

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Social Services Block Grant

Intended Use Plan and Pre-Expenditure Report

Fiscal Year 2014

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I. State/Federal Fiscal Year covered in Pre-expenditure Plan (REQUIRED)

Specify the fiscal year, including start and end dates, covered in the pre-expenditure plan.

Fiscal Year (*select one*):

State

Federal

Dates (*start and end date of fiscal year*):

Start Date: 10/01/2013

End Date: 09/30/2014



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Dear Mr. McDaniel:

Enclosed is the Social Services Block Grant Intended Use Plan and pre-expenditure report for the State of Michigan. The report covers Federal Fiscal Year 2014, which runs from 10/1/13 to 09/30/14.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Maura Corrigan'.

Maura Corrigan
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III. Public Inspection

The governor of Michigan has designated the Michigan Department of Human Services as the state agency to receive and administer the Title XX Social Services Block Grant. The department has produced this plan to meet the requirements for receiving Title XX Social Services Block Grant funds and to facilitate public comment on the services to be supported by Title XX funds.

The draft plan was published and made electronically available for public comment and review during the month of July 2013, and announced to the Michigan Department of Human Services local offices, the Legislature, and other interested groups and individuals for comment. A designated electronic mailbox (DHS-SSBGMail@michigan.gov) was created to receive comments from interested groups and individuals on the draft plan.

A copy of the press release and newspaper articles is provided in Appendix A:

IV. Narrative

A. Administrative Operations

1. State Administrative Agency

Agency Designated to Administer SSBG Program:
Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS)

Mission of Agency:

Improving the quality of life in Michigan by providing services to vulnerable children and adults that will strengthen the community and enable families and individuals to move toward independence.

Agency Responsibilities:

DHS provides assistance to clients in the following areas: food, child care, cash, medical and emergency relief. DHS is also responsible for providing services for the following programs: child support, foster care and adoption, abuse and neglect, juvenile justice, Native American Affairs, migrant and refugee programs, rehabilitation services, adult and children's services, disability determination, domestic violence prevention and family and community services.

Agency Goals and Objectives:

The following are the goals and objectives of DHS:

Goal 1: Children exit foster care to permanent placements.

Objective 1. 83% of children exiting foster care each month to a permanent placement.

Goal 2: Children free from recurrence of maltreatment.

Objective 1. 94.60% of child victims of abuse and/or neglect not victimized again in a 6-month period.

Goal 3: Client benefit applications processed within standards of promptness.

Objective 1. 95% of assistance processed within DHS standards of promptness.

Goal 4: Children free from abuse or neglect in foster care.

Objective 1. 99.68% of child victims of abuse and/or neglect not victimized again by a foster parent or child caring institution staff person.

Goal 5: Children adopted within 24 months.

Objective 1. 36% of children adopted within 24 months of latest removal from home.

Goal 6: Recoupment from client error or intentional fraud.

Objective 1. \$1,750,000 in benefits retained annually by the state for recovery of client case errors and intentional program violations.

2. State Offices/Departments

Below are descriptions of DHS program areas where Title XX funds are intended to be allocated:

Adult Protective Services: Provides protection to vulnerable adults (18 years or older) who are at risk of harm due to the presence or threat of abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Adult Community Placement: Provides services that assist in achieving the least restrictive community-based care settings for adults who require care in licensed community placement: Adult Foster Care facilities or Homes for the Aged.

Adoption Services Program: Provides for adoption planning and placement of children who are permanent court wards due to termination of parental rights. Services are provided to recruit and support permanent placements of children in homes that are capable of meeting the long-term physical, emotional, educational and behavioral needs of the child.

Children's Foster Care: Provides placement and supervision of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. The court authorizes removal of children from their parents and refers them to DHS for placement, care and supervision. Also several programs are provided to support older youth in foster care and youth that have exited foster care.

Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative: Provides improved outcomes for youth transitioning from foster care to adulthood by bringing together community members, public and private agencies, and resources that are critical to enhancing the success of young adults who are transitioning or have transitioned from foster care.

Children's Protective Services (CPS): Investigates allegations that a child under the age of 18 is being abused or neglected by a caretaker (a person defined in the law as responsible for the child's health or welfare). CPS also assesses the safety of all children in the household and, if necessary, initiates actions needed to protect them.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Services: Provides crisis-based services to runaway youth ages 12-17 and their siblings and families, including crisis intervention, community education, prevention, case management, counseling, skill building and placement. Provides services to homeless youth ages 16-21 that require support for a longer period of time including crisis management, community education, counseling, placement and life skills.

Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing (BCAL): Protects vulnerable adults and children by regulating and consulting with licensees. BCAL regulates this industry through initial licensure, original and renewal inspections, complaint investigations, approval of corrective action plans and taking disciplinary action as needed to protect individuals served.

