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CHILD NUTRITION - ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND TRAINING GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Child Nutrition, Administrative Review and Training (ART) Method I Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 4 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$78,651.23

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-265) amended Section 22 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA), to establish a requirement that State agencies (SAs) conduct additional administrative reviews of selected school food authorities (SFAs). It also amended Section 7 of the Child Nutrition Act to provide funding for States to be used for administrative reviews and training of SFAs. Both of these requirements are focused on SFAs which have demonstrated a high level of, or a high risk for, administrative error.

To assist SAs in achieving these requirements, FNS funded in FY 2011 Administrative Review and Training Grants (ART). The Method I ART grant funds were available only to the 57 SAs that administer the Child Nutrition Programs for the purpose of conducting additional administrative reviews of local educational agencies that have demonstrated a high level of, or a high risk for, administrative error.

GRANTEE NAME: Michigan Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$18,344.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Michigan received an ART Method I grant to conduct Additional Administrative Reviews (AAR) for 12 small SFAs for program years 2010-2011 and 2011-2012. Michigan identified the selected SFAs for additional reviews by using identified risk factors criteria.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$16,975.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Oregon received an ART Method I grant to conduct Additional Administrative Reviews (AAR) for 3 small SFAs in 2010-2011 and 3 small SFAs in 2011-2012 for a total of 6 SFAs. Oregon selected SFAs for additional reviews by identified risk factors such as 1) verification data with high-level of non-response or response-based terminations (VD) and 2) elevated claiming percentages (CP).

GRANTEE NAME: Pennsylvania Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$39,913.50

PROJECT SUMMARY: Pennsylvania received an ART Method I grant to complete Additional Administrative Reviews (AAR) for ten small SFAs and one large SFA for the 2010-2011 program year. Pennsylvania will conduct additional administrative reviews to examine an SFA's application, certification, verification, meal counting and meal claiming procedures.

GRANTEE NAME: Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$3,418.73

PROJECT SUMMARY: Rhode Island received an ART Method I grant award to complete an AAR (Additional Administrative Review) process as outlined in USDA Memo SP-07-2011 (revised) *Additional Administrative Reviews and State Retention of Improperly-Paid Funds in SY 2010-11*. Rhode Island will conduct additional administrative reviews (AARs) of selected local educational agencies; and outline conditions under which SAs retain a portion of improperly paid funds recovered as a result of the Coordinated Review Effort (CRE) process and the AAR requirement to reduce administrative and payment errors.

GRANT PROGRAM: Child Nutrition, Administrative Review and Training (ART) Method II Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 6 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$7,525,595.85

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-265) amended Section 22 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA) to establish a requirement that State agencies (SAs) conduct additional administrative reviews of selected school food authorities (SFAs). It also amended Section 7 of the Child Nutrition Act to provide funding for States to be used for administrative reviews and training of SFAs. Both of these requirements are focused on SFAs which have demonstrated a high level of, or a high risk for, administrative error. To assist SAs in achieving these requirements, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) had approximately \$8 million available in fiscal year (FY) 2011 to fund Method II Administrative Reviews and Training (ART) Grants for training and oversight. The grant funds were available to the 57 SAs that administer the Child Nutrition Programs, and were for the purpose of identifying, reviewing, monitoring and training local educational agencies that have demonstrated a high level of, or a high risk for, administrative error. Implementation grants are intended for NSLP Agencies that know *what* they need to do to improve their State's administrative training and oversight processes, but lack the resources to implement those changes. Potential uses of Implementation grant funds include, *but are not limited to*, developing and delivering training to SFA administrative personnel, improving State level technologies to enhance State-level monitoring capability to identify and address errors in error-prone school districts, upgrading software, purchasing hardware and implementing accordingly.

GRANTEE NAME: Hawaii Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$ 1,499,385.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to Hawaii's Department of Education is intended to help address the problem of data disparity in the current manual processes for management, reporting, and compliance inefficiencies. The SA proposed an information technology solution that will automate manual systems, gather transactional data, and provide real time monitoring and benchmarking for local educational agency (LEA) performance. It will identify and target error-prone schools, identify specific corrective actions, and measure the impact and success of improvements. The proposed system is intended to enhance child nutrition school programs by providing a proactive model for identifying at-risk schools through remote monitoring.

GRANTEE NAME: Indiana Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$1,017,920.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to Indiana's Department of Education (IDOE), is for an ART Method II implementation grant to create an analytical profile subsystem that will identify school food authorities (SFAs) with data reporting and compliance problems and identify fraudulent claiming patterns. Grant funds will be used to improve program reporting, automate the workflow tasks for the corrective action process, and provide a seamless integrated environment between on-site review processes and backend program operations. The IDOE will automate the Coordinated Review Effort (CRE) process using PC Tablet/Laptop base systems and SFA staff will be trained on program operations and responsibilities.

GRANTEE NAME: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$1,276,900.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to Missouri's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is the ART Method II implementation grant to implement a data driven integrated technology system that will allow the state to identify LEAs and schools that are at-risk or error-prone for child nutrition program administrative errors. The State proposes to establish an online system that will capture and organize data and provide comprehensive analysis, benchmarking, and reporting tools. The system will allow the state to develop key performance indicators for buildings and LEAs, compare peer schools, and monitor program performance in real time. Missouri will also implement an e-learning system to enhance its ability to provide needed program training.

GRANTEE NAME: New Hampshire Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$1,409,532.85

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to New Hampshire Department of Education is to assist at-risk schools in increasing their administrative staff's skills and decreasing errors in managing the school meals programs. New Hampshire's grant project activities will include: 1) securing a web-based school data collection system that will lead to establishing performance

indicators; 2) offering identified at-risk schools a number of trainings and instruction which will build consistent food service operations management outcomes; and 3) providing ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of the ART grant project activities in meeting the overall objective of reducing at-risk schools.

GRANTEE NAME: South Dakota Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$843,158.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to South Dakota's Department of Education for an ART Method II implementation grant to create a technology solution that is intended to decrease administrative errors by streamlining the data entry, data analysis, and accountability reporting processes. South Dakota will also use the funds to decrease administrative errors by training State and SFA personnel in the application, verification, meal counting, and meal claiming procedures.

GRANTEE NAME: Washington State Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$1,478,700.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Implementation grant awarded to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) in Washington is for an ART Method II implementation grant to replace their outdated State-level application and claiming system. The proposed technology will be a web-based system that is intended to simplify data entry, reduce duplication, centralize applications, improve reporting accuracy, and enhance reporting and monitoring capabilities for identifying error prone school districts. The system will provide a link to the school district data to assist in monitoring attendance, meal counts, and enrollment. It will include a CRE review module, analysis tools to identify application and claiming errors, and edit checks to avoid data entry errors. Washington will also use the grant funds to interface with other OSPI data systems to increase shared data.

<u>CHILD NUTRITION - CHILD & ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM</u> <u>IMPROVE HEALTH & NUTRITION GRANTS</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: Child & Adult Care Food Program Improve Health & Nutrition Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 14 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$7,719,169.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: As authorized by the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-80), FNS made available \$8 million to State Agencies administering the Child and Adult Care Food Program for projects aimed at improving the health and nutrition of children in childcare settings. Priority was given to those projects that promote the nutrition and physical activity in child care settings, provide technical assistance and training to sponsors and providers of childcare centers and family and group day care homes implementing State and local initiatives designed to improve the health and nutrition of children, perform outreach campaigns on the State and local level that are designed to increase access to the program in underserved areas and populations, and make innovative use of technology to provide training.

GRANTEE NAME: Alaska Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$200,454.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Alaska will implement the Wellness in Alaska Child Care Project, which focuses on promoting the adoption of lifelong habits of good nutrition and physical activity by children in child care centers. Training will be offered through three regional conferences that will discuss and teach three nutrition education materials (Active Play, More Than Mud pies, and Happy Mealtimes for Healthy Kids). Attendance at the training is required in order to receive a sub-grant. Sub-grants will be available to child care centers and sponsoring organizations of family day care homes. Child care centers can receive up to \$300 per site and sponsoring organizations can receive up to \$150 per family day care home. Sub-grant funds can be used to purchase materials needed to implement the nutrition education curricula.

GRANTEE NAME: District of Columbia State Education Office GRANT AWARD: \$212,614.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The District of Columbia will be creating and implementing the "I am Happy, I am Healthy" program, a three-part wellness improvement strategy. The program will provide training that will focus on the knowledge, resources, and support for the needs of children, an outreach program that aims to increase participation, and sub-grant opportunities for child care institutions. Sub-grants will be split into two categories: 1) sub-grants modeled after the Healthier US School Challenge will be

available to all child care institutions in amounts ranging from \$500-\$3,000, based on the level achieved (bronze, silver, or gold); 2) sub-grants will be available to sponsoring organizations of family day care homes willing to focus on and recruit providers with limited English proficiency. One award of \$75,500 will be distributed. Funds may be used to provide suppliers with training and technical assistance, translate CACFP materials, and purchase nutrition education and physical activity curriculum.

GRANTEE NAME: Kansas State Board of Education GRANT AWARD: \$954,445.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Kansas will develop wellness policy guidelines tailored for child care centers and a comprehensive support system for the implementation of these policies. The wellness policy guidelines will include benchmarks that represent different levels of achievement (basic, advanced, exemplary) in nutrition, nutrition education, and physical activity, and two five-week cycle menus that meet the advanced and exemplary criteria. Sub-grants of \$400 to \$2,250 will be available to all child care. The sub-grants program will be modeled after the Healthier US School Challenge with awards given to institutions meeting basic level, advanced level, and exemplary level criteria that promote healthier initiatives and practices in CACFP. Sub-grant funds may be used to purchase nutrition education materials, small equipment for physical activity, parent education materials, outreach materials, etc.

GRANTEE NAME: Maine Department of Human & Services GRANT AWARD: \$564,040.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Maine will develop CACFP nutrition and physical activity standards and model policies and conduct a train-the-trainer seminar for sub-grantee recipients. Sub-grants will be available to independent centers (25 awards of \$500 each) and sponsoring organizations (3 awards of \$60,000 each). Sub-grant funds may be used to provide nutrition education, food safety, and physical activity resources and curriculum, attend trainings, and purchase small equipment for food demonstrations and physical activities.

