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TO: Lavon Stephens, Administrative Director, WDC

FROM: Heather Okoro, Executive Director, WIB

SUBJECT: Poverty Income Guidelines for 2015

Effective Date: IMMEDIATELY

The United States Department of Health and Human Services recently published Poverty Income Guidelines for 2015. These guidelines, which are found below, are currently in effect and should be used to determine eligibility for low-income individuals as defined in the current Health Profession Opportunity Grant (HPOG) and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) summer youth employment eligibility.

200% of Poverty Guidelines for 2015

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Annual Income</u>
1	\$23,540
2	31,860
3	40,180
4	48,500
5	56,820
6	65,140
7	73,460
8	81,780

For each additional family member, add the following amount: \$ 8,320.

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Please be advised that the USDOL has not yet published a revised table listing of the 70% of the Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL) for 2015. A comparison of these numbers with the new poverty guidelines is made and the higher of the two, based on family size, becomes the income criteria for low-income individuals (i.e. youth eligibility). Historically, the LLSIL is the higher number for most family sizes. The revised LLSIL income levels are usually released sometime in the spring and will be passed along when/if a revision is made for 2015.

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