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Statewide Council for Vocational Rehabilitation

2015 Annual Report

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Comment on 2015

It is with great pride that we present the 2015 OVR/SCVR Annual Report. This year saw many opportunities to look to the future, while at the same time revisiting the past to celebrate accomplishments from our agency on behalf of people with disabilities. On reflecting, the agency celebrated statewide the 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This monumental piece of legislation paved the way for equal opportunity and equal access to so many aspects of life for people with disabilities. As so,

OVR offices across Kentucky found innovative ways to remember and to honor the idea behind the ADA, equality for all Americans.

Another, and significantly newer piece of legislation, provided for the look to the future. The full implementation of the new Workforce Innovation and Opportunities

Act (WIOA) has created a glimpse of what Vocational Rehabilitation will look like, not only in Kentucky, but across the country. Transition will be the main focus of the new law, as we look for innovative ways to inform youth with disabilities as to the opportunities that exist for them in the workforce.

The year 2015 once again showed the strength and professionalism of the KYOVR staff, as our outcomes and performance continue to improve, even during a time of labor market instability and stagnant funding. In the most successful campaign since before 2008, KYOVR assisted 4,499 individuals with disability find gainful employment, an increase in PEOs of 13.7% from FY 2014. These numbers continue to provide evidence of the skills and abilities of agency staff in rising to the challenge in terms of the employment landscape for persons with disabilities, and continuously improving VR services to Kentuckians with disabilities.

As this annual report will attest, KYOVR continues to maintain its national reputation as an agency of innovation and excellence. As you read the updates, note all the programs and how each of them strive to stay on the cutting edge of what is possible in finding gainful employment for people with disabilities. Also, please pay close attention to two sections we are very proud of as an agency. Check out all of the accomplishments of our Statewide Council for Vocational Rehabilitation (SCVR), the advisory board to

OVR. The staff of OVR has a great relationship with SCVR. We are always excited by the support and guidance the council gives to the agency and for the advocacy it provides on behalf of Kentuckians with disabilities. See SCVR accomplishments for FY 2015 on page 10 .



Left to right: SCVR Chairperson Joe Cowan , OVR Executive Director Buddy Hoskinson and SCVR Vice-Chair Jeff Merrill .

Finally, sift

through the information on the page entitled “The Financial Impact of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (pg 13). It is packed with information on how our program profoundly affects the bottom line for families in Kentucky as well as the bottom line for the state coffers. You will see increases in jobs, health coverage, tax payments and yearly income. When you consider, a majority of these consumers would have to rely on government assistance without finding employment, the numbers are staggering.

In closing, we look forward to the challenges of 2016. It is our hope that continued success for our agency, the SCVR, and most of all, Kentuckians with disabilities will be the theme in the new year. We hope you enjoy this report.

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Programs/ Consumer Services



Carl D. Perkins Vocational Training Center

Fiscal year 2015 marked the forty-second year of operation for the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Training Center. This year staff from the Perkins Center revised their vision and mission and rededicated themselves to the service of Kentuckians with disabilities. In addition, the Tobacco Free Executive Order stimulated health initiatives geared toward both students and staff.

Highlights of FY 2015 Perkins Center programming include changes in the enrollment process for the Food Service occupational skill training program as well as the addition of National Career Readiness testing and a cash register curriculum through Point of Sale University. The Center served 661 Kentuckians during the fiscal year and received new 292 referrals from OVR counselors in the Division of Program Services. Despite slightly lower overall numbers, the Center served 280 individuals who were transition age (21 or younger) and 313 individuals who were considered youth (24 or younger), respectively 42 % and 47% of the total number served. Program completion rates were at an all-time high with 7 out of 15 programs having a 100% completion rate. The Academic and Lifeskills Program of Higher Achievement (ALPHA) had the highest enrollment since program inception (21)

earning a collective grade point average 2.94 on a 4.0 scale.

