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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Pete Ricketts, Governor

September 24, 2019

Patrick O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell,

Nebraska Revised Statute 68-1735.02 requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to report annually to the Legislature by October 1, information regarding persons participating in an Employment First self-sufficiency contract who are engaged in certain educational activities, and information on persons who obtain or maintain employment after they are no longer eligible for cash assistance.

The report for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 is attached.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 402-471-9243.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen Heng".

Karen Heng, Deputy Director
Division of Children and Family Services
Department of Health and Human Services

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Educational Activities

The information below reflects the number of persons on a quarterly basis who are participating in one of the following educational activities; associate degree, vocational education program not leading to an associate degree, postsecondary education, adult basic education, English as a second language or a general education development program.

This report shows, by quarter, the number of Employment First participants engaged in one of the listed educational programs:

State Fiscal Year 2019

	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4
Post-Secondary Education	5	6	14	6
Associate Degree Program	222	388	342	255
Graduated during quarter	0	0	0	1
Vocational Training not leading to a degree	91	80	87	51
English as a Second Language	644	704	675	642
Adult Basic Education	0	1	3	3
General Education Development Program	110	140	107	71

The number of participants above may have been engaged in more than one educational program throughout the quarter.

Persons that Obtain or Maintain Employment

The information below reflects the number of persons participating in a self-sufficiency contract that obtained or maintained employment for six and 12 months after such persons were no longer eligible for cash assistance due to obtaining employment.

Number of Individuals who maintained employment for six months in the month indicated		Number of Individuals who maintained employment for twelve months in the month indicated	
July 2018	47	July 2018	79
August 2018	76	August 2018	87
September 2018	79	September 2018	82
October 2018	68	October 2018	82
November 2018	65	November 2018	76
December 2018	82	December 2018	56
January 2019	49	January 2019	33
February 2019	107	February 2019	58
March 2019	87	March 2019	61
April 2019	76	April 2019	59
May 2019	83	May 2019	46
June 2019	84	June 2019	62

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The information below reflects the number of persons participating in a self-sufficiency contract that obtained or maintained employment for 18 and 24 months after such persons were no longer eligible for cash assistance due to obtaining employment. Please note, if an individual has achieved self-sufficiency and is no longer receiving assistance, they may no longer be able to be accurately tracked in our eligibility system.

Number of Individuals who maintained employment for eighteen months in the month indicated		Number of Individuals who maintained employment for twenty-four months in the month indicated	
July 2018	12	July 2018	7
August 2018	11	August 2018	10
September 2018	17	September 2018	19
October 2018	20	October 2018	14
November 2018	5	November 2018	20
December 2018	4	December 2018	10
January 2019	11	January 2019	12
February 2019	11	February 2019	11
March 2019	7	March 2019	7
April 2019	13	April 2019	13
May 2019	5	May 2019	5
June 2019	4	June 2019	4

