Workforce Development Receives $2.5 Million Grant

The City of Springfield is pleased to announce the receipt of approximately $2.5 million for funding of the Missouri Work Assistance (MWA) program for the counties of Greene, Christian, Dallas, Polk, Stone, Taney, Webster, Barry, Barton, Dade, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, and Newton counties in southwest Missouri.

The City’s Department of Workforce Development was successful in its bid for a grant involving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) from the Department of Social Services, Family Support Division to continue providing services to the Ozark Region and extended services throughout southwest Missouri.

The City of Springfield Department of Workforce Development has operated the Welfare-To-Work, Career Assistance Program (CAP), now known as the Missouri Work Assistance (MWA) program, since July 1997. Other programs designed to assist and give priority to those individuals on welfare have been operated by the Department since May 1974. A dedicated team of staff members has provided services to thousands of customers receiving TANF funds and all services at the Missouri Career Center have been made readily available.

The City of Springfield Department of Workforce Development operates Missouri Career Center facilities in Springfield and Branson, as well as a mobile unit that currently provides services to Bolivar, Buffalo, Marshfield, and Crane. The MWA program is just one of the successful programs offered through the Career Centers.

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