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RE: FoodShare Employment and Training 2008 Allocations

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide the FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) allocations for Wisconsin Works (W-2) Contract Agencies for the period of January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008.

BACKGROUND

FSET funding in prior years was split between base funding and supplemental funding. The base funding was from 50/50 federal/state FSET funding and was included in the W-2 base allocations for services. The supplemental funding was from 100% federal funds and allocated as a W-2 Related Program.

The 2007-09 Biennial Budget included two significant changes to the FSET program. First, overall administration of the program is to be transferred to the Department of Health and Family Services. DHFS has agreed to collaborate with the Department of Workforce Development in administering the FSET program for CY2008, and to provide the funding allocations through the W-2 Contract Agencies. During CY2008, DHFS will finalize plans for administration of the FSET program beginning with CY2009 and beyond.

Second, the FSET program will become voluntary. DHFS submitted a state plan amendment for this policy change. Additional details about FSET becoming voluntary will be provided in a future Operations Memo.

For the CY 2008 allocations, the FSET base and FSET supplemental funding are combined into a single allocation. CORE codes 2231 through 2237 will be used to report all FSET expenditures. CORE code 2336, which previously was used to report supplemental FSET costs, will no longer be used. Transfers between FSET and the W-2 base are not permitted.

2008 ALLOCATIONS

The total combined FSET base and FSET Supplemental funds available to allocate to the W-2 Contract Agencies is \$7,813,709 for calendar year 2008. The FSET funding is allocated to each Balance of State contract agency based on their percentage of the following:

- 12 Month FSET Enrolled Individuals average from August 2006 through July 2007, weighted at 50%; and
- 12 Month FoodShare (FS) Individuals average from August 2006 through July 2007 (excludes those working 30 or more hours per week), weighted at 50%.

Any Balance of State W-2 Contract Agency with a preliminary allocation less than \$20,000 was given a minimum allocation of \$20,000.

Using the above methodology the Milwaukee County allocation is then divided among the five Milwaukee regions for the Job Development and Placement Agencies (JDPA) based on their percentage of the following:

- 12 Month FSET Enrolled Individuals average from August 2006 through July 2007, weighted at 50%; and
- October 2007 FS Individuals excluding those working 30 or more hours per week, weighted at 50%.

ACTION SUMMARY STATEMENT

Contract amendments for the period of January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008 will be issued in February 2008 for the amounts listed on the attached 2008 Allocation chart. FSET 50/50 local match projects will be funded at a later date.

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Attachment: 2008 Allocations