

WORK INCENTIVES PLANNING AND ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

The Social Security Administration (SSA), as authorized under the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act, awarded cooperative agreements to a variety of community-based organizations called Work Incentive Planning and Assistance (WIPA) projects. These WIPA projects will provide SSA beneficiaries with disabilities (including transition-to-work aged youth) access to work incentive information, and benefit planning and assistance services. Cooperative agreements have been awarded to the organizations listed below to provide services in the State of Florida.

In the past, the services have been provided by Benefits, Planning, Assistance and Outreach Projects (BPAO Projects). The BPAO Project cooperative agreements expired September 30, 2006.

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LRC/Opportunity Development

Serving the counties of--- Baker, Clay, Duval, Gadsden, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Madison, Nassau, Wakulla and St. John's.

Brevard Achievement Center

Serving the counties of--- Brevard, Flagler, Indian River, Lake, Martin, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Putnam, Seminole, St. Lucie and Volusia.

Abilities, Inc.

Serving the counties of--- Citrus, De Soto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Levy, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota and Sumter.

Goodwill of North Florida

Serving the counties of--- Alachua, Bay, Bradford, Calhoun, Columbia, Dixie, Escambia, Franklin, Gilchrist, Gulf, Holmes, Lafayette, Liberty, Marion, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Walton and Washington.

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