§ 825. Multipurpose service centers. 1. Upon receipt of federal funding designated to assist displaced homemakers, the commissioner shall establish multipurpose service centers for displaced homemakers which shall provide the following:

(a) job counseling services which shall:

(i) be specifically designed for a person entering the job market after a number of years as a homemaker;

(ii) operate to counsel displaced homemakers with respect to appropriate job opportunities;

(b) job training and job placement services which shall:

(i) develop, by working with state and local government agencies and private employers, training and placement programs for jobs in the public and private sectors;

(ii) assist displaced homemakers in gaining admission to existing public and private job training programs and opportunities;

(iii) assist in identifying community needs and creating new jobs in the public and private sectors;

(c) health education and counseling services with respect to:

(i) general principles of preventative health care;

(ii) health care consumer education, directed particularly to selection of physicians, dentists and health care services and health insurance;

(iii) family health care and nutrition;

(iv) alcohol and drug addictions; and

(v) other related health care matters;

(d) financial management services which provide information and assistance with respect to insurance, taxes, estate and probate problems, mortgages, loans, and other related financial matters;

(e) educational services, including:

(i) courses offering information about credit through secondary or post secondary education programs including bilingual programs when appropriate;

(ii) such other courses as the commissioner determines would be of interest and benefit to displaced homemakers; and

(f) outreach and information services with respect to federal and state employment, education, health, and unemployment assistance programs which the commissioner determines would be of interest and

benefit to displaced homemakers.

2. The commissioner may enter into contracts with and make grants to public and nonprofit private entities for purposes of establishing multipurpose service centers under this article.

3. The commissioner shall consult and cooperate with the secretary of health, education and welfare, the secretary of labor, the commissioner of the social security administration, the commissioner of the administration on aging, and such other persons in the executive branch of the federal and state governments as the commissioner considers appropriate to facilitate the coordination of multipurpose service centers established under this article with existing federal and state programs of a similar nature.

4. Supervisory, technical, and administrative positions relating to multipurpose service centers established under this article shall, to the maximum extent feasible, be filled by displaced homemakers.

5. Trainees in a program established under this article, who have demonstrated a financial need to the satisfaction of the commissioner, shall be paid a stipend not less than the federal minimum wage while engaged in such program.