GRANTEE NAME: Maryland Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$406,401.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Maryland will be training child care providers on how to develop and implement a wellness policy. These trainings will be delivered through on-line training modules that will be developed through contracted services. Sub-grants of up to \$3000 will be available to child care centers to purchase needed resources (nutrition education materials and small equipment for food demonstrations and/or physical activity), and for staff training for the successful implementation of the center's new wellness policies. Child care center directors must attend an in-person training in order to be eligible to apply for the grants.

GRANTEE NAME: Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$448,158.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Missouri will implement the Missouri Eat Smart Child Care initiative in family day care homes. The Missouri Eat Smart Child Care initiative was modeled after the Healthier US School Challenge for providers who go above and beyond in providing nutritious meals and a healthy environment to children. Missouri will also provide oversight and technical assistance to sub-grant recipients. Sub-grants will be available to sponsoring organizations of family day care homes and child care centers. Sponsors will receive grants between \$15,000-\$30,000; child care centers will receive grants between \$1,500-\$2,000. Sub-grant funds may be used for printed materials staff time, training, small equipment, etc.

GRANTEE NAME: Montana Office of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$ 111,034.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Montana will provide a Cook's Training/Workshop to food service workers of child care centers participating in the CACFP. Cook's Training provides practice in preparing high quality nutritious foods that are in-line with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Sub-grants will be available to sponsoring organizations of family day care homes in the amount of \$75 per participating family day care home. Sub-grant funds may be used to provide Cook's Training to day care home providers.

GRANTEE NAME: Nevada Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$349,875.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Nevada will develop and implement a CACFP Wellness policy for child care institutions. The wellness policy will target six priority areas: 1) increasing fruit and vegetable consumption, 2) increasing physical activity, 3) supporting breastfeeding, 4) decreasing screen time, 5) increasing the consumption of nutrient-dense foods, and 6) reducing the consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages. Sub-grants will be available to sponsoring organizations. Funds will be allocated on a per child basis. Sub-grant funds may be used for technical assistance, training, food demonstrations, small physical activity equipment, nutrition education materials, etc.

GRANTEE NAME: New York Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$693,635.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: New York seeks to educate CACFP institutions on its Healthy Child Meal Pattern (HCMP) implemented in January 2010. This meal pattern seeks to improve the quality of meals and snacks served in CACFP by recommending changes that decrease the risk of overweight, obesity and chronic diseases, and further enhances the quality of meals served. Four sub-grants of up to \$85,000 each will be awarded to family day care home sponsors. Grants are renewable each year for up to two years. Sub-grantee recipients may use funds to implement the Healthy Child Meal Pattern. Each sub-grant recipient will also be required to hire one full-time dietician (who must attend State administered trainings) who will provide assistance in incorporating improved nutrition and

physical activity practices in family day care homes and communicating positive nutrition and physical activity messages to children and their families. Priority will be given to sponsors who serve a large number of low-income providers.

GRANTEE NAME: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$926,708.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: North Carolina will create child care nutrition and physical activity standards (wellness policy), create nutrition education materials, develop online training modules, and conduct three regional trainings (twice per year for two years) to provide technical assistance, resources, and accomplishments with child care institutions. Sub-grants will be available to child care centers and sponsoring organizations in the amount of \$14,848.52 each. Sub-grants may be used to implement nutrition and physical activity interventions.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$500,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Oregon will create a Child Care Wellness Champions recognition program that identifies institutions that have developed and implemented strong practices and/or policies that serve to prevent childhood obesity. Oregon has developed four key strategies, two related to nutrition and two related to physical activity, that these practices and policies must address. Wellness Champions will be featured on the State's website, in newsletters, and at annual conferences. Wellness coordinators will also be expected to serve as peer educators and perform outreach for a period of one year. A Child Care Wellness advisory committee will be convened to develop this recognition program and the sub-grant application. Sub-grants of \$500 to \$1,000 will be available to sponsoring organizations for supplies needed (nutrition education materials, training, etc.) to move towards or maintain Child Care Wellness Champions status.

GRANTEE NAME: Pennsylvania Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$684,883.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Pennsylvania will implement the Nutrition and Physical Activity Self-Assessment for Child Care (NAP SACC), a program that focuses on helping child care institutions enhance policies and practices and improve environments. Pennsylvania will also provide oversight and technical assistance to sub-grant recipients. Sub-grants will be awarded to 200 child care institutions at \$1,500 each. Sub-grant funds may be used to implement the NAP SACC program, including pay for substitute staff, distribution of nutrition education materials to parents, and professional development and assistance.

GRANTEE NAME: Texas Department of Agriculture GRANT AWARD: \$1,000,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Texas will implement the Farm to Child Care initiative to increase the connection between local farmers and child care institutions; the Breastfeeding Support Child Care Practices to provide increased support for child care centers with the use of optimal policies and procedure in child care institutions; and the Healthy Child Care Network to provide internet-based distance learning options. Texas will also provide oversight and technical assistance to sub-grant recipients. Sub-grants of up to \$8000 will be available to sponsors and individual providers to implement the Farm to Child Care initiative and the Breastfeeding Support practices, or to purchase computer hardware and/or software needed to participate in the Healthy Child Care Network.

GRANTEE NAME: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$666,922.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Wisconsin will develop a wellness policy tool-kit for child care institutions that will include materials on nutrition education and developing a successful wellness policy. Wisconsin will also be developing and disseminating an outreach webinar and brochure, developing an evaluation plan for the wellness policies, and providing technical assistance and oversight to sub-grant recipients. Sub-grants will be available to all child care institutions and awards will range from \$1,000-\$30,000. Sub-grant funds may be used to implement physical and nutrition activities described in the wellness policy kits.

<u>CHILD NUTRITION – DIRECT CERTIFICATION</u> <u>PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: Direct Certification – Planning Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 9 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$591,802.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: Planning Grants are intended for NSLP Agencies that know that they need to improve their State's direct certification system, but may need to conduct additional research to identify the most effective way of doing so and/or planning to ensure that a chosen approach is actually the most effective approach.

GRANTEE NAME: Connecticut Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$71,462.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Recognizing that Connecticut's low direct certification rate prevents children from having seamless access to free meal benefits, Connecticut will use planning grant funds to conduct a gap analysis to identify the underlying reasons for their low direct certification rate. The gap analysis results will be used to develop priority recommendations for both the Department of Education and the Department of Social Services to improve the direct certification rate for children in both public and private schools in Connecticut in the areas of staffing, training, hardware, software, programming and other system improvements.

GRANTEE NAME: Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$70,189.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) applied for a planning grant to improve their direct certification rate. A project team will be established to conduct a gap analysis of the current direct certification process in Missouri. This project team will focus on two key areas of best practices -- centralized matching and more frequent direct certification. DESE's project team also will focus on studying other limiting factors and make recommendations to overcome the current process limitations which may include, but are not limited to, hardware and software upgrades, data pull frequency, training needs, long-term maintenance, and project sustainability.

GRANTEE NAME: Montana Office of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$69,363.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) applied for a direct certification planning grant to improve their direct certification system. Montana's planning process for improvement will include hiring a contractor to conduct an internal review of the State's direct certification system, and meeting with key partners to identify the most effective way of doing direct

certification. OPI also proposes to plan the design of a system that makes it possible to do State-level direct certification matching of SNAP, TANF and FDIPR participant children.

GRANTEE NAME: New Jersey Department of Agriculture

GRANT AWARD: \$52,500.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The New Jersey Department of Agriculture applied for a planning grant to work with a contractor to research and evaluate the current status of the State's web-based direct certification system and provide recommendations for procedural improvements to the existing system.

GRANTEE NAME: New Mexico Public Education Department GRANT AWARD: \$71,717.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: New Mexico's planning grant will support their research to identify solutions to be implemented at both the State and local educational agency (LEA) levels that will: 1) improve match capabilities of existing systems; 2) increase consultation with other State agencies; and 3) build capacity of school districts. The goal is to develop a plan for a user-friendly system that allows for easy data access by appropriate LEA personnel and improves the manageability of data received by the LEAs, in order to simplify their role in the direct certification process. The project aims to: 1) remove the participation barriers for LEAs not conducting direct certification; and 2) to significantly increase participation in direct certification by LEAs.

GRANTEE NAME: Pennsylvania Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$75,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) applied for a planning grant to improve their direct certification rates. This planning grant will be used to work with a contractor to perform the following tasks: analyze the statewide direct certification rates; provide a gap analysis of their direct certification process; and customize a survey to ascertain barriers to direct certification processes and collect qualitative information using approved interview protocols. Upon completion of the evaluation, the contractor will provide a quality report to assist PDE in making future improvements to the direct certification and direct verification processes. This contractor will also scan 2010 - 2011 reports from NSLP sponsors, organize this data and conduct comparative analysis which will serve as a pilot project to improve future direct certification data collection.

GRANTEE NAME: South Dakota Department of Education & Cultural Affairs GRANT AWARD: \$36,673.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The South Dakota Department of Education applied for a planning grant to improve and enhance its direct certification processes. The grant funds will be used to identify reasons for South Dakota's low direct certification rate and to research a technology initiative for implementing an electronic solution for streamlining their current direct certification.

GRANTEE NAME: Washington Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$70,771.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction applied for a planning grant. They propose engaging a contracted resource to complete detailed documentation of their current technical and business processes involved in direct certification of students. The contractor also will identify opportunities for improvement by gathering information and analyzing processes utilized in other states to directly certify students. This information will be used to develop a process improvement plan providing documentation of detailed system requirements, a project plan and cost estimation to implement the recommended process improvements.

GRANTEE NAME: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$73,847.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Wisconsin Department of Instruction applied for a planning grant to research activities necessary to identify methods for increasing the capacity of SFAs to efficiently and frequently engage in the direct certification processes to improve statewide direct certification rates for both public and private schools. Research activities will focus on: clarifying the reasons for Wisconsin's baseline functioning; determining why and where there is variance in direct certification rates; identifying potential reasons for gaps in performance; and developing interventions and plans for improvement.

