

Here are the major actions affecting CAAs in the Governor's Budget announced this morning as I understand them:

1. No additional dollars are provided for CAA expansion in 2009 or 2010. The budget provides \$6.3 million for community action agencies in the first year, and the same amount in the second year. In the first year, \$2.9 million comes from General Funds and \$3.4 million from TANF. In the second year, all \$6.3 million are from General Funds. This represents the same level as current funding, with more dollars coming from TANF in the first year of the budget, as compared with current funding.
2. \$100,000 in General Funds in the first year and \$100,000 in General Funds in the second year are provided for Tri-County CAA. \$42,500 in TANF in the first year and \$42,500 in General Funds in the second year are provided for People, Inc.
3. \$637,500 in TANF the first year and \$637,500 in General Funds in the second year are provided for Centers for Employment and Training.
4. VACAP is provided \$218,500 the first year and \$218,500 the second year in General Funds to continue the Virginia Earned Income Tax Credit grant program. That represents a five percent reduction from current funding for EITC.
5. Funding for Southeast RCAP in Department of Housing and Community Development is reduced by five percent, as was included in the Governor's 2008 Budget Reduction Plan (\$200,000).
6. \$900,000 the first year and \$1 million in the second year is provided from the General Fund for Project Discovery.
7. Additional funds are provided in the public safety budget for prisoner re-entry.

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