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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD

DATE: Wednesday, May 27, 2009

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: SETA Board Room

925 Del Paso Blvd.

Sacramento, CA 95815

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AGENDA

I. <u>Call</u>to Order/Roll Call

II. Consent Item

A. Approval of Minutes of the May 13, 2009 Meeting

III. Action Item

A. Approval of the 2010-2019 Community Services Block Grant Community Action Plan (Cindy Sherwood-Green)

IV. <u>Information Items</u>

Letter from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

2. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Fact Sheet

V. Reports to the Board

- A. Chair
- B. Executive Director
- C. Members of the Board
- D. Public

VI. <u>Adjournment</u>

DISTRIBUTION DATE: FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2009

ITEM II-A - CONSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2009 MEETING

BACKGROUND:

Attached are the minutes of the May 13, 2009 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review, make any necessary corrections and approve the minutes.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD

Minutes/Synopsis

SETA Board Room 925 Del Paso Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95815 Wednesday, May 13, 2009 10:00 a.m.

I. <u>Call to Order/Roll Call</u>: Ms. Denise Nelson called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

Members Present:

Denise Nelson, Head Start Policy Council
Steven Anderson, River City Community Services
Dana Mitchell, Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission
Sam Starks, SMUD
Mary Benson, Child Action, Inc.
Mary Pope, Head Start Policy Council
Starine Reese, United Way
Beth White, Catholic Charities of Sacramento
Rosalind Garner, County Department of Health and Human Services

Member Absent:

Lynn Avery, Sacramento County Adult and Aging Commission

II. Consent Item

A. Approval of Minutes of the April 8, 2009 Meeting

No questions or corrections.

Moved/Reese, second/White, to approve the minutes of the April 8 meeting. Voice Vote: Unanimous approval.

III. Action Item

A. Endorsement of Staff Recommendation with Respect to Submittal of the Community Services Block Grant Recovery Act Local Plan and Funding Augmentation of 2009 Community Services Block Grant Service Providers

Moved/Mitchell, second/White, to endorse staff recommendations with respect to submittal of the CSBG Recovery Act Local Plan and funding augmentation of CSBG 2009 service providers.

Voice Vote: Unanimous approval.

IV. Information Items

A. CSBG Fiscal Monitoring Report: No questions or comments.

B. Presentation by SMUD

Mr. Gary King and Mr. Greg Augst, Ms. Jan Gill and Mr. John Grindrod

Mr. Gary King is on the Sacramento Works, Inc. board and on the executive committee. SMUD is a customer-owned utility, operating under an elected seven-member board. Their goal is to keep costs as low as possible and provide a valued service. Mr. King spoke of a proposed rate action. SMUD staff are making an effort to get out to community organizations to discuss proposed rate hikes. SMUD is operating under extreme economic pressures. Renewable energy costs are also going up. SMUD has gone through a number of steps to tighten their belts and mitigate increases which has saved \$65 million. They had a cut of \$25 million and additional \$40 million through 2011. SMUD will be reducing the size of their workforce through attrition. SMUD is proposing a rate increase of 9.5% in September and another increase in 2011. An alternate proposal allows for a three step increase; a 5.5% in September 2009, a 5.5% increase in March 2011, and a ¼ increase in January 2012.

Most residential customers will result in an \$8 per month increase in their bill. For energy assistance program participants, there will be \$5 per month raise. SMUD has lowest rates for utility companies in California including PG&E and Roseville Electric.

SMUD is going to community organizations to discuss the increase and get public input. They want to get and collect as much information as possible. There will be a public workshop on April 23 and one is being held today at SMUD. There will be a public meeting with the Board of Directors at SMUD headquarters on June 1 at 6 p.m.

A question was asked why revenues are going down. Mr. King stated that businesses are closing and homes are being foreclosed on which is causing a lowering of revenues. This results in the lowing of consumption.

Mr. John Grindrod works in SMUD's special assistance discounts program and weatherization program. He spoke of the EBER low income discount program and stated that he brought applications. The discount applies to 30% of customer's bill. This is an income qualified program. This opens the door to other programs that SMUD has for *electrically heated* homes. SMUD will do weatherization such as insulation. The customer has to be on Energy Assistance Program Rate (EAPR) and an electrically heated house. For gas heated homes, PG&E and the Community Resources Project offer other programs.