GRANT PROGRAM: Direct Certification – Implementation Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 6 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$2,335,500.46

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: Implementation Grants are intended for NSLP Agencies that know what they need to do to improve their State's direct certification systems, but lack the resources to implement those changes.

GRANTEE NAME: District of Columbia State Education Office GRANT AWARD: \$999,426.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The District of Columbia, Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE), Wellness and Nutrition Services Division (WNS) applied for an implementation grant to improve their direct certification process. OSSE-WNS plans to improve the quality of student data received by developing unique student identifiers for all students enrolled in the District of Columbia Public Schools and Public Charter Schools. The SA also proposes to create an online portal solution for the disbursement

of direct certification information. This online portal will provide local education agencies (LEAs) direct access to student data and direct certification matches. LEAs will be provided real time data elements being captured under SNAP and TANF eligibility throughout the school year and be able to continually certify students directly, reducing the need for paper applications and undue administrative burden on families and School Food Authority (SFA) personnel.

GRANTEE NAME: Idaho Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$513,190.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Idaho State Department of Education applied for an implementation grant to improve their direct certification data matching capabilities. Idaho plans to improve the quality of student data received by developing unique student identifiers for all students and developing a more flexible probabilistic match that will increase the number of data fields used to identify matches. The match process also will be improved to identify students sharing a residence with directly certified students so that eligibility can be extended if appropriate. Idaho also plans to use grant funds to provide appropriate training to all stakeholders including state agency, LEA personnel and SNAP personnel.

GRANTEE NAME: New Hampshire Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$109,916.46

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of New Hampshire Department of Education applied for an implementation grant to improve their current software system to: improve auditing requirements by adding dates to the students' roster list; adding the capability for LEAs to electronically upload direct certification data into local point of sale (POS) systems; improving matching capabilities by adding a feature to sort by school district and print roster for individual schools; improving training and technical assistance by offering training to all end users providing more understanding and encouraged use of system features; and assisting in POS integration by training local IT staff in methods of integration features.

GRANTEE NAME: North Dakota Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$111,744.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: North Dakota's implementation grant project will make automation improvements to their current direct certification system to provide internal and external users more system tools to assist in identifying eligible students. The project will include outreach, training and technical assistance to LEAs, with special emphasis on improving direct certification in private school districts. The project will also provide training to the Department of Public Instruction's (DPI) School Nutrition Program staff members and DPI Management Information System programmers/analysts.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$498,583.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Oregon Department of Education applied for an implementation grant to improve their direct certification process. Oregon plans to improve their current system to: run weekly matches of students against data of SNAP and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) participants; match student data back to matched direct certification students to pick up any students who are not receiving SNAP or TANF benefits but live in a household that does; and apply Soundex software to the match routine that will include sound-alike matches and compensate for misspelled input. Oregon's enhancements also will include an automated e-mail messaging system to identify new students that have been added to the list as directly certified and a database that will provide SFAs access and search capabilities to obtain data matched to other SFAs.

GRANTEE NAME: Rhode Island Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$102,641.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) applied for an implementation grant to work with the Rhode Island Department of Human Services (RIDHS) to support an enhanced e-Direct Certification process. RIDE is seeking to improve the accuracy of the data match between the RIDE enrollment and the RIDHS SNAP and TANF program eligibility data through two strategies: 1) developing an enhanced matching algorithm, including a Soundex component; and 2) increasing the frequency of matching to quickly and efficiently identify children added to the SNAP and TANF programs.

CHILD NUTRITION - HUNGER-FREE COMMUNITIES GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Hunger-Free Communities Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 14 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$4,978,453

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: These Grants were for projects that assess community hunger problems and/or develop new resources to achieve hunger-free communities.

GRANTEE NAME: Centro del Obrero Fronterizo, Inc - dba La Mujer Obrera (Texas) GRANT AWARD: \$110,065.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Chamizal neighborhood, also known as South Central El Paso, is one of the poorest urban areas in the nation. Almost 60% of the area's residents live below the poverty line, about 56% of them women. La Mujer Obrera will leverage its community-operated Mexican marketplace, Mercado Mayapán to increase access to fresh, affordable foods; administer a culturally relevant nutrition education campaign for food service workers and families; and, increase coordination among organizations with a stake in the local food system through improved referrals and the establishment of a Food Policy Council.

GRANTEE NAMES: Community Services Planning Council (California) GRANTEE AWARD: \$99, 396.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Sacramento County, California, is a very diverse, urban area with a population of 1.4 million. A significant project need is demonstrated through preliminary data. The proposed project seeks to achieve three objectives: (1) survey low income individuals to assess the extent, causes, and consequences of food insecurity in Sacramento County; (2) interview organizations operating within Sacramento County's food systems to determine the capacity of the systems and the amount of coordination and collaboration that is occurring among and between the organizations; and (3) engage stakeholders to review our findings and develop an action plan that will move Sacramento County toward a hunger-free community.

GRANTEE NAMES: Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Niagara County (New York) GRANTEE AWARD: \$96,175.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Niagara County, located in the upper Northwest corner of New York State, Lockport, New York, has a population of approximately 215,000 and covers 523 square miles. Niagara County is predominately a rural, agrarian community. The assessment will consist of (i) a survey of a representative sampling of the County's population to assess the extent of hunger; (ii) focus groups to delve into the causes of hunger; (iii) resource mapping of existing services in the County to identify gaps and potential

opportunities; (iv) evaluation of the availability and accessibility of healthy foods; and (v) examination of the local food production and distribution system in order to determine the flow of locally-produced products.

GRANTEE NAMES: Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Oneida County (New York) GRANTEE AWARD: \$100,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Utica and its metropolitan statistical area were identified in the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal's 2009 "Mohawk Valley Regional Report" as one of the poorest of New York State's cities. Primary deliverables for the project include an analysis of the extent and causes of hunger in the community and a plan to achieve a hunger-free community within the Utica/Oneida County food shed area. There will be three key stages undertaken. Stage ONE activity of the grantees will be to convene a Food Policy Working Group. This Working Group will establish preliminary goals, membership, and target outcomes for its first year of operation. It will serve as coordinator of Stage TWO research and associated outreach activities. At Stage THREE, the Food Policy Council will be formalized based upon the initial operations, methods, intentions, and membership of the Working Group. The processes of these developmental efforts will be inclusive and participatory, with the aim of building ownership for the project and implementation capacity amongst partners.

GRANTEE NAMES: Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County (California) GRANTEE AWARD: \$99.561.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County, Paso Robles, California, is located in a rural county located on California's Central Coast, with a population of approximately 265,000 residents. The county spans over 3,000 square miles and includes more than 20 towns and unincorporated communities with populations ranging from 18 to 45,000. The economy is driven by tourism and agriculture, sectors which rely on low-wage workers. The overall objective of the hunger assessment research is to identify the extent and causes of hunger in San Luis Obispo County, including assessing household food security, determining accessibility of food resources, identifying low availability and high cost food areas, assessing community food production resources, and identifying other barriers to food security.

GRANTEE NAME: Governor's Office for Children (Maryland) GRANT AWARD: \$923,812.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Governor's Office for Children, Baltimore, Maryland, proposes to work with applying partners Catholic Charities, Maryland Department of Human Resources (DHR), Maryland Food Bank, Maryland Hunger Solutions, Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), and SHARE Food Network on behalf of the Partnership. The Partnership serves as the Food Policy Council for the State of Maryland and the eight target Counties and is well-suited to implement the *Creating Hunger-Free Communities in Maryland by Meeting the Growing Need in Eight Target Counties* project. The eight target Counties are Allegany, Anne Arundel, Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett and Montgomery. The proposed scope of work will implement

strategies and will tailor implementation to the specific needs of the target community. The three focus areas are: Increasing access to and information regarding the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, increasing participation in school and out-of-school time nutrition programs, and expanding access to nutritious food for families with children.

GRANTEE NAMES: International Sonoran Desert Alliance (Arizona) GRANTEE AWARD: \$63,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Ajo, Arizona is one of the most remote, rural towns in the Southwest—40 miles north of the U.S./Mexico border. With high rates of poverty, unemployment, and infrastructure challenges, it is classified as a federal *colonia*. The International Sonoran Desert Alliance's assessment goals include: developing a clear understanding of hunger in the community's rural region (extent, locus, and causes), understanding of the relationship of hunger to key health issues in the community and rural region, understanding the nutritional resources present and absent in the community and rural region and the extent to which the community makes use of them, and identifying sustainable strategies being implemented by other similar rural regions specifically to address hunger.

GRANTEE NAMES: Marywood University (Pennsylvania) GRANTEE AWARD: \$100,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Situated at the northern edge of Pennsylvania's Coal Region, Lackawanna County encompasses an area of 465 square miles and is comprised of both rural and urban communities. The county has a population of 208,801 and is located northwest of the Pocono Mountains. Increasing numbers of residents have found themselves with food insecurities due to the loss of jobs in the county and the recent budget impasse in Pennsylvania that negatively impacted direct service providers. Research objectives include obtaining statistical, quantitative results from residents in Lackawanna County, conducting an availability and affordable foods inventory, and following up with selected individuals and key informants (residents, community leaders, emergency food providers, and food assistance providers, transportation supervisors) to probe and explore those results in more depth.

GRANTEE NAMES: North County Community Services (California) GRANTEE AWARD: \$100.000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The geographic scope of service for the proposed assessment and planning project includes approximately 1,815 square miles in the northern third of San Diego County. According to Census data, the 2006 estimated population in the project area was 623,208 or just over 20 percent of the total county population. There are between 25 and 40 miles of separation between the San Diego Metropolitan area and the project target area of Northern San Diego County. This assessment and planning project will measure the extent of food insecurity in Northern San Diego County, assess causes of hunger, evaluate the capacity of the region's food system and identify workable solutions that become part of a plan to alleviate hunger in the region.

GRANTEE NAMES: Poughkeepsie Farm Project (New York) GRANTEE AWARD: \$99,311.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Poughkeepsie is a riverfront city of nearly 30,000 residents in the Hudson Valley, a two hour commuter train ride from New York City. It is located in a border zone between metropolitan New York City and the agricultural regions of the upper Hudson Valley. The planned assessment of food security will document the extent of hunger in the community and analyze its causes, outlining how the community's food systems operate, how residents access nutritious food in Poughkeepsie, how food insecure residents make decisions about what to eat and what constrains those choices.

