## STATE OF COLORADO



Colorado Department of Human Services

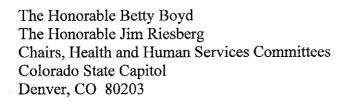
people who help people

OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES William J. Hanna, Director

**COLORADO WORKS DIVISION** 1575 Sherman Street Denver, Colorado 80203-1241 Phone 303-866-6210 FAX 303-866-5488 www.cdhs.state.co.us

Kevin R. Richards Director

February 15, 2010



The Honorable Jack Pommer

Chair, Joint Budget Committee 200 East 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Denver, CO 80203

Dear Senator Boyd, Representative Riesberg and Representative Pommer:

In 2008, the Colorado General Assembly passed Senate Bill 08-177, which created the Colorado Works Program Maintenance Fund administered by the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS). The fund is intended for emergency or otherwise unforeseen purposes that may be necessary for efficient and effective implementation of the program. Section 26-2-721.3 (2) C.R.S. requires CDHS to annually report to the Joint Budget Committee and to the Health and Human Services Committees of both the Senate and House on the use of the appropriated funds in the preceding fiscal year.

During SFY 2009, the Department did not incur any expenditures from the fund. Per statute, the appropriated funds were remitted to the Long-term Works Reserve Fund and have been reappropriated for SFY 2010. In SFY 2010, the Department anticipates incurring expenditures related to case management services for TANF-eligible refugees, and expenditures to provide additional financial resources to counties for implementation of their Colorado Works programs.



Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor

Karen L. Beve **Executive Director**  The Honorable Betty Boyd The Honorable Jim Riesberg The Honorable Jack Pommer February 15, 2010 Page 2

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Daly at the Colorado Works program, (303) 866-5821 or <a href="mailto:dan.daly@state.co.us">dan.daly@state.co.us</a>. Thank you for your commitment to Colorado's families through your support of the Colorado Works program.

Sincerely,

Karen L. Beye

**Executive Director** 

cc: Members of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee

Members of the House Health and Human Services Committee

Members of the Joint Budget Committee

Ms. Kelly Stapleton, Legislative Council Staff

Ms. Elizabeth Burger, Legislative Council Staff

Ms. Amanda Bickel, Joint Budget Committee Staff