

**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA**

For the Agenda of:
October 1, 2009

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Department of Human Assistance (DHA)

Subject: Report Back On Partial Restoration Of The Disability Case Management Unit

Supervisory
District: All

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BACKGROUND

At the September 29, 2009 Budget Hearing, the Department of Human Services (DHA) indicated it may have a revenue source available to partially fund the Disability Case Management (DCM) Unit.

DISCUSSION

In order to close a \$12.7 million General Fund gap, the DHA proposed to delete 1.0 Human Services Social Worker Supervisor Master Degree (HSSWSMD), 7.0 FTE Human Services Social Worker Master Degree (HSSWMD), and 1.0 Human Services Social Worker (HSSW) in the DCM unit.

The Department has since identified \$200,000 of unbudgeted revenue it expects to receive from the State Department of Social Services. The State has not yet allocated these monies (CalWORKs fraud incentive funds), but the Department anticipates it will receive them by Fall 2009. These restricted funds may be used in lieu of General Fund the Department has currently budgeted for other program areas. Accordingly, the Department proposes to restore 3.0 FTE HSSWMD positions to partially maintain its DCM unit for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

In addition, the Department is taking measures to mitigate the loss of DCM staff by providing resource and referral materials to unemployable General Assistance (GA) clients. The Department will provide all unemployable GA clients with a list of 13 organizations and individuals that may provide Supplemental Security Income (SSI) advocacy on behalf of these clients.

Respectfully submitted,

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