Services offered by the Center were acclaimed. The vocational evaluation unit earned a three year reaccreditation from the Committee on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. The onsite day care center, Growing Together Day Care Center, maintained three star rating after inspection. Further, both the cosmetology training program and the Center cafeteria consistently earn perfect on state inspections. Customer satisfaction remained high at a 94% rate.

Community Rehabilitation Programs

During FY15, \$2,393,975 was spent on services provided to 1460 OVR Consumers by Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRPs). The great bulk of this (\$2.3 million) was spent on individualized services. This includes any service that was needed by the consumer obtain and maintain employment, such as, work adjustment, job search, job placement and job retention services. The employment and retention services provided by CRP produced 395 positive employment outcomes. The CRPs completed evaluations/assessment on 752 consumers at a cost of \$394,335. During FY15 twelve new CRPs were approved to provide services for consumers.



Supported Employment

In FY 15 \$4,933,208 was spent on 1,607 OVR Consumers for Supported Employment Services. Nine consumers were identified as needing Supported Employment services, but had none available in their respective areas. The 100 Supported Employment vendors affiliated with the agency, delivered services which resulted in 706 Positive Employment Outcomes.

In 2010 Kentucky was the 11th state chosen to be part of the Dartmouth Collaborative of Individual Placement and Support, which is an evidence based practice of Supported Employment for consumers with severe mental illness. This collaborative has grown to 17 states and 2 countries. This model was implemented in all 14 Community Mental Health Centers throughout the state. Together we had another successful year with 355 job starts and 106 positive employment outcomes. This project is a collaborative venture with the KY Division of Behavioral Health and the University of Kentucky, Human Development institute.

The SE staff has continued to work with the Division of Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DDID) with Supported Employment Services in the two Medicaid waiver programs. OVR continues to partner with DDID to create funding mechanisms which will allow the shifting of funds from OVR to Medicaid Waiver funding to be as seamless as possible.

Transition

A total of 8,966 consumers on counselor caseloads in FY 2015 were referred from secondary schools, or 24.5% of the 36,662 consumers. Of the agency's 4,498 PEO's, 692 (15.4 %) had been referred by secondary schools.

In FY 2015 OVR continued to provide quality services to transition aged students and youth with disabilities in all

174 school districts in the Commonwealth. According to the Kentucky Post School Outcomes Study, OVR once again ranked as the agency that most often provided services to students with disabilities covered by an Individualized Education Program. Much of our efforts are enhanced through partnerships with 53 school districts in the Community Based Work Transition Program. The CBWT program helps students with the most significant disabilities obtain competitive integrated employment prior to exiting high school with the assistance of a job coach. In November 2014, OVR partnered with other key stakeholders to deliver the statewide Opportunity Youth Summit in Louisville for students and youth to learn about services available as they begin to transition from high school.

Our collaborative efforts were also visible at the state level through our involvement in the Kentucky Department of Education's College and Career Readiness Initiative for the 1%, the Kentucky Interagency Transition Council, the Kentucky Post School Outcomes Project Advisory Committee, the State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children, the University of Kentucky's Human Development Institute's Post-Secondary Inclusion Project Committee, the Kentucky Partners in Transition Team, as well as the Kentucky Workforce Investment Board Strategic Planning High School Outreach Committee, the Commission for



OVR Counselor Dorothy Jenkins is presented with the 2015 Statewide Case of the Year during the annual OVR Leadership Awards. **Pictured left to right:** OVR Director of Program Services Jane Smith, Jenkins, Middletown Branch Manager Jenny Lampton and OVR Executive Director Buddy Hoskinson.

Children with Special Health Care Needs-Autism Subcommittee, the Department of Behavioral Health Healthy Transitions TAYLRD (Transition Aged Youth Learning to Realize Dreams) five year grant, the State Interagency Council (SIAC), and the PepNet2 Capacity Building Transition Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing grant.

