



North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services

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September 1, 2010

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Subject: TANF ARRA Funds for Subsidized Employment Program

The Division of Social Services is in the closing stages of the TANF ARRA Funds for the Subsidized Employment Program. This program was piloted by 24 counties in North Carolina:

Alamance, Alexander, Anson, Bladen, Buncombe, Catawba, Cleveland, Columbus, Cumberland, Edgecombe, Greene, Guilford, Johnston, Lincoln, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Nash, Orange, Richmond, Rutherford, Sampson, Wayne, Wilkes, and Wilson.

County Departments of Social Services provided TANF eligible individuals opportunities to work and gain valuable skills which in some cases led to permanent employment. County DSS agencies also developed great partnerships with employers in their communities that will benefit clients in the future.

The Division would like to take this opportunity to commend all 24 counties for a job well done. As a result of their efforts more than 1,000 TANF eligible individuals have gained employment through this program.

As we near the closure of the TANF ARRA Subsidized Employment Program funds must be spent or obligated no later than September 30, 2010 in order to be paid from the TANF Emergency Fund. To qualify as obligated, these funds must either be recorded as an encumbrance in the county's accounting records or represented by a purchase order issued to a vendor. Funds obligated in September 2010 must be liquidated (spent) by October 31, 2010 and reported to the State office on the DSS 1571 with your November 2010 upload.

If you have questions regarding the ending of the Subsidized Employment Fund, please contact Dean Simpson at dean.simpson@dhhs.nc.gov or call (919) 334-1234 or Judy Lawrence at judy.lawrence@dhhs.nc.gov or call (336) 227-2063.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dean Simpson".

Dean Simpson, Chief
Economic and Family Services

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