Community Resource Program (CRP): Offers numerous services and locally customized programs to meet community needs with the assistance of volunteers, donations and grant funding. DHS employs Community Resource Coordinators who focus on building relationships to provide additional services to families within the community. Some of our coordinators are housed within local schools, bringing services directly to clients. The CRP responds to the unique and changing needs of DHS staff, recipients and community partners. DHS volunteers provide services in the following areas:

- Transportation;
- Peer Counseling;
- Tutoring;
- Child Care; and
- Community Engagement and Partnerships.

Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board (DSVPTB): Administers state and federal funding for domestic violence shelters, sexual assault programs, advocacy and services. DSVPTB provides technical assistance and training throughout the state.

Migrant Affairs: Provides assessment, development and coordination of services for Michigan's migrant and seasonal farmworkers, their family members and dependents.

Native American Affairs: Delivers a broad range of services to Michigan's Native American population and DHS field staff. Services provided include: policy and program development, resource coordination, advocacy, training and technical assistance, coordination of efforts to ensure implementation of applicable state and federal laws, and tribal consultation.

Juvenile Programs: Provides technical assistance, consultation, assessment services and training for state community-based juvenile justice programs and youth in state-operated residential facilities. Assessment services include providing educational services, vocational services, short-term assessment services, cognitive restructuring, family assistance, crises intervention and recreation.

B. Fiscal Operations

1. Criteria for Distribution

SSBG funds constitute approximately 0.8% of total funding and about 1.0% of all federal funding for DHS. The distribution of SSBG funds is influenced by many factors, such as the availability of other federal, state and local funds; the availability of services from other federal or state agencies, private non-profit agencies, local agencies or family members; and the priorities of DHS.

2. Planning Process for Use and Distribution of Funds:

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) regulations authorize the use of up to 10% of a state's TANF grant to carry-out programs pursuant to Title XX of the Social Security Act.

TANF-transferred SSBG funds will support activities as described in this report subject to the federal requirement that TANF funds transferred to SSBG shall be used only for programs and services to children and their families whose income is below 200% of the federal income poverty guidelines.

3. Financial Operations System:

DHS uses a public assistance cost allocation plan to assign costs to federal and state fund sources for program administration and service delivery. Through the use of appropriate time tracking methodologies, the department identifies eligible costs for federal funds.

Annually, the state has eligible claims in excess of its Title XX block grant and transfer funds. At that time, Title XX claims across all program areas are reduced to within the state's available funding. Remaining costs are supported with state funds as is necessary. Some costs are directed to Title XX per this intended use plan.

C. Program Operations

1. SSBG Statutory Goals the State Plans to Achieve

SSBG Statutory Goals:

- 1. Achieving or maintaining economic self-support to prevent, reduce, or eliminate dependency
- 2. Achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency, including reduction or prevention of dependency

- 3. Preventing or remedying neglect, abuse or exploitation of children and adults unable to protect their own interests, or preserving, rehabilitating or reuniting families
- 4. Preventing or reducing inappropriate institutional care by providing for community-based care, home-based care or other forms of less intensive care
- 5. Securing referral or admission for institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate, or providing services to individuals in institutions

2. Characteristics of Individuals to be Served

Definitions

Child: For DHS protective services programs, child is a person under 18 years of age (MCL 722.622(e)). For all other programs, child is an individual who is not emancipated under 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.1 to 722.6, who lives with a parent or caretaker, and who is either of the following:

- (i) Under the age of 18.
- (ii) Age 18 and a full-time high school student.

Adult: An adult in need of services is a vulnerable person not less than 18 years of age (MCL 400.11). *Note that there are additional Michigan statutes that define an adult as a person 18 years of age or older and a child as a person under 18 years of age.

Family: For limited purposes of the family independence program, family is defined in MCL 400.57 as a household consisting of a child and either a parent or stepparent of the child, or a caretaker of the child; a pregnant woman; a parent of a child in foster care.

Eligibility Criteria:

Adult Protective Services: Any adult who is reported as at risk of harm from abuse, neglect or exploitation, and there is a reasonable belief that the person is a vulnerable adult in need of protective services.

Adult Community Placement: Adults who are elderly, frail, physically handicapped, emotionally impaired or mentally ill.

Adoption Services Program: All children legally free for adoption under its care and supervision.

Children's Foster Care: Children who have been abused and/or neglected, and who cannot remain in their family homes because they would be at risk of further harm.

Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative: Youth 14-21 who are active in the foster care system or placed out of their home due to a finding of abuse and neglect. Youth ages 18 -21 must have been in foster care on or after their 14th birthday, but are no longer under DHS supervision.

Children's Protective Services: All children and families when any of the following conditions exist: a child is reported, known, or suspected to be in danger of abuse, neglect or exploitation by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare; a child is without proper custody or guardianship; a child is adjudicated neglected and the court requests supervision by DHS in the child's home; a child or family is referred for investigation.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Services: Youths, ages 12-20, who are voluntarily admitted for services and have run away from their caretaker, are contemplating running away, are homeless or have been thrown out of their homes, or are in crisis or in need of protection. Families of eligible youth may also receive services.

Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing: Vulnerable adults and children receiving services from licensed facilities including all child care homes and centers, adult foster care homes, homes for the aged, child caring institutions, child placing agencies, camps, foster family and foster family group homes.

Community Resource Program: Children and families that have been identified as needing services.

Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board: Adult victims of domestic violence and their children and sexual assault victims of any age.

Migrant Affairs: Migrant and seasonal farm workers and their family members and dependents.

Native American Affairs: People and/or families who self-declare as having Indian ancestry and have developed or are at risk for the development of social, educational, and economic problems, particularly but not limited to: children, families, elders, low-income individuals and disabled persons.

Youth in Transition and Education & Training Voucher Program: Youth who are active in the foster care system, placed out of their home based on abuse and neglect, starting at age 14 and up to age 21; youth, ages 18 to 21, that have been in foster care on or after their 14th birthday but are no longer under DHS/Tribal supervision; a youth who has or had an open juvenile justice case and is placed in an eligible placement under the supervision of DHS.

Juvenile Programs: Adjudicated delinquent youth who have been committed under Public Act 150, 1974, or who are court wards ordered to the DHS for placement and care. Youth who are at risk of becoming delinquent because of home or community involvement.

Income Guidelines:

Adult Protective Services, Adult Community Placement, Adoption Services Program, Children's Foster Care, Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative, Children's Protective Services, Runaway and Homeless Youth Services, Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing, Community Resource Program, Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, Native American Affairs, and Juvenile Programs are provided without regard to income.

All other services require a person or family to have an income level 200% below the federal income poverty guidelines.

3. Types of Activities to be Supported

ADOPTION SERVICES

DHS provides permanent homes for Michigan Children's Institute wards (permanent state wards) and permanent court wards under the supervision of the department. In certain situations, DHS may also provide a subsidy to assist in supporting the day-to-day care of the child, treatment of medical conditions, or both.

Services are provided to all children legally free for adoption under the care and supervision of DHS. The Department's direct adoption services concentrate on special needs children including children who are members of sibling groups, children with physical and emotional handicaps and older children.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

CASE MANAGEMENT

DHS administers and provide oversight of case management services throughout the state for DHS clients.

A. Adult and Child Welfare Case Management

DHS provides the daily administrative rate paid to child placing agencies that deliver foster care case management services on behalf of DHS. DHS supports the delivery of case management services and intervention by front-line staff, supervisors and program

managers in Adult Services; Prevention; Adult and Children's Protective Services (Maltreatment in Care, Centralized Intake); Foster Care (Health Unit/Liaison Officers, Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative, Educational Planners, Child Welfare Financial Specialists, Permanency Resource Managers and Assistants, Peer Coaches, Family Aides); Foster Home Licensing; and Adoption. These case management services often include referrals to specific providers or direct intervention by the front-line staff in areas of health, education, independent living, housing, employment, parenting, transportation and counseling.

DHS also supports the organization and management of substantial reform efforts to improve child welfare case management and service delivery by developing an enhanced case practice model (MiTEAM); establishing and implementing a statewide child welfare continuous quality improvement system (with qualitative service review component); and improving the collection and evaluation of child welfare data. Due to a class action lawsuit in Michigan, *Dwayne B. v. Snyder*, additional monitoring activities occur by and through a federal court ordered contract with Public Catalyst Group to ensure the rights of child welfare clients under the care and supervision of DHS protected pursuant to the *Dwayne B. Modified Settlement Agreement*.

B. Migrant Program

DHS has been designated as the lead state agency responsible for the assessment, development and coordination of services for Michigan's 90,700 migrant and seasonal farm workers, their family members and dependents, which includes an estimated 41,038 children and youth under the age of 20. DHS responsibilities for migrant and seasonal farm workers are accomplished through the Office of Migrant Affairs, the Interagency Migrant Services Committee, and nine regional Migrant Resource Counties. Of that group, approximately 12,092 migrant and seasonal farm workers and their family members received DHS services. Case management workers can assist clients with getting help for child day care; food assistance; Medicaid; emergency services; locating employment; and providing referrals to job skills retraining programs, healthcare providers, free legal services, migrant education, and GED programs.

C. Field Operations Public Assistance

DHS provides clients seeking cash and food assistance with individual service plan development; counseling; monitoring, developing, securing, and coordinating services; monitoring and evaluating client progress; and assuring that client's rights are protected.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

COUNSELING SERVICES

A. The Michigan Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention and Treatment Board (MDVSPTB)

MDVSPTB administratively housed in DHS, is legislatively mandated to coordinate all statewide functions related to the prevention and treatment of domestic and sexual violence and is the entity responsible for enacting the congressional Violence Against Women Act in Michigan. MDVSPTB sub-contracts to local domestic and sexual violence agencies for the provision of supportive counseling services for families that are victims of domestic and/or sexual violence. This supportive counseling must be voluntary, one-on-one or in a group setting, empowerment-based and related to domestic violence and/or sexual violence issues.