Training

The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation continues to focus on maintaining and developing qualified professionals to meet the federal requirements for the Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD). This includes providing new employee orientation opportunities, addressing required state government training mandates, increasing knowledge and skills regarding working with individuals with disabilities and providing secondary education opportunities to obtain the required credentials for qualified vocational rehabilitation professionals. The agency defines a qualified vocational rehabilitation counselor as one that meets the educational requirements to sit for the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor examination and our current percentage for counselors that meet this requirement is 80%. This number has increased by 3% from the last report. Our goal is 100% compliance and we are pleased with the progress we have made toward that goal.

The agency once again provided paid and unpaid internship opportunities for individuals throughout the state for rehabilitation counselors completing their Master of Rehabilitation Counseling degree. The main goal of these internship opportunities is to provide upcoming vocational rehabilitation counselors with experience within a state agency and encourage their application to state jobs when positions appropriate for their expertise

become available.

Developing leaders is extremely important as retirements take place and the Academy of Leadership Exploration and Preparedness (ALEAP) provides this opportunity to our employees. This program occurs in two phases and the first was offered during this year.

The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) and the Office for the Blind (OFB) worked together to administrate the first phase by identifying the pertinent leadership development topics offered through the Kentucky Governmental Services Center (GSC). This method of implementation allows the agencies to use existing leadership resources to meet the needs of agency leadership development. Upon completion of the required courses certificates were issued to participants. The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation had nineteen (19) employees successfully complete phase I of this program. In addition to the ALEAP program, we have had a total

of seventeen (17) employees involved in the Supervisor Essentials training program being offered independently through GSC and four (4) applications thus far for the December enrollment. Phase II of the ALEAP program took place as planned and sixteen (16) OVR and OFB employees completed. The phase II training components will focus predominately on agency specific

topics.

The Carl D. Perkins Vocational Training Center has developed several online training initiatives that will allow them to provide and track training required as part of their Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) accreditation process. Online training is also utilized for portions of new employee orientation and the distribution of required trainings from the Personnel Cabinet and the Education and Workforce



The recipient of this year's CDPVTC Attendance Award was Renee Lemaster. Renee is an Administrative Specialist with the Center Director's office. The Attendance Award was developed to recognize the unique staffing challenges of operating a residential rehabilitation facility on a 24 hour a day/7day per week basis. (Pictured left to right). CDPVTC Director Barb Pigh , Lemaster, and OVR Executive Director Buddy Hoskinson .

Development Cabinet.

The training during this year has included the specific training needs of the agency and working with our partners to share training opportunities as appropriate. Providing quality training opportunities to agency employees that lead to the provision of quality services to our consumers is the foundation upon which all training activities are based. Currently employees throughout the Department of Workforce Investment are participating in Labor Market Information training to enhance their skills and resources for working with consumers.

Social Security

For FY 2015, a total of 852 Social Security recipients obtained employment after receiving services from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. Social Security reimbursed OVR for 276 claims totaling \$3,174,249.40.

Counselor Mentoring

The Rehabilitation Counselor Mentoring Program is comprised of 23 Mentors located across 11 districts in the state, and a Mentor Leadership Team. This year, the Mentoring Leadership Team focused on recruiting new mentors to the program with a recruitment campaign including a presentation and booth at KRA and the making of a mentor video. Our mentors elevate the agency, and the profession. The current Mentor Leadership team includes: Carol Leonhart, Branch Manager Liaison, Julie Patty, MOTY (Mentor of the Year) 2009, Scott Daniels, MOTY 2011, Keith Brown, MOTY 2013, Susie Edwards, Training Consultant, Chris Sheeting, Central Office Administrator, and Nancy Soard, Central Office Support.

KATLC

The Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation (KATLC) had another good year in FY 2015. It processed 95 applications for assistive technology approving 55 applications for a total of \$393,588.66. Hearing aids and vehicles with modifications remained the most requested items.



