

Utah State Office of Rehabilitation

Prioritization of and performance measures for the services and programs that currently operate:

Disability Determination Services (DDS)

Program Purpose: Adjudication of applications for Social Security Disability benefits (SSI & SSDI)

Program Impact on Utah's economy and citizens: FY12- 58,651 SSDI beneficiaries receiving \$54.77 million per month, and 29,732 SSI beneficiaries receiving \$14.62 million per month.

Accuracy Rate: 97.9% compared to the national average of 96.4%

Funding: 100% federally funded, and requires all the funding currently received.

Division of Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DSDHH)

Program Purpose: To increase productivity, independence and community integration for individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Program Impact: 347 tests provided for interpreter proficiency certifications.

275 individuals provided mental health counseling.

17,812 individuals served through the Sanderson Community Center.

Funding: 100% State Funds, and requires all the funding currently received.

Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired (DSBVI)

Program Purpose: To increase independence, community integration and productivity for individuals who are blind and visually impaired.

Program Impact: Over 80,000 preschool-3rd grade children screened for vision issues.

10,469 individuals served through Low Vision Program services.

103 Business Enterprise Program locations statewide.

61 individuals with visual impairment employed through VR program.

Funding: 50% Federal & 50% State funds, requiring all funding currently received.

Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)

Program Purpose: To assist eligible individuals with disabilities to prepare for and obtain employment and increase their independence.

Program Impact: 3,427 individuals with disabilities placed into successful employment.

Weekly earnings for those successfully employed increased 553%.

817 individuals on public assistance or SSA benefits were employed.

\$5.64 return on investment for each \$1 of State allocation.

Funding: 78.7% Federal funds with 21.3% State match. Currently the funds received are insufficient to meet the needs of the division in serving eligible individuals.