

WORKFORCE EDUCATION-AR REHABILITATION SERVICES

Enabling Laws

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History and Organization

Mission

The mission of ARS is to provide opportunities for Arkansans with disabilities to work and to lead productive and independent lives.

This simple mission statement provides the foundation for the many programs and comprehensive services provided by ARS to individuals with disabilities to assist them in preparing for and entering the state's workforce, thus enabling them to become employed tax-paying citizens participating in communities throughout the state. There are approximately 400,000 people with disabilities residing in Arkansas, meaning that Arkansas has one of the highest percentages of working-age adults with disabilities in the nation. The unemployment rate among Arkansans with disabilities is approximately 60 percent, a figure consistent with the national average. The role of ARS is clearly defined-to increase the number of persons with disabilities returning to the workplace where they become productive and independent taxpayers instead of tax revenue dependent.

History

Vocational Rehabilitation was initiated in the United States with the passage of the Smith-Fess Act in 1920, which permitted the states to participate by providing federal aid. The act provided funding for medical and surgical treatment and vocational training. Arkansas accepted its first funds for this purpose as the result of state legislation in 1923, with the State Board of Education administering the program. ARS has a record of more than 85 years of exemplary performance as the primary state agency providing education, training, and employment to Arkansans with disabilities. The size of the agency and scope of services have continued to grow and improve over the years; however, ARS has continued to operate as a strong state and federal partnership that enjoys bipartisan support because of its record as a strong, cost-effective program that produces documented results.

In 1971, Arkansas legislation transferred administration of the state VR program to the Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services (now the Department of Human Services). During the time it was administered by the Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services, the program was known as the Division of Rehabilitation Services. Act 574 of 1993 changed the name of the division to Arkansas Rehabilitation Services and transferred it back to the Department of Education, where it was placed under the oversight of the State Board of Vocational Education as a division of the Vocational and Technical Education Division (now the Department of Workforce Education). ARS was actively involved in the development of legislation resulting in Act 803 of 1997, which created the current structure in which ARS is a division of the Department of Workforce Education.

Since its inception, the public VR program has continually expanded both in terms of additional federal resources and in the numbers and types of disabilities served. In 1943, the agency's scope of services was expanded to include individuals with mental retardation and mental illness, as well as those with physical disabilities. In 1954, the program was again expanded, this time by the inclusion of private non-profit community-based rehabilitation programs, as well as disability-related research and training centers. In 1961, ARS established the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center (HSRC) that continues to operate today as one of four model state-operated comprehensive medical rehabilitation and vocational training centers in the nation.

More recent changes in federal legislation have increased emphasis on serving special education students as they transition to the world of work. ARS is actively involved in Welfare-to-Work and School-to-Work initiatives in order to ensure that Arkansans with disabilities participating in these programs are provided opportunities to prepare for and achieve gainful employment. A recently initiated disability management program focuses on assisting employers in developing return-to-work programs for employees experiencing injuries or illnesses, thus reducing workers' compensation costs. ARS also has been required to develop rehabilitation engineering and advanced technology capabilities in order to enhance training and employment opportunities for individuals who are severely disabled.

Federal law now requires that people with severe disabilities must be served first, based upon an order-of-selection, when adequate funds are not available to serve everyone who may be eligible for services. In Arkansas, the demand for services exceeds the funding capacity, meaning that services are limited to those classified as severely disabled. Although this group of clients requires more comprehensive services over a longer period of time and at a greater cost, ARS continues to place more people with disabilities in employment each year.

In 1990, Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the world's first civil rights legislation for people with disabilities. ARS continues guidance and technical assistance to state agencies and the private sector regarding compliance with the ADA.

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 includes the reenactment of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and requires that the states establish a new service delivery system. This new system includes a "one-stop shop" approach involving all agencies that serve people who are unemployed, including those with disabilities. As one of the required partners in Arkansas's one-stop system, called the Career Development Network (CDN), ARS participates in each of 10 local regions with office space, resources, and personnel. ARS's involvement in the CDN system provides Arkansans with disabilities increased opportunities to achieve gainful employment or independent living.

ARS currently serves approximately 22,000 people with disabilities each year, with several thousand placed in competitive employment. The placement of these individuals in gainful employment represents a significant investment in the state's economy. In fact, in fiscal year 2007, Arkansans with disabilities who received services from ARS were earning an average of only \$85.91 per week prior to ARS's involvement; however, as a result of ARS's job placement services, their earnings increased to an average of \$384.46 per week, bringing their combined annual earnings to more than \$46,000,000 in only their first year of employment.

The federal Office of Management and Budget estimates that for every \$1 spent on VR services, \$7 is returned to the economy. This return on investment is realized in the economic benefit to the individual, the taxes paid, and the elimination or reduction of Social Security, welfare, and other public subsidy

payments. One of the most important benefits, however, cannot be measured, and that is the creation of or return to meaningful personal participation in society and the personal dignity and independence achieved by those who have been served.

Over the years, ARS has focused on innovative programs modifications that not only comply with new federal and state initiatives but also enhance the quality of services and improve the employment outcomes of individuals with disabilities. As a result, ARS has received strong support from the executive and legislative branches, as well as from customers served. However, despite the successes ARS has had in assisting individuals with disabilities, ARS has received only basic cost-of-living increases in state and federal funds over the past several years. These cost-of-living increases have not kept pace with cost of providing employment-related services. As a result, the demand for services now significantly exceeds the resources available, a trend that will continue if funding increases are limited to cost-of-living adjustments.

