
(JFS) JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Special Administrative Fund	\$3,287,850
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SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUND (4A9)

CAP-701	Central Office Structural Renovations (Franklin)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$1,342,000
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These funds will be used to provide structural renovations to the Central Office Building of the Bureau of Employment Services (OBES) located at 145 South Front Street in Columbus (Franklin County). The Bureau of Employment Services central office building is more than 35 years old and has never been renovated.

Specifically, these funds will be used to renovate exterior and interior walls of the building to address leaks and resulting water damage. The damage has become severe, for example causing the perimeter glass and mullion system that is the glazed curtain wall on the first level, which has been unchanged since originally installed, to fail at some points. According to the Department, "This problem is likely to worsen at an increasing rate over time." ODHS would like to award a contract by November 2000, with construction being completed in December 2002.

The Bureau of Employment Services and the Department of Human Services (ODHS) will be merging effective July 1, 2000. The Directors of OBES and ODHS acknowledge that it is difficult to determine at this point what will be needed in those properties owned by the combined Department of Job and Family Services in the long run. However, they indicated in their Capital Improvements Plan submitted to the Office of Budget and Management that "No buildings are planned to be sold at this time." It seems unlikely that the Department would sell this centrally-located property in downtown Columbus.

CAP-702	Central Office Internal Renovations (Franklin)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$1,945,850
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These funds will be used to provide other internal renovations to the Central Office Building of the Bureau of Employment Services located at 145 South Front Street in Columbus (Franklin County). The Bureau of Employment Services and the Department of Human Services will be merging effective July 1, 2000. The Bureau of Employment Services central office building is more than 35 years old and has never been renovated.

Specifically, these funds will be used to renovate various areas of the building including the restrooms, corridors, flooring, and lighting. Carpet tile containing asbestos will be replaced and the HVAC system will be upgraded. In addition, proper ventilation and carbon monoxide sensors will be installed in the garage and dock area of the building.

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