OVR staff from the Danville District show off their shirts they designed to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The program enables qualified applicants to borrow funds for the purchase of assistive technology. The impact it has on an individual's life is reflected in this comment received from one borrower: "With the loan for the hearing aids I am now able to do things and know what is going on in the world. You made the process easy and didn't treat me like a number. It is soooooo nice to not have to say what, hmmm or what did you say when speaking with someone. Thank you so much!"

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services

The DHHS Branch of KY OVR includes the following: Branch Manager, Assistant, RCD (Rehabilitation Counselors for the Deaf), Interpreters, and Communication Specialist. The Branch Manager who oversees the branch; also functions as the Statewide Coordinator for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened Services. The DeafBlind Coordinator works with the RCD's in providing services to OVR consumers who have dual sensory losses. DB Coordinator is partially funded by both OFB/OVR as a partnership, but is housed in OFB.

The DHHS branch has an Administrative Assistant who works in Central Office with the Branch Manager. The Branch has 8 full-time Rehabilitation Counselors for the Deaf (7 of whom are deaf and communicate in American Sign Language), who work under the supervision of the Branch Manager and serve consumers for whom sign

language is their primary mode of communication.

The Branch has 6 staff interpreters who work with the RCD's to coordinate assignments for consumers. The staff interpreters work as a team with the RCDs to coordinate and provide interpreting services to assist OVR consumers in becoming successfully employed. Staff interpreters also provide for meetings and conferences for staff.

KY OVR and Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) has an MOA agreement that allows OVR to have positions to assist OVR to meet the needs consumers. One of the positions is a Career Counselor . The Career Counselor focuses on job placement, consumer job readiness, administrative functions to the RCD, and provides field support and guidance related to placement services for the deaf to the other RCDs as needed.

There are approximately 53 Communication Specialists statewide who work under the Branch Managers in their field office and have received extensive training in working with individuals who are Hard of Hearing, Late-Deafened.

The RCDs and Communication Specialists served a total of 5,478 Individuals who were DeafBlind, Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Late-Deafened and closed 1,597 successfully.

Other data:

Expenditures related to Deaf/Hard of Hearing:

Telecommunication Devices - \$63,698.75

Assistive Listening Devices - \$848,446.38

Alerting Devices - \$153,890.21

Hearing Aids - \$5,441,854.97

Hearing Aid Accessories - \$221,297.25

Car Individual Development Account (Car IDA)

In 2015, the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (KYOVR) continued a pilot Car Individual



Sarah Richardson (right), OVR Central Office Administrator of the Car IDA program, poses with the programs first consumer to purchase a vehicle, with the money he saved, Randy Philips of Murray.

Development Account (IDA) Program. Under this program, individuals would be selected to open a saving account for the purchase of a vehicle or for a down payment on a purchase. These individuals would need to save \$2,000 on their own. When the savings goal was achieved, they would receive a match of \$2,000, giving them a total of \$4,000 to use for the purchase of a vehicle or for a down payment on a purchase. To be eligible for the program, individuals must earn less than 200% of the federal poverty guideline based upon family size and have net assets of less than \$10,000, receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or received the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) on the most recent tax return and a net worth less than \$10,000 and have a disability. Monthly financial education classes and a car maintenance training session would be required of all participants.

KYOVR's partners in this pilot are the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC), two Centers for Independent Living (CILs), and the Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence (KCADV). The program was continued in two rural areas in FY 2015, Murray in far Western Kentucky and Ashland in Northeastern Kentucky. Lexington in central Kentucky was added as a new site. The Center for Accessible Living and Independence Place continued providing meeting space, assistance with case management and keeping participants on track to their savings goal. The individual development accounts are managed by KCADV, which operates a similar program for domestic violence survivors. KYOVR's Car IDA program is modeled after the one at KCADV.

Since the inception of the program in 2014, four individuals have completed their savings and are now

proud owners of vehicles. Two of the individuals have been able to maintain their employment and improve their attendance at work because of reliable transportation. All four individuals continue to practice the skills they developed during their financial education classes and continue to save for unexpected expenses or vehicle maintenance. In total 13 individuals have participated or continue to participate in the program.

