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**TO:** Each Supervisor  
**FROM:** Bryce Yokomizo, Director

**SUBJECT: GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)  
(BOARD ORDER #83 - JUNE 15, 1999)**

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached are the reports of key GROW statistics for December 2003 and January 2004, and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 915 GROW participants in jobs during the month of December and 759 GROW participants during the month of January. A total of 46,971 participants have found jobs.

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**Attachments**

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Chief Administrative Officer  
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**GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)  
DECEMBER 2003**

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT		JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS			JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF-INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
December	5,803	3,978 (68%)	2,333	1,179 (50%)	751	915	1,163

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS		EDUCATION/ TRAINING		SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	SANCTIONS
	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		
December	526	403 (77%)	88	16	274	36,021	1,504

**Note:**

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

## **GROW UPDATE DECEMBER 2003**

### **JOB PLACEMENTS**

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 46,212 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- On 12/3 and 12/29, Pomona GROW held recruitment activities with Abbott's Labor Link and Adecco. As a result, three participants have been hired.
- Pasadena GROW held employer recruitments on 12/3 and 12/23 with MTA and Muscolino Inventory Services. There were over 30 participants in attendance at these activities.
- Throughout the month, Southwest Special GROW held recruitment activities with LAUL Youth Work Experience.
- San Gabriel Valley GROW held recruitment activities on 12/17, 12/18 and 12/19 with various employers. There were 50 participants who participated in these activities and hires are still pending.
- Rancho Park GROW held recruitment activities on 12/5 and 12/17. There were 17 participants in attendance at these activities, and 3 have been hired thus far.
- South Special GROW held on-site recruitments on 12/4 and 12/11 with Good Source Staffing and Awesome Staffing. Over 130 participants were in attendance and, to date, 10 have been hired as a result of these activities.

### **PROGRAM PARTICIPATION**

- Through December 2003, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.

# **GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)**

## **JANUARY 2004**

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT		JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS			JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF-INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
January	5,462	3,821 (70%)	2,129	1,148 (54%)	890	759	900

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS		EDUCATION/ TRAINING		SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	SANCTIONS
	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		
January	597	471 (79%)	125	9	354	37,065	1,317

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- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

## **GROW UPDATE JANUARY 2004**

### **JOB PLACEMENTS**

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 46,971 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- Pasadena GROW held on-site recruitment activities on 1/13 and 1/27 with Remedy and BuzyBodies. There were 25 participants participating in these events.
- During this month, Rancho Park GROW held recruitment activities with Premium Staffing and Aramark.
- On 1/8, Pomona GROW held an employer recruitment with Ameristaffing. There were 27 participants in attendance at this activity.
- On 1/14, 1/21 and 1/28, San Fernando GROW held recruitment activities with Manpower, Interviewing Services of America and Sears Marketing Center. Over 40 participants attended these activities, and one has been hired thus far.
- San Gabriel Valley GROW held employer recruitment activities on 1/22, 1/23 and 1/27 with Goodwill Industries and Universal Protection Services. There were 35 participants in attendance at these activities.
- South Special GROW held recruitment activities on 1/8, 1/15, 1/22 and 1/29 with Link Staffing, Top Tempo and Goodsource Staffing. Over 270 participants attended these activities and 15 have been hired thus far.
- Glendale GROW held an on-site recruitment with Remedy Staffing. A total of 25 participants attended this event, and hires are still pending. Also during this month, participants were referred to various recruitments with Office Depot, Personnel Plus, EDD, Barton Protective Services, Inc., Aramark, and Superior Industries International.

### **PROGRAM PARTICIPATION**

- Through January 2004, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.