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Agenda

Low-Income Energy Advisory Board

Wednesday, March 2, 2010

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Community Renewal Team Inc.
555 Windsor Street,
Hartford, CT 06120**

- I. Welcome

- II. Approve Minutes of the January Meeting

- III. LIHEAP /CEAP Update

- IV. Matching Payment Program Update

- VI. Other Business

Next meeting- April 6, 2011

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 Low-Income Energy Advisory Board Meeting
 Wednesday, January 5, 2011
 1:30 p.m.
 Community Renewal Team

Members: Ray Wilson, Pamela Giannini, Tom O’Brien, Laura Gonzalez, Joy Hollister, Jason Geddes, Joanne Balaschak, James McNally, Shirley Bergert, Deb Polun, Brenda Watson, and David Thomas.

Others: Judy Feinstein and Derek Haviland

Agenda Item	Action
Welcome	Chair Ray Wilson convened the meeting at 1:40 p.m.
Approval of December 2010 Minutes	Joy Hollister moved approval of the December 2010 meeting minutes and the motion was seconded by Laura Gonzalez. The minutes were approved on a voice vote with one correction – under the LIHEAP/CEAP update, change DSS leverage to DSS leveraged.
Presentation – CAFCA’s Automated Benefits Calculator	Judy Feinstein and Derek Haviland from CAFCA gave a presentation on the Automated Benefits Calculator (ABC). After the presentation and a brief question and answer period CAFCA representatives asked members to provide feedback on the ABC program.
LIHEAP/CEAP Update	<p>LIHEAP/CEAP block grant is estimated at slightly over \$96 million; contingency funds at \$2.1 million and carry forward funds projected at about \$10 million; for a total of over \$109 million, as of January 3, 2011. Current available funds should be sufficient to carry the program until March 15th.</p> <p>DSS reported on (CEAP, SAFA, and CHAP) through January 3, 2011: 87,947 applications taken, 69,530 eligible applicants; 13,058 denied and 5,359 applications pending certification. A total of 11,061 received Crisis Assistance.</p> <p>DSS reviewed the Caseload/Eligible Caseload Comparison charts thru January 3, 2011. The</p>

	<p>caseload comparison chart showed a 2.0% change in the caseload from FFY 2010 to FFY 2011. Eligible Caseload Comparison chart showed a 3.5% change from FFY 2010 to FFY 2011.</p>
<p>Utility Company Reports</p>	<p>SCG: To date, 11,568 customers -auto enrolled, 2,915 -new enrollments for a total enrollment of 14,483 and 26 customers on the below budget plan.</p> <p>CNG: To date, 10,472 customers- auto enrolled in the program, 4,976 -new enrollments for a total enrollment of 15,448 with 152 customers on a below budget plan.</p> <p>YG: To date, 13,268 customers- auto enrolled in the program, 815 - new enrollments for a total enrollment of 14,836 with 757 customers on a below budget plan.</p> <p>CL&P: To date, 13,428 customers -auto enrolled in the program, 216 - new enrollments for a total enrollment of 14,384 with 1,579 customers on a below budget plan.</p> <p>UI: To date, 375 customers -auto enrolled in the program, 251 - new enrollments for a total enrollment of 556.</p> <p>The utility companies agreed to submit monthly reports to OPM. OPM will consolidate data into one report prior to each board meeting.</p>
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>Members agreed to sponsor a legislative briefing to inform legislators of recent trends, issues and other concerns of the energy assistance program.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 2.</p>

Low Income Energy Advisory Council Meeting Schedule

2011

January 5, 2011*
February 2, 2011
March 2, 2011
April 6, 2011*
May 4, 2011
June 1, 2011
September 7, 2011
October 5, 2011*
November 2, 2011
December 7, 2011

*Meeting may be cancelled or rescheduled at the discretion of the Chair.

All meetings will begin at 1:30 PM.