

Extended Employment Sheltered Workshop Program

March 8, 2018

Stoddard County Correction:

The Stoddard County SB40 IS providing Transportation to the Workshop for its employees through a contract with the Stoddard County ARC. *Sorry for the wrong information last month. DG*

State Aid requests are due to this Office BY 2:00 P.M. on the following dates:

Wednesday April 4th

Wednesday May 3rd

Tuesday June 5th

Thursday July 5th

Friday August 3rd

Thursday September 6th

Wednesday October 3rd

Monday November 5th

Wednesday December 5th

We have had several shops miss this very simple dead line so far this year; unfortunately we cannot stop the State of Missouri payment system. Please meet this time line....

Budget:

FY19 (July 1st 2018 – June 30th 2019) Requested Budget:

Department DESE: \$26,041, 961 Governor’s Proposal: \$26,041,961

FY18 (Current July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018):

The Workshops are fully funded for the remainder of the year (June). We expect at this time to be making a second June payment, as we have in the past.

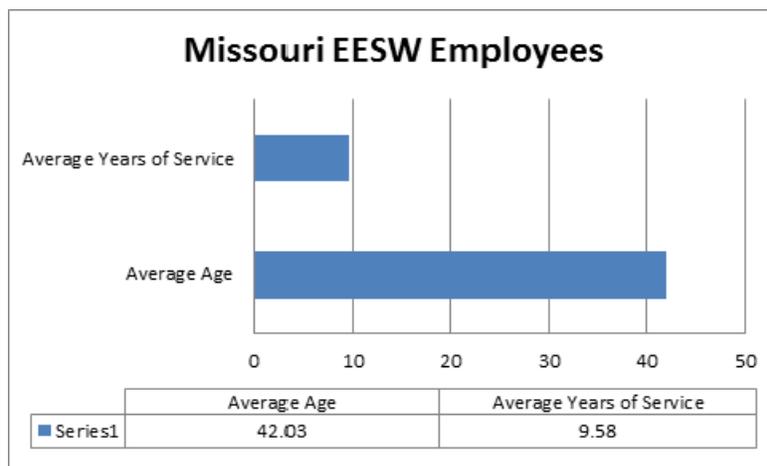
The current budget has an appropriation of **\$26,041,961.00** (-) the statutory 3% withhold of **\$781,259.00** resulting in an available working budget of **\$25,260,702.00**. This **month’s** expenditure was **\$1,714,915.00** making the YTD total **\$15,918,415.00**.

Please note the Governor can place restrictions on our budget at any time during the year.

DESE-EESW:

FY-18

	Employees	FTE	Hrs. Wkd	Wages Pd	Av Wage	Wait TBH
Current	5,971	3,924	542,236	\$ 2,344,424	\$4.07	227
YTD			5,437,519	\$21,382,979	\$3.93	



House Bills affecting EESW's :

No. 2340 Authorizes a tax credit for taxpayers who spend certain amounts at a sheltered workshop. In the Ways and Means Committee, NO Hearing Date at this time.

No. 2541 Modifies provisions relating to sheltered workshop payments to \$21 per day from the current \$19, In the Workforce Development Committee for a hearing, NO Hearing Date at this time.

No. 2644 Creates new provisions relating to sheltered workshops, in the Workforce Development Committee for a hearing, NO Hearing Date at this time.

