

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND
ACCOUNTABILITY
ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMO SERIES**

NOTICE: 13-04

DATE: February 25, 2013
DISPOSAL DATE: December 31, 2013

RE: FoodShare Bonus Funds

TO: County Departments of Human Services Directors
County Departments of Social Services Directors
Tribal Chairpersons/Human Services Facilitators
Tribal Economic Support Directors

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Division of Health Care Access and Accountability

PURPOSE

The purpose of this administrator's memo is to announce the distribution of FoodShare Bonus funds.

BACKGROUND

For recent federal fiscal years (FFY), the U.S. Department of Agriculture through Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services (FNS) has made a series of annual financial awards to states that are participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) program. These awards recognize exceptional performance in payment error rates and other performance criteria.

OVERVIEW

In June 2012, FNS notified the Department of Health Services (DHS) that Wisconsin would receive SNAP High Performance Bonus Funds for its payment error rate performance in the amount of \$2,106,427. The award was made for work performed during FFY 2011, (October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011). Wisconsin was among the states with the lowest payment error rate (2.02%) during this FFY and was one of seven states to receive this particular award.

DISTRIBUTION OF BONUS FUNDS

The Income Maintenance (IM) contracts that were in place with counties during the time period for which this bonus was earned did not directly address distribution of FoodShare related bonuses. However, DHS has determined that the majority of the bonus funding will be distributed to Consortiums under their 2013 IM contracts, through a Contract Addendum. A small portion will be held by DHS for FoodShare Administration purposes. The determination for the 2011 FoodShare bonus amount is not intended to set precedent for how future FoodShare bonuses may be shared or distributed.

AMOUNT AND USE OF FUNDS

The amount that will be allocated to the Consortia is \$2,087,777. DHS Office of Policy Initiatives and Budget (OPIB) has indicated that these funds are unrestricted and can be matched with federal funds.

DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY

The distribution amount of \$2,087,777 was allocated using FoodShare Caseload Counts for the month of September 2012. This month was selected as a representative month, post Enrollment Services Center (ESC) caseload redistribution. The attached FoodShare Bonus allocation chart reflects the result of this distribution calculation.

CENTRAL OFFICE CONTACTS

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DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

Consortia	Profile 283 FS Bonus	Profile 284 FED Match
Bay Lake	\$115,026	\$115,026
Capital	\$220,988	\$220,988
IM Central	\$78,132	\$78,132
East Central	\$177,246	\$177,246
Great Rivers	\$145,089	\$145,089
Moraine Lakes	\$133,136	\$133,136
Northern	\$87,325	\$87,325
Southern	\$132,992	\$132,992
Western	\$79,095	\$79,095
WKRP	\$151,245	\$151,245
Milwaukee	\$751,908	\$751,908
Menominee Tribe	\$4,200	\$4,200
Red Cliff Tribe	\$1,347	\$1,347
Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe	\$497	\$497
Potawatomi Tribe	\$87	\$87
Lac du Flambeau Tribe	\$3,360	\$3,360
Bad River Tribe	\$1,173	\$1,173
Sokaogon Tribe	\$615	\$615
Oneida Tribal Council	\$4,317	\$4,317
Total	\$2,087,777	\$2,087,777