

Displaced Homemaker Fund Report to
Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
2008-2009

North Carolina General Statute §143B-394.10(a) establishes the Displaced Homemaker Fund for non-profits in order to serve men and women in need of services to help them locate jobs or receive training to qualify for positions. Each Displaced Homemaker program receives a subsidy from the general fund as well as a portion of the divorce filing fees collected from all counties. In 2008-2009, the N. C. Council for Women/Domestic Violence Commission (Department of Administration) awarded displaced homemaker grants to thirty-five programs statewide.

The report provides a summary of how the funds were spent as well as success stories from the individual programs that occurred in fiscal year 2008-2009. The report contains the following:

- Attachment 1 – Summary of the amount of funding dispersed to the Displaced Homemaker programs for fiscal year 2008-09.
- Attachment 2 – Program and individual success stories from fiscal year 2008-09.
- Attachment 3 - An accounting of the programs that received funding in fiscal year 2008-09.

ATTACHMENT 1

Summary of Displaced Homemaker Fund Expenditures: 2008-09

<u>Available Funds</u>	<u>2008-09</u>
General Fund Appropriation	
Appropriation	\$ 314,995
Cash Carry Forward	162,521
Procurement Card Rebate	7
Refund of Prior Year Expenditure	<u>55,807</u>
Subtotal-General Fund	\$ 533,330
Divorced Filing Fees	<u>1,915,889</u>
Total Available Funds	\$ 2,449,219
 <u>Fund Expenditures</u>	 <u>2008-09</u>
Grant Expenditures	
Grants-Displaced Homemaker	\$ 293,545
Grants-Divorce Filing Fees	<u>1,775,253</u>
Subtotal-Expenditures	2,068,798
Cash Carry Forward	138,236
Administrative Costs	45,054
% of Total Fund Expenditures	2%
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ATTACHMENT 2

Displaced Homemaker Success Stories 2008-09

Mecklenburg County Community Support Services Women's Commission Div. (Mecklenburg County) – The program created the Employer Information Sessions in which local employers provided an overview of its company, current job listings and on-site interview opportunities for displaced homemaker clients interested in working for the company. Eighty-seven clients attended certification programs or undergraduate studies. Business partners donated over two thousand items to the Clothing Closet for the clients' needs.

Mitchell County SafePlace, Inc. (Avery, Mitchell & Yancey Counties) – Over one hundred clients were placed in a job prior to completing the displaced homemaker training program while twenty-two were enrolled in a GED program. Thirty-five clients started undergraduate classes.

New Choices..Strategies for Success (Gates County) – New Choices provided a financial management class free of charge for clients which allowed ten clients to enroll in the CADA's First Time Homebuyer's program. New Choices hosted its third annual Women's Day Conference which featured workshops on financial management, healthy eating, and self motivation.

New Choices Program (Cumberland County) – A client, who re-located from New Jersey, was unable to find a job and faced eviction. The client found a job within five months after seeking help from New Choices. New Choices restructured its courses to better serve its clients. Clients can enroll in the following: Employment Track (client needs immediate job placement), Short Term Vocational/Employment Track (client seeks specific training to enter the job market), or Long Term Vocational/Employment Track (client seeks higher education to achieve career goals).

YWCA of Asheville New Choices Program (Buncombe County) - New Choices provided child care service to seventy-four parents and one hundred and three children. Seventy percent of the parents used the service to attend school. New Choices in partnership with the League of Women Voters hosted the Women's Agenda Assembly in which clients were encouraged to become advocates for all displaced homemakers.

YWCA of Greater Triangle, Inc. (Wake County) – In 2008-2009, ninety five percent of clients participating in the Economic Empowerment program improved their skills in the following areas: career preparation, money management, and financial literacy. The YWCA was able to mediate a payment plan with the mortgage company of a client to stop the home foreclosure process (The client missed mortgage payments due to a medical emergency).