Ms. Mitchell asked if there were a way to incentivize landlords to participate. Mr. Grindrod replied that there is a refrigerator replacement program as well. SMUD will assist landlords in replacing refrigerators 10 years old and older with energy star refrigerators. SMUD will assist all customers by providing incentives to replace older appliances with more energy efficient appliances.

Ms. Nelson stated that with the numbers of homes foreclosed, it seems that more energy would be saved. Mr. King replied that SMUD has an infrastructure in place, i.e., poles, wires, substation systems, and the costs remain the same. Even though there are fewer people using electricity, there is still a baseline that needs to be maintained to provide the electrical services.

A woman from the audience stated that she does not quality for EAPR program. Last year there was a campaign to save energy; she changed all of her light bulbs and her bill has not gone down. Mr. King suggests an energy audit; SMUD will look at other things that can be put in place to minimize the energy used. The object is to lower the bill and lower the usage. There is a weatherization program and an energy audit which consists of education. Lighting is only one component.

SMUD has a bill assistance program available to those having a difficult time paying their bills. This is funded by voluntary customer donations. This is crisis intervention assistance. This is for people who are disconnected or about to be disconnected. Customers can access any program by calling customer service representatives at SMUD.

Ms. Jan Gill, SMUD, stated that with the new proposal, the electric bill would go up \$5.50 for the first step. She has information on the alternative proposal. For the low income program the impact will be \$2.50. What SMUD did to help mitigate the challenges of low income customers, the, service charge for residential energy assistance customers will be only \$3.50.

Mr. Starks stated that there is a 30% discount for low income customers that quality. PG & E also has a discount for their low income customers. There is an energy help program at SMUD as well. There are a number of resources that can be called upon.

C. Presentation on the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program

Ms. Cindy Cavanaugh, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, reviewed a new approach to prevent and solve homelessness. SHRA received \$4.7 million in economic stimulus funds from the City Council. The funding will be available October 1. The county is facing a staggering budget shortfall. This funding was announced at the end of March and staff have been working since then to develop a new approach to homelessness. They are working to align other funding sources such as CSBG, emergency food and shelter, CDBG and

TANF. HPRP is also working with three cities that do not receive entitlement funds, Citrus Heights, Rancho Cordova and Elk Grove, to submit proposals. SHRA receives the funds but the County DHA oversees the contracts and measures outcomes. There have been 20 stakeholder interviews have been held. They are going to five of the shelters to hold focus groups with homeless people to ask how did you come to be here, why are you still here, what assistance to you seek, and what was your experience just prior to becoming homeless. Purpose of the HUD program is to rapidly transition families and individuals to housing stability. The target population is those that are likely to have housing stability at the end of their financial assistance. Financial assistance is a core part of the program and can go up to 18 months. This has a longer aspect to it for utility cost assistance, moving costs, and rental assistance. It also can also fund housing location assistance services. There is stabilization services where people will meet every three months to find out ways to increase and improve their situation. The plan is available at www.shra.org and is to move in this transformative system to focus on prevention and stability. She reviewed their key elements such as proposing single point of access which includes shelters. This plan envisions using 2-1-1 to reach services and move people to permanent housing as the first choice. Another element of the plan is an assessment tool; people will be assessed to create criteria and target the funds to those about to become homeless. They will be RFPing for comprehensive services. They see a collaborative approach but seek a single organization with which to work. They want to measure outcomes as well as all the homeless strategies. They will be using the HMIS program to track people to see how long before clients move to permanent housing.

Ms. Garner asked if SHRA will be expanding conventional housing. Most people will be housed in private housing. A question was asked whether it will affect the homeless people at Cal Expo. The response was that to some extent the funds will assist those people. These funds are not for the chronically homeless. It will help people in shelters that cannot find permanent housing.

SHRA is working with DHA to assist people at the Cal Expo homeless center. Ms. Sherwood-Green stated that on Monday, the SETA Governing Board approved 2009 CSBG program augmentation in the amount of \$705,252. A large portion of these funds went to housing. The intent of this program is not to help chronically homeless. The City and County works with a 10 year plan to stop homelessness.