KATS Network, SHARP & Project CARAT

The KATS Network continues to increase access and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) statewide to individuals of all ages and all disabilities by providing AT demonstrations, short term loans (lending library), refurbishing and redistributing used AT, training, public awareness and information and referral activities. In FY 2015, the KATS Network lending library program provided 1,942 short term equipment loans to 1,341 individuals. Our demonstration program assisted 2,873 individuals in making informed choices in selecting appropriate AT equipment and services.

In June, 2015, KATS, OVR, AgrAbility and Protection & Advocacy partnered to host the 12th annual Summer Institute in Assistive Technology. The summer institute was a two (2) day statewide conference which included topics such as: KY Growing Warrior Project, Google Chrome as AT, Universal Design in Employment, Technology Beyond the Classroom, Literacy Software, Idea to App, and others. There were approximately 120

in attendance over the two day conference. Overall, the KATS Network provided training to 5,383 individuals throughout the state.

In FY 2015, Project CARAT, a program to sanitize, refurbish and redistribute assistive technology in the Appalachian region of Kentucky, has continued to grow and develop. Two new fully operational assistive technology and durable medical equipment refurbishing centers were added: one in Paducah at the Lourdes Hospital North Plaza and the other at Enabling Technologies at Spalding University in Louisville, KY. To date, 811 items had been donated, sanitized and refurbished, and redistributed to the community, resulting in a savings to individuals with disabilities of over \$318,873. The project remains well-stocked with manual and power wheelchairs, walkers, canes, hospital beds, shower chairs, and other items to be able to meet the needs of the community.

The Program Coordinator continues to make contacts with DME dealers, hospitals, clinics, and non-profit organizations to find quality used equipment and individuals who are in need. Project CARAT has become one of the “go to” programs for health care workers helping individuals with disabilities return or stay in their homes. Some carry-over funding remains and will be used to continue work in the Appalachian areas of Kentucky through the end of April, 2016.

The KATS Network’s Statewide Hearing Aid Assistance



Representatives from the disabilities community accept a proclamation from Governor Steve Beshear commemorating the ADA25. **(Back row left to right)** Kentucky Office for the Blind Administrator Cora McNabb, Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) Executive Director Buddy Hoskinson, Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet Deputy Secretary Beth Brinly, Gov. Beshear, OVR Director of Program Services Jane Smith, Kentucky’s first ADA State Coordinator Sharon Fields, and current ADA State Coordinator Jennifer Hicks. **(Front)** OVR Director of Community Relations and Kentucky Congress on Spinal Cord Injury (KCSCI) President Jason Jones, University of Kentucky Professor and KCSCI Vice-President Sasha Rabchevsky and Statewide Council for OVR Chair Joe Cowan.

and Reuse Program (SHARP) has assisted 136 individuals to acquire 257 hearing aids at a cost savings of \$870,625 (compared to purchasing new hearing aids). SHARP works with the Hear Now program, which is a national charitable organization that provides new hearing aids to low income individuals. In addition SHARP has assisted 21 individuals to acquire refurbished hearing aids at a reduced cost, realizing an additional cost savings of \$73,222. SHARP continues to collect donations of no longer used hearing aids. These donations are used to help fund the SHARP program. To date, SHARP has collected 382 hearing aids.

