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From: Martin M. Looney, Senate President Pro Tempore  
Matthew D. Ritter, Speaker of the House

Re: Social Services Block Grant

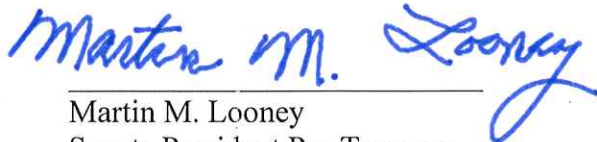
Date: September 8, 2022

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Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-28b, we are submitting the Governor's allocation plan for the Federal fiscal year 2023 Social Services Block Grant program to you for your approval or modifications.

Thank you for your consideration of these recommendations.

Sincerely,

  
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Martin M. Looney  
Senate President Pro Tempore

  
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Matthew D. Ritter  
Speaker of the House

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## GOVERNOR NED LAMONT

September 7, 2022

The Honorable Martin Looney  
President Pro Tempore  
Connecticut State Senate  
Legislative Office Building, Room 3300  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Senator Looney,

Pursuant to Section 4-28b of the Connecticut General Statutes, I am pleased to transmit for legislative review the recommended allocations for the following six block grant programs for Federal Fiscal Year 2023: Community Mental Health Services, Community Services, Maternal and Child Health Services, Preventive Health and Health Services, Social Services, and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment. Table A in each respective plan contains the recommended allocations. Please note that these plans are based on anticipated federal funding and may be subject to change when the State of Connecticut receives the final federal grant award notices.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact Danielle Palladino at the Office of Policy and Management at [Danielle.Palladino@ct.gov](mailto:Danielle.Palladino@ct.gov) or 860-402-7576 if you have any questions about the recommended allocations or any other aspects of the plan.

Sincerely,

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Ned Lamont  
Governor

cc: Honorable Kevin Kelly, Senate Minority Leader  
Jeffrey Beckham, Secretary, Office of Policy, and Management  
Vannessa Dorantes, Commissioner, Department of Children and Families  
Nancy Navarretta, Commissioner, Department of Mental Health, and Addiction Services  
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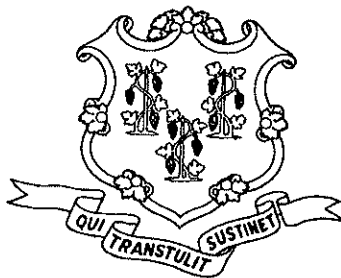
**SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT  
ALLOCATION PLAN**

**FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2023  
OCTOBER 1, 2022 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**NED LAMONT  
GOVERNOR**

**Submitted by:  
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Connecticut Department of Social Services**



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<b>THE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATION PLAN FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2023</b>
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**I. Narrative Overview of the Social Services Block Grant:  
Summary of Block Grant (Purpose, Provisions and Proposed Changes)**

**A. Purpose**

The Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) was established by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. It is an amendment to Title XX of the Social Security Act for the purpose of funding a variety of social service programs and related training activities to address the goals outlined below.

SSBG is administered by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) through its administrative agency, the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services. The Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) is designated as the principal state agency for the allocation and administration of the block grant within the State of Connecticut.

**B. Major Use of Funds and Target Population**

**Allowable Use of Funds**

Federal block grant legislation gives the state significant discretion in providing a wide range of services aimed at achieving the following goals:

- Achieving or maintaining economic self-support to prevent, reduce, or eliminate dependency or institutionalization.
- Achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency, including reduction or prevention of dependency.
- Preventing or remedying neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children and adults unable to protect their own interests, or preserving, rehabilitating, or reuniting families.
- Preventing or reducing inappropriate institutional care by providing for community-based care, home care, or other forms of less intensive care.
- Securing referral or admission to institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate or providing services to individuals not in institutions.

The Family Support Act of 1988 and regulations subsequently published in November 1993 by HHS established and defined 29 SSBG service categories. Part II, Table C, Summary of Service Objectives and Activities delineates the categories of services supported by SSBG funds in Connecticut.

The state may transfer up to 10% of its allotment for use in that fiscal year under the provisions of federal block grants for the support of preventive health and human services, alcohol and drug abuse services, mental health services, maternal and child health services, and low-

income home energy assistance.

The state may use a portion of the funds for the purpose of purchasing technical assistance from public or private entities if the state determines that such assistance is required.

