# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE FACTS AND FIGURES REPORT JULY 1995

|                | Caseload                                     | July<br>1995 | Change<br>From<br>Last Mont | Fro            | m    | % Change<br>From<br>Last Year | Averag   | e Monthly Gra  | ant            |
|----------------|--|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------|-------------------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
|                | Basic  | 90,450       | - 1,65                      | 2 -            | 1.8% | - 11.9%                       |          | Change         | Change         |
|                | Unemployed                                   |              |                             |                |      |                               | July     | Change<br>From | Change<br>From |
| AFDC           | Parent                                       | 2,895        | - 15                        | <del>6</del> - | 5.1% | - 38.2%                       | 1995     | Last Month     | Last Year      |
|                | Cases  | 93,345       | - 1,80                      | 8 -            | 1.9% | - 13.0%                       |          |                |                |
|                | Recipients                                   | 257,300      | - 5,23                      |                | 2.0% | - 14.0%                       | \$503.01 | + \$3.16       | - \$4.75       |
| EAEDC          | Cases  | 17,862       | - 84                        | 1 -            | 4.5% | - 15.5%                       |          |                |                |
|                | Recipients                                   | 21,536       | - 1,01                      |                | 4.5% |                               | \$332.45 | + \$2.06       | + \$3.30       |
| Refugee        | Cases  | 586          | +                           | 9 +            | 1.6% | - 17.3%                       |          |                |                |
| Assistance     | Recipients                                   | 755          |                             | 6 -            | 0.8% | - 16.6%                       | \$439,41 | - \$26.26      | + \$35.04      |
|                | Public Assistance                            | 93,127       | - 2,28                      | 3 -            | 2.4% | - 5.8%                        | \$181.40 | - \$0.16       | - \$1.16       |
| Food<br>Stamps | Non-Public<br>Assistance/<br>Mixed Household | 35,619       | + 10                        | 1 +            | 0.3% | - 8.3%                        | \$141.52 | + \$1.00       | + \$8.83       |
|                | SSI  | 40,950       | - 69                        | 4 -            | 1.7% | - 16.0%                       | \$59.36  | + \$9.55       | - \$10.08      |
|                | Cases  | 169,696      | - 2,87                      | 6 -            | 1.7% | - 9.0%                        |          |                |                |
|                | Recipients                                   | 389,805      | - 5,50                      |                | 1.4% |                               | \$143.58 | + \$2.26       | + \$0.97       |
| Supplemental   | Elderly                                      | 46,892       | -                           | 7 -            | 0.0% | - 0.3%                        |          |                |                |
| Security       | Disabled                                     | 111,061      | + 1,36                      | 8 +            | 1.2% | + 8.5%                        |          |                |                |
|                | Cases  | 157,953      | + 1,36                      | 1 +            | 0.9% | + 5.7%                        |          |                |                |
|                | Recipients                                   | 157,953      | + 1,36                      | 1 +            | 0.9% | + 5.7%                        | \$86.39  | - \$0.64       | - \$0.04       |
| Total*         | Cases  | 305,365      | - 1,17                      | 8 -            | 0.4% | - 3.8%                        |          |                |                |
| Served         | Recipients                                   | 519,364      |                             |                | 0.8% |                               |          |                |                |

\*Includes AFDC, EAEDC, Refugee Assistance, NPA Food Stamps, and Supplemental Security Income.

# SAVINGS INITIATIVES

| ERROR RATE                                   | Oct 1993-<br>Sept 1994 | Oct 1992-<br><u>Sept 1993</u> | Oct 1991-<br><u>Sept 1992</u>                  | Oct 1990-<br><u>Sept 1991</u>                   | Oct 1989-<br>Sept 1990                       |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|--|
| AFDC<br>Food Stamps                          | 3.0%<br>5.5%           | 2.8%<br>5.8%                  | 3.6%<br>7.0%                                   | 3.8%<br>6.7%                                    | 3.5%<br>7.1%                                 |
| Employment Services Program                  | July                   | June                          | <u>May</u>                                     | Fiscal Year-<br>To-Date                         |  |
| AFDC Priority Placements                     | *                      |                               |  |   |  |
| *July AFDC priority placements will app      | bear on the Augu       | ust report.                   |  |   |  |
| EINANCE                                      |                        |                               | <u>July</u>                                    | Fiscal Year-<br><u>To-Date</u>                  | Fiscal YTD<br><u>Goal</u>                    |
| Centralized Recoupment<br>SSI-EAEDC<br>Total |                        |                               | \$491,279<br><u>\$1,415,511</u><br>\$1,906,790 | \$491,279<br>\$1 <u>,415,511</u><br>\$1,906,790 | \$416,667<br><u>\$833,333</u><br>\$1,250,000 |
| CHILD SUPPORT                                |                        |                               | July   | Fiscal Year-<br><u>To-</u> Date                 | Prior Fiscal<br><u>Year-to-Date</u>          |
| DoR Collections                              |                        |                               | \$6,073,732                                    | \$6,073,732                                     | \$5,205,350                                  |

# WELFARE FRAUD INVESTIGATION

|  | Fiscal       | Prior      |
|--|--------------|------------|
|  | Year-to-Date | Fiscal YTD |
| Cases found guilty or                                |              | 10-        |
| with restitution ordered:                            | .271         | 166        |
| Total money ordered to be repaid:                    | \$783,023    | \$607,118  |
| Annualized savings from<br>cases closed or corrected |              |            |
| due to fraud investigations:                         | \$419,308    | \$634,744  |

