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

**Team Leader Meeting Summary  
November 2, 2009**

- Rick Johnstone called the meeting to order and expressed appreciation to members for attending. He anticipates that the team will be meeting every three weeks from this point forward.
- Kim Allen presented an update on the status of ARRA competitive grants. She reported that the newest competitive grant offering, the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant, is currently under review to determine whether Metro will apply. She advised members that Metro did not receive funding for either of the two proposals submitted under the Public Housing Capital Program. Although specific awards have not been released yet by the state, it appears that local agencies will receive funding under the competitive Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Program. Details should be forthcoming in the near future. Kim also reported that the L@W Office received a copy of the concept paper developed by Metro Public Health & Wellness for the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Program.
- In regard to Accountability and Oversight, Daro Mott reported that all of the stimulus reports from the first cycle are now available on Recovery.gov. The L@W Office will be downloading and analyzing the reports this week.
- Rick Johnstone opened the floor for discussion on the recent reporting process. He voiced his perception that the process was difficult, but believes that it was handled well. Louisville Metro continues to perform well in comparison to other jurisdictions and has received continuing compliments on its website and the local success with stimulus funding. Rick acknowledged concerns regarding the potential for over-reporting the number of jobs, but believes that the current formula lends to under-reporting. Kentucky State Government is reporting a total of 4,202 jobs created/retained while Metro is reporting 342 jobs. He anticipates that job numbers and program activity will increase during the next reporting cycle. In regard to total stimulus funding received, the Metro dashboard reflects a total of \$400M for the entire community and a total of \$154M in grants/loans.
- In preparation for the next reporting cycle (quarter ending December 31<sup>st</sup>), Susan advised members that the L@W Office would be using the same approach and will be scheduling another series of review sessions. The review sessions will be scheduled earlier due to the holidays.
- Rick emphasized that the L@W Office is attempting to serve as a resource on the process and anticipates that the stimulus accounts will ultimately be reviewed by a federal auditor. With that in mind, every effort is being made to prepare for that inevitability.
- Rick reported that the L@W Office has a new intern, Luke Fuller, that members will have the opportunity to meet at future meetings.



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- Rob Haynes, designee for Metro Council President David Tandy, expressed continued interest in having the L@W Office present an update on stimulus funding to the Metro Council. Susan will follow-up and schedule a presentation prior to Thanksgiving. She informed members that all formal presentations made by L@W Office staff are posted on the website.
- Carolyn Tandy indicated that Congressman Yarmuth is extremely interested in receiving feedback on the stimulus funding process. She reported that she is in contact with Washington Liaison Rebecca Byers on a daily basis and encouraged members with issues or concerns to relay them to her.
- John Escham reported that he will be attending an upcoming meeting of the National Governor's Association in D.C. and would be happy to relay any questions or concerns that members have regarding the stimulus funding.
- With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. The next Team Leader meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2009.