The state may **not** use funds for the following:

- the purchase or improvement of land, or the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement (other than minor remodeling) of any building or other facility;
- the provision of cash payments for costs of subsistence or for the provision of room and board (other than costs of subsistence during rehabilitation, room and board provided for a short term as an integral but subordinate part of a social service, or temporary emergency shelter provided as a protective service);
- payment of wages to any individual as a social service (other than payment of wages to welfare recipients employed in the provision of child day care services);
- the provision of medical care (other than family planning services, rehabilitation services, or initial detoxification of an alcoholic or drug dependent individual) unless it is an integral but subordinate part of a social service for which grants may be used;
- social services (except services to an alcoholic or drug dependent individual or rehabilitation services) provided in and by employees of any hospital, skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or prison, to any individual living in such institution;
- the provision of any educational service which the state makes generally available to its residents without cost and without regard to their income;
- any child day care services unless such services meet applicable standards of state and local law;
- the provision of cash payments as a service (except as otherwise provided under federal law);
- payment for any item or service (other than an emergency item or service) furnished:
  - by an individual or entity during the period when such individual or entity is excluded under federal law, or
  - at the medical direction or on the prescription of a physician during the period when the physician is excluded under federal law and when the person furnishing such item or service knew or had reason to know of the exclusion (after a reasonable time period after reasonable notice has been furnished to the person); and
- support services provided directly by correctional facility staff for criminal offenders or ex-offenders.

The approved SSBG block grant plan for FFY 2022 allocated funding to 12 of the 29 eligible SSBG service categories. In addition to supporting programs administered through DSS, FFY 2022 SSBG funds were allocated and distributed by DSS to support programs administered through the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Department of Housing,

the Department of Labor and the Department of Aging and Disability Services, and grants to 31 private non-profit service providers.

### **The Target Population**

The Social Services Block Grant will be used to provide needed social services to vulnerable persons or families with special emphasis on those groups which are less able than others to care for themselves (e.g., people with disabilities, youth, and older adults).

Vulnerable persons or families are those who exhibit one or more of the following conditions (not presented in any ranked order):

- Economically disadvantaged (unemployed, under-employed, or low income);
- Physically, mentally, neurologically, or developmentally disabled;
- Abused/neglected (e.g., sexual assault victims, abused and/or exploited children and elderly);
- In need of language and cultural awareness assistance and/or technical immigration assistance;
- In need of drug or alcohol services;
- In need of family planning services;
- In need of mental health support services (e.g., distressed families or persons who may be at risk of institutionalization);
- In need of supportive services in order to remain in the community;
- In need of shelter assistance.

**Income Eligibility:** With the exception of the SSBG service categories of Employment Services and Home Delivered Meals, recipients of SSBG-funded services must have annual income no higher than 150% of federal poverty income guidelines (\$41,625 for a family of four).

Section 403 of Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996, bars most qualified aliens who entered the United States after August 22, 1996, from eligibility for any "Federal means-tested public benefit." HHS, however, has determined that SSBG services are not "Federal means-tested public benefits." Therefore, qualified aliens, regardless of when they entered the United States remain eligible for SSBG services if they meet other program requirements.

### **C. Federal Allotment Process**

Federal allotments to states for the SSBG program are based upon the national appropriation and Department of Commerce census data. Funds are allocated to each state in the same proportion as the state's population is to the population of all states.



#### **D. Estimated Federal Funding**

For FFY 2022, SSBG was funded at a national level of \$1.7 billion. Connecticut's final FFY 2022 block grant allocation was \$17,408,026.

At the time of the development of this allocation plan, the funding level for FFY 2023 has not been released. For purposes of the development of this plan, the federal funding allocation for Connecticut for FFY 2023 is estimated to be \$17,408,026, which is equal to the state's final FFY 2022 allocation.

#### **E. Summary of Total Available and Estimated Expenditures**

The total funding projected to be available for expenditures in FFY 2023 is \$23,086,966. This figure reflects projected block grant funding of \$17,408,026 and carryforward funding of \$5,678,940. The available FFY 2022 carryforward funding will be spent in FFY 2023 before utilizing the anticipated FFY 2023 block grant funding. The FFY 2023 plan proposes to expend \$18,108,026 of the total available funding, as detailed in section F below and in Table A on page 9 of the plan.

#### **F. Proposed Allocation – Changes from the FFY 2022 Plan**

The FFY 2023 plan proposes to allocate funding to twelve SSBG service categories, all of which were funded in the approved FFY 2022 plan. The proposed plan level funds eight of the service categories and revises the allocation for four of the service categories.

