



Highlights...

- ◆ ARRA DOE
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- ◆ ARRA HPRP
- ◆ ARRA LEAD

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)

To date, 201 homes have been weatherized; and 254 units are in various stages of completion. We have also begun outreaching and signing-up clients in working the Housing Authority of San Bernardino County for a public housing complex that contains 338 units. We have currently completed applications for 130 of these clients.



ARRA Community Services Blocks Grant (CSBG)

CAPSBC was awarded \$4.1 million dollars in ARRA Community Services Block Grant funding to create or sustain jobs while eliminating poverty by providing services that help low-income individuals to obtain the skills, knowledge, and support they need to become self-sufficient.

◆**ARRA Delegate Agencies** - CAPSBC issued \$1.2 million to 18 community based organizations. The 21 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 first site monitoring visit of each agency has been completed and post-monitoring letter will be sent to the Executive Director and the Board Chair. CAPSBC will schedule the next monitoring visits in advance of the planned CSD monitoring of CAPSBC on July 27-29, 2010.

Following are some highlights on the activities conducted by delegate agencies in each service area:

Asset Development - Arrowhead United Way - The recently hired Program Manager has created a set of program forms (brochures, flyers, intake forms) in English and Spanish. She has developed a "Household Budgeting" client presentation and contacted financial institutions and agencies to arrange partnership to provide financial education classes to the lower-income community. Financial education workshops have begun.

Food Network - High Desert Domestic Violence Program - Food distributions continue each week in Victorville, Adelanto and Phelan. The agency is preparing for a large food pantry distribution in Helendale on Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Youth Training and Employment - Priscilla's Helping Hands - Five clients are enrolled in the Pharmacy Tech program and five are enrolled in the Computer Information Technology program at San Bernardino Valley College. They are presently preparing for final exams in the spring semester, registering for summer classes and identifying internship opportunities.

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** - Family Development continues to assist clients under ARRA CSBG in our main office. Since we began serving ARRA clients in late January, FDP has provided the following:

- ◆95 households served with rental assistance
- ◆72 households served with emergency motel assistance
- ◆14 households served with miscellaneous assistance

Staffing- Four temporary positions have been added to increase service level and client assistance for the following areas:

- ◆High Desert - Catholic Charities office at St. Mary's Medical Center
- ◆West End - Rancho Cucamonga Family Resource Center
- ◆Mountains - Hearts and Lives in Blue Jay
- ◆Morongo - ARCH in Twentynine Palms

ARRA Asset Development - an Asset Development Manager was hired and assumed duties on May 3, 2010. Currently undergoing training and working with FDP Program Manager to learn IDA component.

ARRA Food Bank - To expand food distribution services, 32 USDA ARRA participating agencies have been added serving 3,768 households monthly, eight Salvaged Food Agencies serving 6,642 households monthly and seven Congregate Feeding agencies (Soup Kitchens) serving 15,364 meals per month.



ARRA Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) -The Backpack Program has enrolled 356 homeless and low-income children in elementary, middle and high schools, who are chronically food insecure at home and were provided with backpack full of nutritious food on Fridays after school, so they will have access to food during Saturdays and Sundays when school cafeterias are closed. We are working with three school districts: San Bernardino Unified School District, San Bernardino County Unified School District and the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, serving 13 schools. We are also working with the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools seeking more funds for this program.

ARRA Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program (HPRP)

CAPSBC was awarded by the San Bernardino Department of Community Development and Housing in the amount of \$701,890 for rental assistance to prevent eviction and homelessness. The HPRP "Housing Strides" program is currently assisting 17 households with rent and utilities to prevent eviction and homelessness. Eight new households interviewed for program during the week of May 3-7, 2010. Second series of Financial Literacy workshops started on April 6, 2010 and will run through June 8, 2010.

ARRA Lead

Under this contract, CAPSBC will complete lead hazard control services to 105 qualifying homes and create between 6 and 8 jobs. Contract Amendment #1 was received from the SDCSD for processing on February 12, 2010. The terms of this contract was amended from June 1, 2009 through October 31, 2011 to December 31, 2011. The amount was increased from \$885,981.00 to \$1,164,736. Work started on this contract in March 2010. To date, three units were successfully abated and four units are pending completion.