B. Therapeutic Counseling Services

Therapeutic counseling services are provided to DHS clients receiving services from a wide variety of DHS programs, including Juvenile Justice, Children's Protective Services, Foster Care and Cash Assistance programs. Counseling services include clinical, outreach and group counseling.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3, 5
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

DAY CARE - CHILDREN

Under a memorandum of understanding (MOU), DHS provides licensing activities related to the Child Day Care (CDC) program administered by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE).

The Child Care Licensing Division at DHS is responsible for the licensing of child care facilities and the protection of children through regulation of family child care homes, child care centers and group child care homes. Regulatory activities include issuance of original licenses, license renewal, renewal inspections, complaint investigations, verification of corrective actions, and taking disciplinary action as needed to protect the children served. Funding supports communication expenses to engage the public and regulated community; state wide office space leases; office expenses; printing and mailing of licensing related forms and documents; transportation and travel expenses related to field work; mandated environmental health inspections of facilities; expenses related to adverse licensing actions such as, witness fees and legal transcription fees; and technology expenses associated with the maintenance of the licensing database and technical support.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERVICES

A. Child Welfare

DHS provides training and education support to child welfare staff to ensure all child welfare professionals serving child welfare populations in the state have necessary and applicable initial and ongoing training in areas of child welfare service delivery and case management.

B. Native American Affairs

The Office of Native American Affairs (NAA) serves as DHS' avenue to comply with federal and state requirements for consultation with American Indian tribes regarding all state plans, programs, legislative changes, and policy changes that impact Native American Indian children and families.

NAA delivers a broad range of education and training services to Michigan's approximate 130,000 American Indian population and department field staff including, but not limited to: child welfare /direct assistance policy and program development, client resource coordination, advocacy, training and technical assistance, cultural and educational linkages (resource guides, back to school backpacks, conferences, and foster care youth/recruitment incentives), coordination of efforts to ensure implementation of applicable state and federal laws including the federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act (MIFPA) pertaining to Native Americans, and tribal consultation annually (per tribal request respectively).

C. Migrant Farm Workers

DHS provides specialized training on migrant assistance payments case management, DHS migrant policy, GED programs, English as a Second Language classes, health education opportunities and outreach to migrant and seasonal farm workers and their family members receiving DHS services.

D. Community Resource Program

DHS provides specialized trainings to volunteers to ensure volunteer and client safety. DHS also provides a variety of trainings and informational sessions to eligible and potential clients to increase their understanding and knowledge of available programs and resources.

E. Back-to-School Backpack Program

DHS supports the Back-to-School Backpack program that is administered by DHS Community Resource Coordinators (CRC) in local offices through the Community Resource Program (CRP). Free school backpacks filled with age-appropriate and grade-appropriate basic school supplies are provided to low-income school-aged children at the beginning of the school year who would otherwise not have these necessities for their education. These supplies are usually mandated by local district. This enhances

not only their educational opportunities and ability to learn but also their self-esteem and self-worth as they can come to school equipped and ready to learn like their classmates.

F. Carpentry Skills for Inmates Training Partnership

Through a partnership with the Michigan Department of Corrections (DOC), DHS supplies lumber and other necessary materials to DOC that is used by inmates to construct beds. The inmates are taught carpentry skills that will prepare them for successful reintegration into their communities in order to reduce re-victimization and recidivism, and to promote self-sufficiency. The bed frames and mattresses are given to families that have been referred by their DHS caseworker as having a need for beds.

G. Training and Presentation Materials

DHS purchases supplies for use in training or educating DHS clients, staff or community partners about DHS programs, policies, procedures and initiatives. Items may include, but are not limited to: color printers with cartridges, display boards, cameras, projectors, and portable screens.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

DHS Migrant Program staff conduct outreach to agricultural employers in partnership with the Michigan Workforce Development Agency. DHS also partners with nonprofits to deliver employment skill-based trainings to migrant farmworkers.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

FOSTER CARE SERVICES - ADULTS

A. Adult Community Placement (ACP)

ACP Program provides services that assist in achieving the least restrictive community-based care settings for adults who require care in licensed community placement: Adult Foster Care (AFC) facilities or Homes for the Aged (HA). ACP works to maximize independence and self-determination for program recipients by assisting in maintaining connections with family, other community members, and community activities. ACP provides pre-placement services and assistance with placement for adults who need care in licensed community placement settings. Post-placement/follow-up services are also provided, as are transitional services for individuals relocated when nursing homes close.

DHS Adult Services workers provide program services to adults 18 or older who are elderly, frail, physically handicapped, emotionally impaired, or mentally ill. Most clients are Medicaid-eligible and receive Supplemental Security Income.

