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BALLARD COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Casey Toomay
Budget Manager
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REF: Six Month Progress Report, General Fund

Dear Casey,

I am pleased to submit this progress report for Ballard Community Services.

Ballard Community Services has served 141 households totaling 327 individuals with rent and utility assistance through the Emergency Services Council program year to date in 2010. Seventeen of these households and thirty-one of these individuals were helped to transition out of homelessness with ESC funds.

As the administrative agency for ESC, Ballard realizes how absolutely vital it is to be austere with our funding. When a case is beyond our ability to help, such as a case in which someone has built up a reasonably high amount of long-term debt on a bill, we strive to find other agencies or programs to help them, as well as assess how they could better gain income or be more strategic with their own resources. We prefer to instead focus on cases where small short term help can continue an overall pattern of self-sufficiency for the individual or family. As we see it, every time we buy someone 30 days only to prolong an inevitable situation beyond our means to truly help, we deny another family potential long-term housing, an elderly couple on a fixed income continued utility service, or a homeless individual a chance to rebuild their lives by helping to establish their housing as they establish income and other basic resources.

Out of 141 households receiving assistance all were able to maintain both housing and utility service for 30 days after receiving assistance. Additionally intermediate and long term outcome measurements conducted show that after 60 days 83% of randomly selected applicants maintained both housing and utility service and beyond 90 days 63% of randomly selected applicants maintained permanent housing.

Ballard Community Services is pleased with these results and anticipates the long term outcomes will improve as the number of applicants increase over the remainder of the year.

If you have any questions regarding this program please feel free to contact me at any time.

Thank you,

Paul Youk
Director of Human Services
Ballard Community Services

Ballard Community Services is a non-profit organization that provides a high quality early education program and essential basic life assistance to families and individuals in need.

