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TO: All WIA Subrecipients
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SUBJECT: Youth in Need Funds

Section 129 of the WIA sets aside a specified portion of each State's youth allocation for statewide activities, with a mandatory activity of "providing additional assistance to local areas that have high concentrations of eligible youth to carry out the activities described in the Act". The State's strategy for providing additional assistance to local areas is as follows:

A pool of \$100,000 is being made available in PY2005 to local areas for youth services. Half of these funds will be divided among those regions whose poverty rates for youth exceed the state average, based on the most recent data available, and the other half will be shared equally among those regions that (a) experienced allocation reductions in PY2004 and (b) expended at least 80% of their PY2004 funds availability.

Youth In Need Allocations for PY2005:

Region I	\$29,167
Region II	\$12,500
Region III	\$16,667
Region IV	\$12,500
Region V	\$29,167
Region VI	\$ ----

Each youth provider's share of their areas' Youth in Need funds, as well as their share of Youth Carry-in funds will be based on their percentage share of the PY2005 Youth allocation.

Documentation of regional poverty rates for youth, allocation reductions and PY2004 expenditures are attached.

If you have any questions regarding these allocations, please contact Kay Vaughan at (208) 332-3570, extension 3310.

Total Persons for whom Poverty Status Determined 2004

Area	Total Population of Persons	Population Related <18 years	Persons Below Poverty			
			of Persons children below poverty	% persons below poverty	Related % children <18	
Region 1	194,406	47,173	24,086	12.4%	8,051	17.1%
Region 2	100,754	21,053	12,537	12.4%	3,257	15.5%
Region 3	596,829	161,637	63,509	10.6%	23,020	14.2%
Region 4	168,624	45,980	20,534	12.2%	7,579	16.5%
Region 5	156,238	45,841	19,646	12.6%	7,552	16.5%
Region 6	176,411	50,727	21,966	12.5%	7,576	14.9%
Idaho	1,393,262	372,411	162,277	11.6%	57,034	15.3%

SOURCE: US Census Bureau: 2004 Population Data, May 2005 & August 2005; Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates, December 2004

Funding Reductions, PY2004 to PY2005:

Region I	- 17%
Region II	+16%
Region III	- 23%
Region IV	+16%
Region V	- 6%
Region VI	+13%

PY2004 expenditure rate for areas with funding reductions:

	<i>Area One</i>	<i>Area Three</i>	<i>Area Five</i>
Youth Program Allocated	\$1,359,231	\$1,230,106	\$ 305,632
Youth Program Exp.	\$1,165,857	\$1,091,164	\$ 274,647
Percent	85.8%	88.7%	89.9%