New Managers Training:

Tentative dates May 9th and 10th

Known Openings/Changes:

Manager Openings:

Oregon County SW (Alton): Dennis Folks (retiring 4/1/18)

Warren County: Ken Beckett (left 2/2/18)

CLINCO (Cameron): Evelyn Clemons (retiring 3/31/18)

Southeast Enterprises KC: DeeAnn Stock (retiring 7/1/18)

Opportunity Enterprises, Inc. (Carrollton) Brent Blackwell (retiring due to medical reasons)

Assistant Manager Opening:

Community Sheltered Workshop (Sikeston) contact comshelter@sbcglobal.net for information

New Managers:

Northeast Missouri Enterprises: Glennette Christian

Henry County (Clinton): Carly Ross

Lafayette County Enterprises, Inc (Higginsville): Robert K. (Bob) Florence

Ideal Industries (Richmond): Bob Nance

RISE - Johnson County (Warrensburg): Jason Duffey

Notice of a Workshop closing:

Cooperative Workshop Inc. (CWI) of Sedalia has announced they are closing the workshop no later than June 30, 2018. This will directly affect 15 individuals that are employed as of 3/1/18.

Some history of the Workshop in Sedalia:

They were the first SB-52 workshop in the State of Missouri, please keep in mind that several of our workshops were established by parents and were up and running at the passage of SB-52. Many were under Federal Grants and later switched to the MO SB-52's after those grants expired.

CWI is under the umbrella, so to speak, of Center for Human Services of Missouri, an over 20 million dollar a year provider of Services for the Disabled of Missouri. They're contracted with DESE, DMH, VR and multiple county SB-40 boards. Those contracts include Targeted Case Management in eight counties, two Day Habilitation Centers, 24 Hour Supervised Housing (group homes), Individualized Supported Living (ISL) provider (two counties), Affordable Housing (owning and operating apartment complexes in three counties), DMH provider for Job Prep, Supported Employment Individual, Supported Employment Group, Certified MO-VR Transition Service provider, DESE -First Steps Point of Entry (SOPE) two regions 6 & 9 and Early Head Start provider, along with several other programs and services.

Link to the news story:

https://www.sedaliademocrat.com/news/center-for-human-services-transitions-from-sheltered-workshop-to-community/article_5fdb449e-63c6-5426-b964-623e188055bc.html

Press Release:

By Kim Anderson

Director of CHS Employment Services

“They expect us to grow, and grow we will.” These words were spoken by Virginia Flowers, one of the founding members of the Center for Human Services. Whether Ms. Flowers knew how powerful these words were going to be in the future is unsure, but CHS and the Employment Services Department has taken them to heart and continues to lead the way in advancing employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

As the home of the first sheltered workshop in Missouri in 1966, CHS has a rich tradition when it comes to leading the way for individuals to achieve employment. Under the purview of exceptionally talented leadership and dedication, we have become one of the first providers to assist individuals in their pursuit of employment in their community beginning as early as 1987 –and we have not slowed down since.

In the last few years, our success has been evident when visiting local businesses. Since 2013, we have assisted 298 individuals in achieving community employment in Central Missouri. Of those 298 individuals, 62 had been working in our sheltered workshops and decided they wanted opportunities to make more money and be involved in their communities, and now are doing just that. In fact, today our Sedalia sheltered workshop only employs 15 individuals, and five of those individuals are working with us to transition to community jobs.

We wanted to share this exciting news because it shows that we are truly living by our mission and working toward empowering individuals to live lives without limitations. As a result of our success, we can no longer meet the needs of the assembly contracts that we have in the sheltered workshop and have decided that our last day of operations will be June 30, 2018.

We will continue to work with the remaining nine individuals over the course of the next few months to assist them in working toward whatever goals they choose. While this closure marks the end of an era, it is also indicative of the success of CHS and our department. The fact that we no longer have a sub-minimum wage workforce simply illustrates our progress and success in helping individuals to truly chart a course for their lives – lives that are no longer segregated in a community, where their work is no longer valued to be of any less significance monetarily.

The Employment Services Department proudly embraces the pride and tradition of The Center for Human Services and continues to advance with each day. By truly creating opportunities for the individuals we serve, we have the privilege of changing lives on a daily basis. If you have any questions about the Employment Services Department, or would like to know more about the opportunities we have available, please contact Kim Anderson, Director of Employment Services, at 660-826-4400 ext. 338 or kanderson@chs-mo.org.

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