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REFER REPLY TO

CalWORKs

David Van Gee
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05/22/08

RE: Addendum for AB 98-Subsidized
Employment Funding

Dear David,

We understand that thanks to AB 98 there is now funding for Subsidized Employment in the CalWORKs Program. We had not offered that component in our original CalWORKs Plan.

In order to offer this component, we need to do this addendum and have it approved by our Board of Supervisors. We do wish to initiate Subsidized Private Sector Employment.

We are attaching a revised "Attachment 1" to our original Plan reflecting this change.

Sincerely,

Carla E. Moore
Deputy Director

AB 98

AB 98 requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to reimburse counties for 50 percent of a CalWORKs recipient's wage subsidy outside of the County's Single Allocation when the recipient is participating in subsidized employment. In order for counties to claim the additional funds, the following conditions must be met:

- The county program must limit wage subsidies to a maximum of 6 months for each recipient.
- The amount of wage subsidies claimed outside the Single Allocation may not exceed 50 percent of the maximum aid payment for the assistance unit of which the recipient is a member.

There are two very important items for us as a County with this legislation – 1. New money to draw upon to support subsidized employment as a tool to help Welfare recipients go into paid employment and 2. Subsidized employment is an activity that can count toward the Federal Work Participation rate.

To implement Assembly Bill 98, we need to advise the State by way of this addendum to our County's Plan.



CDSS

JOHN A. WAGNER
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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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The amendment establishes that Imperial County intends to offer subsidized private sector employment as an available work activity for the program participants. The amendment also outlines Imperial County's intent to use AB 98 funds for subsidized employment wages. In accordance with the statutory provisions in AB 98, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is required to reimburse counties for 50 percent of a CalWORKs recipient's wage subsidy outside of the county Single Allocation when the recipient is participating in subsidized employment. In order for Imperial County to claim AB 98 funds, the following conditions must be met:

- The Imperial County's private sector subsidized employment program must limit wage subsidies to a maximum of six months for each recipient.
- The amount of wage subsidies claimed outside of the Single Allocation may not exceed 50 percent of the maximum aid payment for the assistance unit of which the recipient is a member.

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

6-24-08

Board of Supervisors
County Administration Center
El Centro, CA 92243

Subject: CalWORKs Plan Addendum –AB 98 Subsidized Employment

Dear Boardmembers:

In accordance with Federal law, each county must submit a CalWORKs Plan Addendum to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) should there be a planned change in scope of service.

Our department plans to participate in a small scale AB 98 Subsidized Employment program (See attached summary of AB 98) for our CalWORKs population. There is no budgetary impact on our department or the County as a result of this addendum as 50% (\$30,000) of the total estimated \$60,000 cost will be reimbursed from California Department of Social Services (CDSS) and 50% (\$30,000) will come from our existing CalWORKs Single Allocation. Targeted services to this population will be provided by Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP) as part of our contracted services "Promote" program.

There are no budgetary adjustments necessary and there is no impact on the county general fund.

Following consultation with David Van Gee, our State CalWORKs analyst, and following Board approval we will be submitting the attached letter and request to California Department of Social Services.

Request:

Accordingly, I am requesting your Board approve this AB 98 Subsidized Employment CalWORKs Plan addendum for submittal to CDSS.

Sincerely,

James Semmes, Director
Department of Social Services

cc Carla Moore, Deputy Director, CalWORKs-Welfare to Work Division
David Van Gee, CalWORKs consultant, California Department of Social Services

MINUTE ORDER
OF
IMPERIAL COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: June 17, 2008	Book: 349	Page: 263	File #: 600.8	M.O.#: 39
Department: SOCIAL SERVICES			2nd Page:	

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, on a motion by Supervisor : CARRILLO , second by Supervisor : MARUCA and approved by the following roll call vote;

AYES : CARRILLO,GROGAN, MARUCA, WYATT, LEIMGRUBER

NAYES : NONE

ABSTAINED : NONE

EXCUSED OR ABSENT : NONE

Approved AB 98 Subsidized Employment CalWORKs Plan Addendum for submittal to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS).

Topic: AB 98 Subsidized CalWORKs Plan

X-Topic: CDSS

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(d) WELFARE-TO-WORK ACTIVITIES

Each county is expected to offer a range of services adequate to ensure that each participant has access to needed activities and services to assist him or her in seeking unsubsidized employment. [Reference: WIC Section 11322.7(a)] Pursuant to WIC Section 11322.7(b) "No plan shall require job search and work experience of participants to the exclusion of a range of activities to be offered to recipients." Activities allowed by state law include, but are not limited to, those listed below. Please indicate which of the following activities will be provided and identify any allowable activities that will not be provided. [Reference: WIC Section 10531(d) and WIC Section 11322.6]

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October 7, 2008

Mr. James Semmes, Director
Imperial County
Department of Social Services
2995 South Fourth St. #102
El Centro, California 92243

SUBJECT: IMPERIAL COUNTY CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND
RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CaWORKs) PLAN CERTIFICATION

Dear Mr. Semmes:

I am writing to inform you that the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has certified Imperial County's CaWORKs plan amendment request that was submitted on July 23, 2008 (see enclosed). The amendment establishes that Imperial County intends to offer subsidized private sector employment as an available work activity for the program participants. CDSS commends you on your effort and joins you in hoping that your subsidized employment program is successful in increasing client participation and self-sufficiency.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call me at (916) 654-3546, or your staff can contact David Van Gee at (916) 651-2049.

Sincerely,

*Charr Lee
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CHARR LEE METSKER
Deputy Director
Welfare to Work Division

c: Ms. Carla E. Moore, Deputy Director, Imperial County Department of Social Services

bc: C.L. Metsker
K. Dickerson
C. Webb-Curtis
D. Odabashian
L. Winter
Chron
County Plan Binder

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