# GRANT LEVELS AND ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

| \FDC                |                              | EAEDC                  |                     |                                    |  |  |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| <u>Family Si</u> ze | Maximum Monthly<br>Benefits* | 185% Income<br>Ceiling | F <u>amily Size</u> | Maximum<br><u>Monthly Grant*</u> * |  |  |
| 1                   | \$392                        | \$ 725                 | 1                   | \$339                              |  |  |
| 2                   | \$486                        | \$ 899                 | 2                   | \$430                              |  |  |
| 3                   | \$579                        | \$1,071                | 3                   | \$522                              |  |  |
| 4                   | \$668                        | \$1,236                | 4                   | \$613                              |  |  |
| incremental         | \$ 95                        | \$ 176                 | incremental         | \$92                               |  |  |

\* Includes a \$40 per month rent allowance for families in unsubsidized housing. \*\*Includes a \$35 per month rent allowance for families in unsubsidized housing.

| SUPPLEMENTAL<br>SECURITY INCOME | Maximum Monthly          | Federal         | State          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Aged                            | <u>Benefits</u>          | Basic Payment   | Supplement     |
| Aged<br>Full cost of living     | \$587                    | \$458           | \$129          |
| Shared living expenses          | \$497                    | \$458           | \$39           |
| Household of another            | \$409                    | \$305           | \$104          |
| Disabled                        | <b></b>                  | 4000            | <b></b>        |
| Full cost of living             | \$572                    | \$458           | \$114          |
| Shared living expenses          | \$488                    | \$458           | \$30           |
| Household of another            | \$393                    | \$305           | \$88           |
| FOOD STAMPS                     | Maximum                  |                 | Gross          |
|                                 | Monthly Coupon           |                 | Monthly Income |
| <sup>r</sup> nil <u>y Size</u>  | Allotment                | Family Size     | Ceiling        |
|                                 |                          | -               | _              |
| AFDC family of 3 with           |                          | 1               | \$ 798         |
| no other income                 | \$239                    | 2               | \$1,066        |
|                                 |                          | 3               | \$1,335        |
|                                 |                          | 4               | \$1,604        |
| EAEDC individual                | \$112                    | 5               | \$1,872        |
|                                 |                          | 6               | \$2,141        |
| FY96 APPROPRIATION              |                          |                 |                |
| LEVELS                          |                          |                 | Federal Share  |
|                                 |                          |                 |                |
| ADMINISTRATION                  | Management and Support   | \$59,833,682    | 43%            |
|                                 | Unit 8 Caseworkers       | \$56,580,058    | 43%            |
|                                 | Employee Chargebacks     | \$1,632,807     | 43%            |
|                                 | Finger Imaging           | \$112,500       | 43%            |
|                                 | Total Administration     | \$118,159,047   |                |
| ASSISTANCE                      | AFDC*                    | \$661,574,681   | 50%            |
| PAYMENTS                        | EA - Rent Arrearages     | \$14,163,983    | 48%            |
|                                 | EA - Family Shelters     | \$32,499,330    | 48%            |
|                                 | EA - Hotels              | \$4,057,500     | 48%            |
|                                 | Teen Structured Settings | \$5,000,000     | 0%             |
|                                 | SSI                      | \$192,843,106   | 0%             |
|                                 | EAEDC                    | \$91,080,225    | 0%             |
|                                 | Job Training             | \$11,808,759    | 60%            |
|                                 | Homelessness Services    | \$25,740,323    | 0%             |
|                                 | Subtotal                 | \$1,038,767,907 |                |
|                                 | Total                    | \$1,156,926,954 |                |

\* Includes \$70 million in child support collections.

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### EAEDC CASELOAD

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|                          | July        |              | July           |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| Applications Received    | 2,585       | Cases by Age |                |
| Applications Denied      | 1,270       |              |                |
|                          |             | 19 and Under | 1,146          |
| <u>Cases by Category</u> | <u>July</u> | 20 - 25      | 1,761          |
|                          |             | 26 - 30      | 1,934          |
| Elderly                  | 1,384       | 31 - 35      | 2,364          |
| Family                   | 1,644       | 36 - 40      | 2,442          |
| Caring for Incapacitated | 490         | 41 - 45      | 2,147          |
| Student                  | 1,128       | 46 - 50      | 1,772          |
| MA Rehab Commission      | 1,093       | 51 - 55      | 1, <b>41</b> 6 |
| Disabled                 | 5,901       | 56 - 60      | 1,002          |
| Disability Processing    | 6,222       | 61 - 65      | 579            |
|                          |             | 66 and Over  | 1,299          |
| TOTAL                    | 17,862      |              | •              |
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#### EA UTILIZATION AND EXPENDITURES

#### July\* **Category** Caseload Expenditures Security Deposit 10 \$5,000 Rent Arrearage 1,000 \$696,000 Mortgage Arrearage 0 \$0 Contracted Shelter 750 \$1,596,000 Hotels/PM Housing Demo <u>33</u> \$428,000 TOTAL 1,793 \$2,725,000

\*Includes accounts payable.

# HOMELESS FAMILY CASELOAD

| Emergency Shelter                | July |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Congregate Shelter               | 348  |
| Scattered Site/<br>Housing Demos | 282  |
| Hotel/Motel                      | 0    |
| Voucher Sheiters                 | 42   |
| Intake Centers                   | 34   |
| Specialized Shelters             |      |
| Substance Abuse                  | 47   |
| Pregnant Women/<br>Young Mothers | . 21 |
| Other                            | 9    |
| TOTAL                            | 783  |

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