The bulk of the funds will go out in an RFP. They want to use a single umbrella organization that will work together with other program operators and spread the money around.

Mr. Starks asked how SHRA is leveraging or collaborating with other institutions to help homeless and their needs. Also there are seasonal issues; we all hear about how tough the winter is on homeless people. Is there something in place

to deal with homelessness during the winter? Ms. Cavanaugh stated that the plans before the Board of Supervisors is to close the winter shelter; if the cuts are adopted in the next few weeks there not be a winter shelter next year.

Ms. Sherwood Green stated that the Governing Board made \$1.2 million set aside for HPRP activities. SETA will be working with the HPRP collaborative.

Ms. Benson asked what will be done about child care. Ms. Cavanaugh stated that they will be relying on services in the community. There is not enough money to create more programs. Ms. Benson urged collaboration with Child Action.

Ms. Mary Benson stated that Child Action has a data base of several child care providers.

Ms. Garner asked about Section 8 vouchers. Section 8 vouchers are a separate resources in that they are on the list; they are not proposing to change the waiting list. There will not be an increase in Section 8 funds.

V. Reports to the Board

- A. Chair: None.
- B. Executive Director: None.
- C. Members of the Board: None.
- D. Public

VI. Public Hearing for the 2010-2011 Community Action Plan

Mr. Victor Bonanno stated that the purpose of the public hearings from April and now is to identify gaps that may exist in community services and resources that are vital to families in crisis. It is crucial to assist customers to be on the path to self sufficiency. Summaries of the testimony will be included in a two-year Community Action Plan. This will assist SETA to respond to the needs of the community.

► Ms. Valerie Cousins, Community Services Planning Council: Ms. Cousins provided a brief demographic snapshot of the county. Their data resources include the U. S. Census, EDD, and the Insight Center for Community Economic Development. The unemployment rate has gone up so much and so fast that they have not kept up; this report data is a couple of years behind. The population in Sacramento County is about 1.4 million. The City of Sacramento has increased by 68,000; the City of Elk Grove is up 58,000, and City of Folsom is up by 20,000. About 20% of Sacramento County residents are foreign born. Of those, about half are naturalized citizens and the other have are not. English language learner, there are 45,000 English language learners in Sacramento County schools.

♠ Paul Shane, Executive Director, Folsom Cordova Community Partnership
They are about half way through their safety net services funds. They are also a
provider for energy programs through SMUD. Since January of this year they
have turned down three people for every person they have been able to serve.
The need has grown exponentially. They are the only safety net program in
Folsom or the Rancho Cordova community. He encourages additional funding
for this community.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- Yesenia Valdez, Intervention Services Manager, Folsom Cordova Community Partnership. They have served 600 families so far this year. The need has definitely increased.
- Magaly Betancio, Client
- ♠ Greg Bunker, Executive Director, Francis House: The chronically homeless are a smaller number of the overall number of homeless people. The number of overall homeless people has gone up. On June 30, there will be no place for homeless to go. Thanks to the additional CSBG funds, they will be able to double their motel voucher program, which is an interim step between homes and homelessness.

Other speaker testifying on behalf of this program:

- Sonya Trammell-Jones, Client
- ♠ France Vu, Program Manager, Hmong Women's Heritage Association. They have noticed that Hmong youth tend to have lower self esteem. Their after school program helps the kids to overcome these obstacles. This program wants to be a part of the community and give back to the community. Their program helps provide an option to kids to help support their families without resorting to crime and/or drugs. She thanked SETA for their funds. Their program is hub of information for the community. They have seen an increase non-Hmong residents seeking services.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- Lue Vang, Client
- Va Mee (on behalf of) Blia Yang Vang, Client
- Phoua Vang, Client
- Moua Chou Houa, Client
- ♦ <u>Ellyne Bell, Executive Director, WIND Youth Services</u>: offers an outreach program to youth. They offer a charter school through Twin Rivers School District. Their have a shelter for youth 11-18 years of age. One of the issues they see is that there needs to be a shelter for youth 18-24 years of age. They regularly ask County Licensing to keep an 18 or 19 year old in the shelter. This

is a growing need in the community. There is a great need for employment for youth. Finding employment helps to build self esteem.

