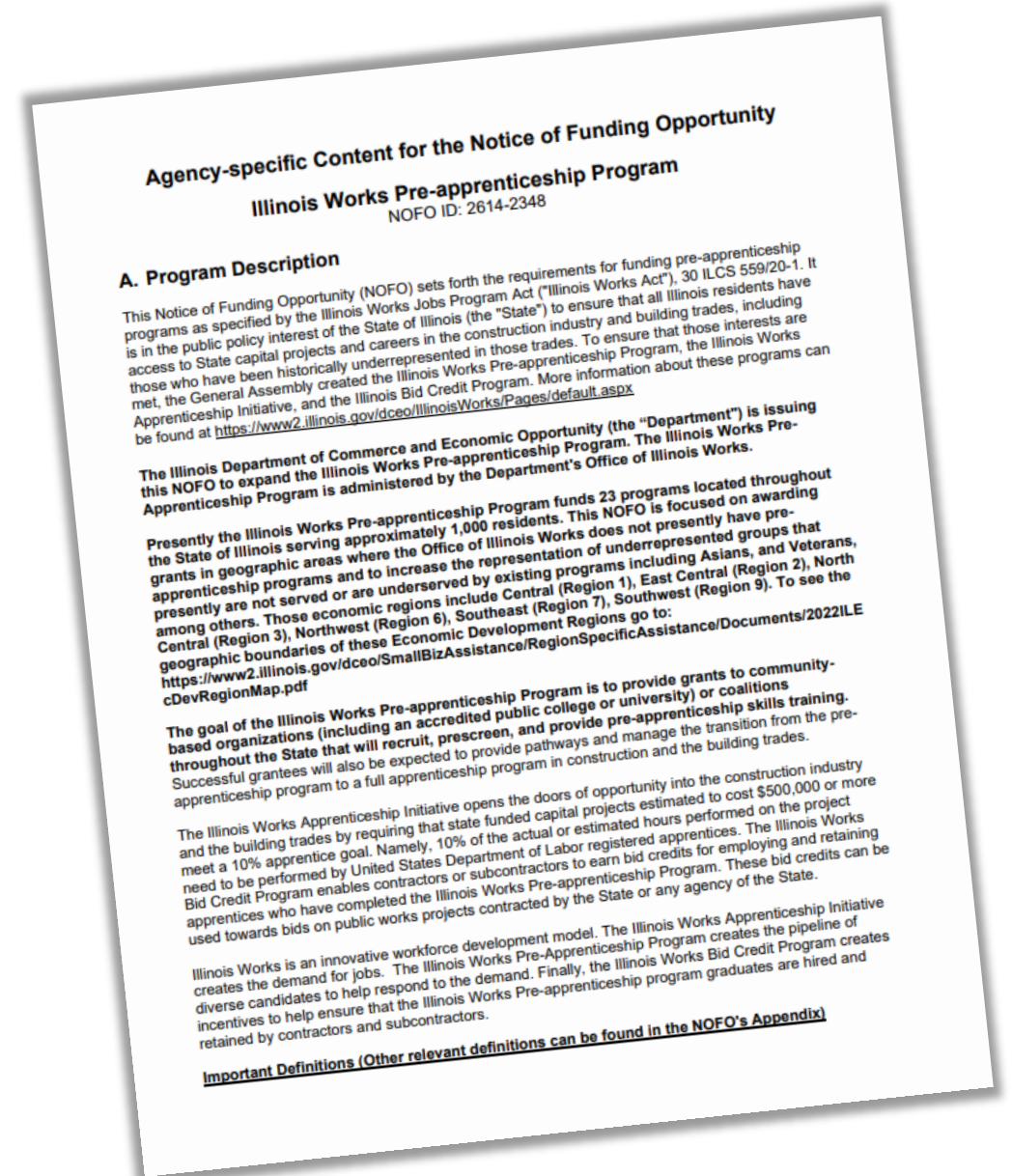


# 2023 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

The third NOFO for ILWPP will be posted in July 2023.

Current grantees do not need to reapply to this NOFO to maintain their grant for 2024.