The narrative below provides a more detailed explanation of the changes:

**Family Planning Services:** The FFY 2023 plan removes the one-time funding increase of \$100,000 that was included in the FFY 2022 allocation plan and returns funding for the family planning service category to the FFY 2019 level of \$889,152 (pre-pandemic levels).

**Home-Based Services:** The FFY 2023 plan proposes to allocate funding of \$1,742,427 in support of the current program participant activity and expenditure trend. While this represents a decrease of \$355,338 from the FFY 2022 proposed allocation level of \$2,097,765, it reflects an increase of \$16,413 over FFY 2022 estimated expenditures; this category has, over the most recent fiscal years, experienced significant underspending, adding to the carryforward balance. The FFY 2023 plan proposes to reallocate \$150,000 of the \$355,338 identified above to support home delivered meals.

**Home Delivered Meals:** The FFY 2023 proposed allocation of \$982,601 includes a temporary increase of \$150,000 over the FFY 2022 allocation of \$832,601. This increase is intended to offset the increased cost of food due to inflationary pressures.

**Other Services:** The FFY 2023 proposed allocation of \$1,287,959 includes \$270,728 for two positions to support program application and payment processing in DSS' home-based services and protective services for adults programs. Due to a delay in the hiring process, the FFY 2022 estimate of \$65,390 reflects the anticipated cost of these new hires for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.

#### **G. Contingency Plan**

This allocation plan has been prepared based on an estimated FFY 2023 block grant award to

Connecticut of \$17,408,026 (not including carryforward dollars), which is equal to the state's final FFY 2022 award. In the event the state allocation is more or less than projected, allocations will be adjusted proportionately. In the event that additional funds become available, they may be carried over into FFY 2024 in order to mitigate any future federal reductions to ensure ongoing programmatic coverage.

In accordance with section 4-28b of the Connecticut General Statutes, after recommended allocations have been approved or modified, any proposed transfer to or from any specific allocation of a sum or sums of over fifty thousand dollars or ten per cent of any such specific allocation, whichever is less, shall be submitted by the Governor to the speaker and the president pro tempore and approved, modified, or rejected by the committees. Notification of all transfers made shall be sent to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and to the committee or committees of cognizance, through the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

#### **H. State Allocation Planning Process**

SSBG funds were originally allocated based on a Negotiated Investment Strategy (NIS) allocation methodology. The Family Support Act of 1988 and regulations subsequently published in November 1993 by HHS established 29 SSBG service categories. For FFY 2023, DSS will allocate funds for 12 of the established service categories (see Table A on page 9). DSS may refine and make minor adjustments to the assignment of SSBG-funded programs to the federal service categories.

DSS also allocates SSBG funds to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS); the Department of Housing (DOH), the Department of Aging and Disability Services (ADS), and the Department of Labor (DOL). SSBG funds are utilized by other state agencies for various social services programs. Contracts for the provision of these services are subject to the competitive procurement provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4-212 to 4-219, inclusive, and each individual state agency's procurement plan, submitted to and approved by the Office of Policy and Management (OPM). Each state agency establishes its own allocation process for support of SSBG services under their auspices.

#### **I. Grant Provisions**

42 USC Section 1397a entitles each state to receive, for each fiscal year, an amount equal to its allotment for such fiscal year, to be used by the state for services directed at the goals of the Social Services Block Grant.

42 USC Section 1397c requires that prior to expenditure of SSBG funds by a state, the state shall report on the intended use of the payments that the state is going to receive, including information on:

- the types of activities to be supported; and
- categories or characteristics of individuals to be served.

The plan must be submitted to the Secretary of HHS and be made public to facilitate comment by any person and is to be revised throughout the year as may be necessary to reflect substantial changes.

II. Tables of Recommended Allocations, Budgets, Expenditures, and Objectives and Activities

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**TABLE A**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT**  
**EXPENDITURES AND RECOMMENDED ALLOCATIONS**

