

CalWORKs PLAN ADDENDUM

FEDERAL WELFARE-TO-WORK GRANT PROGRAM COORDINATION

Two agencies in Tehama County were awarded federal Welfare-To-Work funds. These agencies are: the Job Training Center of Tehama County, which is the local Private Industry Council, and the Learning Center of Tehama County. The Job Training Center received \$318,331 of the 25% Welfare To Work Grant funds, while the Learning Center received \$1,089,600 of the 15% Welfare To Work Grant funds.

Over the past two months, the Tehama County Department of Social Services has been holding regular meetings with these agencies to coordinate the use of Welfare-To-Work funds, as well as to streamline the referral and service delivery processes. In meeting with these agencies, the need to have a case management team to work with the Welfare To Work participants was identified. Therefore, each of the three agencies have committed to designating a staff person to participate on this case management team. The team will work with the participants in assisting them to become employable and eventually becoming self sufficient. In addition, these meetings have helped the three agencies avoid duplication of services under the Welfare To Work funding by identifying the services provided by each agency, as well as identifying each of the agency's primary services. To prevent any duplication of services each of the three agencies will become primary providers of Welfare To Work services in their areas of expertise.

The coordination amongst these agencies will continue beyond the planning and initial implementation phase, in that the staff will continue to work together through the case management team.