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Dear Mr. Rumford:

You have requested the opinion of this Office whether unexpended CSA grant funds may be expended by local community action agencies for new programs or for the continuation of old programs which are not a part of the approved Community Services Block Grant program of the agency.

It is the opinion of this Office that the OCS Staff Guidance, issued by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services on April 14, 1982, limits the use of such unexpended CSA grant balances, under Section 221 only for supplementing CSBG work programs. The language of the Staff Guidance is clear and unequivocal on this point. In our opinion, the local community action agency may modify its CSBG work program to include ongoing programs, so long as the modification is approved by the State Division of Economic Opportunity. However, the unexpended CSA funds may not be used to initiate new programs.

If you have further questions, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Frank K. Sloan  
Deputy Attorney General

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