Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services Report to Governor's Advisory Council on Brain Injuries November 2, 2013

As of September 30, 2013 the IVRS financial position continues to slowly improve. Revenues and expenditures continue to follow recent and predictable trends. No change in caseload or operations is anticipated. We are serving 764 more Job Candidates than last year in active statuses. An active status identifies when an employment plan has been written and we are providing services.

As of October 28, 2013 there were no individuals on our Most Significantly Disabled waiting list. All individuals on the Significantly Disabled waiting list whose application date fell on or before July 9, 2013 were released. All individuals on the Others Eligible list whose application date fell on or before October 23, 2009 have been released into services.

The Governor and Senator Harkin's forum on Empowering Individuals with Disabilities through Employment/Entrepreneurship on October 17th was deemed a success. It raised the visibility and conversation regarding this important topic.

During the federal fiscal year of 2013 IVRS successfully placed 2185 job candidates. Each of these individuals has their own story and challenges --- but all should be celebrated.