However, if current grantees want to provide services to an additional DCEO region, they can submit a new application.



# 2023 ILWPP NOFO

## *Geographic Areas of Focus*

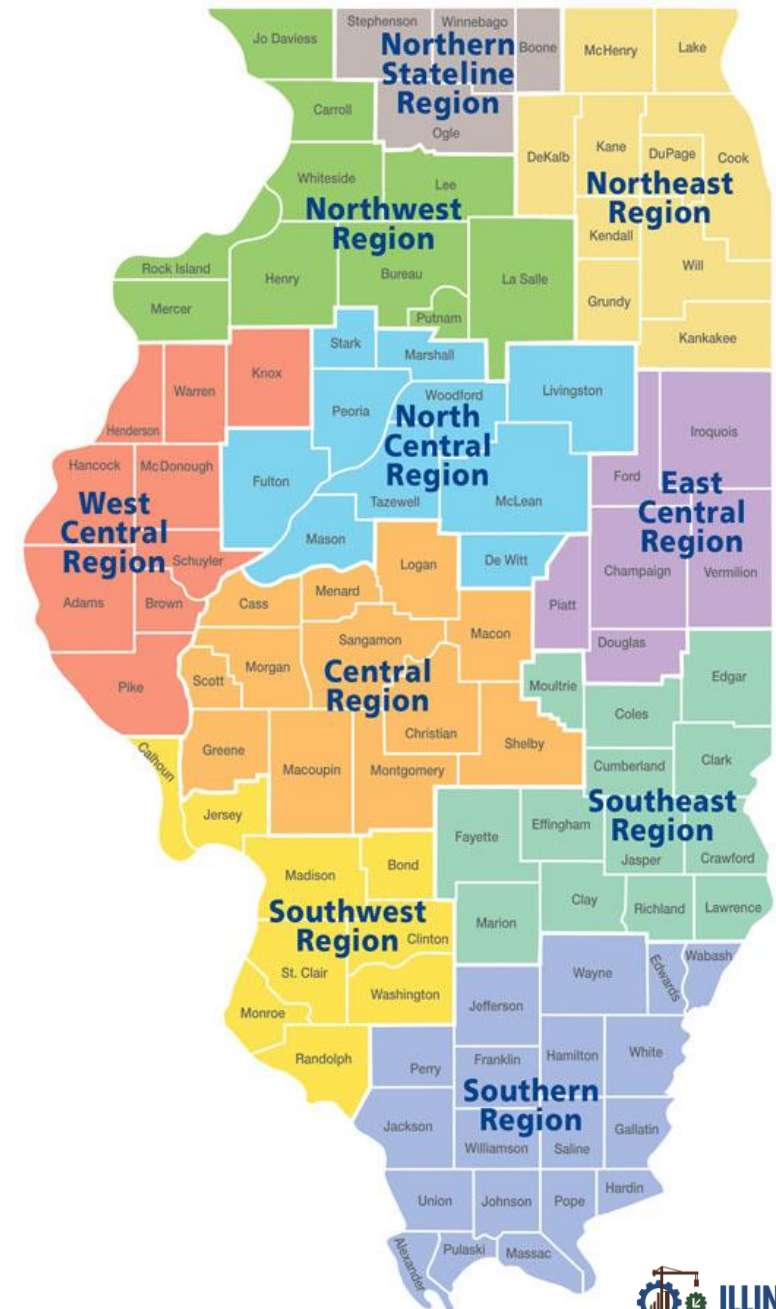
**Central Region** - Sangamon County

**North Central Region** – Peoria County, McClean County

**Northeast Region** – DeKalb County, DuPage County, Kane County, Kankakee County, Kendall County, McHenry County, Suburban Cook County, Will County

**Northwest Region** – LaSalle County, Rock Island County, Whiteside County

**Southern Region** – Jackson County





# 2023 ILWPP NOFO

## *Populations of Focus*

**Asians**

**American Indian or Alaska  
Natives**

**Hawaiian or Pacific Islanders**

**Veterans**

**Women**



# 2023 ILWPP NOFO

## *Feedback Requested*

ILWPP is considering making the following changes in the 2023 NOFO that will impact all grantees delivering services in 2024.