♦ <u>JD Rudometkin, Special Projects Manager, WIND Youth Services</u>: He works on Health Shack.info on their web site. Through a grant from the Sierra Health Foundation, they are able to hire kids at \$8.00 if they are in high school, \$9.00 if they have graduated, and \$10 if they enroll in college.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- Aaron Amos, Health Ambassador
- Kevin Johnson, Health Ambassador
- Robert Pedersen, Health Ambassador
- Erin Hardison, Health Ambassador
- ♦ Oralia Bermudez, Deputy Director, La Familia Counseling Center: La Familia has been providing services to the community since 1973; they have one program specifically funded through CSBG, Project Reach. There continues to be a need for services for youth. They have a waiting list of youth in need. They have been able to work with many families but there continues to be a great need for services. The number of youth under 18 has increased. They have seen an increase of children living in poverty. The drop out rate for African American and Hispanic youth continues to be an issue.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- > Ezequiel Chavez, Student, La Familia Counseling Center
- > Carmen Lomeli, Student, La Familia Counseling Center
- ◆ <u>David Mandel, Supervising Attorney, Senior Legal Hotline</u>. This is a state-wide hotline for seniors. The seniors are swamped by the foreclosures. Many seniors have become involved with predatory lenders. They provide legal assistance for seniors to maintain their life with food, shelter, etc. There is such a huge need that many of the people that call them do not get through for services. They are not able to meet the needs.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- Algirene Craig and Willie Jefferson
- Gisel Ramerez
- Emily Kaiser
- Gayshel Caldwell, Client, Senior Legal Hotline
- ♦ Tonya Edelman, Senior Services Administrator, Senior Peer Counseling: Seniors are a very vulnerable population. Their program recruits and trains volunteers to visit home bound seniors. She is the only paid employee; their peer volunteers do the visiting of home bound seniors for free. Senior peer counseling gives a great "bang for the buck."

♦ <u>Nilda Valmores, Executive Director, My Sister's House</u>: This program has been around for eight years. They encourage funding priorities for immigrant children, children and victims of domestic violence. It is important to provide services in other languages. She asks that the Community Action Plan support all of the languages that make this area rich.

Other speakers testifying on behalf of this program:

- Karina Landgrave, Client.
- Elitas Schmidling, Client
- Jay Watson, Advocate and Patti Uplinger, Executive Director, Housing Now: This program represents people who are developmentally disabled and on a limited income. Mr. Watson stated that he is fortunate to be a recipient of Section 8 housing. Housing Now has assisted many people with emergency motel vouchers. Mr. Watson urges continued funding for Safety Net Services and Housing Now.
- ♦ <u>Eileen Thomas, Executive Director, River City Community Services</u>: This program provides healthy and nutritious food for Sacramento residents. Their food program located in mid-town Sacramento. They have a small emergency shelter program. This program has been around for 41 years. They provide rental assistance for people facing homelessness. They have made great strides in providing nutritious foods to Sacramento residents. They receive funding from Emergency Food and Shelter, Ann Land/Bertha Hinshaw and corporations and individuals. They have seen a 57% increase in seniors requesting services and have served disabled and minorities across the spectrum. They want to provide and continue to provide quality services.
- ◆ <u>Daren Maeda, Executive Director, Linkage to Education</u>. This program works with probation and foster youth to help make the transition to college. This program provides a road to the middle class for at-risk youth. He spoke of Health Shack which is under auspices of the U.C. Davis Medical Center. This program will help kids receive medical services and address things that prevent them from being self sufficient. Foster youth exit the system at 18 years of age and they run into a brick wall regarding jobs, housing and the social climate. It is important to bridge them into education to avoid their going into the Department of Corrections.

Ms. Sherwood-Green stated that all of the information received today will go into the Community Action Plan which will be available May 22 for public review. The Community Action Board will have a special meeting on May 27. There probably will not be a June meeting.

VII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

ITEM III – A -ACTION

APPROVAL OF THE 2010/2011 COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN

BACKGROUND:

Enclosed (under separate cover) for your approval is the draft 2010/11 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Community Action Plan. A locally determined plan for the use of CSBG funding is required by the State Department of Community Services and Development (CSD). This two-year draft Community Action Plan represents SETA's intended use of the Community Services Block Grant for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. Our contract with CSD will continue to be on a single calendar year basis. The funding level for the year 2010 is not known at this time. Copies of the draft Community Action Plan have been made available to the public for their comments.

