

The most unfair part of the governor's budget, according to Lori Graff, Manager of Lacrosse County Human Services, is the proposed changes in the Income Maintenance Program, which helps ensure that those eligible for food stamps, Medicaid or BadgerCare actually receive those services. Currently, the state and county contribute money to run the programs. Under Walker's proposal, the state would run and privatize the program.

Graff opposes privatization. She says right now, people literally get services immediately. If the changes are made by the Governor, people would have to wait for the services.....some may get cut off.....and some may not be able to sign up at all for them.

Privatization would also mean around 22 county layoffs, and a cut in child support aid would require more.