

Self-Sufficiency at a Glance

An overview of the Self-Sufficiency Programs of the Department of Human Services for the month of: *March 2018*

Helping low income people and families achieve self-sufficiency:

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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.

2 participants +2 from last month -3 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.

11,808 people in activities +812 from last month

-461 from a year ago

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

749 validated placements

+173 from last month -135 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):

17,857 families served

-221 from last month -1.2% from last month -926 from a year ago -4.9% from a year ago

Two-parent program (TANF-UN):

3,171 families served

-58 from last month

-571 from a year ago -15.3% from a year ago

State Family Pre-SSI/SSDI Program

353 families served

-4 from last month

-99 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.

7,348 families served 14,008 children served -18 from last month

-902 from a year ago -1,616 from a year ago

-24 from last month

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.

373,734 statewide households served

-4,070 from previous month -15,919 from a year ago

645,332 persons served

-9,881 from previous month -37,492 from a year ago

Total SNAP benefits issued: \$79,302,512.00

-\$617,176 from previous month -\$5,912,562 from a year ago

Average benefit amount per household: \$0.00

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