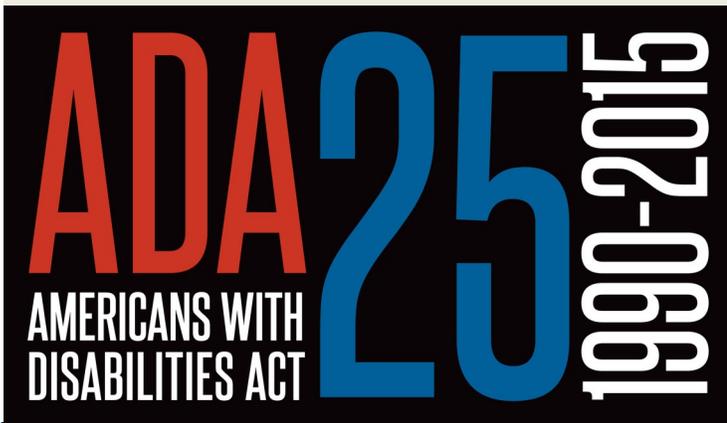
Rehabilitation Technology

Assistive technology continues to be a focus at OVR due to

the significant impact it can have on a person with a disability’s ability to find and/or maintain employment. The Rehabilitation Technology Branch continues to assist consumers in reaching their vocational goals by assessing, recommending and providing appropriate assistive technology solutions. A total of 895 consumers received equipment and services that allowed them to successfully prepare for, gain or maintain employment. Of that number, 110 received modifications to their personal vehicles at a cost of more than \$1,171,160. A total of 155 individuals received driver evaluations and 84 received driver’s training, providing yet another resource to facilitate successful employment. Approximately \$2,348,444 was spent on assistive technology equipment and services for OVR consumers.



OVR offices from all across Kentucky gather to commemorate ADA25. (Clockwise from above) Somerset, Owensboro, Elizabethtown, Northern Kentucky and Louisville





2015 Statewide Council for Vocational Rehabilitation

Joe Cowan, Monticello, Chairperson

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SCVR Activities in 2015

In federal fiscal year 2015, the Statewide Council for Vocational Rehabilitation (SCVR):

- Met with the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) in December of 2014, the fourth annual joint meeting of the two councils. The two councils discussed the upcoming legislative session and received updates on the Car IDA, the state ADA Coordinator's office and Kentucky's Home and Community-Base Waiver.
- Reviewed and approved a number of proposed agency changes in:
 - *The On-the-Job Training policy;
 - *The Community-Based Work Transition Program (CBWTP) Service Fee Memorandum;
 - *The Presumptive Eligibility policy;
 - *The proposed Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS);
 - *The Supported Employment policy;
 - *The Interpreter Service Fee Memorandum (SFM).
- Homemaker Policy and definitions of Competitive Integrated Employment to comply with recent changes in federal law.
- Conducted a consumer satisfaction survey of individuals whose cases were closed in the previous fiscal year in conjunction with the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky.
- Selected five employers to receive its annual Employer Recognition Awards for doing exemplary work in the hiring of individuals with disabilities. The employers were selected from nominations made by agency field staff and others. The employers recognized in 2015 were Cengage Learning of Independence, Meadow's Body Shop of Paducah, Lowe's Home Improvement of Madisonville, Somerwood Nursing Home of Somerset, and Lowe's Home Improvement of Campbellsville. The employers were presented the awards individually during Job Placement Month in October of 2015.
- Thoroughly reviewed its by-laws and made several changes in the way the Council is run.
- Identified several accessibility issues at hotels it met at and advocated with hotel management for changes.
- Submitted comments and suggestions to the Rehabilitation Services Administration on the proposed Job-Driven Technical Assistance Center.
- Provided input to, reviewed and approved the Comprehensive Needs Assessment produced by the University of Kentucky Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling program.

Statistics

2015 Expenditures

Assessment	\$4,402,594.75
Diagnosis & Treatment	\$955,442.51
Training	\$7,899,747.90
Maintenance	\$324,776.31
Transportation	\$250,635.85
Rehabilitation Technology	\$9,320,396.19
Job Placement	\$6,444,225.02
Other Services	\$1,857,726.79
Self-employment	\$41,375.77
TOTAL	\$31,496,921.08

Demographics of Individuals Served

Gender

Male	51.5%
Female	48.5%

Ethnicity

Caucasian	84.3%
African-American	14.0%
All other ethnicities	1.8%

Primary Disability

Sensory Impairments	16.1%
Mental Health Impairments	34.8%
Cognitive Impairments	27.2%
Neuro/Orthopedic Impairments	12.6%
Other Health Impairments	9.3%

