Partners of PBCHA, we are excited to announce that we were successful in the application for the 2022 Department of Labor YouthBuild! See atatched press release.

In January, the PBCHA reached out to many of you regarding our intent to apply for this grant. We shared that YouthBuild is a community-based preapprenticeship program that provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 who have previously dropped out of high school. It is a national program in which low-income youth earn their GEDs and learn job skills, focusing on construction and the healthcare field. Additional information abou the YouthBuild at YB 2023 Fact Sheet.pdf (dol.gov) [dol.gov].

We are now reaching out to our partners who provided letters of support for inkind services, those who have partnered with the PBCHA and anyone interested in partnering with us for the YouthBuild program to kickoff this effort! We are holding a virtual and in=person kickoff meeting on **July 10**, **2023** at 10:30 to discuss next steps for the planning period and program implementation.

The kickoff meeting will be held at PBCHA's Offices located at 3333 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406. An invite will be sent separately with date/time and Zoom information. Looking forward to working with you on this exciting opportunity!

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