GRANTEE NAMES: Rutgers, State University of New Jersey GRANTEE AWARDS: \$99,753.00

PROJECTIVE SUMMARY: New Brunswick, New Jersey, is a city with a diverse population exceeding 48,000. High proportions of city residents suffer from socioeconomic difficulties. This project aims to analyze and interpret data that assess food insecurity and related needs within the city, characterize the local food environment including inventories of food availability and pricing, and catalog existing community resources, programs and services. It will use this information to conduct a gap analysis to identify the information, resources, and infrastructure needed to reduce food insecurity among residents of New Brunswick.

GRANTEE NAME: United Way of King County (Washington) GRANTEE AWARD: \$987,380.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The United Way of King County, Seattle, Washington, project will focus on 4 of 12 initiatives described in the *Hunger Relief Now! Plan*, reducing hunger among low-income children, senior citizens, immigrants, and refugees. These four initiatives are:

- 1. Expand Bridge to Basics an innovative program that trains multilingual volunteers and deploys them throughout the community to connect eligible families with the Washington Basic Food Program (SNAP) and other public benefits.
- 2. Increase participation in Summer Meal Programs.
- 3. Launch two regional coalitions to implement local community based strategies to increase food security among low income children, seniors, and immigrants and refugees.
- 4. Increase public awareness and support for Hunger Relief strategies through strategic activities during the yearly Hunger Action Week.

GRANTEE NAME: United Way of New York City (New York) GRANTEE AWARD: \$2,000,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Of the 8.3+ million people living in New York City proper, over 1.55 million live below the federal poverty line. The United Way of New York City, New York plans to partner with the New York City Hunger Free Communities

Consortium, consisting of AARP New York, City Harvest, Council of Senior Centers and Services of New York City, Food Bank for New York City, Metropolitan Council for Jewish Poverty, New York City Coalition Against Hunger, New York City Department for the Aging, New York City Department of Education Office of School Food, and Public Health Solutions to implement its proposed plan. The proposed project includes a four-pronged approach to working collaboratively towards a Hunger-Free Community in NY through four objectives:

- 1. Creating and implementing a comprehensive marketing, communications, organizing, and outreach plan to increase participation in government and private nutrition assistance and anti-poverty programs;
- 2. Improving the referral network to free food resources;
- 3. Engaging in outreach to promote participation in school breakfast, particularly through adoption of in-classroom or grab-andgo breakfast service in schools, ongoing parent engagement, and the creation of dynamic outreach materials for community members and decision-makers; and
- 4. Creating a NYC Food Policy Council in collaboration with the current NYC Food Policy Task Force.

GRANTEE NAMES: United Way of Passaic County (New Jersey) GRANTEE AWARDS: \$100,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Passaic County, New Jersey, is an hourglass-shaped county of approximately half a million residents located in Northern New Jersey. Passaic County's "down county" area includes the densely populated urban centers of Passaic and Paterson, surrounded by middle-class and working-class suburban areas that vary in their ethnic makeup and income distribution. Assessment objectives include determining the extent and severity of food insecurity in all Passaic County municipalities and among various high-risk Passaic County populations and determining possible causes of food insecurity in Passaic County.

CHILD NUTRITION - NATIONAL FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: National Food Service Management Institute, University of Mississippi TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 3 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$5,915,000.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summaries below.

GRANTEE NAME: National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI), University of Mississippi GRANT AWARD: \$5,000,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: This grant agreement is provided to maintain NFSMI. The mission of NFSMI is to provide assistance, information, and services to State Education Agencies that promote continuous improvement of Child Nutrition programs. Under this agreement NFSMI will provide opportunities for professional development and continued education for Child Nutrition program personnel, expand the national network of trainers, continue the research agenda, as well as develop and maintain the NFSMI website in order to provide educational and training opportunities for Child Nutrition Program personnel.

GRANTEE NAME: National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI), University of Mississippi GRANT AWARD: \$800,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: This Cooperative Agreement is to provide funds for projects that contribute to implementing dietary or nutrition initiatives. Funding is provided to NFSMI for the development and maintenance of services to provide assistance to State Education Agencies in meeting objectives of the USDA Child Nutrition Programs. Activities under this agreement include training and the development of educational materials.

GRANTEE NAME: National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI), University of Mississippi GRANT AWARD: \$115,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: An award to NFSMI was made under the authority Section 6(a)(3) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act that authorizes the USDA to provide funds for projects specified by the Secretary that will contribute to improving food safety. Projects will also include food safety training outreach to assist CNP Personnel enhance their food safety knowledge base and help ensure that all food served in school is safe.

- 1. Review and Revise USDA recipes for Child care facilities
- 2. Provide a Food Defense Tabletop Exercise(s)
- 3. Provide Food Safety Training for Child Nutrition Professionals

CHILD NUTRITION - PEOPLE'S GARDEN SCHOOL PILOT GRANT

GRANT PROGRAM: People's Garden School Pilot Grant TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANT: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARD: \$1,000,000.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The program was developed to meet FY 2010 USDA Appropriations Bill, P.L. 111-080, Sec. 18 (g) (3) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.SC. 1769(g) (3) requirements. The objective of the People's Garden School Pilot Program was to develop and run community gardens at eligible high-poverty schools; teaching students involved in the gardens about agriculture production practices, diet, and nutrition; contributing produce to supplement food provided at eligible schools, student household, local food banks, or senior nutrition programs; and conducting an evaluation of funded projects to learn more about the impacts of school gardens.

GRANTEE NAME: Washington State University (Washington) GRANT AWARD: \$1,000,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Peoples Garden School Pilot Program Cooperative Agreement was awarded to Washington State University. This recipient program established a partnership with three other states to meet the legislative requirements; the three states are Arkansas, Iowa, and New York. In a combined effort this partnership will have community involvement with a total of 70 schools with approximately 2800 youth participating in this garden school pilot. The number of schools participating in the pilot program per state is as follows: Arkansas (15 schools), Iowa (20 schools), New York (23 schools), and Washington (12 schools). Within each state approximately six partnering communities which are demographically and geographically diverse, including both urban and rural locales, has been selected to participate in the program. Each community may develop one or several garden plots, or sites depending on the geography, context, and proximity between schools. This outreach school garden program is focused on elementary grades 1-3 and 4-6. Students will participate in the garden program during the study period as well as receiving hands on gardening experience. In addition to the garden program's impact on the students, a focus on other stakeholder will also include teachers, parents, school food service professionals, school administrators, farmers, and collaborating non-profit organizations.

<u>CHILD NUTRITION – SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP) ELECTRONIC BENEFITS</u> <u>TRANSFER (EBT) DEMONSTRATION GRANTS- SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE</u> <u>PROGRAM (SNAP) & SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS</u> <u>CHILDREN (WIC) MODEL GRANTS</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: Child Nutrition SFSP EBT Demonstration Project: SNAP/WIC Models TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 6 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$1,973,992.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Fiscal Year 2011 CN-SFSP demonstration grants will test a household-based method of delivering nutrition assistance to low-income children during the summer.

GRANTEE NAME: Connecticut Department of Social Services

Grant Award: \$195,529.00

Project Summary: The grantee is using the SNAP/EBT technology as the delivery mechanism in its demo site of 23 contiguous SFAs and will utilize at least 5000 children for the project and form a steering committee to oversee and control the aspects of the pilot program.

GRANTEE NAME: Missouri Department of Social Services GRANT AWARD: \$273,609.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The grantee is using the SNAP/EBT technology as the delivery mechanism in its demo and the project includes three school districts and utilizes 500 children with half of the eligible children receiving benefits during the first summer of the project. The Grantee also plans to work with local community partners in the Kansas City area.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$189,749.00

Project Summary: The grantee is using the SNAP/EBT technology as the delivery mechanism in its demo and utilizes 500 children who are eligible for free and reduced priced meals for the demonstration which will occur during the summer of 2011.

GRANTEE NAME: Michigan Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$707,735.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The grantee is using the WIC/EBT technology as the delivery mechanism in its demo and will collaborate with the Michigan Department of Community Healthy to identify eligible families to participate in the program.

GRANTEE NAME: Texas Department of Agriculture/ Texas Department of State Health Services **GRANT AWARD:** \$305,493.00 / \$301,877.00, respectively

PROJECT SUMMARY: The grantee is using the WIC/EBT technology as the delivery mechanism in its demo which includes one school district and utilizes 5000 children with half of the eligible children receiving benefits during the first summer of the project. The Grantee also plans to work with local community partners in the El Paso – Ysleta area.

<u>CHILD NUTRITION– SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP)</u> <u>HOME DELIVERY/BACKPACKS GRANTS</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: SFSP Home Delivery Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 3 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$838,521.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: Home Delivery Project SFSP sponsors in rural areas frequently struggle to achieve the level of participation needed at congregate feeding sties to earn enough reimbursement to continue offering meals, either because children cannot travel long distances to the site, or because there are simply not enough children in the area of the site. This project will provide funding for approved sponsors to develop ways to deliver summer meals to eligible children in rural areas at a sustainable cost.

GRANTEE NAME: Delaware Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$364,216.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Food Bank of Delaware has partnered with Delaware Department of Education, to address the problem of children in low-income areas not having adequate access to nutritious foods in the summer by providing SFSP meals to eligible children, older than pre-school, through nontraditional meal distribution sites. Participating children will be identified by the local schools and the project anticipates delivering 34,750 meals over a 10 week period during the summer months of 2011 and 2012.

GRANTEE NAME: Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$272,949.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Home Delivery demonstration project will provide funding to develop ways to deliver summer meals to eligible children in rural areas at a sustainable cost. Massachusetts partnered with the Cape Cod YMCA who will develop delivery routes in rural Barnstable, Massachusetts and will deliver up to two days worth of breakfast and lunch meals to approximately 100 children each day. The meals will include a variety of nutritious foods including low-fat milk, locally grown fruits and vegetables and fresh or frozen entrees that are easy to prepare.

