Self-Sufficiency at a Glance

An overview of the Self-Sufficiency Programs of the Department of Human Services for the month of: OCTOBER 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 | +1 from last month | +1 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.

| 11,166 people in activities | -868 from last month | -2,222 from a year ago |

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

| 956 validated placements | +94 from last month | -118 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):
| 18,354 families served | -63 from last month | -1,549 from a year ago |
|                        | -0.3% from last month | -7.8% from a year ago |

Two-parent program (TANF-UN):
| 3,120 families served | -43 from last month | -555 from a year ago |
|                        | -1.4% from last month | -15.1% from a year ago |

State Family Pre-SSI/SSDI Program
| 392 families served | -11 from last month | -88 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.

- 8,614 families served (−44 from last month, +611 from a year ago)
- 16,269 children served (−54 from last month, +1,023 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.

- 380,711 statewide households served (+2,154 from previous month, −13,806 from a year ago)
- 664,163 persons served (+3,900 from previous month, −33,397 from a year ago)
- Total SNAP benefits issued: $82,376,291.00 (+$578,441 from previous month, −$3,223,751 from a year ago)
- Average benefit amount per household: $216.37

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

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