

Senior Community Service Employment Program

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Analysis

Preliminary results through September 30, 2008, indicate that the overall program performance is on target to meet the annual goals.

- A little over 9,500 individuals were enrolled in the SCSEP program during the first quarter of PY 2008.
- The Entered Employment Rate has remained consistent at 52 percent for both the current quarter and also the quarter ending June 30, 2008.
- At 70 percent, the Employment Retention Rate shows a one percentage point decline in the current quarter when compared with the same time period last year.
- The Average Earnings for the SCSEP program measured \$6,638. This is slightly behind the overall annual target of \$6,713.

Further Analysis

- SCSEP Service Level
PY 2008 Goal: 162% YTD: 114%*
- SCSEP Service to Most-in-Need
PY 2008 Goal: 2.65 Last four quarters: 2.44**
- SCSEP Community Service Rate
PY 2008 Goal: 77% YTD: 85%*

Notes:

* Service Level and Community Service Rate are Year To Date cumulative measures only.

** Service to Most-in-Need is the average number of barriers per participant – the total

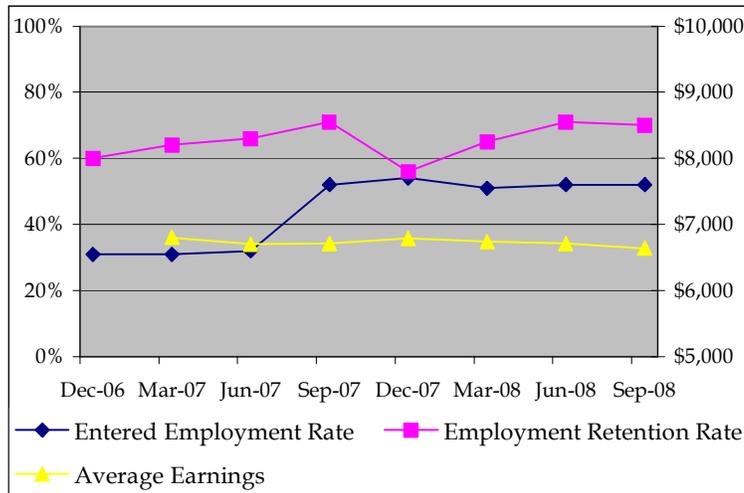
Charting Program Performance

Current Quarter/One Year Ago/ L4Q

Performance Measure	9/30/07	9/30/08
Entered Employment	52%	52%
Retained Employment	71%	70%
Average Earnings	\$6,713	\$6,638

Note: Some differences may exist on the information in the above table when compared with the information published earlier for the quarter ending on September 30, 2007, as not all reports had been submitted by grantees at that time.

Performance in the Past Eight Quarters



Program Description

Originally authorized by the Older Americans Act of 1965, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is designed to foster individual economic self-sufficiency and promote useful opportunities in community service employment for unemployed low-income persons (particularly persons who have poor employment prospects) who are age 55 or older, and to increase the number of persons who may enjoy the benefits of unsubsidized employment in both the public and private sectors.

Other Program Highlights and Innovations

- A little over 9,500 individuals were enrolled in the SCSEP program during the first quarter of PY 2008.
- Recent trends indicate the program serves individuals with various backgrounds: 25 percent of participants

number of participants who are severely disabled, frail, age 75 or older, old enough for but not receiving Social Security Title II, with severely limited employment prospects and living in an area of persistent unemployment, limited in English proficiency, low in literacy skills, disabled, rural, veteran, low in employment prospects, having failed to find employment after using WIA Title I, or homeless/at risk of homelessness; divided by the number of participants who exited during the reporting period.

did not have a high school diploma; 57 percent of the participants were at least sixty years old; 88 percent lived at or below the federal poverty level at the time of enrollment; 69 percent were women; 11 percent were Hispanic, and 38 percent were non-white. Individuals with disabilities made up 20 percent of the participant and 13 percent of the participants were veterans or spouses of veterans.

- SCSEP has begun to implement data validation requirements for program eligibility and performance elements that are reported through the SPARQ reporting system. These data validation efforts will bolster performance accountability by improving both accuracy and reliability.