

Iowa
**Vocational
Rehabilitation**
Services

Finding solutions. Generating success.

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services (IVRS) is a division of the Iowa Department of Education

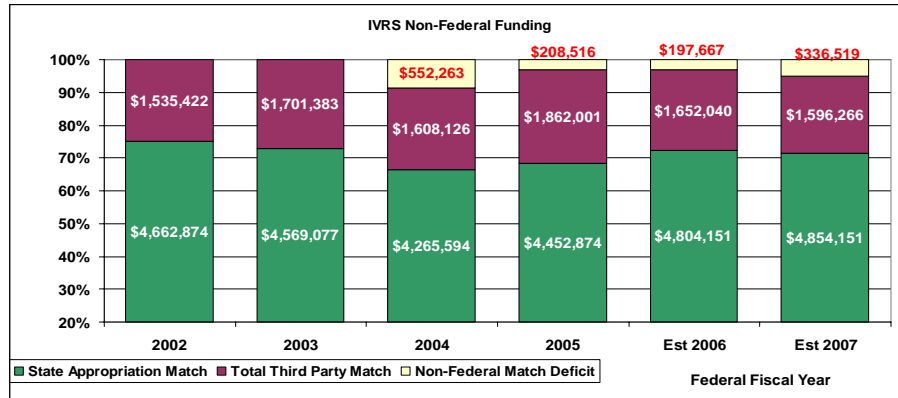
- 274 FTE manage and provide services to individuals with disabilities to prepare for, obtain and maintain employment (79/21 match required)
- 1 FTE manages and provides services to persons with disabilities to maintain independent functioning in the community (90/10 match required)
- 3 FTE manage grant funding directed to improving transition outcomes for students with disabilities at the community level (100% Federal Funds)
- 144 FTE manage and provide eligibility determinations for Social Security benefits for persons with disabilities (100% Federal Funds)

IVRS ended FFY 2005 strong and with increased outcomes and economic impact to the State of Iowa

- 2,121 IVRS consumers achieved competitive employment
- These consumers will earn \$35.6 million in their first year of employment
- After 3 years the ROI to Iowa is \$2.27 for each \$1.00 spent

Non-Federal Match requirement

- **21% State/Non-Federal Funding : 79% Federal Funding**
 - FFY 2004:
 - **\$552,000 State/Non-Federal short of match requirement**
 - **\$2 million reallocated to other States**
 - FFY 2005:
 - **\$208,000 State/Non-Federal short of match requirement**
 - **\$770,000 reallocated to other States**
 - FFY 2006: *(estimate)*
 - **\$200,000 State/Non-Federal short of match requirement**
 - **\$730,000 to reallocate to other States**
 - FFY 2007: *(estimate)*
 - **\$336,000 State/Non-Federal short of match requirement**
 - **\$1.2 million to reallocate to other States**
- Federal funding is increasing faster than State appropriations
 - 3.2% increase for VR in FFY 2006 overall, allotment to IVRS unknown but expected to be at least 2%
 - History has been at least 2% for the last 10 years
 - VR is a “Mandatory” program, not subject to “across the board” cuts, receives annual COLA

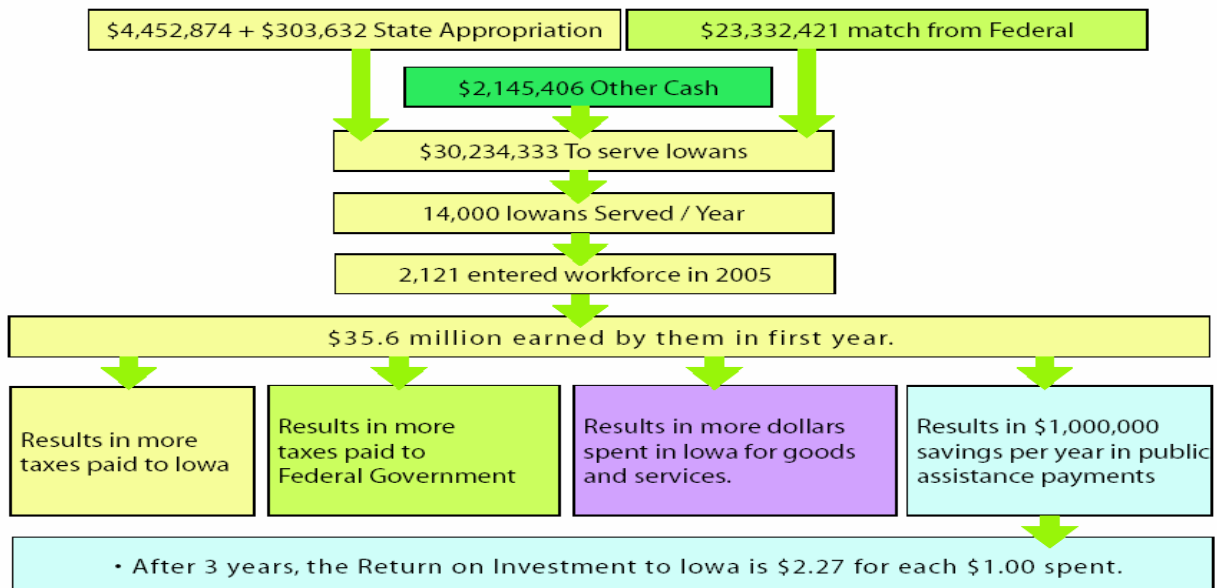


State Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Offers

- Governor's recommendation \$4,779,655
 - Status Quo
- Intermediate offer \$5,116,174 (\$336,519 increase from 2006)
 - Needed to fully match Federal funds through use of third party contracts
- High offer \$5,249,200 (\$469,545 increase from 2006)
 - Needed to fully match Federal funds

Cost Management

- 26 vacancies on the current Table of Organization
 - ½ are direct service staff
 - Constantly assessing administrative and direct service staffing levels
- Waiting list has grown by 50% since January of 2005
 - Referrals are unpredictable and independent of funds available
 - The number of consumers placed into services are dependent on funds available
 - Current waiting list for persons with significant disabilities is approximately 8 months



Summary:

- In order to draw down all available federal funds in 2007, IVRS needs an additional \$336,000.