The draft Community Action Plan was developed as a result of an extensive needs assessment process using public testimony from two public hearings, an analysis of the latest available demographic data and studies, a review of publications on trends and issues in Sacramento County, and other sources of information depicting the most recent conditions affecting the low-income population in this region.

As we plan for the year 2010, the goal of self-sufficiency is the expected outcome of the programs administered by SETA, funded by CSBG, Workforce Investment Act, Job Training Partnership Act, Refugee Employment Social Services, and the Targeted Assistance program for refugees.

For the year 2010, SETA continues to plan its focus of Community Services Block Grant services on frail, homebound elderly, the disabled, at-risk youth (including foster youth facing emancipation and homeless youth), homeless individuals and families, and other low-income families with an emphasis on neighborhood-based programs which promote self-sufficiency. Activities planned include Safety-net or one-time emergency services and outcome-based services designed to move clients toward self-sufficiency. CSBG services will continue to be linked to the One-Stop Career Centers and will be an important resource to assist community-based organizations in building capacity, developing collaborations, and networking.

The Community Action Plan will be presented to the SETA Governing Board for approval on June 4, 2009.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and approve the 2010/11 Community Services Block Grant Community Action Plan.

<u>ITEM IV-1 – INFORMATION</u>

LETTER FROM GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BACKGROUND:

Attached is a copy of a letter from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger regarding the expenditure of stimulus funds.





GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

April 24, 2009

Mr. Mark Ingram Chair Sacramento Employment and Training Agency 10600 White Rock Road, Suite 100 Rancho Cordova, California 95670

Dear Mr. Ingram,

It is vital that American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds be spent efficiently in ways that truly help our state through these difficult times and create jobs. The people demand it, and so does our economy. As California's unemployment rate tops 11 percent, you know full well the devastating effects job loss is having on your community. At the state level, I am committed to passing on Recovery Act dollars quickly and to helping local governments use these dollars. My administration recently sped \$415 million in Workforce Investment Act ARRA funds to California's 49 local Workforce Investment Boards.

But before we can see the benefits of this funding, you must do your part to ensure the money is being spent – and spent well – in your community. I urge you to work closely with your Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) to expedite the use of these funds. Where bureaucratic roadblocks exist, clear them. Where political distractions may be slowing the process, eliminate them. Every day of delay is another day our state and your community is not working its way out of an economic slump, and I am committed to helping you use Recovery Act dollars to hasten our recovery.

Workforce Investment Act funding is now available throughout the state to help workers understand where jobs will be created, gain new skills, receive training and education and move into career paths that will help them succeed in the labor market. The funds can be used for businesses at risk of more layoffs, and to help those displaced move more quickly into new occupations and jobs. This funding will also create summer job opportunities for thousands of youth between the ages of 16 and 24, which will give them work experience, education, and wages – an investment in California's future in more ways than one.

As an elected official there are three critically important roles you can play in this process:

Mr. Ingram April 24, 2009 Page two

First, ensure that a large-scale summer youth program is up and running in your community. The U.S. Department of Labor has made it clear that the majority of the youth funding should be expended this summer on summer youth employment programs. I couldn't agree more. You should be directing your city and county departments to make jobs available, as wells as working with your LWIB to ensure that there are jobs available in your community's nonprofit organizations and in the private sector where appropriate. This all has to be done immediately as summer will soon be here.

Second, remove bureaucratic obstacles so this funding can get to work in your community as quickly as possible. Thousands of your constituents are walking through the doors of your local One-Stop Career Centers, some experiencing unemployment for the first time in their lives. They need help. By expediting procurement and spending authority, you will help get the resources to those who urgently need services.

Third, you can play a pivotal role in ensuring that there is coordination among all of the job training-related Recovery Act resources coming into your community. Funding through the Workforce Investment Act is a large share of the ARRA job training funding, but there are also resources going to other local agencies for weatherization, construction, brown field cleanup, energy and transportation projects. Use your Local Workforce Investment Board as a convener and broker to maximize your community's job training funds in the most effective and accountable manner.