Specific ACP services can include: case management, counseling, education and training, health-related services, information and referral, money management, pre-placement services, post-placement services, and protection. DHS workers authorize personal care supplement payment each month to the AFC/HA provider for Medicaid clients residing in these facilities.

B. Adult Foster Care Home Licensing

The Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing (BCAL) is responsible for issuing adult foster care home licenses and conducting ongoing monitoring of all adult foster care licenses. BCAL provides regulatory services and not case management services. These regulatory services can include pre-licensing orientations provided to potential applicants; receiving and processing applications for adult foster care licenses; criminal background checks; consultation for the applicant on their efforts to comply with the administrative rules and licensing statutes; onsite inspections to verify compliance with all administrative rules; license renewal inspections; consultation to assist with compliance as needed throughout the duration of the license; special investigations when allegations of noncompliance are received; receiving and processing of complaints; and processing adverse actions to revoke, suspend, denial issuance or refuse to renew.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

FOSTER CARE SERVICES - CHILDREN

A. Children's Foster Care Program

DHS provides foster care placement activities for children who have been abused and/or neglected or who cannot remain in their family homes because they would be at risk of further harm. DHS provides temporary supervision of abused or neglected children when deemed necessary by the family court. DHS provides the following services:

- Maintains the child in the family home when possible and assists the family in resolving the situation.
- Provides access to therapeutic services designed to remediate familial problems and permit safe reunification with families.
- Supervises children placed out of their homes and works with the families to return the children to their families, if possible.
- Petitions the court for legal termination of parental rights, if necessary.
- Seeks permanent homes for children when neither return to their homes nor adoption is possible.

- Assures payments for necessary social services for children in foster care.

DHS provides placement and supervision of all children who are court or state wards. The Children's Foster Care program works closely with the Children's Protective Services program.

C. Child Foster Care Home Licensing

BCAL is responsible for issuing child placing licenses and children's foster home licenses in the state and conducting ongoing monitoring of all child foster care licenses. Foster home licensing consultants are assigned to child placing agencies to assist with the licensing and monitoring of children's foster care licenses. Services provided can include: pre-licensing orientations to potential child placing agency (CPA) applicants; criminal background checks; consultation for the applicant on how to comply with the administrative rules and licensing statutes; training child placing agency certification staff related to the licensing of children's foster homes; training to child placing agency and child caring institution staff related to maintaining compliance with administrative rules and statutes as well as good practices; onsite inspections to verify compliance with all administrative rules; license renewal inspections to verify the facility remains in compliance; reviews in foster homes to ensure the safety of foster children and the provision of services by the CPA or for youth in independent living arrangements; consultation to assist with compliance as needed throughout the duration of the license; special investigations when allegations of noncompliance are received; receipt and processing of complaints; special investigations and/or renewal inspections; processing of adverse actions to revoke, suspend, deny issuance or refuse to renew licenses; maintaining the licensing database.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

HEALTH-RELATED AND HOME HEALTH SERVICES

DHS ensures child welfare clients have access to health care services such as medical, dental and mental health. DHS provides medical, psychological and psychiatric services to clients of the Child Protective Services, Foster Care and Adoption programs. DHS contracts with a medical consultant who provides policy direction advice, trains DHS staff, administers the Health Advisory Resource Team, and meets with state partners on health related issues.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

HOME-BASED SERVICES

DHS provides food cards, gas cards, bus tokens and passes, and emergency food pantry of non-perishable goods. Basic hygiene supplies are provided to DHS clients in emergency situations or to foster care youth transitioning into independent living arrangements.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 2
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

HOUSING SERVICES

A. Homeless and Runaway Youth

DHS contracts, through a continuum of services, with homeless youth and runaway service providers to provide street outreach, prevention, crisis intervention, and basic care centers, offering temporary shelter and transitional living programs for youth needing long-term support. The service array that is offered includes, but is not limited to, assessment, independent living skills, referrals for educational and health care needs, housing referrals, financial training and counseling. Specialized services that address the needs of specific groups of youth, such as foster care alumni; dissolved adoptions or guardianships; lesbian gay bi-sexual transgendered and queer/questioning youth; and pregnant and parenting youth are also available.

B. Missing Child Locator

DHS collaborates with the Michigan State Police on efforts to locate children missing from an approved placement while under court jurisdiction due to abuse and neglect. The missing child locator analyst ensures appropriate documentation is obtained to place eligible youth on the DHS Public Website, and collaborates with the State Court Administrative Office to ensure both agencies have updated and accurate information regarding missing youth. DHS staff also provide technical assistance to child welfare workers in efforts to locate and document efforts to locate youth.

