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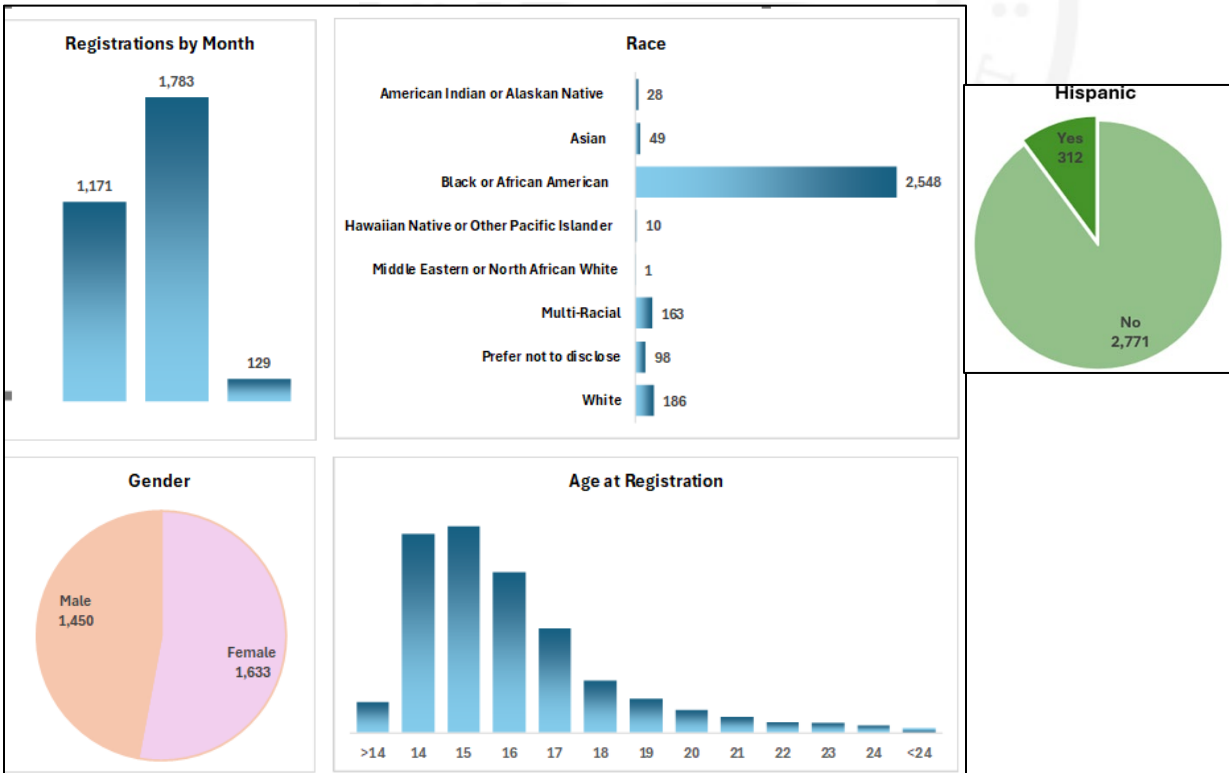
Date: May 8, 2026
To: Ald. Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, City of Milwaukee Finance and Personnel Committee
From: Julie Cayo, President and CEO, Employ Milwaukee
Re: Earn & Learn Summer Youth Employment Funding Request

Thank you for considering Employ Milwaukee’s request for additional funding to support the 2026 Earn & Learn summer youth employment program.

- \$150,000 could serve approximately 68 more youth in the traditional model using a pay rate of \$12.12 per hour for the 140-hour program (\$2222 per participant inclusive of payroll and administrative costs).
- In a model focused on older youth ages 17-21 earning a higher pay rate of \$16.00 per hour for the 140-hour program, \$150,000 could serve approximately 52 more youth (\$2912 per participant inclusive of payroll and administrative costs).

For the 2026 summer program, Employ Milwaukee has received 3,083 completed registrations from youth and over 1,000 summer job requests from worksites which include public, private and non-profit organizations. 955 of the youth registrants are over the age of 16. Below are details of where the youth live, as well as demographics of the 3,083 applicants. Please do not hesitate to contact me for more information.

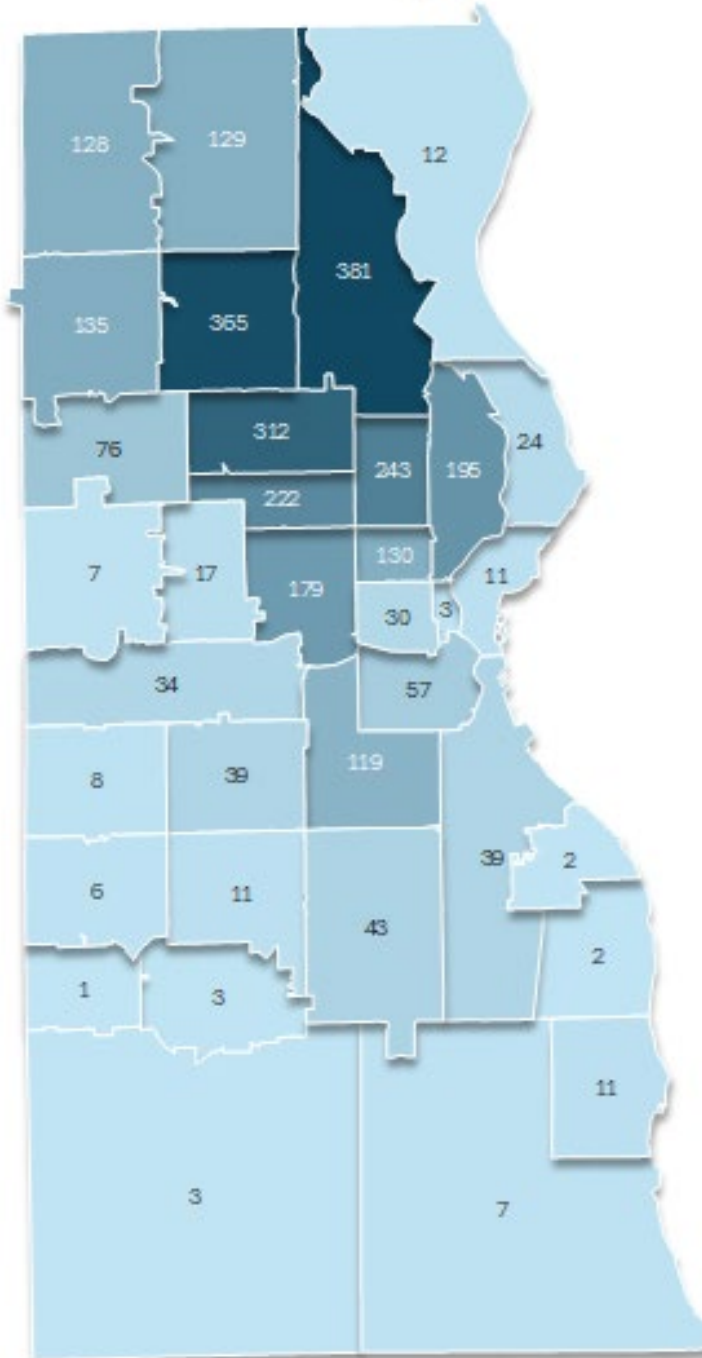
Earn & Learn Registrations – All Ages (Total: 3,083)



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