

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING OUTCOMES AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
OF COG REGIONAL DAY LABOR SUMMITS**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is a regional association comprised of elected officials representing 20 local governments in the National Capital Region, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures, the U.S. Senate, and the U.S. House of Representatives, and provides a focus for action in developing sound regional responses to such issues as the environment, affordable housing, economic development, health and family concerns, human services, population growth, public safety, and transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Human Services Policy Committee (HSPC) is the principal policy advisor to the Board of Directors on a wide range of housing and human service issues; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2005 the HSPC agreed to examine the issue of day labor centers, responding to growing concern about the community impact of day labor activity, as well as the human service and public safety needs of persons seeking day labor employment; and

**WHEREAS**, the HSPC established a Day Labor Task Force, which organized two day labor summits in November 2005 and March 2006, bringing together more than 100 elected and appointed officials, public sector managers, business and community leaders, and representatives of advocacy organizations to examine day labor policies, programs and best practices; and

**WHEREAS**, participants concluded that the day labor summits provided valuable information to assist area local governments in identifying and implementing policies and programs to manage the community impact of day labor activity and support the human service and public safety needs of persons seeking day labor employment; and

**WHEREAS**, summit participants recommended that the COG Board of Directors receive a presentation on summit outcomes and recommendations at its April 12, 2006 meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

1. Regulated day labor centers have been successfully used in several communities in the National Capital Region to manage the community impact of day labor activity and support the human service and public safety needs of persons seeking day labor employment and warrant careful examination and consideration by area local governments as a promising public management tool.
2. The U.S. Congress and the President are urged to quickly enact comprehensive federal immigration reform legislation.
3. Copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to COG member local governments and the National Capital Region congressional delegation.