C. Domestic Violence Shelters

MDSVPTB sub-contracts with local domestic violence shelter agencies for the provision of safe shelter housing coupled with voluntary supportive services as needed to assist domestic violence survivors and their dependent children. This includes onsite shelter managed by the domestic violence program and program-sponsored hotel rooms. Supportive services include 24-hour hotline, individual and group supportive counseling, child care during counseling sessions, children's services, transportation, and advocacy services in obtaining health care, criminal justice assistance, financial/specific assistance, employment assistance and housing assistance.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private

- Geographic Area: Statewide

INDEPENDENT/TRANSITIONAL LIVING SERVICES

MDSVPTB sub-contracts with local domestic violence agencies for the provision of safe, decent single family occupancy units coupled with voluntary supportive services, to assist domestic violence survivors and their dependent children. Housing is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for up to 24 months.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES

A. Benefit Services

DHS utilizes brochures, handouts, newspaper ads, billboards and TV/radio announcements to inform low-income persons about DHS's benefit programs.

B. Migrant Farm Workers

The Migrant Program provides client referrals on employment opportunities, suitable housing, job skills & retraining programs, healthcare providers, migrant education, GED programs, legal services, housing services, English as a Second Language classes, and other services as appropriate.

C. Native American Affairs

DHS supports coordinated statewide efforts and collaborations with other state entities to ensure the safety, permanency, and well-being of Indian children and families in Michigan, including:

- Tribal State Partnership– A collaborative body of Tribal Social Service Directors, urban Indian organizations, state/private agencies; and DHS staff focusing on Indian child welfare and the implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) of 1978.
- Urban Indian State Partnership– A collaborative body of urban Indian organizations, tribal representatives, state/private agencies; and DHS staff focusing on the unique challenges facing tribal at-large membership and point-of-entry for DHS services.
- Michigan Tribal Child Care Task Force– A collaborative body of Tribal Child Care and Tribal Education Directors, Michigan Department of Education, and DHS staff working to ensure Zero to Three, Great Start, and Pathways to Success participation for young children and adults.
- Regional Indian Outreach Worker Meetings– Indian Outreach Worker forum to provide cohort policy updates and professional development.
- Child Welfare Training Institute– Assists with ICWA training for new child welfare

caseworker and supervisory staff, and foster parents.

- State Court Administrator's Office, Court Improvement Program, Statewide Task Force and Tribal Court Relations Subcommittee Member-- Advocating on behalf of tribal families for judicial reform.
- Tribal and Urban Indian Organization Site Visits – Tribal consultation and technical assistance.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

LEGAL SERVICES

DHS provides legal services to vulnerable adults/clients of the state's Adult Services Program. Legal services are also provided through a contract with Michigan's Attorney General, in order to provide representation for DHS in child welfare matters in Wayne County. Services include the issuance of child welfare protection orders, adult services guardianship contracts that pay a guardian a monthly fee to be the guardian for a DHS adult services client; legal representation for contested guardianship or conservatorship hearings. DHS contracts with the Attorney General Office to obtain legal counsel through contracts with Special Assistant Attorney Generals.

DHS purchases guardianship services for adults. Contractors deliver legal intervention services (guardianship, conservatorship, or both) which include the following duties and obligations to the ward:

- Ensuring that the ward is appropriately housed.
- Ensuring that provision is made for the care, comfort and maintenance of the ward.
- Making reasonable efforts to secure medical, psychological and social services, training, education, and social and vocational opportunities for the ward.
- Filing with the court a report on the condition of the ward in compliance with the probate code.
- Acting as fiduciary of the ward's estate in compliance with the probate code.
- Receiving and managing benefit payments on behalf of the beneficiary.
- Keeping in regular contact with the ward and maintaining an individual client case record of contacts, service plan, progress notes, etc.
- Upon the death of the ward, notify the probate court and any department providing benefits to the ward, make funeral arrangements, apply for burial funds if necessary, turn the ward's assets over to the individual designated by the probate court and submit a final accounting of the ward's estate to the court.
- Put in writing and implement a grievance procedure.
- Have a written procedure to assist in making medical decisions.
- Carry out all other duties required by the probate code.

- Use partial guardianships (for example, finances only) when appropriate to maximize the rights maintained by the individual.
- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 4
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION SERVICES

DHS Migrant Program staff conduct outreach to migrant labor camps and refer potential situations of abuse, neglect, and family violence to appropriate areas of DHS and to other service providers.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 4
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR ADULTS

Adult Protective Services (APS) provide protection to vulnerable adults who are at risk of harm due to the presence or threat of abuse, neglect, or exploitation. DHS provide immediate intervention to APS clients when necessary, which may include cost for placement in a safe environment; personal care aides; housecleaning; fumigation; or other needs that would assist the person to remain safely and independent.

Services in this program:

- Provide immediate (within 24 hours) investigation and assessment of situations referred to the department where an adult is suspected of being or believed to be abused, neglected, or exploited. This includes the operation of a 24-hour centralized intake center, where callers are able to call one number statewide to report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation.
- For those found to be in need of protection, assure that the adult is living in a safe and stable situation, including legal intervention, where required, in the least intrusive or restrictive manner.