GRANTEE NAME: New York Education Department GRANTEE AWARD: \$201,356.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: New York State Department of Education has partnered with the Food Bank of Southern Tier and North Rose-Wolcott Central School District and their partners to identify area students who qualify for free or reduced price meals. These students will receive information on the Home Delivery project and told where they can pick-up the meals. Each participant in the program in Southern Tier will receive four breakfasts and four lunches. Southern Tier projected approximately 250 unduplicated children in 2011 and 300 unduplicated children in 2012 within three targeted districts. Participants attending North Rose-Wolcott sites will have a number of locations within the community that will serve as distribution point centers four days a week Monday-Thursday. North Rose-Wolcott anticipates 100 children in grades k-12 will be served through this program for year 1 and possibly double by year 2.

GRANT PROGRAM: SFSP Food Backpacks Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 3 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$904,130.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The project will supplement the traditional SFSP by utilizing an additional method of meal delivery during the summer on days that the meals are not available at SFSP sites. The goal is to evaluate if providing a supply of nutritionally-balanced foods on the days that children do not received meals through the congregate SFSP will help maintain the nutritional status children gain from participation in the NSLP during the school year.

GRANTEE NAME: Arizona Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$328,232.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: AZ DOE has partnered with three school districts (Chandler Unified, Mesa Public Schools and Litchfield Elementary School District) to provide outreach within their districts to increase participation at these sites during the summer months. These school districts will provide backpack meals to school age children (18 & under) containing nutritious meals they can take home and have for lunch on Saturday, Sunday and the days the SFSP does not operate.

GRANTEE NAME: Kansas Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$246,173.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Kansas Department of Education worked with Children Nutrition Consultants to develop a 6-week backpack menu for breakfast and lunch. This menu will be tested in the 7 sponsor/partner sites (Central Unified School, Lawrence Public, Gardner Edgerton Unified, Arkansas City Unified, School Districts, the United Methodist Church, Topeka Public Schools and

East Central Kansas Economic Opportunity Corp) to supplement the traditional SFSP by providing to children (including those with special dietary needs) for use on days when meals are not available at SFSP sited, typically weekends. The menu will be made available on-line and will be promoted to SFSP sites and their local and regional food bank partners. For example, Central Unified School District serving four rural communities in Kansas, provides lunches during the summer in Atlanta, Burden, Cambridge and Grenola Kansas. This summer, they will begin providing food backpacks at the sites on Thursdays to approximately 75 children per week. The backpacks will contain three days worth of shelf stable breakfast and lunch foods such as milk, juices, canned fruits and vegetables, tuna, and individual canned entrees. Preparation instructions and menu serving suggestions will also be provided. The other partners have similar projects.

GRANTEE NAME: Ohio Department of Education GRANTEE AWARD: \$329,725.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Ohio Department of Education has partnered with 6 community organizations (Andrews House, Inc; Community Action Organization of Scioto County; Hamilton Living Water Ministries; Whole Again International, Hocking Athens Perry Community Action Agency; and Ashtabula County Children Services) each of which partners with local churches and other community organizations throughout their respective areas. Each will utilize their partnerships to provide healthy meals (breakfast and lunch or lunch and a snack) to school age children for each weekend and holidays. Hocking Perry currently runs a successful backpack program at two local school districts where 700 students are being served each week. The other partners operate similar backpack programs; focusing on outreach, parent involvement and open enrollment sites where any child will be qualified to eat.

<u>CHILD NUTRITION– SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM</u> <u>DEMONSTRATION – AMENDMENT</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: SFSP Demonstration Grant (Amendment) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARD: \$787,384.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summary below.

GRANTEE NAME: Arkansas Department of Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$787,384.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The grant was originally awarded in FY 2010. In FY 2011, the project received an increase in funding to continue its efforts. This project was designed to create an incentive opportunity for sponsors to provide nutritious meals for 40 days or more during the summer, increasing the number of lunches served to Arkansas youth. The total amount of funding was \$1,475,327.00.

CHILD NUTRITION - TEAM NUTRITION TRAINING GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Team Nutrition Training Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 43 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$6,445,539

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The objective of this grant is for State agencies to expand and enhance their training programs that incorporate and implement the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans (DGA)* and USDA Foods in meals served under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Proposals must apply Team Nutrition's three behavior-focused strategies: provide training and technical assistance to child nutrition foodservice professionals to enable them to prepare and serve nutritious meals that appeal to children; provide fun and interactive nutrition education for children, teachers, parents, and other caregivers; or build school and community support for creating healthy school environments that are conducive to healthy eating and physical activity.

GRANTEE NAME: Alaska Department of Education and Early Development GRANT AWARD: \$48,326.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Alaska will provide funding for regional training and travel scholarships for schools to attend training on HUSSC requirements and provide technical assistance for the application process. Training will target school foodservice staff, principals, wellness teams, and other pertinent school staff. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: Arizona Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$ 25,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Arizona will offer regional trainings to schools, covering all areas of the Healthier US School Challenge. Schools will then receive individual technical assistance during the application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: 25.

GRANTEE NAME: Connecticut Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$ 300,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> –Connecticut will develop the Child Nutrition Training Institute, which will target NSLP sponsors and provide the training and support needed to serve healthy and appealing meals that meet the 2010 DGAs. CT will target CACFP sponsors by providing training on development of menus that meet the 2010 DGAs and development of the CT Healthy Child Care Challenge, which addresses developing and implementing policies for a healthy child care environment.

GRANTEE NAME: Connecticut Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$ 49,854.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> –Connecticut will conduct a HUSSC webinar, followed by regional HUSSC workshops to provide schools with training and technical assistance for the HUSSC application process. The target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: District of Columbia State Education Office GRANT AWARD: \$282,005.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> –The District of Columbia will provide nutrition education and training to teachers, school foodservice professionals, and students at 24 middle schools in Washington, DC. Professional development will be provided to teachers to integrate fun, interactive, garden-based nutrition education into math, science, social studies, and language arts curricula while meeting the District's core learning standards. School foodservice will be trained on meeting the recommendations in the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* and improving participation in the school meal programs.

GRANTEE NAME: District of Columbia State Education Office GRANT AWARD: \$27,890.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – The District of Columbia's recently enacted law, *The Healthy Schools Act of 2010*, which requires all school meal programs to adopt the HUSSC gold level menu criteria. The State Agency will target school administrators and their foodservice staff to provide hands-on technical assistance towards the completion of successful HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 30.

GRANTEE NAME: Florida Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$236,850.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Florida will provide training both in-person and via webinar to schools interested in applying for the Healthier US School Challenge. Up to 30 schools may apply for mini-grants to assist with the HUSSC application and promote a healthier school environment.

GRANTEE NAME Florida Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$34,905.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Florida will train a cadre of HUSSC coordinators from the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences, Food and Nutrition Program, who will be located regionally throughout the state. These coordinators will be available to provide frequent on-site technical assistance for schools during the HUSSC application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: 35.

GRANTEE NAME: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

GRANT AWARD: \$340,080.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Georgia will provide training and technical assistance to CACFP providers to assist them in developing and implementing wellness policies for their childcare centers. Centers will be able to apply for mini-grant funds to support the implementation of the wellness policies.

GRANTEE NAME: Idaho Department of education GRANT AWARD: \$198,853.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Idaho will provide training on the 2010 DGAs to school foodservice personnel ; align processed USDA Foods with the 2010 DGAs; provide USDA Foods cooking workshops and recipes to school foodservice; provide technical assistance to schools in meeting the requirements and applying for HUSSC; and develop a Farm to School Program for CACFP.

GRANTEE NAME: Indiana Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$82,920.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Indiana will develop and implement an award program for CACFP providers that adapt menus and create policies to align with the 2010 DGAs.

GRANTEE NAME: Indiana Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$40,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Indiana will provide training and technical assistance to schools applying for the HUSSC. Upon completion of training, schools will receive mini-grants to assist them in the application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: 40.

GRANTEE NAME: Iowa Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$304,097.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Iowa will provide training to school and childcare foodservice personnel on implementing the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*. Schools will also receive training and technical assistance to meet the HUSSC application requirements, including hands-on training in culinary skills. Iowa will partner with Energy Balance 4 Kids Registered Dietitians to assist schools with HUSSC application.

GRANTEE NAME: Iowa Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$39,120.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Iowa will provide training and technical assistance to schools to enable them to prepare for the HUSSC application process. Schools will receive sub-grants to support their efforts to submit successful HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 40.

GRANTEE NAME: Kansas State Board of Education GRANT AWARD: \$300,062.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Kansas will provide training to school foodservice staff on implementing the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* in their school meal programs, and conduct workshops with food vendors on the DGAs in an effort to bring more affordable, healthy offerings to Kansas' school meal programs and competitive food options. They will also partner with local organizations to increase the availability of fruits and vegetables through a school gardening initiative, with accompanying classroom lessons. Kansas will also provide fun and interactive nutrition education, physical activity, and mini-grant opportunities for schools.

GRANTEE NAME: Kansas State Board of Education GRANT AWARD: \$49,909.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Kansas will provide training to schools on overcoming identified barriers to HUSSC awards, including menu and competitive food requirements, and nutrition and physical education requirements. Upon completion of training, a cadre of registered dietitians will be available to provide one-on-one technical assistance to schools applying for the HUSSC. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: Louisiana Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$49,916.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Louisiana will partner with a culinary institute to work with schools to develop fourweek cycle menus that meet the criteria for the HUSSC Gold Award of Distinction. These menus, paired with a nutrition education and physical activity curriculum will position schools to successfully complete their HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 54.

GRANTEE NAME: Maine Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$26,206.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Maine will provide training and technical assistance to schools for the HUSSC application process. Training will cover all areas of the HUSSC requirements, with a focus on identified barriers. Individual technical assistance will be provided to schools during the application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: **27**.

GRANTEE NAME: Maryland Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$195,884.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> –Maryland will conduct a six-day culinary boot camp to train school foodservice professionals on the preparation and efficient production management of scratch-cooked menu items. School districts will then receive sub-grants to develop and market new menus with the scratch-cooked items that adhere to the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* and proposed meal patterns.

