

## ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

**\*\*Please submit to Mayor's Legislative Team by 5 pm Wednesday**

- 1. Title: A bill for an Ordinance authorizing spending authority in the amount of \$16,520,000 for the fiscal year 2010-2011 for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program**
- 2. Requesting Agency: Office of Economic Development**
- 3. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance***  
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- 4. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary***  
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- 5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**
  - a. Scope of Work**

**The proposed ordinance authorizes the expenditure of funds for the operation of the TANF Case Management of the Employment and Training Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010.**

    - Fund and Organization Number, including Grant Number if known: 17405/0117101**
    - The grantor, grant amount, and start/end dates: The grantor is the U.S. Department of Human Services; the funds are provided to Denver's Department of Human Services through the Colorado Department of Human Services. Through an MOU, DHS provides these funds to the Division of Workforce Development. The appropriation request is for \$16,520,000. The period of performance is July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.**
    - CFDA Number and Contract Control Number: 93.558**
    - Grant objectives (e.g. target population, geographic area served): The purpose of these funds is to reduce the number of Denver families in poverty by providing employment and training services that to TANF participants and to TANF-eligible individuals, there by increasing work participation and improving the chances for self-sufficiency.**
    - Matching dollar amounts and staffing requirements, and the funding source of the match: None**
    - Evaluation component: Work participation rates are measured monthly; additionally, performance standards such as completion of training, entered employment rate and wages, are applied and tracked through JobLink, the State's MIS system.**
    - For multiple year projects, list previous accomplishments: Work participation rates have held high, in spite of the poor economy and increasing TANF caseloads.**

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**The Office of Economic Development, Division of Workforce Development, is requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$16,520,000 to fund the TANF Case Management, Employment and Training Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010.**

**Background**

Since 1999, the Department of Human Services (DHS) has been responsible for the eligibility determination and case management services provided to Denver's TANF participants. The Division of Workforce Development (DWD), through a Memorandum of Understanding with DHS, had been responsible for the employment and training program of TANF participants as part of its annual budget request.

With the federal reauthorization of TANF placing a greater emphasis on work participation, the two involved departments, with the support of the Denver Welfare Reform Board, decided in 2007 that the desired outcomes of full employment and self-sufficiency would be better met by consolidating the case management with the employment and training efforts under the Division of Workforce Development.

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**Budget**

The total amount to be budgeted for the TANF program for spending by the Division of Workforce Development for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 is \$16,520,000.

Contracts	\$	7,000,000
Work Experience/On-the-Job Training		255,000
Personnel		8,765,000
Non-personnel costs		500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,520,000</b>

This represents a .6% reduction from the 2009 allocation in the amount of \$98,000. While funding has been decreasing over the last three years, the caseload has increased significantly, and the federal work participation rate has remained high. OED's average monthly TANF caseload in federal fiscal year 2008 was 1038 cases. OED's average monthly TANF caseload in federal fiscal year 2010 to date is 2074 cases. This represents at 99.8% caseload increase.

The federal work participation rate (FWPR) for TANF participants has remained high even though Denver's TANF caseload has increased significantly. The average rate over the past 12 months was 51.9%. See chart below.

FWPR    Apr-09            May-09            Jun-09 Jul-09 Aug-09            Sep-09 Oct-09 Nov-09  
          Dec-09 Jan-10 Feb-10 Mar-10

Denominator	815	447	452	519	525	599	570	629	601	555	
614 638											
Numerator	475	815	848	930	982	1057	1152	1210	1282	1296	
1287 1252											
Rate	58.3%	54.8%	53.3%	55.8%	53.5%	56.7%	49.5%	52.0%	46.9%	42.8%	47.7%
51.0%											
Exclusions	734	789	903	877	834	815	839	837	781	764	
733 813											
Sanctions	0	6	2	2	4	4	10	37	36	38	42
37											
Caseload	1549	1610	1753	1809	1820	1876	2001	2084	2099	2098	2062
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**b. Duration**

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**c. Location**

Department of Human Services

**d. Affected Council District**

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**e. Benefits**

**f. Costs**

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

No

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