Self-Sufficiency at a Glance
An overview of the Self-Sufficiency Programs of the Department of Human Services for the month of:
JANUARY 2017

Helping low income people and families achieve self-sufficiency:

**Self-Sufficiency Services**

**Pre-TANF Program:** The purpose of Pre-TANF is to meet immediate and basic needs and begin the assessment process while determining eligibility for TANF.

- 1 participants -4 from last month -8 from a year ago

**JOBS Program:** Provides employment preparation, training and placement services to people receiving public assistance, to help them find and keep work. Services include basic education, “Life Skills” classes and job-search assistance.

- 11,943 people in activities -129 from last month -1,223 from a year ago

*Placements validated in the report month for applicants and TANF clients finding employment*

- 691 validated placements -158 from last month -238 from a year ago

**Temporary Cash Assistance for Needy Families**

*Provides cash benefits for one-and two-parent families who meet eligibility for the following programs.*

**Single-parent program (TANF-Basic):**

- 19,336 families served -306 from last month -1,108 from a year ago -1.6% from last month -5.4% from a year ago

**Two-parent program (TANF-UN):**

- 3,864 families served +100 from last month +145 from a year ago 2.7% from last month 3.9% from last month

**State Family Pre-SSI/SSDI Program**

- 460 families served -6 from last month -55 from a year ago

*Note: The Post-TANF program was suspended and is not funded at this time.*
Helping people remain self-sufficient:

**Employment Related Day Care**

Assists low-income employed families in paying child-care costs, so they can remain on the job. Families pay a portion of their day care bills, based on their income.

- 7,738 families served -67 from last month +32 from a year ago
- 14,677 children served -192 from last month -155 from a year ago

**Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program**

Provided to families on public assistance, employed low-income families and individuals, the elderly, and people with disabilities, to help them purchase food. The cost of benefits is paid by the federal government; administrative costs are shared by the state and federal governments.

- 391,061 statewide households served -880 from previous month -24,637 from a year ago
- 688,817 persons served -2,117 from previous month -47,384 from a year ago

Total SNAP benefits issued: $84,908,606.00 -$395,842 from previous month -$6,326,487 from a year ago

Average benefit amount per household: $217.12

**The Food Stamps program name changed to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) on January 1, 2010.**


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