Structure

Arkansas Rehabilitation Services is designed to assure a comprehensive, statewide system of service delivery that addresses the diverse needs of Arkansans with disabilities and is reflected on the accompanying organizational chart. The major service delivery components are: (1) the Field Services Program, which operates offices in 19 locations serving persons with severe disabilities in all seventy-five (75) counties, except those who are blind (DHHS); (2) the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center, which is a comprehensive vocational rehabilitation center providing education, medical and vocational training for clients throughout the State and region; (3) Special Programs and Support Services consisting of a comprehensive vocational/psychological evaluation network, the Successful Employment through Assistive Technology (SEAT) program, the Learning and Evaluation Center (LEC) providing mental health and special services for persons with learning disabilities; (4) the Office for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired which serves persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, as well as those who are deaf-blind, with vocational rehabilitation and independent living services; and (5) the Arkansas Kidney Disease Commission, which provides services to patients with end-stage renal disease. There are also several special projects or separately funded programs such as the Telecommunications Access Program (TAP), Supported Housing project, and an Alternative Financing program to assist with low interest loans for purchasing assistive technology. Supporting these service delivery operations are Financial Management, Human Resources Management, Information Systems and Services, and Program Planning, Development and Evaluation sections.

Arkansas Rehabilitation Services is primarily funded through the Department of Education Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA). For the Vocational Rehabilitation Program RSA federal funding is 78.7% with a minimum state match of 21.3%.

General Field Program

The Field Program has 90 counselors serving individuals with disabilities in all 75 counties. Since the Vocational Rehabilitation Program is eligibility based all applicants are assigned a rehabilitation counselor. The counselor is responsible for interviewing and assessing disability and functional limitations, and exploring the background, abilities, interests, and barriers to employment. The determination of eligibility normally occurs within 60 days. Working in partnership, the individual and the counselor develop an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE). This includes the kind of work the client has chosen as a goal,

the specific services needed, a realistic time frame for goal accomplishment, and the assignment of responsibilities. Eligible persons may receive one or more of the following services:

Diagnosis: Every person applying for traditional rehabilitation services undergoes a general assessment, which may include special examination in cases such as heart, eye, ear, bone or psychiatric disabilities. This will assist the counselor with eligibility determination.

Counseling and Guidance: Trained personnel make a thorough study of each applicant's abilities, needs for help, and problems. Intelligence, vocational and interest tests are administered to identify strengths and limitations of the individual in order to assist in determining options for pursuing competitive employment. Jointly the person with a disability and her/his counselor develop an individualized plan for employment (IPE) which establishes an employment goal and the necessary action steps, time frames and estimated costs to achieve the employment goal. Ongoing vocational counseling is a critical element in the success of the customers with whom we work.

Physical Restoration: The aim of physical restoration services is to remove or substantially reduce the individual's disability as an impediment to employment. Services may include medical and surgical treatment, hospitalization, personal care assistance services, physical and occupational therapy, and appliances (artificial limbs, braces, glasses, wheelchairs, vehicle adaptations, assistive technology such as voice activated computer, speech synthesizers, etc.).

Other Services: Financial assistance in the purchase of initial tools for self employment, license and supplies for a person to establish his own business enterprise may be available. Employment, housing and transportation information and assistance is available, as are wheelchair repairs, peer counseling, and other services.

Job Placement: The ARS cooperates with training agencies and institutions, employment agencies and employers in efforts to secure suitable employment for eligible individuals with disabilities. ARS has placement specialists in all offices across the State. They facilitate processes related to job applications interviews and eventual employment in the workplace.

Education and Training: Assistance may be applied to a recognized public or private trade or business school, college or university. Training in various skills also is available at the HSRC, including auto mechanics, body and fender repair, business education, cosmetology, custodial, laundry, printing, sales clerk, sewing, small engine repair, auto parts technician, welding, data processing, food service and others.

Rehabilitation Engineering: Any person, employer, agency, or organization needing help in planning and designing means of access to the home or work place may secure such assistance from the ARS. The same provision applies to making modifications of tools and equipment to make them more usable by persons with disabilities.

Supported Employment (Title VI): With the cooperation of the Divisions of Developmental Disabilities and Mental Health of the Department of Human Services, along with support of community organizations, the ARS provides supported services to the most severely disabled individuals, who cannot function in the work place without ongoing assistance. Job coaches are assigned to such persons to help them adapt more readily to an environment of employment. These services provide real work to many people who have been historically excluded from the workforce and placed in institutions and in segregated programs. During Federal Fiscal Year 2007, 131 individuals received

vocational & occupational skills assistance from the Supported Employment program.

Independent Living Services (Title VII C): Services may be provided to any severely disabled person found eligible and may include counseling (psychological, psychotherapeutic, and guidance), physical and mental restoration services, i.e., braces, housing modifications, wheelchair, prosthesis, etc., and transportation. This program also provides support to independent living centers such as Mainstream Living, SPA Area Independent Living, Delta Resource Center for Independence, and Sources for Community Living. During Federal Fiscal Year 2007, 61 individuals received independent living assistance from the Independent Living program.

If the individual is in need of comprehensive rehabilitation facility services, the counselor may refer the client to the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center.

Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center

The Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center is a comprehensive rehabilitation program. It offers both residential and non-resident medical and vocational services to approximately 1,000 Arkansas citizens with disabilities each year, serving a population average of 300 at anyone time. The service delivery program is divided into two major components, the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center Hospital and the Arkansas Career Training Institute. It also has an Administrative Services department that provides the necessary support services to maintain a 24-hour a day facility. The Administrator of the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center has responsibility for the management of the facility and reports to the Arkansas Rehabilitation Services' Commissioner. The Center employs 270 persons.

Rehabilitation Hospital

The Hospital provides full-time nursing services, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech/language pathology services, social services, psychological services and pharmacy. The Hospital is licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services, and is currently accredited by the Commission on Accreditation Hospitals. The Hospital has a capacity of 26 inpatients.

