

Social Services Block Grant Fact Sheet



Overview:

The Social Services Block Grant is administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through its administrative division, the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services.

The Department of Social Services (DSS) is designated as the principal state agency for the allocation and administration of the Block Grant. The block grant legislation gives the state significant discretion in providing a wide range of services.

SSBG provides funding to states to: increase economic self-sufficiency; prevent or address neglect, abuse, or the exploitation of children and adults; prevent or reduce inappropriate institutionalization; and secure referrals for institutional care, where appropriate.

Appropriations:

- FFY 2023 (proposed), Block Grant: \$17,408,026
- FFY 2022, Block Grant: \$17,408,026
- FFY 2021, Block Grant: \$17,408,026

Income Eligibility – Households at or below 150% of federal poverty level, unless explicitly exempted from the income requirement in the approved Allocation Plan. For example, for a household of 4, the maximum income would be \$41,625.

Federal Poverty Level Guidelines Annual Amounts		
Assistance Unit Size	FFY 2023	
	100%	150%
1	\$13,590	\$20,385
2	\$18,310	\$27,465
3	\$23,030	\$34,545
4	\$27,750	\$41,625
5	\$32,470	\$48,705
6	\$37,190	\$55,785
7	\$41,910	\$62,865
8	\$46,630	\$69,945
9	\$51,350	\$77,025
10	\$56,070	\$84,105
11	\$60,790	\$91,185
12	\$65,510	\$98,265

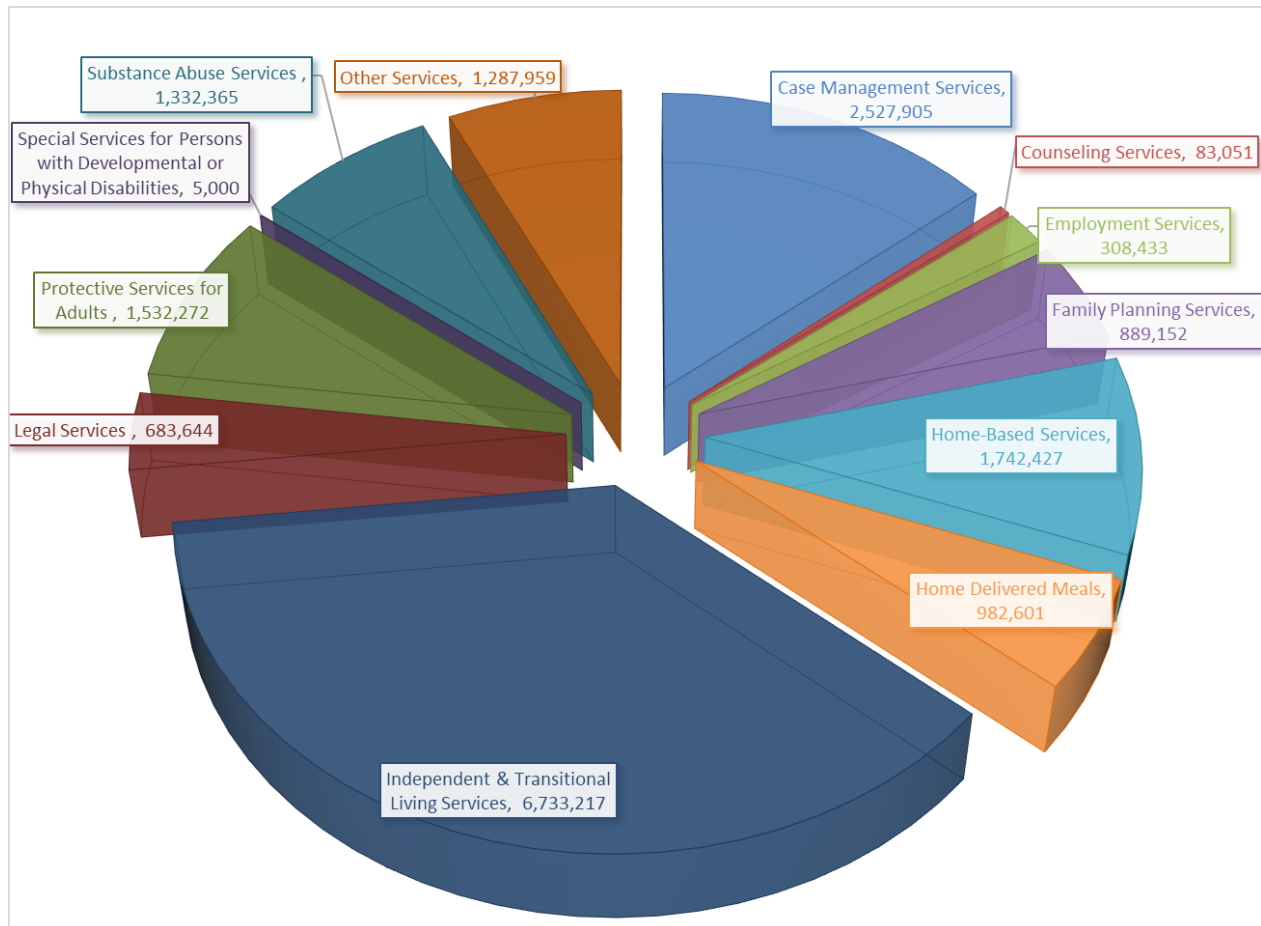
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The total funding projected to be available for expenditures in FFY 2023 is \$23,086,966 from the following sources:

- \$17,408,026 (FFY 2023 block grant)
- \$5,678,940 (FFY 2022 carryforward)

DSS proposes to expend \$18,108,026 during FFY 2023 on 12 eligible service categories. Below is a chart by service category:



Entity types funded with SSBG resources:

- DSS:
 - 31 private non-profit service providers
 - Program Oversight & Grant Administration, and
 - Social Work Services
- Sister state agencies:
 - Department of Aging and Disability Services,
 - Department of Housing,
 - Department of Labor, and
 - Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services