**What are your thoughts?**

### **Stipends**

In 2024, the participant stipend maximum will be increased to \$14.25.





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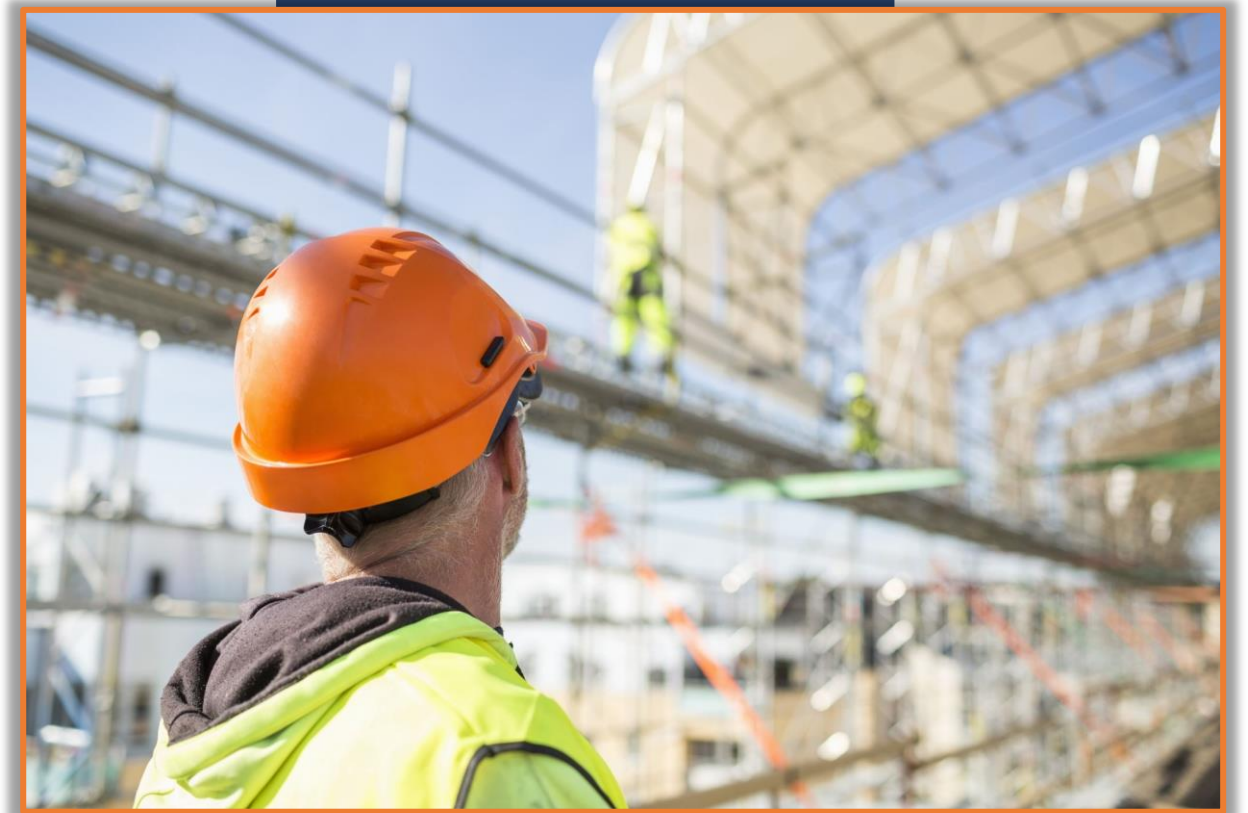
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### **Per Participant Allocation**

In 2024, the per participant allocation will increase to \$11,000.

For example, a grantee would be able to request \$220,000 for 20 enrollments instead of \$200,000





# 2023 ILWPP Annual Grantee Conference

October 2 – 3, 2023  
Bloomington, Illinois

Registration and more  
information will be provided in  
July 2023.



# Questions?