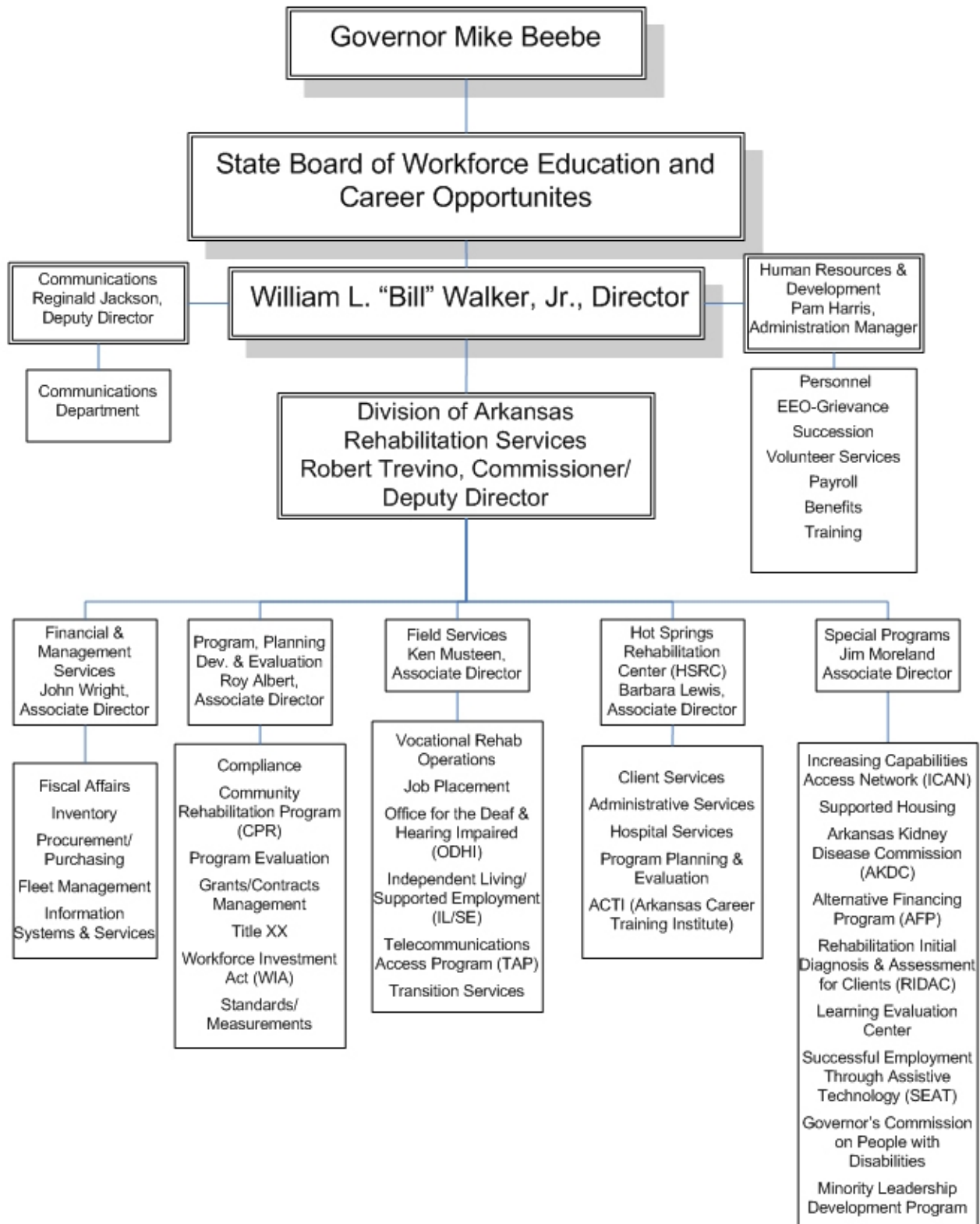
In addition, the Hospital provides specialty clinics to clients of the Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, including Orthopedic, Amputee, Spinal Cord Injury, Urology, Dental, and Psychiatry. The Hospital also provides a clinic to treat and manage medical conditions of students enrolled in vocational training programs.

Arkansas Career Training Institute

The Arkansas Career Training Institute (ACTI) provides a wide variety of services to prepare clients of ARS to become employed. Services include counseling, case management, vocational evaluation, vocational training, employment readiness, recreation, student living, behavioral enhancement, and job placement.

Vocational Training is provided in 12 different programs, with many programs offering multiple courses of study which can be tailored to meet the learning style and rehabilitation needs of the client/student.

After hours Recreation Services are provided to help the student adjust to the Center living environment and provide wholesome activities to pass the time when the student is not actively engaged in other rehabilitation activities. The Recreation program utilizes 6 staff to plan and supervise the recreational activities, which can range from sedentary activities such as Bingo through vigorous exercise programs. A weight-management program is also supervised in coordination with dietary services in this section.



Agency Commentary

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 requires state rehabilitation agencies to provide a coordinated set of activities designed to help persons with physical or mental impairments prepare for and achieve gainful employment. These activities are designed to meet RSA standards and indicators of achievement and are outcome-oriented in collaboration with other agencies such as the Arkansas Departments of Education and Higher Education, local workforce centers, and local school districts. These activities can consist of postsecondary education, vocational training, integrated employment, continuing employment, continuing and adult education, adult services, and independent living.

ARS is expected to increase the number of individuals served with developmental disabilities or mental illness. There are currently 85 VR counselors serving 18,000 - 20,000 clients annually. With average caseloads of close to 200 cases, these counselors are overburdened. According to the recommendation in the RSA onsite review of 2007, the ideal caseload for ARS counselors is 100 to 125 cases. Although the agency did serve 3,825 transition students between the ages of 16 and 21, this number represents only a fraction of the number of individuals projected to need rehabilitation and transition support services. Due to the workload and limited funding, only a fraction of other eligible populations can be served.

