

TO: Planning & Policy Development Committee

Date: May 23, 2001

For Action
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 Meeting Notes

FROM: WIB Staff

SUBJECT: Self Sufficiency

PROPOSED MOTION: That the Committee recommend that the Board (1) establish the Self Sufficiency Wage for Adults at \$10.00 per hour, (2) establish the Self Sufficiency Wage for Dislocated Workers at 85% of the individual's dislocation (layoff) wage but in no event less than the Adult Self Sufficiency Wage and (3) direct that Self Sufficiency Wage(s) shall be reassessed at least once per year.

DISCUSSION: WIA (at Section 134(d)(3)(A)(ii)) and the regulations (at 20 CFR § 663.220) stipulate that, in order to receive Intensive or Training Services, employed Adults and Dislocated Workers must have received at least one core service and be determined by a One-Stop operator to be in need of intensive services to obtain or retain employment that leads to self-sufficiency. The regulations (at 20 CFR § 663.230) state that Local Boards must set the criteria for determining whether employment leads to self-sufficiency.

Based upon the methodology previously agreed and the latest wage statistics, the updated numbers would be as follows:

	<u>Old Calculation</u>	<u>New Calculation</u>
Wage Data:	Q4 – 2000	Q1 – 2001
H.S. or less weighted average:	\$8.69	\$8.87
Adjustment for Cost of Living:	+7.1%	+10.5%
COL Adjusted Wage:	\$9.31	\$9.81
Assumed Annual Wage Inflation:	2.0%	3.9%
Inflation Adjusted Wage	\$9.40	\$10.00