	FFY 21 Actual	FFY 22 Estimated	FFY 23 Proposed	% Change FFY 22 to FFY 23
Case Management Services	2,307,725	2,527,905	2,527,905	0.0%
Counseling Services	122,727	83,051	83,051	0.0%
Employment Services	147,409	308,433	308,433	0.0%
Family Planning Services <sup>1</sup>	1,411,440	989,152	889,152	-10.1%
Home-Based Services <sup>2</sup>	1,768,830	1,726,014	1,742,427	1.0%
Home Delivered Meals <sup>3</sup>	798,106	832,601	982,601	18.0%
Independent & Transitional Living Services	6,702,479	6,733,217	6,733,217	0.0%
Legal Services	902,364	683,644	683,644	0.0%
Protective Services for Adults	1,311,774	1,532,272	1,532,272	0.0%
Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities	-	5,000	5,000	0.0%
Substance Abuse Services	1,625,245	1,332,365	1,332,365	0.0%
Other Services <sup>4</sup>	826,053	1,082,621	1,287,959	19.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,924,152</b>	<b>17,836,275</b>	<b>18,108,026</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>Source of Funds</b>				
Block Grant	17,408,026	17,408,026	17,408,026	0.0%
Carry Forward from Previous Year <sup>5</sup>	6,623,315	6,107,189	5,678,940	-7.0%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>	<b>24,031,341</b>	<b>23,515,215</b>	<b>23,086,966</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>

**Notes:**

- <sup>1</sup> **Family Planning Services:** The FFY 2023 plan removes the one-time funding increase of \$100,000 that was included in the FFY 2022 plan, returning the funding to pre-pandemic levels. This service category received a one-time increase of \$100,000 in FFY 2022.
- <sup>2</sup> **Home-Based Services:** The FFY 2023 proposed allocation reflects an increase of \$16,413 over FFY 2022 estimated expenditures based on current program trends and anticipated needs.
- <sup>3</sup> **Home Delivered Meals:** The FFY 2023 proposed allocation includes a temporary increase of \$150,000 to offset the increased cost of food due to inflationary pressures.
- <sup>4</sup> **Other Services:** The FFY 2023 proposed allocation includes \$270,728 for two positions that will support program application and payment processing in DSS' Home-Based Services and Protective Services for Adults programs. Due to a delay in the hiring process, the FFY 2022 estimate reflects the anticipated cost of new hires for the quarter ending September 30, 2022 (\$65,390).
- <sup>5</sup> **Carryforward from Previous Year:** DSS plans to expend the estimated carryforward of \$5,678,940 from FFY 2022 in FFY 2023 before utilizing the FFY 2023 block grant funding. The estimated carryforward is comprised of projected underruns in several categories, which is due to the use of FFY 2021 carryforward monies during FFY 2022.

**TABLE B**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT**  
**PROGRAM EXPENDITURES**

Program Category	FFY 21 Actual Expenditures	FFY 22 Estimated Expenditures	FFY 23 Proposed Expenditures	Percentage Change From FFY 22 to FFY 23
Number of Positions (FTE)	0	2	2	0.0%
Personal Services Expenses				
DSS	0	26,402	110,374	318.1%
Fringe Benefits				
DSS	0	25,918	108,354	318.1%
Other Expenses				
Indirect Cost	0	13,070	52,000	297.9%
Contracts				
Grants to:				
Local Government				
Other Agencies	10,048,593	9,842,093	9,992,093	1.5%
Private Agencies	7,875,559	7,928,792	7,845,205	-1.1%
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Federal Block Grant Funds	17,408,026	17,408,026	17,408,026	0.0%
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TABLE C

**SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT  
SUMMARY OF SERVICE OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Case Management	Case Management services are arranged, coordinated, and monitored to develop and implement an individual service plan, to provide counseling, and to evaluate client progress.	<p><u>DSS</u> Provides grants to community action agencies, municipalities, and other private non-profit agencies</p> <p><u>DMHAS</u> Provides as part of the supportive housing program – case management and support services for individuals with mental health conditions to live in the community and to work toward self-sufficiency and employment</p> <p><u>DOH</u> Provides housing stabilization case management services related to the pandemic</p>	<p>4,396 adults and 1,397 children</p> <p>170 adults</p> <p>1,856 adults and 335 children</p>	<p>Clients have basic needs satisfied to sustain adequate life-functions.</p> <p>Clients have obtained employment facilitating economic self-sufficiency.</p> <p>Clients have improved housing-related skills as documented in the housing stabilization plan.</p>
Counseling Services	Counseling Services, which are therapeutic processes, are applied to personal, family, situational or occupational problems to achieve a positive resolution of the problem or improve individual and/or family functioning.	<p><u>DMHAS</u> Provides grants to four non-profit agencies for counseling services</p>	245 adults	The clients' behavioral health has improved.