The 2007 federal review by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) noted that state agencies should increase their focus on serving transition-age students (ages 16-21) and eligible individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness. ARS has initiated a proactive approach to increasing services to these groups but will need additional resources to make significant inroads. When funds are not available to serve all persons who are eligible for services, federal regulations require ARS to serve those individuals with the most severe disabilities first. Over the past several years, ARS has received only basic cost-of-living increases in state and federal funds. Meanwhile, the cost of services has increased much more rapidly. As a result, the demand for services significantly exceeds the resources available. Because of limited federal funding, ARS has had to restrict its services to primarily those individuals classified as severely disabled. This group of clients requires more comprehensive services over a longer period of time and at a greater cost, further limiting the amount of funding available to address the needs of Arkansans with less severe disabilities.

Services to Individuals with Developmental Disabilities or Mental Illness

Using the existing network of service providers such as the Developmental Disabilities Services and the Behavioral Health Sciences divisions of the Arkansas Department of Human Services, ARS counselors annually serve fewer than 3,000 individuals identified as developmentally disabled or mentally ill, primarily because of limited resources. With an additional 12 counselors, ARS can strengthen these partnerships and increase the number of individuals served to 4,300 annually. These 12 positions are reflected in the 20 new counselor positions requested in the budget request.

Independent Living

The Independent Living Program provides services to eligible severely disabled persons. Services may include counseling (psychological, psychotherapeutic, and guidance), physical and mental restoration services, i.e., braces, housing modifications, wheelchair, prosthesis, etc., and transportation. Funding has remained the same for many years in spite of increasing costs. The Field Program is requesting \$300,000

and \$307,500 for each year of the biennium to meet the increasing need for services. If granted the Independent Living Program should be able to serve an additional 60 to 70 individuals.

Additional Medical and Psychological Professionals

The Rehabilitation Initial Diagnosis and Assessment for Clients (RIDAC) program will need 2 additional psychological examiners to support eligibility and assessment services for the additional field counselors. The psychological examiners will be responsible for providing clinical, psycho-educational, and vocational assessments/evaluations. They assist counselors in determining whether program applicants are eligible for VR services and assist with client employment plan development including determining training potential and assessing vocational interests.

The Learning and Evaluation Center (LEC) needs an additional psychologist position. The LEC provides in-depth clinical, psycho-educational, and neuro-psychological evaluations. The program has seen a significant increase in referrals since the LEC's inception. Currently, clients have to wait as long as 2 months for an evaluation. With the onset of the ARS school to work initiative, we anticipate that the number of referrals to the LEC will increase.

The Agency requests general revenue funding to provide for these 3 positions and additional operational costs.

General Revenue Request Summary

In order to meet these program initiatives, ARS is requesting an enhancement of its general revenue commitment to fund 20 rehabilitation counselor and three support staff positions and direct case service funding. The total compensation costs are \$1,146,655 and \$1,170,310 each year. In addition, ARS is requesting \$6,150,000 and \$6,303,750 for direct client related case service each year, and \$74,900 and \$76,773 in additional operational/training costs. The total general revenue request (change level request) is \$7,371,555 and \$7,550,833 for SFY 2010 and 2011 respectively.

Telecommunication Access Program (TAP)

The Telecommunications Access Program (TAP) was established by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas through Act 501 of 1995 as a service to Arkansans who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, or speech impaired to provide access to the telecommunications system. The Act also authorized the Public Service Commission to fund the equipment distribution program with a \$.03 surcharge per land line.

TAP distributes many different types of telecommunication equipment such as amplified phones, talking phones, TTYs, photo phones, hands free phones, and loud ringers, to name a few, and the cost of this equipment continues to rise yearly. TAP promulgated their program rules July 26, 2007 and now allows each applicant to be eligible for up to two primary devices, instead of one, that provide access to telecommunication service. This has resulted in an increase in the number of devices shipped by about 400. This has resulted in a rise of equipment costs.

The change level request for special TAP revenues is \$20,000 and \$25,000 for each year of the biennium.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE EDUCATION
ARKANSAS REHABILITATION SERVICES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Findings

The Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center initiated a behavior enhancement program for clients in August 2001. Clients accumulate points on a daily basis for successful completion of various duties. The Agency issues the clients coupons with a cash value that can be redeemed in the Agency's canteen. The Agency established the canteen to provide food during the cafeteria's non-operating hours. The Agency did not maintain proper accounting controls over the use of these coupons and the canteen cash register. Our review revealed the following specific deficiencies:

- The coupons were not prenumbered.
- Coupons were not marked to show that they had been redeemed.
- Agency officials issuing the coupons had management responsibility over the canteen where the coupons were redeemed.
- Daily shortages and overages of coupons and canteen cash register sales were not promptly investigated and adequately documented with appropriate explanations when necessary.
- In February 2008, Agency management disclosed to the Division of Legislative Audit an allegation of cash improprieties received in December 2007. The Agency requested assistance in this matter from the Arkansas State Police on April 7, 2008.

The Agency billed patients for medical services provided by the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center. Our review of Agency accounts receivable totaling \$459,606 and the corresponding allowance accounts revealed that \$80,413 was not properly recorded. Further review of these accounts disclosed the following:

- An accounts receivable subsidiary was not maintained for all patient transactions.
- The Agency did not pursue collection efforts past sending letters to the patient's last known address.
- The Agency did not follow procedures required by the Department of Finance and Administration for abatement of accounts receivable.

The Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) regulations prohibit an Agency from paying the educational cost of courses leading to a degree for its employees. In September 2006, the Agency requested and obtained a waiver from DFA allowing them to pay educational cost leading to a degree from the Vocational

Recommendations

Review and develop procedures to account for the behavior enhancement coupons and the cash receipts of the canteen. Promptly investigate any alleged cash improprieties and notify the appropriate authorities if necessary.

Follow procedures required by the Department of Finance and Administration to properly account for patient receivables.

Comply with the requirements of the Department of Finance and Administration regarding expenditures for employee education costs of courses leading to a degree.

