

**WORKS ALLOCATION
COMMITTEE**

FISCAL REVIEW - JUNE 2015

CDHS – EMPLOYMENT AND
BENEFITS DIVISION

OVERVIEW

- Long Term Reserve Update
- YTD Spending by County
- FY 2015-16 Allocation adoption
- Employment Focused Funds
 - FY 2014-15 Update
 - FY 2015-16 Allocation
- Allocation review workgroup update

LONG TERM RESERVE

- Comprised of unspent federal grant funds
 - No change to TANF appropriations in SFY 2015-16 Long Bill
 - Contingency grants – FFY 2015 - \$13.6 million
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- SFY 2015-16 appropriations exceed grant by \$8 million annually
 - Projected insolvency remains FY 2018-19

YEAR TO DATE SPENDING

- Projected Expenditures, Reversions
 - Assumes straight line projection through 10-months of spending
 - (Attachment A)
- Inter-county Allocation Transfers
 - 2 requests
 - Deadline in June 10th to the State.

PRELIMINARY INITIAL ALLOCATION

- Draft is based on 10-months expenditures.
- No formula changes (Attachment B)
- Final formula will be based on actuals and presented in September

	Number of counties	Over spending FY 2014-15
At floor (-5.0%)	19	2
At ceiling(+25.0%)	0	0
BCA spending >71%	6	4
At the floor for 6 yrs. (26.8% decrease)	9	3

BASE ALLOCATION INCREASES

- Mitigation Pool criteria allows counties receiving funds for 2 years to have Base Allocation Adjustment
- Several counties qualify, Alamosa and Huerfano have requested base adjustments (Attachments C)
- Any base adjustments reduce mitigation pool
- In FY 2014-15, WAC approved base allocation amounts off the top and maintain \$500k pool

EMPLOYMENT FOCUSED FUNDS REVIEW

- WAC allocated \$2M for Employment Focused funds based on county applications
- Was considered one-time funding
- Special accounting codes were used to track spending
- Counties have until August 2015 to report outcomes
- March 2015 WAC meeting, members requested status update (Attachments D)

EMPLOYMENT FOCUSED FUNDS FY2014-15 SPENDING THROUGH APRIL

County/Group	Award	Expenditures
Arapahoe	\$292,770	\$14,763
Boulder	\$126,916	\$21,400
Douglas	\$120,673	\$12,592
Jefferson	\$169,525	\$131,245
Larimer	\$768,522	\$768,522
Mesa	\$30,000	\$8,756
Montrose	\$132,228	\$7,052
Routt	\$30,000	\$13,215
Northeast Consortium	\$329,366	\$64,160
Totals	\$2,000,000	\$1,041,705

EF FUNDS ISSUES

- Counties took different approaches with funds
 - Support existing operations
 - New initiatives
- New initiatives took longer than anticipated to implement (vendor issues, contract process, etc.)
- Some funds may remain unspent. WAC options:
 - Unspent funds remain with county and go to TANF Reserves
 - WAC reallocates
 - Distribute unspent EF funds with excess reserves
 - Other allocation (high BCA, CBGSF, etc.)

EMPLOYMENT FOCUSED FUNDS

- HB 15-234 Long Bill continues \$2 million funds for "employment focused programs"
- Governor's budget transmittal letter directs to comply to "extent practicable and appropriate."
- Options for allocating FY 2015-16
 - Allocate: use existing formula or distribute to each county proportionally (1.3% increase)
 - Dedicate for specific purpose (subsidized employment, training, etc.)
 - Application reviewed by committee
 - Other methodology (High BCA/Low Reserves, CBGSF, etc.)

THANK YOU!

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