OTHER DSPD TRANSPORTATION COST ISSUES:

• Recent pressure from Federal and State governments for DSPD providers to increase employment and community integration efforts, requires providers to increase transportation services to jobs and community access activities.

• These transportation costs are in addition to the average $27 per day per client needed to transport clients to and from day programs.

• Even with additional help from one-time funding, providers are still being paid approximately 39% of their total transportation costs. Those costs are currently being taken out of agency day programs and other agency funds which makes it difficult to increase other critical services.