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Findings	Recommendations
<p>Rehabilitation In-Service Training Program Grant (CFDA Number 84.265A). The Agency paid for educational costs totaling \$37,344 using a combination of federal and State funds. Educational costs totaling \$31,596 were charged to the Vocational Rehabilitation In-Service Training Program which has a 10% State matching rate; therefore, State funds of \$3,160 were used to pay for education costs charged to this program. The remaining education costs totaling \$5,748 were charged to another federal program not covered by the DFA waiver. Therefore, it appears the Agency spent \$8,908 for education costs that were not allowable.</p>	
<p>The Agency has nine (9) separate inventories at the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center valued at \$451,061. Some departments used an inventory system that did not adequately track inventory or changes in inventory. In these departments the inventory system is used only to generate year-end balances and it does not provide reliable usage and receipt information. The remaining departments manually calculated inventory balances at year-end. Our test of inventory pricing revealed 15 out of 30 items selected were valued incorrectly on the ending inventories. Agency management did not review these calculations to ensure they were accurate and complete.</p>	<p>Implement procedures to adequately account for inventories and review all calculations to ensure that reported inventory amounts are accurate and complete.</p>
<p>The Agency held cash in safekeeping during the audit year for 117 students and medical patients at the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center. The balance in these accounts was \$1,178 at year end with total deposits and withdrawals of \$20,669 and \$20,461, respectively. The Agency did not maintain any required supporting documentation for eleven (11) or 30% of thirty-seven (37) accounts selected for review.</p>	<p>Maintain required supporting documentation for assets held in custody for others.</p>

Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	128	230	358	74 %
Black Employees	44	74	118	24 %
Other Racial Minorities	3	4	7	2 %
Total Minorities			125	26 %
Total Employees			483	100 %

Publications

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Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
AKDC Annual Report	Act 450 of 1971	Y	Y	75	Annual report providing results of Arkansas Kidney Disease services.
Counselor	None	N	N	2,000	Agency newsletter providing information to the public regarding rehabilitation services and activities.
Rehab Connection	None	N	N	2,500	HSRC Newsletter

Department Appropriation Summary

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Appropriation	2007-2008		2008-2009		2008-2009		2009-2010					2010-2011						
	Actual	Pos	Budget	Pos	Authorized	Pos	Base Level	Pos	Agency	Pos	Executive	Pos	Base Level	Pos	Agency	Pos	Executive	Pos
128 Rehab Services - Operations	47,371,116	520	56,186,073	527	58,331,001	527	57,626,244	527	65,647,799	550	57,626,244	527	58,128,468	527	66,429,301	550	58,128,468	527
1VB Increase Capabilities Access Network	59,531	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0	298,690	0
374 Statewide Disability Telecomm	331,202	3	471,177	3	452,780	3	478,851	3	498,851	3	498,851	3	482,061	3	507,061	3	507,061	3
743 People w/Disabilities	20,882	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0	45,000	0
902 Tech Equipment - Treasury	0	0	80,000	0	100,000	0	80,000	0	80,000	0	80,000	0	80,000	0	80,000	0	80,000	0
903 Rehab Services - Treasury Pay	288,840	0	518,400	0	518,400	0	518,400	0	851,400	0	851,400	0	518,400	0	863,400	0	863,400	0
NOT REQUESTED FOR THE BIENNIUM																		
35J Forgiveness of Student Loan Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	48,071,571	523	57,599,340	530	59,745,871	530	59,047,185	530	67,421,740	553	59,400,185	530	59,552,619	530	68,223,452	553	59,922,619	530

Funding Sources		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%	
Fund Balance	4000005	556,204	1.1	2,209,925	3.7			1,740,348	2.9	1,740,348	2.5	1,740,348	2.9	1,360,572	2.2	1,360,572	2.0	1,360,572	2.2
General Revenue	4000010	12,613,687	25.1	12,713,874	21.4			13,254,036	22.0	20,625,591	30.0	13,254,036	21.8	13,369,548	22.0	20,920,381	30.1	13,369,548	21.9
Federal Revenue	4000020	34,977,433	69.6	42,491,494	71.6			43,300,898	71.7	43,950,898	63.9	43,300,898	71.3	43,682,610	71.8	44,432,610	64.0	43,682,610	71.4
Special Revenue	4000030	434,134	0.9	465,000	0.8			455,000	0.8	475,000	0.7	475,000	0.8	490,000	0.8	515,000	0.7	515,000	0.8
Cash Fund	4000045	641,257	1.3	180,000	0.3			242,664	0.4	575,664	0.8	575,664	0.9	528,400	0.9	873,400	1.3	873,400	1.4
Program Income	4000385	1,058,781	2.1	1,279,395	2.2			1,370,000	2.3	1,370,000	2.0	1,370,000	2.3	1,375,000	2.3	1,375,000	2.0	1,375,000	2.2
Total Funds		50,281,496	100.0	59,339,688	100.0			60,362,946	100.0	68,737,501	100.0	60,715,946	100.0	60,806,130	100.0	69,476,963	100.0	61,176,130	100.0
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(2,209,925)		(1,740,348)				(1,315,761)		(1,315,761)		(1,315,761)		(1,253,511)		(1,253,511)		(1,253,511)	
Grand Total		48,071,571		57,599,340				59,047,185		67,421,740		59,400,185		59,552,619		68,223,452		59,922,619	

Variances in fund balances is due to unfunded appropriation.

FY09 Budget amount in State Wide Disability Telecommunications Equipment exceeds Authorized amount due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2007-2009 Biennium.