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Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Family Planning Services	Family Planning Services are those educational, comprehensive, medical, social services or activities which enable individuals, including minors, to determine freely the number and spacing of their children and to select the means by which this may be achieved.	<u>DSS</u> Provides a grant to Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, Inc. for the provision of statewide family planning services	9,746 adults and 503 children	Patients have access to and receive clinical services.  Patients receive a comprehensive reproductive health exam.
Home-Based Services	Home-Based Services are those in-home services or activities provided to individuals or families to assist with household or personal care activities that improve or maintain adequate family well-being.	<u>DSS</u> Maintains adults with disabilities in independent living through the provision of services to increase the likelihood that the home environment for people with disabilities will be healthier due to the provision of homemaker and chore services; and to increase opportunities for persons with disabilities to achieve self-direction and choice by the provision of private providers.	954 adults	Clients continue to reside in the community, preventing unnecessary institutionalization.  Clients who are at risk of neglect or abuse have experienced improved independent living skills and self-sufficiency.

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Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Home Delivered Meals	Home-Delivered Meals are those services or activities designed to prepare and deliver one or more meals a day to an individual's residence in order to prevent institutionalization, malnutrition, and feelings of isolation. Component activities may include the cost of personnel, equipment, food, assessment of nutritional and dietary needs, nutrition education and counseling, socialization services, and information and referral.	<u>ADS</u> Supports provision of meals to eligible adults with the greatest economic and social need.	958 adults	Clients are able to maintain residence in the community with appropriate nutritional supports.



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Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Independent and Transitional Living Services	Independent and Transitional Living Services are those services and activities designed to help older youth in foster care or homeless youth make the transition to independent living, or to help adults make the transition from an institution or from homelessness to independent living.	<p><u>DOH</u> Provides grants to one transitional living program and provides a portion of the funding to 33 homeless shelters</p> <p><u>DMHAS</u> Provides grants to support shelters which provide varying services, including case management, relapse prevention, follow-up aftercare, and referral to substance use treatment, referral for housing, employment opportunities, and job training</p> <p><u>DSS</u> Provides grants to assist the Department's Social Work Unit with the provision of short-term emergency housing for at-risk TFA households with a minor child that present at DSS offices and their connection with the coordinated access system has been unsuccessful</p>	<p>5,713 adults and 991 children</p> <p>327 adults</p> <p>33 adults and 28 children</p>	<p>Clients have successfully obtained housing.</p> <p>Clients move to permanent housing.</p> <p>Clients are able to access short-term emergency housing to prevent homelessness.</p>
Legal Services	Legal Services are those services or activities provided by a lawyer or a person under the supervision of a lawyer to assist individuals in seeking or obtaining legal help in civil matters.	<p><u>DSS</u> Provides a grant to Connecticut Legal Services, Inc. (CLS). CLS delegates a portion of the funding to New Haven Legal Assistance Association, Inc. and Greater Hartford Legal Aid, Inc.</p>	<p>3,508 adults and 493 children</p>	<p>Clients have accessed the legal system or obtained legal representation to preserve their legal right and interests.</p>

TABLE C

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SUMMARY OF SERVICE OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Protective Services for Adults	Protective Services for Adults are those services or activities designed to prevent or remedy abuse, neglect or exploitation of adults who are unable to protect their own interests.	<p><u>ADS</u> Provides protective services for the deaf and hearing-impaired individuals of the state</p> <p><u>DSS</u> Provide protective support to mitigate abuse.</p>	<p>171 adults</p> <p>8,549 adults</p>	<p>Clients are removed from the harm of others.</p> <p>Clients received appropriate social services support or obtained supplies to enhance personal property security that enables them to safely remain in their home.</p> <p>Clients continue to live in the community and permanent institutionalization is avoided.</p>
Substance Abuse Services	Substance Abuse Services are those services or activities that are primarily designed to deter, reduce, or eliminate substance abuse or chemical dependence. Except for initial detoxification services, medical and residential services may be included but only as an integral but subordinate part of the service.	<p><u>DMHAS</u> Provides grants to support sixteen clinics which provide intensive and immediate residential treatment, intensive outpatient services, methadone maintenance and long-term care and treatment services.</p>	2,660 adults	<p>Clients demonstrate positive decision-making skills.</p> <p>Clients demonstrate increased awareness of the adverse effects of drug and alcohol abuse.</p>