GRANTEE NAME: Maryland Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$49,999.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Maryland will provide technical assistance and resources to schools in order to overcome identified barriers and submit successful HUSSC applications. Child Nutrition program staff will collaborate with Health and Physical Education program supervisors to ensure that all barriers are addressed. School systems will receive sub-grants to support the HUSSC application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: Michigan Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$299,869.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Michigan will provide training and technical assistance to up to 600 foodservice professionals through a partnership with USDA Foods consortia, enabling them to prepare and serve nutritious meals that appeal to children and meet HUSSC criteria. The State Agency will also partner with Michigan State University to conduct a statewide Junior Chef competition; showcasing student designed and approved meals that meet HUSSC criteria.

GRANTEE NAME: Michigan Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$49,100.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Michigan will provide training to school districts on the HUSSC requirements and application process. Culinary training and technical assistance will also be provided in order to bring menus into compliance with HUSSC requirements. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.
GRANTEE NAME: Minnesota Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$284,914.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Minnesota will build local capacity to create healthier school and childcare environments by providing training and technical assistance to NSLP and CACFP staff. Activities will focus on reaching three goals: 1.) School wellness program development; 2.) CACFP Family Child Care menu planning and physical activity program development, and; 3.) statewide Child Nutrition Program promotion and resource development.

GRANTEE NAME: Minnesota Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$47,727.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Minnesota will provide training and technical assistance to schools throughout the state on HUSSC requirements and the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* in order to improve menus and prepare schools for the HUSSC application process. Schools will receive sub-grants to assist in the application process. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$294,531.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Missouri will provide training, technical assistance, and resources to CACFP providers to improve their menus and create a healthier environment; Provide hands-on cooking-centered nutrition training program for CACFP providers; and provide training and technical assistance to schools in applying for the HUSSC award.

GRANTEE NAME: Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$339,333.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Montana will provide training and technical assistance to school foodservice staff on serving meals consistent with the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* and increase their ability to apply for the HUSSC; promote the Fuel Up to Play 60 Program; update breakfast menus to ensure consistency with the proposed USDA meal pattern; host a Farm to School conference with a focus on garden-based learning; strengthen collaboration concerning nutrition education with early childhood educators; and improve local procurement practices to ensure that foods are consistent with the 2010 DGAs.

GRANTEE NAME: Nebraska Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$251,641.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Nebraska will expand and enhance training programs for schools and childcare centers to create healthier environments. The State Agency will provide training for schools to align with the HUSSC, 2010 *Dietary Guidelines*

for Americans, and the proposed meal patterns. Both schools and childcare centers will receive training and technical assistance in the development and implementation of wellness policies.

GRANTEE NAME: Nebraska Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$35,600.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Nebraska will recruit 50 schools to receive training and focused technical assistance to implement HUSSC criteria and submit HUSSC applications. Identified barriers will be addressed in individualized technical assistance will be provided. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: New Mexico Public Education Department GRANT AWARD: \$249,988.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – New Mexico will provide training, a Culinary Institute, and on-going technical assistance for NSLP staff on implementing the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*, applying for the Healthier US School Challenge, and maximizing the use of USDA Foods. NSLP staff will be able to prepare nutritious meals that appeal to children; and increase the capacity of teachers, parents, and other caregivers to support children in making healthy choices. Resources and 20-minute mini nutrition education lesson plans that are fun, evidenced-based, and interactive, will be provided to implement during the required instructional time while serving Breakfast in the Classroom.

GRANTEE NAME: North Dakota Department of Public Instruction

GRANT AWARD: \$28,283.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u>– North Dakota will offer eight regional HUSSC trainings to school teams throughout the state. Additional technical assistance will be provided to individual schools to ensure successful applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 30.

GRANTEE NAME: Ohio Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$27,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u>– Ohio will provide one-on-one training to at least 30 schools to assist with the HUSSC application process. This will be achieved by three HUSSC consultants to cover specific regions within the state. Target number of HUSSC applications: 30.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$41,555.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Oregon will design and implement a training course that will guide schools through the HUSSC application process. The course will consist of one live class followed by four webinars in the first year of the grant, and one live class followed by four webinars in the second year of the grant period. The fourth webinar will walk participants through the online application process using the information and data they collected by completing in-person training and webinars. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50 or more.

GRANTEE NAME: Pennsylvania Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$334,466.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Pennsylvania will facilitate the incorporation of the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* into school meals and increase participation in the HUSSC. This will be achieved through statewide trainings, development of online resources, and a cadre of trainers to provide one-on-one assistance to schools to help them successfully complete HUSSC applications.

GRANTEE NAME: Rhode Island Department of Elementary & Secondary Education GRANT AWARD: \$40,858.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Rhode Island will conduct assessments of 50 schools throughout the state to determine their readiness to submit a successful HUSSC application. Training needs will be determined and targeted technical assistance will be provided to all schools. Target number of HUSSC applications: 45.

GRANTEE NAME: South Dakota Department of Education & Cultural Affairs GRANT AWARD: \$289,628.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – South Dakota will provide training to NSLP staff on implementing the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*, applying for the HUSSC, and maximizing the use of USDA Foods. Schools will receive mini-grants to utilize school gardens and Farm to School programs to increase fruit and vegetable consumption, as well as to have students assess their school environment and create plans for improvement. Schools will receive technical assistance to create healthier environments by updating their wellness policies to meet all requirements.

GRANTEE NAME: South Dakota Department of Education & Cultural Affairs GRANT AWARD: \$34,967.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – South Dakota will offer training on the HUSSC requirements to schools throughout the state. The training will be recorded and provided on DVD to interested schools that are unable to attend. Upon completion of the

training, schools may be awarded sub-grants to assist with the HUSSC application process. The target number of HUSSC applications: 37

GRANTEE NAME: Vermont Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$238,575.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Vermont will implement the *Green Mountain Healthy Kids School Challenge*, which will improve nutrition environments and increase children's nutrition knowledge. This will be accomplished for schools through the development of training and mentoring programs, and the development and implementation of behavior-focused, hands-on nutrition education for students. Childcare centers will receive technical assistance on environmental assessment and development of wellness policies. Both schools and childcare centers will receive training on the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*.

GRANTEE NAME: Vermont Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$24,181.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Vermont will create a training program for schools that will enable them to create recipes and menus and implement any additional changes necessary to meet the HUSSC criteria. Regional trainings, mentoring, and technical assistance will be provided to schools throughout the grant period in order to ensure successful HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 20.

GRANTEE NAME: Washington Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$188,947.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u>– Washington will enhance the nutritional quality of school meals and promote a healthy school environment through training and technical assistance on the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*. Grant activities will include the development of and training on quantity food service recipes that decrease sodium content and increase vegetable and whole grain consumption, and development of a web-based tool kit to assist schools in developing and implementing wellness policies. Technical assistance will also be provided for schools to apply for and receive HUSSC awards.

GRANTEE NAME: West Virginia Department of Education GRANT AWARD: \$269,350.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – West Virginia will provide schools and childcare centers with training and technical assistance in the implementation of the *West Virginia Standards for School Nutrition* (2008) and the *Leap of Taste – WV Child Care Nutrition Standards* (2010). This will be accomplished through fun and interactive activities for teachers, school staff, childcare providers, children, and parents, including: container gardening for child care centers, Farm to School activities, parent outreach and

education in childcare, and a Principals' Academy to motivate principals to make policy changes that will create healthier school environments.

GRANTEE NAME: West Virginia Department of Education

GRANT AWARD: \$48,304.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – West Virginia will provide training on meeting the HUSSC criteria to food service directors in three districts. Emphasis will be placed on identified barriers to successful HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 50.

GRANTEE NAME: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$264,878.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Competitive</u> – Wisconsin will utilize garden-based education and training and highlight Farm to School programs as ways to improve child nutrition, local school wellness policies and meet the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* and the HUSSC criteria; while incorporating the Wisconsin model academic standards for nutrition education.

GRANTEE NAME: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction GRANT AWARD: \$19,640.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: <u>Non-Competitive</u> – Wisconsin will conduct regional trainings, four times a year, to assist schools in addressing identified barriers and successfully completing HUSSC applications. Target number of HUSSC applications: 20.

FOOD SAFETY - CENTER OF EXCELLENCE GRANT

GRANT PROGRAM: Center of Excellence TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$1,599,981.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The purpose of the Center of Excellence for Food Safety Research in Child Nutrition Programs is to develop a new and holistic research approach to determine how new initiatives and emerging science affect food safety in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP), Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), Special Milk Program (SMP), Seamless Summer, and Afterschool Snacks Program.

The objectives of the Center are to: provide an avenue to identify food safety needs in schools and child care settings; address food safety issues of schools and child care settings; provide a place, either actual, or virtual, that is considered the focal point for expertise on food safety issues related to schools and child care settings; and provide a foundation for the acquisition of additional extramural funding to improve the safety of food in Child Nutrition Programs, such as schools and day care centers.

GRANTEE NAME: Kansas State University (Kansas) GRANT AWARD: \$1,599,981.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Center of Excellence for Food Safety Research in Child Nutrition Programs will provide a multidisciplinary approach to basic and applied food safety research needs related to Child Nutrition Programs and convey those findings in a way that facilitates the transfer of knowledge to school foodservice directors and program operators, as well as scientists, policy makers, educators, and practitioners.

FOOD SAFETY - EDUCATION GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Food Safety Education Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 3 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$270.813.60

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summaries below.

GRANTEE NAME: National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine (Washington, D.C.) **GRANT AWARD:** \$15,00.00/\$15,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: These two agreements are for a financial contribution to participate in the National Food Forum by both FNS and CNPP. The Food Forum provides a venue for food safety and nutrition issues relevant to FNS nutrition assistance programs and helps keep FNS and CNPP on the cutting edge of developments in these fields.

GRANTEE NAME: National Education Foundation Health Information Network (Washington, D.C.) **GRANT AWARD:** \$192,466.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: National Education Association Health Information Network (NEA HIN) will produce and disseminate a resource designed to educate teachers, aides, bus drivers, school custodians, school service workers and others on preventing food allergy reactions, especially for foods served outside of the cafeteria as part of child nutrition programs.

