

**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT
AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT STATUS
WEEKLY REPORT: JUNE 26, 2009**

CUMULATIVE OVERALL FINANCIAL STATUS TO DATE

Agy Num	Agency	Program	Competitive Opportunity	Formula Expected	Funds Applied for	Funds Awarded	Funds Committed	Funds Received	Funds Disbursed
471	Employment	UI Modernization			\$28,524,880	\$28,524,880			
471	Employment	UI Modernization			\$57,049,760				
471	Employment	UI Modernization - Administrative		\$6,112,494		\$6,112,494			
471	Employment	UI - FAC						\$64,621,465	\$64,621,465
471	Employment	UI - EB						\$8,436,488	\$8,436,488
471	Employment	Child Care Development Block Grant		\$22,510,534		\$22,510,534		\$4,366,333	\$4,366,333
471	Employment	BES – Wagner-Peyser		\$4,898,310		\$4,898,310			
471	Employment	UI - EUC						\$56,706,846	\$56,706,846

EUC – Emergency Unemployment Compensation
 EB – Extended Benefits
 FAC – Federal Additional Compensation (extra \$25/week)

Note: UI amounts are through 6/20/09.

ACTIONS TAKEN, MAJOR PROJECT UPDATES, AND OTHER MILESTONES

- Under the federal Trade Act which was reauthorized and expanded by the Stimulus legislation, Oregon firms have now filed a total of 49 petitions (out of 1400 over all states). DOL started issuing determinations on June 22, and so far one Oregon firm has been certified (Tarkio, a tool and die maker in Beaverton).

- Our application for the remaining 2/3 in UI Modernization incentive funding was submitted to DOL on June 23. We are seeking approval for these funds under the following provisions: (a) an individual is not disqualified from unemployment compensation for separations due to certain compelling family reasons, and (b) an additional 26 weeks of unemployment compensation is paid to exhaustees who are enrolled in and making satisfactory progress in certain training programs. Some minor updates to ORS were needed to qualify – these were passed in HB 2203.
- Region 9 is working with local employers and contractors who are courting stimulus funds, including infrastructure projects such as the East Gateway/Brewery Grade urban renewal project in The Dalles.
- Region 10 (Deschutes, Jefferson, and Crook counties) is working closely with Central Oregon Community College to offer several different training programs in weatherization. One-stop staff see the potential for migrating displaced workers from the construction industry into new occupations.
- Region 14 (Malheur, Harney, and Grant counties) is working with the non-profit organization Community in Action to recruit for 4 new stimulus-funded positions in weatherization.
- Region 2 (Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties) is working with the City of Portland to arrange a first source agreement for contracts funded by the Stimulus. This would require using Worksource Metro Portland for recruiting, screening, and referral to these jobs.

UPCOMING PLANNED ACTIONS, MAJOR PROJECTS, DEADLINES, AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

- Competitive federal grant through ARRA to obtain funding to upgrade Business & Employment Services field office broadband capabilities. Though the formal grant opportunity will not be announced until June 30, PUC is coordinating requests from around the state. We have provided our information for them for coordination and ranking. Our initial estimate is for \$483K in funding to upgrade capabilities at field offices.
- DOL has provided general information on the upcoming availability of competitive grants for green jobs. Some categories include labor market information, job training, and capacity building, all of which provide exciting opportunities to increase our value to job seekers.