

Waiver Start-Up Funds \$900,000 FY07

\$900,000 in waiver start-up funds was made available to the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services as reimbursement for costs incurred while establishing community residential placement of individuals through the use of the 225 Mental Retardation Waiver slots approved in 2007. The Department authorized up to \$4,000 per slot to any provider who had begun or was authorized to begin congregate residential services to qualified individuals through the use of any of the slots.

As of September 30, 2006 **\$70,000** of these funds were distributed to Community Services Boards and private providers who have provided community placements for 24 consumers through use of the slots made available in 2007.