Program services are available to any adult who is reported at risk of harm from abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and where there is a reasonable belief that the person is a vulnerable adult in need of protective services.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1, 2, 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

The purpose of Children's Protective Services is to assure that children are protected from further harm due to non-accidental physical or mental injury, sexual abuse, exploitation, or neglect by a person responsible for a child's health or welfare. DHS staff accomplish this through:

- Investigating and substantiating reported abuse and neglect.
- Assisting the family in diagnosing and resolving the problem.
- Referring families to community resources, including family preservation services when appropriate.
- Petitioning the court for removal of the child, if necessary.
- Providing public information about child abuse and neglect.
- Coordinating community service programs.
- Operating a 24-hour centralized intake center, where callers can call one number statewide to report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

DHS Children's Protective Services are provided to all children (under 18 years of age) and families when any of the following conditions exist:

- A child is reported, known, or suspected to be in danger of abuse, neglect or exploitation by a person responsible for the child's health or welfare.
- A child is without proper custody or guardianship.
- A child is adjudicated neglected and the court requests supervision by DHS in the child's home.
- A child or family is referred for investigation.

The DHS migrant program provides interpretation services in child protective services cases.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public
- Geographic Area: Statewide

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES

DHS provides care and supervision of abused, neglected and delinquent youth the court places with the department. Counseling as well as other treatment and therapeutic services are provided to youth in child placement residential facilities (child caring institutions).

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3, 5
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

SPECIAL SERVICES FOR YOUTH INVOLVED IN OR AT RISK OF INVOLVEMENT WITH CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

DHS may work with high quality mentoring programs in the Governor's four core cities (Flint, Detroit, Pontiac, and Saginaw) to expand the number of disconnected youth (such as youth in foster care, children of prisoners, and youth in gangs or at risk of gang involvement) served by mentors. Youth must be matched with a mentor in a formal mentoring program as defined by Mentor Michigan. Mentor Michigan is the state's lead agency on volunteerism. It provides support and resources to organizations around the state by providing training and research, as well as fostering partnerships to advance mentoring. In addition, Mentor Michigan works to ensure that every young person has a safe and beneficial mentoring experience by developing and promoting the use of quality program standards.

Youth in foster care are defined as youth who have an active foster care case and are placed in the care and supervision of the Michigan Department of Human Services. This includes older youth ages 18-21 that may be enrolled in Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care with the Michigan Department of Human Services. Foster youth do not have to be under the jurisdiction of the court or be placed in a licensed foster home in order to be defined as a foster youth.

Children of Prisoners are defined as children with one or both parents incarcerated in a Federal or State correctional facility or in a local correctional facility if remanded there by a Federal or State court. The term is deemed to include children who are in an ongoing mentoring relationship in this program at the time of their parents' release from prison, for purposes of continued participation in the program. The match process must be initiated while one or both of the incarcerated parent(s) is serving a sentence in a Federal or State correctional facility or in a local correctional facility if remanded there by a Federal or State court.

Youth in gangs or at risk of gang involvement is defined as youth at risk of gang activity, delinquency, and youth violence.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 3, 4
- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

DHS provides transportation services in many services programs; these activities are not identified and tracked separately. DHS Volunteers Services Program purchases oil changes and gas cards and provides transportation costs reimbursement to enable DHS registered volunteer drivers to continue transporting DHS clients to medical providers and other service providers when there are no other available options.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 2

- Method of Delivery: Public and Private
- Geographic Area: Statewide

OTHER SERVICES

A. Michigan Coalition for Race Equity in Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice
DHS participates in a project in Michigan to reduce the racial disproportionality in the child welfare and juvenile justice system. The Michigan Coalition for Race Equity in Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice is charged with implementing the following action steps:

- Establish and convene a statewide coordinating body to oversee efforts to reduce racial disparities in Michigan's child welfare and juvenile justice systems.
- Participate in race equity training.
- Review previously issued Michigan specific reports on child welfare race equity.
- Identify key decision points in the child welfare system that contribute to disparities and learn about the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's contact points for juvenile justice.
- Create systems to collect state and local data at every decision point of contact that youth may have with the child welfare system to identify where disparities exist and the causes of those disparities. Create a better data collection method for dual wards that have contact with both child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Review juvenile justice data currently being collected by the Michigan Committee on Juvenile Justice.
- Based on the previously issued Michigan reports, develop and implement plans to address racial disparities that include measureable objectives for policy or practice change.
- Review the evaluation results to determine the impact of implemented actions to reduce disparities in the child welfare system.
- Monitor and annually report findings and progress on efforts to reduce disparities.
- Identify possible private and public funding sources to create sustainable efforts.

