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ADVISORY: TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE LETTER NO. 21-04

TO: ALL SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
GRANTEES

FROM: EMILY STOVER DeROCCO
Assistant Secretary



SUBJECT: 2005 Federal Poverty Guidelines

1. **Purpose.** To issue the revised federal poverty guidelines for the Senior Community Service Employment Program.
2. **References.** OAA Section 516(2) and 20 CFR § 641.500.
3. **Background.** The Department of Health and Human Services published the updated Federal Poverty Income Guidelines on February 18, 2005. These guidelines provide the basis for determining the income eligibility of SCSEP applicants and enrollees after being multiplied by 125 percent to convert poverty to "low-income" as defined at Section 516(2) of the 2000 Amendments to the Older Americans Act (OAA) and at Section 641.500 of the 2004 Senior Community Service Employment Program Final Rule. These guidelines also apply to eligibility determinations made for OAA Section 502(e) projects.
4. **Directive.** The poverty income guidelines found in the attachment are effective from the date they were published in the Federal Register, on February 18, 2005 (70 FR 8373). Grantees must use this effective date for program operations. Grantees must use poverty and low-income levels when making eligibility determinations.
5. **Action Required.** Effective February 18, 2005, grantees must use the attached poverty and low-income guidelines when determining SCSEP participant eligibility.
6. **Inquiries.** Questions should be directed to your Federal Project Officer.
7. **Attachment.**
2005 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

ATTACHMENT

2005 Poverty Guidelines and 125 percent of the poverty guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia

Guideline	Poverty	125 percent of the Poverty
Size of family unit	Guideline	
1.....	\$ 9,570.00	\$11,962.50
2.....	12,830.00	16,037.50
3.....	16,090.00	20,112.50
4.....	19,350.00	24,187.50
5.....	22,610.00	28,262.50
6.....	25,870.00	32,337.50
7.....	29,130.00	36,412.50
8.....	32,390.00	40,487.50

For family units with more than 8 members, add \$3,260.00 for each additional member and for 125 percent add \$4,075.00. (The same increment applies to smaller family sizes also, as can be seen in the figures above.)

2005 Poverty Guidelines for Alaska

Guideline	Poverty	125 percent of the Poverty
Size of family unit	Guideline	
1.....	\$11,950.00	\$14,937.50
2.....	16,030.00	20,037.50
3.....	20,110.00	25,137.50
4.....	24,190.00	30,237.50
5.....	28,270.00	35,337.50
6.....	32,350.00	40,437.50
7.....	36,430.00	45,537.50
8.....	40,510.00	50,637.50

For family units with more than 8 members, add \$4,080.00 for each additional member and for 125 percent add \$5,100.00 (The same increment applies to smaller family sizes also, as can be seen in the figures above.)

2005 Poverty Guidelines for Hawaii

Guideline	Poverty	125 percent of Poverty
Size of family unit	Guideline	
1.....	\$11,010.00	\$ 13,762.50
2.....	14,760.00	18,450.00
3.....	18,510.00	23,137.50
4.....	22,260.00	27,825.00
5.....	26,010.00	32,512.50
6.....	29,760.00	37,200.00
7.....	33,510.00	41,887.50
8.....	37,260.00	46,575.00

For family units with more than 8 members, add \$3,750.00 for each additional member and for 125 percent \$4,687.50 (The same increment applies to smaller family sizes also.)