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TO: All ADWS Employees
Participating Arkansas Jobs Driven National Emergency Grant (JD-NEG)
Local Workforce Development Boards/Service Providers

SUBJECT: Job Driven National Emergency Grant (JD-NEG) Supportive Services Policy

Purpose: The Job-Driven National Emergency Grant (JD NEG) is a U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Training Administration sponsored grant that provides work-based or occupational skills training to dislocated workers that result in an industry- recognized credential and employment in demand industry sectors. The Arkansas Job-Driven JD NEG focuses on enabling participants to receive employer driven training and reconnect to the workforce in targeted occupational areas.

Winrock International (WI) an AR JD NEG sub-grantee and project partner is serving the role under the grant of providing supportive services to eligible participants.

I. Supportive Services

As defined by the U.S. Department of Labor and for the purposes of this grant program, supportive services are services that are needed to help a person to participate in job training or job search. These services may include the following:

- Transportation
- Child Care
- Assistance with Uniforms
- Books, fees and other necessary school supplies
- Assistance with housing
- Testing and certification fees

Supportive services may only be provided to individuals who are: participating in core, intensive or training services; can demonstrate the need for supportive services and unable to obtain services through other programs providing such services.

II. Action Required: Please communicate this information to the appropriate staff and partnerships involved in the Job Driven National Emergency (JD-NEG) grant.

III. Inquiries: Please direct any inquiries concerning this Issuance to ADWS Discretionary Grants Program Coordinator Lisa Ferrell at 501-371-1024 or lisa.ferrell@arkansas.gov.

IV. Expiration Date: September 30, 2017 (grant end date)