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SUMMARY OF SERVICE OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Service Category	Objective	Grantor/Agency Activity	Number Served FFY 21*	Performance Measures
Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities	Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities are services or activities intended to maximize the potential of persons with disabilities, help alleviate the effects of such physical, mental or emotional disabilities, and to enable these persons to live in the least restrictive environment possible.	<u>ADS</u> Provides personal and family counseling and support, and assists persons with visual and/or auditory impairments with independent functioning in the community by providing training in orientation and mobility in order to maximize the potential of these individuals, alleviate the effects of their disabilities and to enable them to live independently.	1 adult	Clients in the program accessed disability benefits, were provided with information and referrals for appropriate services, and were counseled on how to develop an individual service plan with a focus on independent living skills.
Other Services (Human Services Infrastructure)	Human Services Infrastructure is a way to improve service delivery and outcomes by coordinating the efforts of all the partners who offer help to Connecticut residents. The service delivery system is a client-focused approach that seeks better results for clients through a Two-Gen/multi-generational approach. Demonstrate individual and family outcomes; not just count of client services provided.	<u>DSS</u> Provides grants to support this service delivery model. Grantees measure success in services and outcomes through mutually agreed upon terms.	185,704 adults	Individuals and families with low incomes are stable and achieve economic security.

\* SSBG funds supplement the provision of services across the state. The statistics reflected above may represent outcomes associated with other programs and funding sources of which SSBG is a contributor.

### III. Allocations by Program Category

#### SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT List of Block Grant Funded Programs

Program Category	FFY 2021 Actual Expenditures (including carry forward funds)	FFY 2022 Estimated Expenditures (including carry forward funds)	FFY 2023 PROPOSED Expenditures (including carry forward funds)
<b>Case Management Services – Service Code 2</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	1,833,072	2,100,851	2,100,851
Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS)	274,653	227,054	227,054
Department of Housing (DOH)	200,000	200,000	200,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,307,725</b>	<b>2,527,905</b>	<b>2,527,905</b>
<b>Counseling Services -- Service Code 4</b>			
Dept. of Mental Health & Addiction Services (DMHAS)	122,727	83,051	83,051
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122,727</b>	<b>83,051</b>	<b>83,051</b>
<b>Employment Services – Service Code 8</b>			
Department of Labor (DOL)	147,409	308,433	308,433
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147,409</b>	<b>308,433</b>	<b>308,433</b>
<b>Family Planning Services – Service Code 9</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	1,411,440	989,152	889,152
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,411,440</b>	<b>989,152</b>	<b>889,152</b>
<b>Home-Based Services – Service Code 13</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	1,768,830	1,726,014	1,742,427
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,768,830</b>	<b>1,726,014</b>	<b>1,742,427</b>
<b>Home Delivered Meals – Service Code 14</b>			
Department of Aging and Disability Services (ADS)	798,106	832,601	982,601
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>798,106</b>	<b>832,601</b>	<b>982,601</b>
<b>Independent &amp; Transitional Living Services – Service Code 16</b>			

Program Category	FFY 2021 Actual Expenditures (including carry forward funds)	FFY 2022 Estimated Expenditures (including carry forward funds)	FFY 2023 PROPOSED Expenditures (including carry forward funds)
Department of Social Services (DSS)	11,250	75,000	75,000
Department of Housing (DOH)	6,500,745	6,500,745	6,500,745
Dept. of Mental Health & Addiction Services (DMHAS)	190,484	157,472	157,472
TOTAL	6,702,479	6,733,217	6,733,217
<b>Legal Services – Service Code 18</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	902,364	683,644	683,644
TOTAL	902,364	683,644	683,644
<b>Protective Services for Adults – Service Code 21</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	1,122,550	1,336,900	1,336,900
Department of Aging and Disability Services (ADS)	189,224	195,372	195,372
TOTAL	1,311,774	1,532,272	1,532,272
<b>Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities – Service Code 25</b>			
Department of Aging and Disability Services (ADS)	-	5,000	5,000
TOTAL	-	5,000	5,000
<b>Substance Abuse Services – Service Code 27</b>			
Dept. of Mental Health & Addiction Services (DMHAS)	1,625,245	1,332,365	1,332,365
TOTAL	1,625,245	1,332,365	1,332,365
<b>Other Services – Service Code 29</b>			
Department of Social Services (DSS)	826,053	1,017,231	1,017,231
Department of Social Services (DSS) - Personal Services	-	65,390	270,728
TOTAL	826,053	1,082,621	1,287,959
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>17,924,152</b>	<b>17,836,275</b>	<b>18,108,026</b>

## IV. Federal Poverty Level and Income Eligibility Tables

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

\*Source: Federal Register, Vol.87, No.14, January 21, 2022.