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2006 - 2007						FY2007 - 2008						FY2008 - 2009					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	
530	492	38	530	0	7.17 %	530	492	38	530	0	7.17 %	530	483	47	530	0	8.87 %

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 128 - Rehab Services - Operations

Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

The Office of Rehabilitation Services (ARS) carries out its responsibilities through a field program that reaches all 75 counties from 19 field offices across the state. They also operate the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center (HSRC), a comprehensive, state-owned rehabilitation facility -- one of only nine in the country and the only one in the country west of the Mississippi River. The center is comprised of a medical unit providing traumatic care and comprehensive physical and occupational therapy. ARS also includes the Arkansas Career Training Institute (ACTI), which provides vocational training and support in a number of training programs. Funding for this appropriation is a combination of general revenue, federal funding, and program income. Federal funds account for 75% of the total funding.

Base Level salaries for classified positions reflect the recommendations of the Pay Plan Study as well as the recommendation for positions transitioning from unclassified to classified. Unclassified positions reflect similar adjustments in line item salaries. A 2.3 % Cost of Living Allowance is reflected in the second year of the biennium. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries may include board member Stipend payments and Career Services payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes a \$75 increase in monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$425.

The Agency is requesting:

- Increases of \$842,008 and \$861,358 in Regular Salaries for FY10 and FY11 respectively plus the Personal Services Matching for 23 new positions. These positions consist of 20-Certified Vocational Rehab Counselors, 2-Psychological Examiners and 1-Psychologist. These positions are requested to allow the Agency to emphasize on transition services for individuals with disabilities who are moving on to attend post-secondary institutions, vocational & occupational institutions and other training institutions, as well as improve and increase services to all individuals with disabilities.
- An increase in Operating Expenses of \$274,900 in FY10 and \$351,773 in FY11. \$74,900 in FY10 and \$76,773 in FY11 is requested for the increased operating and training costs associated with the requested additional staff. \$200,000 in FY10 and \$225,000 in FY11 is requested for building & ground maintenance for needed non-capital projects. Additionally, ARS is requesting appropriation only of \$50,000 in FY11 to co-locate the ARS offices with the Department of Workforce Services administration offices.
- Increases in Capital Outlay of \$450,000 in FY10 and \$475,000 in FY11 to allow the Agency to replace obsolete and worn out industrial machine tools, welding equipment, refrigeration and food storage and preparation units, printing equipment, and building and grounds maintenance equipment for the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center. This change level request will also provide equipment for the ICAN demonstration program such as reading devices, wheelchairs and accessories and visual assistance devices.

- An increase in Contract Services appropriation of \$6,150,000 for FY10 and \$6,303,750 for FY11 to provide comprehensive rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities. If fully funded, ARS expects to provide services to an additional 2,800 individuals with disabilities.

The total general revenue requested is \$7,371,555 for FY10 and \$7,550,833 for FY11.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Base Level.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 128 - Rehab Services - Operations
Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		2007-2008	2008-2009	2008-2009	2009-2010			2010-2011		
		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries	5010000	17,098,615	19,093,208	19,094,114	20,113,761	20,955,769	20,113,761	20,523,206	21,384,564	20,523,206
	#Positions	520	527	527	527	550	527	527	550	527
Extra Help	5010001	104,225	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000	172,000
	#Extra Help	17	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
Personal Services Matching	5010003	5,677,361	6,305,057	6,464,711	7,159,675	7,464,322	7,159,675	7,252,454	7,561,406	7,252,454
Extra Salaries	5010008	0	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
Operating Expenses	5020002	6,296,069	7,513,280	7,513,280	7,513,280	7,788,180	7,513,280	7,513,280	7,865,053	7,513,280
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	94,014	155,506	155,506	155,506	155,506	155,506	155,506	155,506	155,506
Professional Fees	5060010	230,638	882,029	882,029	882,029	882,029	882,029	882,029	882,029	882,029
CONSTRUCTION	5090005	427,860	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Aid	5100004	1,562,833	1,900,000	3,116,368	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000
Claims	5110015	13,638	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	250,792	435,000	435,000	0	450,000	0	0	475,000	0
Contract Services	5900043	13,711,399	17,050,000	17,550,000	17,050,000	23,200,000	17,050,000	17,050,000	23,353,750	17,050,000
Data Processing Services	5900044	19,372	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000
AR Kidney Disease Comm	5900046	887,436	950,000	1,210,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000	950,000
Sheltered Workshops	5900047	971,309	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993	1,156,993
Deaf-Blind Project	5900048	25,555	35,000	43,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Total		47,371,116	56,186,073	58,331,001	57,626,244	65,647,799	57,626,244	58,128,468	66,429,301	58,128,468

Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	36,309	1,255,563		1,255,563	1,255,563	1,255,563	1,255,563	1,255,563	1,255,563
General Revenue	4000010	12,613,687	12,713,874		13,254,036	20,625,591	13,254,036	13,369,548	20,920,381	13,369,548
Federal Revenue	4000020	34,917,902	42,192,804		43,002,208	43,652,208	43,002,208	43,383,920	44,133,920	43,383,920
Program Income	4000385	1,058,781	1,279,395		1,370,000	1,370,000	1,370,000	1,375,000	1,375,000	1,375,000
Total Funding		48,626,679	57,441,636		58,881,807	66,903,362	58,881,807	59,384,031	67,684,864	59,384,031
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)		(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)	(1,255,563)
Grand Total		47,371,116	56,186,073		57,626,244	65,647,799	57,626,244	58,128,468	66,429,301	58,128,468

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 128 - Rehab Services - Operations
Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	57,626,244	527	57,626,244	100.0	58,128,468	527	58,128,468	100.0
C01	Existing Program	8,021,555	23	65,647,799	113.9	8,300,833	23	66,429,301	114.3

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	57,626,244	527	57,626,244	100.0	58,128,468	527	58,128,468	100.0
C01	Existing Program	0	0	57,626,244	100.0	0	0	58,128,468	100.0

