

**DESE Report for the  
Sheltered workshop Program  
April 8, 2014**

**Budget:**

The FY-14 appropriation for the Extended Sheltered Workshop Program is \$24,039,953 which is inclusive of the 3% Reserve Withhold. The March request (April payment) was \$2,073,850. The average monthly request for this current fiscal year is \$2,071,751. The remaining balance after the April payment is \$3,322,448; at the current rate of expenditure, there is a projected shortfall in funding of 8.4 days.

Currently there are 7,040 Certified Workers employed in workshops (+ 30 from previous report), the current FTE (30 hours/week) is 5,488 (+148 from previous report), and the “Waiting to be Hired” is 1,575 (+ 9 from previous report). The average hourly wage for the current reporting month is \$3.06 (- \$0.27 from previous month and current number of hours worked this reporting month is 677,668 (+ 84,671) with a total 6,812,423 hours worked YTD.

**DESE-EESW:**

The new Administrative Rules went into effect on March 1, 2014. A link to the State Register of Regulations and the rules was sent out at that time. A presentation related to the rule changes can be made at the April conference, if time allows. Please take the time to review the regulations and feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

**US-DOL—WH/OSHA:**

By now, all workshops should have conducted the Prevailing Wage Survey, made adjustment to both piece and hourly wage rates, and paid any back wage liability, if indicated. We appreciate the time and effort the DOL staff is providing for training at the conference; their guidance to meet the requirements of Section 14,c is invaluable.

It appears that OSHA has resumed its inspection regimen across the south and western portion of the state. Both the facility investigators and the record inspectors are out either together or in succession.

**TRAINING:**

DESE-EESW will provide New Manager Training on Thursday May 1, 2014 in Jefferson City. New managers are encouraged to attend but all managers and designated key personnel are always welcome to attend and participate. Registration forms will available at the conference or managers can register on line at our website.

SWIM and DESE are planning to provide regional safety training sessions in 2014 as we did in the past. We will provide Forklift Train-the-Trainer at each session.