GRANTEE NAME: School Nutrition Foundation (Maryland)

GRANT AWARD: \$48,347.60

PROJECT SUMMARY: The School Nutrition Foundation will develop and deliver a series of four webinars followed by four Peer2Peer Connect discussions on produce safety to school foodservice directors and program operators, as well as scientists, policy makers, educators, and practitioners. The grant is for two years.

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) - ASSESSMENTS OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF AN INTERVIEW TO SNAP & BENEFIT DETERMINATIONS GRANTS

GRANT NAME: Assessment of the Contributions of an Interview to SNAP Eligibility and Benefit Determinations TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 3 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$492,180.88

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: FNS awarded grants to examine the impact of eliminating the required client interview for SNAP benefit certification and recertification. These grants were awarded under authority provided by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (as amended through P.L. 111-296), Section 17(a) (1), 7 U.S.C. 202(a) (1)). FNS is providing the grants through cooperative agreements to three states to participate in an important study that is designed to compare the effects of not conducting interviews at certification or at certification and recertification with the States' current interviewing practices on program operations and client outcomes. The States will work with a FNS evaluation contractor, who will evaluate whether, and to what extent, the absence of client interviews affects participation, efficiency, access, payment accuracy, administrative costs, customer access, and staff and client satisfaction.

GRANTEE NAME: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$169,958.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: North Carolina is county-administered; therefore, it will work with the FNS evaluation contractor to select two counties or a consortium of counties for the project. The eligibility interview will be waived at both certification and recertification at the pilot site(s). This project fits with the state's goals to improve customer service, increase the efficiency of SNAP eligibility determination, decrease administrative churning, and realize time- and cost-savings. The specific objectives of this project include: (1) gain an understanding of the importance of client interviews in relation to program integrity and quality assurance; (2) gain an understanding of the importance of client interviews in relation to customer service, accessibility and user-friendliness; (3) gain an understanding of the importance of client interviews in relation to administrative efficiency; and (4) explore better ways of communicating eligibility and verification requirements to clients in an effort to reduce administrative churning.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$156,225.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Oregon has chosen six pilot sites that contain multiple offices. Each pilot site has a companion control site that is similar to the pilot site in characteristics. Oregon proposes to waive the interview for all households within the pilot area who are applying for or recertifying for benefits. These applications and re-certifications will be received by the pilot area through the online application or paper applications received by other means.

GRANTEE NAME: Utah Department of Workforce Services GRANT AWARD: \$165,997.88

PROJECT SUMMARY: Utah will conduct a random sample design Statewide, in which households will be randomly assigned to the interview or no interview group. Utah has a statewide unified client intake system and will use this project to accomplish the following goals: (1) develop programming changes to their eligibility system to assign and track clients who are not required to have an interview by June 2012; (2) develop reports for both FNS and the evaluator to measure the impact of the no interview model; (3) develop and deliver a web based training for all state eligibility staff emphasizing how timely and accurate decisions can be made on no interview applications and re-certifications by August 2012; and (4) Implement the pilot September 2012 through November 2013, ensuring that clients selected for the no interview model receive the same quality of information and accuracy of benefits as clients who participate in an interview.

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) - ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER (EBT) INTEROPERABILITY GRANTS

GRANTEE NAME: EBT Interoperability Program TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 28 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$244,316.26

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The purpose of the EBT Interoperability Program is to administer the Electronic Benefit Transfer Interoperability and Portability Act of 2000; P.L. 106-171 annual \$500,000 appropriation: to cover 100 percent of a State agency's cost incurred for EBT switching and settling interstate transactions associated with SNAP. State agencies or their EBT processors submit an SF-270 reimbursement form to request payment for EBT interoperability expenses.

Alaska Division of Public Assistance	\$ 628.20
Arizona Department of Economic Security	\$ 8,804.43
California, Office of Systems Integration	\$ 37,760.59
Colorado Department of Human Services	\$ 4,739.52
District of Columbia	\$ 1,802.52
Florida EBT Project	\$ 37,760.59
Georgia Department of Human Service	\$ 13,888.98
Guam Department of Public Health	\$ 309.00
Hawaii Department of Human Services	\$ 1,869.64
Idaho Department of Health and Welfare	\$ 2,204.52
Indiana Family and Social Services Administration	\$ 9,300.48
Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services	\$ 3,349.52
Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services	\$ 7,011.45
Maryland, State of	\$ 7,233.75
Mississippi Department of Human Services	\$ 41,664.42
Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services	\$ 1,414.17
Nevada Department of Health & Human Services	\$ 2,690.82
New Mexico Human Services Department	\$ 3,118.62
North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services	\$ 16,739.76

North Dakota Department of Human Services	\$ 713.16
Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare	\$ 14,811.30
South Carolina Department of Social Services	\$ 9,615.36
South Dakota Department of Social Services	\$ 1,072.68
Tennessee Department of Human Services	\$ 11,434.41
Texas Health & Human Services Commission	\$ 7,858.56
Utah Department of Workforce Services	\$ 2,629.32
Washington Department of Social & Health Services	\$ 9,694.44
West Virginia Department of Health & Human Resources	\$ 3,020.13
Wyoming Department of Family Services	\$ 287.10

Total Payment Amount

\$263,429.42

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) PARTICIPATION GRANTS

GRANTEE NAME: Participation Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 8 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The purpose of the SNAP Participation Grant competition is to support efforts by State agencies and their community-based and faith-based partners to develop and implement: simple SNAP application and eligibility determination systems; or measures to improve access to SNAP benefits by eligible applicants. These grants focus on improving the quality and efficiency of operations and processes within the SNAP office that improve the ability of applicants to access benefits. Specifically, initiatives that make it easier for applicants to apply for benefits, improve application processing timeliness for initial applications and re-certifications, and reduce churning.

GRANTEE NAME: Alabama Department of Human Resources GRANT AWARD: \$452,151.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Alabama Department of Human Resources is being awarded a grant to make improvements to the MYDHR web application that will allow applicants and recipients to check basic case information online, submit changes, and provide verification materials.

GRANTEE NAME: Broome County Department of Social Services – (New York) GRANT AWARD: \$74,596.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Broome County Department of Social Services is being awarded a grant for start up costs to purchase equipment to establish a call center, caseload management software, and to conduct a business process re-engineering (BPR) analysis. The BPR analysis will examine the current SNAP office processes.

GRANTEE NAME: City and County of San Francisco (California)

GRANT AWARD: \$930,496.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: San Francisco, City and County of CALWIN Consortium are being awarded a grant. 18 counties are part of the consortium. The grant will fund an online application tool, My Benefits Portal, introduction of kiosks stations throughout the Consortium, and development of a phone app- used to share information between client and county.

GRANTEE NAME: County of San Diego (California) **GRANT AWARD:** \$898,913.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency is being awarded a grant to update the existing imaging application, automate workflow management and create a new web portal that allows clients to track case status and view benefit amounts online.

GRANTEE NAME: Hawaii Department of Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$1,035,000.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Hawaii Department of Human Services (DHS), is being awarded a \$1,035,000 grant to develop and implement a document imaging, management, and automated verification system- Automated Connection Coordination for Economic Self-Sufficiency – Hawaii (ACCESS-Hawaii).

GRANTEE NAME: Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services GRANTEE AWARD: \$716,071.68

PROJECT SUMMARY: To develop an online application, online submission of the interim review by recipients and a web portal that allows clients to access case information, send and receive electronic messages to their eligibility worker and access archived notices.

GRANTEE NAME: Maine Department of Health and Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$257, 650.32

PROJECT SUMMARY: State of Maine, Department of Health and Human Services-Office of Integrated Access and Support is being awarded a grant to initiate transition to a statewide document management system. The grant will finance the first phase of the project for scanning equipment, programming technicians and training.

GRANTEE NAME: Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services GRANT AWARD: \$635,122.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services is being awarded a grant for the development and pilot of the Ohio SNAP Document Management Workflow System. The system will include the ability to scan and manage documents while integrating automated business processes.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTATION NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN</u> (WIC) ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER (EBT) PLANNING GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: EBT Planning Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 8 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$2,527,972.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Planning grants will assist qualified state agencies to support EBT planning activities. Legislative Authority: The Women, Infants, and Children Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Implementation grants were awarded in accordance with Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 108).

GRANTEE NAME: Alaska Department of Health & Social Services

GRANT AWARD: \$222,559.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: - The State of Alaska was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: Arizona Department of Health Services

GRANT AWARD: \$656,404.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Arizona was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene
GRANT AWARD: \$403,210.00
PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Maryland was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: Massachusetts Department of Public Health

GRANT AWARD: \$297,610.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Maryland was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: North Dakota Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$370,491.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of North Dakota was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: South Dakota Department of Health

GRANT AWARD: \$316,997.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of South Dakota was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: Vermont Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$202,201.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Vermont was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

GRANTEE NAME: WCD Enterprises of Oklahoma (ITO Consortium)

GRANT AWARD: \$58,500.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The WCD Enterprises of Oklahoma was awarded funds to be used to conduct a feasibility study, cost analysis and prepare an Implementation Advanced Planning Document.

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER (EBT) IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: EBT Implementation Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 4 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$8,247,075.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Implementation grants will assist qualified state agencies to support EBT implementation activities. Legislative Authority: The Women, Infants, and Children Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Implementation grants were awarded in accordance with Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 108).

GRANTEE NAME: Arkansas Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$634,705.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Arkansas was awarded funds for development costs to enhance SPIRIT system to manage offline, cost evaluation and retailer management plan.

GRANTEE NAME: Montana Department of Health & Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$589,383.00 SUMMARY PROJECT: The State of Montana was awarded funding to modify EBT system to integrate with M-SPIRIT.

GRANTEE NAME: Oregon Department of Human ServicesGRANT AWARD: \$1,659,832.00SUMMARY AWARD: The State of Oregon was awarded funding for modifications to TWIST system to support EBT.

GRANTEE NAME: Pennsylvania Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$5,363,155.00 PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Pennsylvania was awarded funds to be used for MIS modifications to support EBT.

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER (EBT) CONTINUATION GRANTS – AMENDMENTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Continuation EBT Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 4 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$2,396,064.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) grants will assist qualified state agencies to support EBT activities. Legislative Authority: The Women, Infants, and Children Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Implementation grants were awarded in accordance with Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 108).

