

**Alpine County Plan Addendum
for the
Federal Welfare-to-Work Grant Program**

Federal Welfare to Work grant funds have been received under contract by Golden Sierra Job Training Agency, which serves Alpine, El Dorado, Nevada, Sierra, and Placer counties. Golden Sierra JTA administers the Federal Welfare to Work grant program, and State matching funds received by Alpine County are passed through to Golden Sierra JTA. This program is called “Work First”, while the CalWORKs program is identified as Welfare to Work.

Welfare to Work “Work First” referrals come directly from CalWORKs intake and eligibility staff, and are identified through a case-search process. Golden Sierra JTA provides on-going training to CalWORKs staff to ensure appropriate identification of program eligible clients.

All appropriate clients meeting the criteria for Welfare to Work “Work First” services are referred to Golden Sierra JTA. Staff from both programs work together on a regular and consistent basis so they may avoid any duplication of services, and to concentrate on those clients deemed to be the most difficult to employ.