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(ARRA) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act • Stimulus \$\$\$\$ In Action

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, also referred to as the Recovery Act, is an unprecedented effort to jumpstart our economy, create or save millions of jobs, and address the economic challenges we face today. The Recovery Act is an extraordinary response to our national economic crisis and includes measures to enhance independence and expand job opportunities for those in greatest need. Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC) received significant funding to assist those most impacted by the downturn in the economy here in San Bernardino County.

ARRA Department of Energy (DOE)

During this reporting period CAPSBC weatherized 64 homes under the DOE ARRA Program. To date, a total of 512 (26.51%) homes were completed out of the contract goal of 1931 homes. Expenditures are 27% of contract goal. We are slightly under goal but will be caught up by the September 30th deadline which requires us to be at 30% of our production and expenditure goal.

ARRA Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

ARRA Delegate Agencies - CAPSBC issued \$1.3 million to 18 community based organizations. The 22 projects are now underway across the county. Four projects involve income management, seven projects are nutrition oriented, and ten projects are directed to youth training and employment.

The twenty-two projects under contract with CAPSBC have reached their completion date of September 30, 2010. On September 30th CAPSBC concluded its contract with nineteen delegate agencies

for all programmatic activities under CSBG ARRA. Total value of agency contract is \$1.3 million.

Four Delegate agencies received amendments to their contracts increasing their expenditure totals:

1. House of Prayer Gospel Outreach Ministries (Food Distribution) - \$30,000
2. Inland Agency (Food Distribution) - \$15,000
3. Greater Faith Grace Bible Church (Food Distribution) - \$4,420
4. PAL Center (Youth Training and Employment) - \$20,000

Additionally, CAPSBC will purchase certain food preparation and storage equipment for Samaritan Social Services in the Muscoy community of San Bernardino. Delegate Agency Year-To-Date Spending is \$962,424.45 of \$1,337,839.00 for a total of 72% of contract expended. As a result of the partnerships with delegate agencies, 34 jobs were created and 35 jobs were retained for a total of 69 jobs.

CAPSBC completed the second round of monitoring visits in July 2010 and is in the process

of client data collection and compilation. Overall, the agencies have met or exceeded their programmatic goals, and spending for the 22 projects is projected to achieve 100% expenditures by the end of the contract term. Final reporting to State Department of Community Services and Development will be completed in October 2010.



CAPSBC delegate agency Desert Manna Ministries offers youth employment training at their Thrift Store.



CAPSBC delegate agency Center for Employment Training teaches youth occupational skills.



Community Action
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ARRA Delegate Agencies

Arrowhead United Way
909-884-9441

Inland Empire Women's Business Center
909-890-1242

Time for Change Foundation
909-886-2994

Hearts and Lives
909-337-9922

Catholic Charities of San Bernardino & Riverside
909-388-1239

Desert Manna Ministries
760-256-7797

House of Prayer Gospel Outreach Ministries
909-874-4810

Greater Faith Grace Bible Church
909-875-4891

Inland Counties Health Systems Agency
951-697-6565

High Desert Domestic Violence
760-843-0701

Westside Community Services Center
909-384-5428

California State University San Bernardino Foundation
909-537-7438

Center for Employment Training
909-478-3818

Young Visionaries Youth Leadership
909-881-3382

Priscilla's Helping Hand
909-881-2800

Youth Action Project
909-888-7881

California State University San Bernardino Foundation
909-537-5654

PAL Center
909-887-7002

Black Voice Foundation
909-888-5040

ARRA Emergency Services – The Family Development Program provides safety net services to those individuals in jeopardy of becoming homeless and in need of emergency assistance.

Accomplishments

- 457 households served with rental assistance
- 33 households served with miscellaneous assistance
- 85 households served with emergency motel assistance
- An additional amount of \$165,327 has been expended to purchase food cards, clothing cards, bus passes, and gasoline cards.

ARRA Asset Development

CAPSBC was awarded \$50,000 by State CSD to promote awareness of the Earned Income Tax Credit and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance network that is available to qualified San Bernardino County Residents.

- CAPSBC Financial Education Event – The second annual event of the Earned Income Tax Credit and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (EITC/VITA) Coalition of San Bernardino County was held on Saturday, September 11, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the National Orange Show Events Center. The purpose of the event was to promote awareness of EITC and the VITA program, in addition to providing financial education through facilitated workshops on Asset Development, EITC and Financial Success. Vendors included: AARP, One Stop Shop of San Bernardino County Workforce Development, Department of Behavioral Health of SBC, Transitional Assistance Department, AppleOne, Kelly Services, Inland Empire United Way, Arrowhead United Way, and 4-D College. Over one hundred were in attendance and rated the event and workshops overall as excellent. Four

other workshops scheduled in the West End, Morongo Basin, and Barstow.

- Two videos will be produced for marketing purposes - One for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the other for the Individual Development Accounts (IDA) program. Shooting for the EITC video is completed and it is now in the final stages of editing. The script for the IDA video has been completed and the clients to be interviewed are ready. The video company will start film production in the near future.



The CAPSBC Financial Education Event at the National Orange Show.



ARRA Food Bank

To expand food distribution services, CAPSBC increased the number of distribution sites from 156 to 213. Food Bank is currently serving:

- 56 Feeding Sites
- 39,703 Households
- 12,293 Meals Served