GRANTEE NAME: Alabama Department of Public Health GRANT AWARD: \$158,170.00 PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Alabama was awarded funds to

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Alabama was awarded funds to hire a Vendor Contractor and retain the current EBT Project Manager.

GRANTEE NAME: Chickasaw Nation .GRANT AWARD: \$76,494.00 PROJECT SUMMARY: The Chickasaw Nation was awarded funds for H2H Messaging change Order and to evaluate options for taking CBV into Farmer's Markets.

GRANTEE NAME: Kentucky Department of Agriculture GRANT AWARD: \$1,754,200.00 PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Kentucky was awarded funds to build additional features and functionality in the WIC Direct Processing Platform.

GRANTEE NAME: Wyoming Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$407,200.00 PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Wyoming was awarded funds for the design, development, testing and implementation and to pilot State WIC Benefit File Functionality.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN</u> (WIC) NUTRITION RESEARCH GRANT

GRANT PROGRAM: WIC Research Grant TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$997,759.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The purpose of this grant is to develop and administer a series of researcher- initiated grants pertinent to the research area, coordinate activities among researchers and widely disseminate findings.

GRANTEE NAME: Regents of the University of California GRANT AWARD: \$997,759.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: Establish University-Based Grants to Assess WIC Impacts on Periconceptual Nutrition. The University will develop and support a university-based grant series for researcher-initiated projects to demonstrate creative approaches to evaluate the impacts of WIC on periconceptional nutrition.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN</u> (WIC) SPECIAL PROJECT & CONCEPT PAPER GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: Special Project Grants & Concept Papers TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 4 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$359,690.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: Special Project Grants, funded through WIC, are part of USDA's Food and Nutrition Service's Revitalizing Quality Nutrition Services in WIC initiative. The grants fund projects designed to help states develop, implement, and evaluate new or innovative methods of service to meet the changing needs of WIC participants.

GRANTEE NAME: Connecticut Department of Public Health GRANT AWARD: \$24,500.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: This concept paper aims to provide a framework for how WIC and Head Start and Early Head Start can work together more effectively and to evaluate if the partnership can increase participation and/or participant retention.

GRANTEE NAME: Massachusetts Department of Public Health GRANT AWARD: \$286,190.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The aim of the project is to evaluate the use of Family Support Coordinators in locations that do not have comprehensive social service programs. From the USDA Special Project Grant, Getting to the Heart of the Matter, it was found that participants had complex needs that potentially affected their diets. Staff have a difficult time assisting clients' with issues that fall outside of the scope of WIC, thus, Massachusetts WIC obtained funding for part-time referral coordinators who provide comprehensive service coordination for families with more significant referral service needs.

GRANTEE NAME: Vermont Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$24,500.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The goal of this concept paper is to determine how to adapt a reference model for an online facilitated behavioral weight management program that will meet the needs of prenatal women enrolled in the Vermont WIC Program and facilitates program participation

GRANTEE NAME: Virginia Department of Health GRANT AWARD: \$24,500.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: This concept paper addresses the issue of the overall low rates of child participation as well as the retention of toddlers (children two to four year of age) in the WIC program by targeting children in Head Start and Early Head Start. It also plans to address areas of overlapping services between Head Start and WIC and to improve collaboration between Head Start and WIC.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN</u> (WIC) SPECIAL PROJECT GRANT - AMENDMENT

GRANT PROGRAM: Special Project Grant (Amendment) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$59,000.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summary below.

GRANTEE NAME: Maine Department of Human Services GRANT AWARD: \$59,000.00 (Amendment)

PROJECT SUMMARY: The FY 2008 project examined whether specific cultural and linguistic competence are practiced by staff and the state and local agency organizations, and if the skill building elements improved nutrition assessment as measured by staff changes in knowledge, attitudes, behaviors and skills, client satisfaction, and organizational policy and environmental change. Knowledge gained as a result of this project will be transferred by disseminating the approach and model through presentations at state, regional and national professional meetings, web sites, and written reports and articles as warranted.

The additional funds were approved to support the increase in staff and travel needed to be able to tailor the Special Project Grant interventions at WIC clinics so that they are more relevant to the operational needs of the agency. The total amount of the grant is \$499,000.

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) STATE AGENCY MODEL (SAM) AND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS) ENHANCEMENT GRANTS

GRANT PROGRAM: State Agency Model (SAM) Grants and Management Information System (MIS) Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 4 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$15,018,212.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) State Agency Model (SAM) and Management Information System (MIS) grants will allow states to establish, improve, or administer management information systems (MIS) for the WIC Program, including the use of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT). These grants are designed for State agency information systems and are intended to promote the development of model WIC systems by State consortiums. They also include the transfer of these models to other WIC State agencies in order to eliminate duplication and streamline the procurement process. Legislative Authority: The Women, Infants, and Children State Agency Model (SAM) Project grants were awarded in accordance with Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 108).

GRANTEE NAME: Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment GRANT AUDIT: \$3,828,814.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Colorado was awarded funding for MIS enhancements to the Mountain Plains State Consortium (MPSC) SAM Model system. Colorado is the lead State agency for this consortium. Member State agencies include Utah and Wyoming.

GRANTEE NAME: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare GRANT AUDIT: \$34,154.00* PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Idaho was awarded funding for MIS enhancements.

GRANTEE NAME: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services GRANT AUDIT: \$10,833,394.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of North Carolina was awarded funds for MIS enhancements to the Crossroads SAM Model system. North Carolina is the lead State agency for this consortium. Member State agencies include Alabama, Virginia, and West Virginia.

GRANTEE NAME: Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

GRANT AUDIT\$: \$321,850.00*

PROJECT SUMMARY: Standing Rock was awarded funding for MIS enhancements for Nations, the Inter-Tribal Organizations that include Standing Rock, 3 Affiliated, Cheyenne River, Eastern Shoshone, Northern Arapahoe, Santee Sioux, Omaha Nation, Rosebud, Winnebago, and Ute Mountain. Standing Rock is the lead State agency.

• The MIS grants awarded to Nations and Idaho were awarded under the Advance Planning Document Update (APDU) process. These were not awarded competitively.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN (WIC)</u> <u>TECHNICAL INNOVATION & STANDARDIZATION GRANTS</u>

NOTE: THESE GRANTS WERE AWARDED THROUGH THE ADVANCE PLANNING DOCUMENT PROCESS, MANAGED BY THE STATE SYSTEMS OFFICE AND WERE NOT COMPETITIVE.

GRANT PROGRAM: Technical Innovation & Standardization Grants TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$1,773,373.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Technical Standardization grants will allow states to establish, improve, or administer management information systems (MIS) for the WIC Program, including the use of Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT). These grants are intended for software development for technical area standardization and feasibility studies supporting FNS technology goals. Legislative Authority: The Women, Infants, and Children Technical Standardization grants were awarded in accordance with Public Law 112-10 (125 Stat. 108).

GRANTEE NAME: Kentucky Department of Public Health GRANT AWARD: \$1,773,373.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The State of Kentucky was awarded funds for the Standardized Data and Reporting and Data Repository for benefit issuance and redemption data.

<u>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND</u> CHILDREN (WIC) TRAINING GRANTS -AMENDMENTS

GRANT PROGRAM: WIC Breastfeeding Grants (Amendment) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 2 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$134,725.90

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summaries below.

GRANTEE NAME:Every Mother, Inc. (Arizona)GRANT AWARD:\$98,731.90 (Amendment)

PROJECT SUMMARY: Additional funds were awarded in FY 2011 (\$98,731.90). Total funding in FY 2011 & FY 2010 combined \$448,616.00. FNS requested additional work and the budget amendment covers additional deliverables and technology support required to update the peer counseling curricula and train State and local WIC Staff. Authority for the funding is Public Law 112-10, the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011, section 17 (h) (10) (B) of the Child Nutrition Act as amended.

GRANTEE NAME: University of Minnesota GRANT AWARD: \$35,994.00 (Amendment)

PROJECT SUMMARY: This grant funds the University of Minnesota to conduct a 3-day annual continuing education and training—the *National Maternal Nutrition Intensive Course*. The purpose of the course is to improve the knowledge and skills of nutrition and health professionals who provide nutrition services to low-income, nutritionally at-risk pregnant women. This course provides opportunities for WIC staff to receive science-based training to increase their technical skills. Improving staff competencies is a priority for the WIC Program.

<u>THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP) –</u> <u>INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT -AMENDMENT</u>

GRANT PROGRAM: TEFAP Infrastructure Grant (Amendment) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$2,067.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: See project summary below.

GRANTEE NAME: Jeffco Action Center

GRANT AWARD: \$2,067.00 (Amendment)

PROJECT SUMMARY: Jeffco Action Center received a TEFAP General Infrastructure Grant in FY 2010. The purpose of this grant was to update the inventory, storage, packaging and distribution systems. To facilitate the upgrade, the organization purchased conveyors, shelving, a forklift, and other equipment. In July 2011, FNS awarded Jeffco Action Center additional funds in the amount **of \$2,067** to purchase a packing table for the facility. The total grant award was for this grant project was \$105,230.

CONGRESSIONAL HUNGER FELLOWS PROGRAM GRANT

GRANT PROGRAM: Congressional Hunger Fellows Program Grant TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANT: 1 TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT AWARDS: \$1,273,800.00

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: The Congressional Hunger Center was awarded a grant to provide Federal support for the Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Fellows programs.

GRANTEE NAME: Congressional Hunger Center GRANT AWARD: \$1,273,800.00

PROJECT SUMMARY: The purpose of the Congressional Hunger Center (CHC) grant is to provide support to operate the Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellows programs. The CHC trains and inspires leaders who work to end hunger, and advocates public policies that create a food secure world. CHC is a leader in the movement to ensure access to food as a basic human right for all people. CHC creates and nurtures a community of innovative and inspiring leaders who act as change agents, bridging the gap between grassroots efforts and national and international public policy.

The Emerson National Hunger Fellows and the Leland International Hunger Fellows Program offer unique service opportunities to people seeking to make a difference in the struggle to eliminate hunger. Participants gain first-hand experience with poor and hungry in hunger-fighting organizations throughout the country and around the world.