Thank you for all you are doing to help get our economy growing and to get jobseekers back to work again. I, along with my Recovery Task Force and state agencies, stand ready to work with you to see that the funds coming to your local area are spent with the greatest speed and economic impact.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger

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<u>ITEM IV-2 – INFORMATION</u>

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FACT SHEET

BACKGROUND:

The Sacramento Employment and Training Agency has received American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. Attached is a breakdown of the funds and how funds will be allocated.

Staff will be available to answer questions.

Contact: Terri Carpenter Public Information Officer 916.263.7891 Terri@delpaso.seta.net







Sacramento Employment And Training Agency American Recovery And Reinvestment Act Update

FACT SHEET

FOCUS AREA: EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES ALLOCATION: \$5,884,992

- SETA Governing Board approved funding for the Summer Youth Employment Activity on April 30, 2009.
- Nineteen organizations were funded to provide 1,046 low-income youth with summer jobs. Total funding for summer (May 1, 2009 September 1, 2009) is \$2,937,236.
 - Six (6) school districts
 - o One (1) public agency
 - o One (1) business association
 - o Eleven (11) community-based organizations
- Successful summer youth providers will be funded to provide academic enrichment, leadership, and career technical education activities to youth during the school year. Staff is estimating using about \$1,000,000 for year-round youth programs.

ADULT/DISLOCATED WORKER EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES ALLOCATION:

\$5,142,800 - Dislocated Workers

\$2,539,534 - Adults

The SETA Governing Board approved releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) in April, 2009 for employment and training and job creation activities targeting adults and dislocated workers. Activities are:

- Classroom Training, Occupational Skills
- Workplace Training/Job Creation
- Business Development and Innovations

There will be two funding timelines for the RFP. The first deadline is May 21, 2009. The second is July 23.

FOCUS AREA: SOCIAL SERVICES

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATION: \$2,692,561

On May 11, the SETA Governing Board approved an initial plan for the CSBG stimulus which includes a focus on providing support services for individuals with multiple barriers seeking employment. Initiatives will include:

- Allocate \$500,000 to provide scholarships and support services to low-income customers seeking employment services through the Sacramento Works One Stop Career Center system.
- Allocate \$705,292 to augment contracts with 13 local organizations to provide emergency social services and self-sufficiency services to community members impacted by the recession.
- Include \$1,223,305 of stimulus funding in the 2010 CSBG Request for Proposals, targeting funding to activities that target clients enrolled in the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing collaborative.

HEAD START ALLOCATION

Staff has received preliminary notice of stimulus funding for Head Start and has submitted applications to apply for:

- 3.06% Cost of Living Adjustment effective August 1, 2009
- 1.84% One-time COLA effective July 1, 2009
- Quality Improvements (one-time, non-recurring funding)
 - o 50% can be used for compensation related activities
 - 50% for quality improvements (facilities, deferred maintenance, infrastructure)

Competitive funding for Head Start and Early Head Start funds have been released by the Administration for Children and Families and SETA will submit applications to expand services in Sacramento County.

ITEM V - REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair of the SETA Community Action Board on a regular basis receives numerous items of information concerning legislation, current programs and agency activities.

The important information from the material received and meetings attended will be shared with the entire Board and the method proposed by the Chair is to give a verbal report at each regular meeting. It will also allow time for the Board to provide input on items that may require future action.

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This item is set aside to allow the Executive Director of the Community Action Program to report to the Board on any items of important information or to deal with special requests which need to be addressed but, because of time constraints, were not included in the formal SETA Community Action Board packet.

The Director's Report also allows the opportunity for the Director to apprise the Board of upcoming events, significant agency activities, or conferences.

C. <u>MEMBERS OF THE BOARD</u>

This item provides the opportunity for SETA Community Action Board members to raise any items for consideration not covered under the formal agenda. It also provides the opportunity for Board members to request staff to research or follow up on specific requests or to ask that certain items be placed on the next agenda.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Participation of the general public at SETA Community Action Board meetings is encouraged. Members of the audience are asked to address their requests to the Chair, if they wish to speak.