Justification

C01	<p>6,539 individuals received paid-for services during State Fiscal Year 2007 from the Vocational Rehabilitation and Supported Employment programs. The agency provided paid-for services to 54 individuals in the Independent Living Program. The total agency case service change level request for Contract Services is \$6,150,000 and \$6,303,750. If fully funded this case service change level will provide services to about 2,800 additional individuals with disabilities. Of this number about 1,700 to 1,800 will attend post-secondary institutions of higher learning, vocational & occupational institutions, and other training institutions. In order to implement the emphasis on transition services and developmentally disabled and mental health services, the General Field Program requests 23 positions (20 rehab counselors, 1 psychologist, and 2 psychological examiners). The program is also requesting \$74,900 and \$76,773 for increased operating and training costs associated with the additional staff. The total general revenue change level request is \$7,371,555 and \$7,550,833 for each year of the biennium. The ARS appropriation only request includes \$50,000 (SFY 2011) to co-locate the ARS central office and 26 Corporate Hill offices with the Department of Workforce Education administrative offices. The Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center is requesting \$200,000 and \$225,000 each year for building & ground maintenance for such non-capital projects as electrical, air conditioning, and gutter/down spout systems, painting and renovation, etc. The capital outlay request (\$450,000 and \$475,000) is necessary to replace obsolete and worn out equipment. Equipment includes heavy shop and welding machinery, refrigeration and food storage and preparation units, printing and binding equipment, and building and grounds maintenance equipment. This will also provide for some capitalized equipment for the ICAN demonstration program such as reading devices, wheelchairs and accessories, and visual assistive devices. The total appropriation request with federal funding is \$650,000 and \$750,000 for each year of the biennium.</p>
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Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 1VB - Increase Capabilities Access Network

Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

Increasing Capabilities Access Network, a federally funded program of Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, is designed to make technology available and accessible for all who need it. ICAN is a funding information resource and provides information on new and existing technology free to any person regardless of age or disability.

ICAN supports several service programs under one umbrella that target different areas of need for assistive technology. These specific strategies assist individuals in locating and/or receiving assistive devices or services. ICAN maintains an equipment AT4ALL database which list hundreds of items available for loan, demonstration or giveaway.

ICAN sponsors many trainings, conferences and networking events year-round. ICAN is committed to researching all funding sources and to overcoming obstacles that prevent people from getting the technology they need. ICAN keeps up to date on the newest advances in technology and provides information to anyone requesting assistance.

The Agency Request for this program is Base Level for the 2009-2011 Biennium.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 1VB - Increase Capabilities Access Network
Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
		2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Operating Expenses	5020002	59,531	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500	291,500
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	7,190	7,190	7,190	7,190	7,190	7,190	7,190	7,190
Professional Fees	5060010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		59,531	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690
Funding Sources										
Federal Revenue	4000020	59,531	298,690		298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690
Total Funding		59,531	298,690		298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		59,531	298,690		298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690	298,690

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 374 - Statewide Disability Telecomm

Funding Sources: STC - Telecommunications Equipment

The Statewide Disability Telecommunications Equipment Program is authorized to provide telecommunication devices for persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind or speech impaired. Funding for this appropriation is provided through the Arkansas Public Service Commission, which is authorized to increase existing local exchange carrier tariffs, surcharges or other funding mechanisms.

The Base Level salaries for classified positions reflect the recommendations of the Pay Plan Study. A 2.3% Cost of Living Allowance is reflected in the second year of the biennium. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries may include board member Stipend payments and Career Services payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes a \$75 increase in monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$425.

The Agency is requesting:

- A reallocation of \$15,000 for both fiscal years from Professional Fees to Operating Expenses. This reallocation is necessary to properly classify the expenses of the marketing and outreach activities of the Telecommunication Access Program.
- An increase in Grants and Aid of \$20,000 for both fiscal years for the purchase of text telephones (TTYs), TTYs with large displays and/or Braille access, volume controls and signalers.

The Executive Recommendation provides Agency Request.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 374 - Statewide Disability Telecomm
Funding Sources: STC - Telecommunications Equipment

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
				Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries 5010000	108,793	119,081	112,538	123,150	123,150	123,150	125,940	125,940	125,940
#Positions	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Personal Services Matching 5010003	25,629	39,096	27,242	42,701	42,701	42,701	43,121	43,121	43,121
Operating Expenses 5020002	30,226	39,000	39,000	39,000	54,000	54,000	39,000	54,000	54,000
Conference & Travel Expenses 5050009	3,164	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Professional Fees 5060010	1,170	20,000	20,000	20,000	5,000	5,000	20,000	5,000	5,000
Data Processing 5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Aid 5100004	162,220	250,000	250,000	250,000	270,000	270,000	250,000	275,000	275,000
Capital Outlay 5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	331,202	471,177	452,780	478,851	498,851	498,851	482,061	507,061	507,061
Funding Sources									
Fund Balance 4000005	109,551	186,687		135,510	135,510	135,510	66,659	66,659	66,659
Special Revenue 4000030	408,338	420,000		410,000	430,000	430,000	445,000	470,000	470,000
Total Funding	517,889	606,687		545,510	565,510	565,510	511,659	536,659	536,659
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	(186,687)	(135,510)		(66,659)	(66,659)	(66,659)	(29,598)	(29,598)	(29,598)
Grand Total	331,202	471,177		478,851	498,851	498,851	482,061	507,061	507,061

FY09 Budget amount in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceeds the Authorized amount due to salary and matching rate adjustments during the 2007-2009 Biennium.