ATTACHMENT 3

Programs Receiving Funding from Displaced Homemaker Fund (General Fund Appropriation) - 2008-09

	Contract	Amount Awarded
Womens Resource Center in (Alamance)	581917630-A	7,600.00
Hope Harbor Displaced Homemaker Svcs (Brunswick)	561541947	5,225.00
YWCA of Asheville (Buncombe)	560547476-01	16,150.00
(Catawba) Valley Community College	560792028-A	7,602.87
Family Violence & Rape Crisis Ser (Chatham)	561345420-A	11,875.00
Task Force on Family Violence/REACH (Cherokee&Clay)	561332817-B	5,700.00
Cleveland Co Abuse Prevention Council(Cleveland)	561282837-A	14,725.00
Southeastern Community College (Columbus)	560815200-A	12,825.00
Coastal Women's Shelter, Inc. (Craven)	581665785-A	12,825.00
Women's Center of Fayetteville (Cumberland)	581873977-B	14,250.00
OuterBanks Hotline (Dare)	581414606-A	3,795.00
NC Cooperative Extension Service of (Gates) Co.	561625813-A	4,750.00
Womens Resource Center of Greensboro (Guilford)	561891618-01	12,825.00
REACH of (Jackson) Co., Inc.	561258543-A	8,550.00
Harbor Inc (Johnston)	561505174-A	5,700.00
REACH of (Macon) Co.	561689264-A	4,275.00
(Mecklenburg) Co. Women's Commission	566000319-P	6,650.00
Safe Place (Mitchell)	561865248-A	11,757.89
YWCA Lower Cape Fear Inc (N. Hanover/Brunswick/Pender)	560556766-A	6,650.00
The Women's Center (Orange)	561271474-A	12,825.00
(Pamlico)Community College	560894229-A	8,550.00
Albemarle Hotline, (Pasquotank) Co	561352211-A	8,550.00
Safe Haven of (Person) Co Inc	561758587-A	4,275.00
New Directions/Family Violence Program (Pitt)	561438138-A	9,500.00
NewHorizons Life & Family Services (Richmond)	581758410-01	6,175.00
SE Family Violence Ctr (Robeson)	581515871-A	14,725.00
Help, Inc. (Rockingham)	561138753-A	11,875.00
Family Resources of (Rutherford) Co.	561330781-02	11,875.00
U Care, Inc. (Sampson)	561961414-A	4,275.00
(Swain) Qualla SAFE, Inc.	561454335-A	6,175.00
SAFE Inc of (Transylvania) Co	581640904-A	4,008.48
Turning Point DH Program (Union)	581698701-A	4,750.00
YWCA of Greater Triangle Inc (Wake)	560568408-01	6,175.00
Safe, Inc. (Wilkes) Co	561269568-A	4,750.00
Total Awarded		<u>\$ 292,214.24</u>

ATTACHMENT 3-B

Programs Receiving Funding from Displaced Homemaker Fund (Divorce Filing Fees) - 2008-09

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Womens Resource Center in (Alamance)	581917630-A	52,563.06
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Southeastern Community College (Columbus)	560815200-A	52,563.06
Coastal Women's Shelter, Inc. (Craven)	581665785-A	52,563.06
Women's Center of Fayetteville (Cumberland)	581873977-B	52,563.06
OuterBanks Hotline (Dare)	581414606-A	52,544.33
NC Cooperative Extension Service of (Gates) Co.	561625813-A	43,424.46
Womens Resource Center of Greensboro (Guilford)	561891618-01	52,563.06
REACH of (Jackson) Co., Inc.	561258543-A	52,563.06
Harbor Inc (Johnston)	561505174-A	52,563.06
REACH of (Macon) Co.	561689264-A	52,563.06
(Mecklenburg) Co. Women's Commission	566000319-P	49,682.17
Safe Place (Mitchell)	561865248-A	52,563.06
YWCA Lower Cape Fear Inc (N. Hanover/Brunswick/Pender)	560556766-A	52,563.06
The Women's Center (Orange)	561271474-A	52,563.06
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Total Awarded		<u>\$1,772,353.76</u>