Age

Under 25	32.4%
25-34	19.0%
35-44	15.2%
45-54	16.0%
55 and over	17.4%

2015 Positive Employment Outcomes by County

ADAIR	7	EDMONSON	7	KNOX	78	OLDHAM	33
ALLEN	22	ELLIOTT	3	LARUE	17	OWEN	8
ANDERSON	24	ESTILL	13	LAUREL	84	OWSLEY	3
BALLARD	7	FAYETTE	575	LAWRENCE	14	PENDLETON	6
BARREN	30	FLEMING	20	LESLIE	4	PERRY	32
BATH	14	FLOYD	52	LETCHER	21	PIKE	102
BELL	26	FRANKLIN	33	LEWIS	11	POWELL	10
BOONE	93	FULTON	1	LINCOLN	22	PULASKI	59
BOURBON	29	GALLATIN	4	LIVINGSTON	2	ROBERTSON	3
BOYD	84	GARRARD	14	LOGAN	20	ROCKCASTLE	8
BOYLE	53	GRANT	10	MADISON	83	ROWAN	45
BRACKEN	18	GRAVES	19	MAGOFFIN	10	RUSSELL	22
BREATHITT	10	GRAYSON	25	MARION	28	SCOTT	83
BRECKINRIDGE	5	GREEN	4	MARSHALL	15	SHELBY	24
BULLITT	42	GREENUP	50	MARTIN	13	SIMPSON	19
BUTLER	12	HANCOCK	7	MASON	26	SPENCER	22
CALDWELL	6	HARDIN	99	MCCRACKEN	67	TAYLOR	40
CALLOWAY	15	HARLAN	47	MCCREARY	5	TODD	4
CAMPBELL	87	HARRISON	35	MCCLEAN	5	TRIGG	6
CARLISLE	1	HART	19	MEADE	20	TRIMBLE	6
CARROLL	9	HENDERSON	81	MENIFEE	11	UNION	7
CARTER	40	HENRY	18	MERCER	32	WARREN	145
CASEY	7	HICKMAN	1	METCALFE	4	WASHINGTON	14
CHRISTIAN	59	HOPKINS	43	MONROE	5	WAYNE	5
CLARK	37	JACKSON	6	MONTGOMERY	49	WEBSTER	22
CLAY	7	JEFFERSON	568	MORGAN	11	WHITLEY	53
CLINTON	3	JESSAMINE	77	MUHLENBERG	19	WOLFE	13
CRITTENDEN	8	JOHNSON	28	NELSON	38	WOODFORD	21
CUMBERLAND	2	KENTON	158	NICHOLAS	3	Out of State	25
DAVISS	126	KNOTT	20	OHIO	22	TOTAL	4,499

The Financial Impact of the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

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Individuals with disabilities

obtained or maintained employment after receiving services from the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in fiscal year 2015.



Some facts about these individuals:

As a group, the 4,499 individuals increased their tax payments by an estimated **\$ 20.2 million**.

Federal Income tax payments increased by \approx \$ 8.4 million



State Income tax payments increased by \approx \$ 3.2 million



Social Security tax payments increased by \approx \$8.6 million (including employer contributions).



When they applied for OVR services, clients 1767 (39%) reported that their primary source of support was their personal income with the rest depending upon family or government benefits. At closure, 3,968 (88%) listed personal income as their primary source of support.

At case closure, 580 (13%) were receiving private health insurance benefits.

Their average weekly earnings were \$261.99 at application. After employment when their case was closed, they averaged \$502.50 in earnings per week. This represents an average increase of \$ 240.51 in weekly income, or \$12,506.52 per year



In federal fiscal year 2015, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation purchased services for its 35,831 consumers. These expenditures went to individuals, businesses and organizations in communities all over the state, and were worth

\$ 31,496,921.08

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