



LOUISVILLE AT WORK



Stimulus Funding



**AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009
LOUISVILLE AT WORK TEAM**

**Team Leaders Meeting Summary
March 8, 2010**

- Rick Johnstone called the meeting to order and thanked members for attending.
- In the absence of Kim Allen, Susan Neumayer provided an update on the status of competitive grants. She called attention to a page from the Competitive Grant Status Chart in the agenda packet highlighting recent activity. She reported that a \$170,000 award is still anticipated for the e-EPO Pilot Project under the Violence Against Women Act; \$300,000 was awarded under the Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) grant; and a proposal is being developed for submission under the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP II) based on the new deadline of March 26th.
- Rick Johnstone called attention to a handout delineating the competitive grant success rate. Daro Mott presented an overview of the chart, which includes competitive grants applied for by Metro Government and community organizations. He noted that the chart breaks down the grants into several categories, i.e. selected, not selected, and awaiting decision. Based on the total, the current Metro success rate for obtaining competitive grants is 54%. In response to a question regarding the pending VAWA e-EPO grant, Rick reported that the award has been delayed due to an issue involving payment of a maintenance fee to the vendor by the Kentucky State Police, but noted that the issue has been resolved and an award should be forthcoming. It is anticipated that Metro Public Health & Wellness will receive official word this week on the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Grant. Bill Wagner clarified that the grants received by Family Health Center were formula-based rather than competitive grants and should therefore not be included in the chart.
- Rick reported that the Louisville at Work Office issued an annual report on February 17, 2010 to highlight accomplishments over the past year. Links were provided for the L@W Annual Report and the White House annual report which also identified progress made under the first year of Recovery Act implementation.
- Members reviewed and discussed a chart compiled by Luke Fuller, L@W Team intern, highlighting jobs lost and gained in the Louisville Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) by quarter from 2008-2009. It was noted that the local data mirrors the national trend in demonstrating movement from job loss to the addition of new jobs in the last quarter of 2009 (following passage of the Recovery Act in February 2009). The L@W Team plans to continue updating the jobs chart moving forward and will also be tracking the percentage of stimulus dollars expended.

- Progress reports were presented by each of the Work Team Leaders or designees.
- Members were reminded that the ARRA reporting cycle for the first quarter of 2010 begins on April 1st.
- Rebecca Byers has been asked for local input on the top one or two issues that should be addressed to remove barriers and facilitate Recovery Act implementation. Members having suggestions should send them to Shannon Tivitt with a copy to Susan Neumayer.
- In closing, Rick thanked members for their attendance and participation. The next ARRA Team Leader meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held in the Mayor's Large Conference Room, 4th Floor, Metro Hall, but members will receive e-mail confirmation prior to the meeting. The L@W Team will be presenting another quarterly update before the Metro Council on Wednesday, April 21st.