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To: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Chair
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MONTHLY STATUS REPORT FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WORKFORCE STIMULUS PLAN AND QUARTERLY REPORT ON PROGRAM FUNDING

The purpose of this memo is twofold, the first is to provide an update on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funded Los Angeles County Workforce Stimulus Plan (Plan), also known as the 10,000 Jobs Initiative. The June 9, 2009 motion by Supervisor Knabe instructed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to report back on a monthly basis as to the progress in implementing the Plan. This status update includes specific information on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Emergency Contingency Fund (ECF) to the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) and the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Youth grant awarded to the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board, which is managed by the Department of Community and Senior Services.

Further, this memo addresses the June 23, 2009 motion by Supervisor Knabe, which instructed the CEO and DPSS to report to your Board on a quarterly basis with information on the TANF ECF program's use of funding and to examine how community colleges can be used to advance or enhance the prospects of the program.

The 10,000 Jobs Initiative has met and surpassed our goal. To date, 11,986 individuals are enrolled in the programs.

TANF ECF Update

From April 27, 2009 to March 22, 2010, 5,802 participants have been enrolled in the Transitional Subsidized Employment (TSE) Program administered by DPSS, the

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South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB), and their 38 subcontracted WorkSource Centers and placement agencies. There are 22 cities contracted as work sites. They include:

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| 1. Baldwin Park | 12. Irwindale |
| 2. Bellflower | 13. City of Lawndale (new) |
| 3. Carson | 14. Long Beach |
| 4. Covina | 15. Monrovia |
| 5. Culver City | 16. Palmdale |
| 6. Duarte | 17. Paramount |
| 7. Gardena | 18. City of Pasadena (new) |
| 8. Glendale | 19. Pomona |
| 9. Hawthorne | 20. Rancho Palos Verdes |
| 10. Hermosa Beach | 21. Redondo Beach |
| 11. Inglewood | 22. South El Monte |

WIA Youth Grant – Summer Youth Employment Program

From May 1, 2009 to March 4, 2010, the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board WIA/ARRA Youth contractors have placed 6,184 youth in work experience placements. As of March 31, 2010, the State-granted extension to continue serving out-of-school youth will end. Therefore, no new enrollments will be processed beyond that date.

TANF ECF Program Funding

The June 2009 Board motion allowed the City of Hawthorne/SBWIB to receive advance payment to cover operational/administrative costs, estimated at one-twelfth of the total contract amount, or \$13.3 million. Given that implementation of the program required a ramp-up period, it was determined that the amount advanced to the City of Hawthorne/SBWIB could be lower than originally projected. As a result, on July 20, 2009, the City of Hawthorne/SBWIB was provided with the first advance payment of \$3,004,036. The second advance payment was issued on September 3, 2009 for \$7,220,888. The third and final advance was issued on January 2010 in the amount of \$3,093,159. This brings the total amount of advances issued to \$13,318,083.

Community College Involvement

Due to the funding guidelines from the State on the usage of ARRA funds for Work Study students, effective September 30, 2009, DPSS was forced to suspend the Work Study in Public Agencies (WSPA) program. Fortunately, WSPA students were immediately enrolled into TSE and most remained at their WSPA work site. DPSS

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continues to work with the colleges to encourage them to become TSE work sites. Currently, there are eight community colleges that are TSE work sites, with a total of 237 TSE participants working on campus. The colleges and placements are as follows:

- East Los Angeles College – 35
- Los Angeles Valley College – 12
- Los Angeles Mission College – 25
- El Camino College Compton Center – 84
- Mt. San Antonio College – 3
- Pierce College – 1
- West Los Angeles College – 1
- Antelope Valley College - 76
- Rio Hondo College (effective 2/17/2010) – 0

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Kathy House, Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer at (213) 974-4530, or via e-mail at khouse@ceo.lacounty.gov.

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