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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 is the report of key GROW statistics for August 2004 and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 967 GROW participants in jobs during the month of August. A total of 53,444 job placements have been achieved.

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Attachments

c: Chief Administrative Officer  
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Community and Senior Services

## **GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) AUGUST 2004**

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT</b>		<b>JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS</b>			<b>JOB PLACEMENTS</b>	<b>SELF-INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)</b>
	<b>Scheduled</b>	<b>Showed</b>	<b>Scheduled</b>	<b>Showed</b>	<b>Completions (1)</b>		<b>Ongoing Enrollments</b>
August	6,326	4,086 (65%)	2,265	1,184 (52%)	790	967	865

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS</b>		<b>EDUCATION/ TRAINING</b>		<b>SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS</b>	<b>GROW CASELOAD</b>	<b>SANCTIONS</b>
	<b>Scheduled</b>	<b>Showed</b>	<b>Started</b>	<b>Completions</b>	<b>(2)</b>		
August	571	430 (75%)	130	8	335	32,537	1,429

**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 AUGUST 2004**

### **JOB PLACEMENTS**

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 53,444 job placements have been achieved through the GROW program.

- Civic Center GROW, in conjunction with the Weingart Center, sponsored a "Your Source for Success" job fair on 8/26. This event was held at the Weingart Center with 14 employers participating and over 200 participants in attendance.
- On 8/10, 8/12, 8/18 and 8/19, Metro Special held on-site employer recruitment activities with Laidlaw, UPS, Staff Chex and Universal Protection Services. There were 90 participants who attended these events and 20 have been hired thus far.
- During the month of August, Pasadena GROW held employer recruitments with MTA and Union Bank of California. Over 30 participants were in attendance at these activities and hires are still pending.
- Pomona GROW held an on-site recruitment on 8/16 with Goodwill Industries. Over 20 participants attended and one has been hired thus far. Telephone recruitments were also conducted throughout the month with various employers including Contractor's Warehouse and First Transit.
- South Special GROW held on-site recruitments throughout the month with Staffmark Staffing, Pacific Maritime Association and Chase College. Over 80 participants attended these activities and six have been hired.
- South Central GROW held a recruitment on 8/5 with Axiom Staff Management.
- Glendale GROW held various employer recruitment activities throughout the month. Employers included Starbucks, Interviewing Services of America, UPS, Renaissance Hotel, Roto Rooter and Kelly Home Care Services.

### **PROGRAM PARTICIPATION**

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