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 374 - Statewide Disability Telecomm
Funding Sources: STC - Telecommunications Equipment

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	478,851	3	478,851	100.0	482,061	3	482,061	100.0
C01	Existing Program	20,000	0	498,851	104.2	25,000	0	507,061	105.2
C04	Reallocation	0	0	498,851	104.2	0	0	507,061	105.2

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	478,851	3	478,851	100.0	482,061	3	482,061	100.0
C01	Existing Program	20,000	0	498,851	104.2	25,000	0	507,061	105.2
C04	Reallocation	0	0	498,851	104.2	0	0	507,061	105.2

Justification

C01	The TAP program is requesting \$20,000 and \$25,000 each year for the grants and aids line item. TAP has expanded both its constituency and its mission. The TAP program serves Arkansans that are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, or speech, cognitive or mobility impaired. TAP distributes many different types of telecommunication equipment such as amplified phones, talking phones, TTYs, photo phones, hands free phones, and loud ringers, to name a few, and the cost of this equipment continues to rise yearly. TAP promulgated program rules July 26, 2007 and now allows each applicant to be eligible for up to two primary devices that provide access to telecommunication service. This has resulted in an increase in the number of devices shipped. The source of funding is a special revenue tax assessed at 3 cents per land line by the Public Service Commission.
C04	In order to accomplish the mission of TAP, marketing and outreach activities must be on going to insure the availability of the program is communicated to all Arkansans in need of TAP services. In the last biennial budget a professional fees line item was added to the TAP budget in order to increase marketing and outreach activities. The amount of \$20,000 funded this line item. We anticipated being able to accomplish marketing and outreach activities with these monies. However, the type of activities necessary to accomplish these activities is a technical service and not a professional service. Therefore, the TAP program is requesting a reallocation of \$15,000 each year from professional fees to maintenance & operations. No additional appropriation is requested for this line item.

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 743 - People w/Disabilities

Funding Sources: SPD - People with Disabilities

The Governor's Commission on People with Disabilities provides scholarships to students with disabilities. Thirty percent of parking violation fines; specifically, fines for illegally parking in handicapped parking spaces fund this program.

The Agency is requesting Base Level of \$45,000 for each fiscal year.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Agency Request.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 743 - People w/Disabilities

Funding Sources: SPD - People with Disabilities

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			2010-2011		
		2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010 Base Level	2009-2010 Agency	2009-2010 Executive	2010-2011 Base Level	2010-2011 Agency	2010-2011 Executive
Operating Expenses	5020002	20,882	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees	5060010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		20,882	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	33,436	38,350		38,350	38,350	38,350	38,350	38,350	38,350
Special Revenue	4000030	25,796	45,000		45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Total Funding		59,232	83,350		83,350	83,350	83,350	83,350	83,350	83,350
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(38,350)	(38,350)		(38,350)	(38,350)	(38,350)	(38,350)	(38,350)	(38,350)
Grand Total		20,882	45,000		45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 902 - Tech Equipment - Treasury

Funding Sources: NRS - Cash in Treasury

The purpose of this program is to provide loans to individuals with disabilities for essential assistive technology, adaptive equipment, and for loan administration by the Office of Rehabilitation Services. The principal amount was transferred from the original treasury loan fund. Additional funding is earned from interest on the loans.

The Agency is requesting Base Level of \$80,000 for each fiscal year.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 902 - Tech Equipment - Treasury

Funding Sources: NRS - Cash in Treasury

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item	Historical Data			2009-2010			2010-2011		
	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Loans 5120029	0	80,000	100,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Total	0	80,000	100,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Funding Sources									
Fund Balance 4000005	88,012	95,189		25,189	25,189	25,189	0	0	0
Cash Fund 4000045	7,177	10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Total Funding	95,189	105,189		35,189	35,189	35,189	10,000	10,000	10,000
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	(95,189)	(25,189)		44,811	44,811	44,811	70,000	70,000	70,000
Grand Total	0	80,000		80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 903 - Rehab Services - Treasury Pay

Funding Sources: NRS - Cash in Treasury

The Rehabilitation Cash Fund receives revenues from various sources including cafeteria fees, contributions, reimbursement fees, hospital medical fees, interest income and institutional services. These revenues are defined as program income and are governed by Vocational Rehabilitation Program regulations.

The Agency is requesting an increase of \$333,000 in FY10 and \$345,000 in FY11 for Operating Expenses to provide for increased utility costs for the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center and building & grounds maintenance costs for buildings separate from the main facility.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 903 - Rehab Services - Treasury Pay

Funding Sources: NRS - Cash in Treasury

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
		2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Operating Expenses	5020002	282,863	396,400	396,400	396,400	729,400	729,400	396,400	741,400	741,400
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Professional Fees	5060010	5,977	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000	112,000
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		288,840	518,400	518,400	518,400	851,400	851,400	518,400	863,400	863,400
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	288,896	634,136		285,736	285,736	285,736	0	0	0
Cash Fund	4000045	634,080	170,000		232,664	565,664	565,664	518,400	863,400	863,400
Total Funding		922,976	804,136		518,400	851,400	851,400	518,400	863,400	863,400
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(634,136)	(285,736)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		288,840	518,400		518,400	851,400	851,400	518,400	863,400	863,400

For FY09, the Agency has indicated fund balances will be used to support operations.

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 903 - Rehab Services - Treasury Pay

Funding Sources: NRS - Cash in Treasury

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	518,400	0	518,400	100.0	518,400	0	518,400	100.0
C01	Existing Program	333,000	0	851,400	164.2	345,000	0	863,400	166.6

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	518,400	0	518,400	100.0	518,400	0	518,400	100.0
C01	Existing Program	333,000	0	851,400	164.2	345,000	0	863,400	166.6

Justification

C01	The agency cash fund request for \$258,000 and \$270,000 for each year for the biennium provides for increasing utility costs (natural gas, electricity, and water/sewage) for the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center. The request also provides for building & ground maintenance costs for several buildings separate from the main facility. In addition, the cash fund request for \$75,000 each year includes additional appropriation for prescription drugs and health and laboratory supplies.
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Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 35J - Forgiveness of Student Loan Program
Funding Sources: PER - Educational Rehabilitation Pay - Admin

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item	Historical Data			2009-2010			2010-2011		
	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Grants and Aid 5100004	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Appropriation not requested for the FY2009-11 Biennium.