B. Holiday Giving Program

DHS Volunteer Services Program provides Christmas gifts and Thanksgiving baskets to low-income families and/or foster children who would not otherwise have the means for these things. These programs are usually operated in partnership with community-based organizations or local chapters of national organizations like Toys for Tots.

- SSBG Statutory Goal(s) Supported: 1
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V. Pre-Expenditure Reporting Form (TBD)

Part B. Estimated Recipients

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Phone Number: 517-241-2453
Title: Manager - Grant Management Unit
E-Mail Address: dennisn@michigan.gov
Agency: Department of Human Services
Submission Date: September 1, 2013

Service Supported with SSBG Expenditures	SSBG Expenditures		Expenditures of All Other Federal, State and Local Funds**	Total Expenditures	Provision Method		Children	Adults			Total
	SSBG Allocation	Funds transferred into SSBG*			Public	Private		Adults Age 60 Years & Older	Adults Age 59 Years & Younger	Adults of Unknown Age	
1 Adoption Services	80,000	125,000	24,461,700	24,686,700	X	X	27,150				27,150
2 Case Management	2,018,100	7,263,100	47,633,500	56,914,700	X	X					12,435,477
3 Congregate Meals		23,400	1,064,700	1,125,300	X	X			1,950		1,950
4 Counseling Services											
5 Day Care-Adults											
6 Day Care-Children											
7 Education and Training Services	672,000	1,041,600	12,535,200	14,248,800	X	X					6,046
8 Employment Services	60,000	90,500	1,198,750	1,350,250	X	X					
9 Family Planning Services											
10 Foster Care Services-Adults	6,598,100	10,331,500	30,639,300	47,767,900	X	X					25,800
11 Foster Care Services-Children	10,777,100	17,378,350	218,489,210	247,325,700	X	X					13,800
12 Health-Related Services	2,803,700	4,076,300	3,212,200	10,092,200	X	X					
13 Home-Based Services	95,000	150,000	1,935,500	2,180,500	X	X					
14 Home-Delivered Meals											
15 Housing Services	864,000	1,374,000	12,602,000	14,840,000	X	X					18,179
16 Independent/Transitional Living Services	210,900	335,100	2,495,000	3,042,000	X	X					5,264
17 Information & Referral	120,000	190,000	2,205,500	2,515,500	X	X					
18 Legal Services	547,700	873,900	533,900	1,955,500	X	X					
19 Pregnancy & Parenting											
20 Prevention & Intervention	60,000	90,500	1,198,750	1,350,250	X	X					6,046
21 Protective Services-Adults	1,355,000	2,115,800	10,515,000	13,985,800	X	X					25,800
22 Protective Services-Children	13,279,800	18,545,000	151,987,900	183,412,700	X	X					141,300
23 Recreation Services											
24 Residential Treatment	2,030,400	3,175,600	28,169,600	33,375,600	X	X					800
25 Special Services-Disabled											
26 Special Services-Youth at Risk	100,000	200,000	200,000	500,000	X	X					
27 Substance Abuse Services											
28 Transportation	300,000	480,000	243,200	1,023,200	X	X					
29 Other Services***											
30 SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES	42,020,700	67,904,400	75,000	150,000	X	X					
31 Administrative Costs	8,829,100	9,630,600									
32 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	50,849,300	77,535,250									
33 SUM OF RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES							209,421	31,762	33,540	4,212	62,886
											151,942

* From which block grants were these funds transferred? Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
 ** Please list the sources of these funds: TANF, Title IV-E, Title IV-B part 1, Title IV-B part 2, Violence Against Women Funding, State General Fund
 *** Please list other services: Includes holiday support services program

Note: Due to the nature of our cost allocation plan, this document is presented only as a preliminary plan and is based on estimates. The actual expenditures may vary significantly from the figures in this plan.

Appendix A: Documentation of Public Hearing

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The SSBG State Plan is available for public review on the DHS website during July 2013. Comments on the SSBG State Plan may be posted to the electronic mailbox (DHS-SSBGMail@michigan.gov) designated for this purpose.

In accordance with federal requirements, the LIHEAP State Plan and SSBG reports are available for review and comment at local DHS offices throughout the state. Comments on the SSBG and LIHEAP State Plans will be received from July 16-31, 2013. Public hearings for LIHEAP will be held July 18, 2013 from 10 a.m.-Noon at Cadillac Place, Conference Room L-150, 3040 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit Michigan and on July 19, 2013 from 10 a.m.-Noon at the Grand Tower, 235 S. Grand Ave., Dempsey Room, Lansing, Michigan. Written comments may be submitted to: Maura Corrigan, Director, Michigan Department of Human Services. P.O. Box 30037, Lansing, MI 48909.



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MSU study: Unattractive or mean people treated worse by co-workers

Workplace can be a lot like high school, researcher says

BY MELISSA ANDERS

LANSING — Unattractive workers suffer from more bullying and cruel behavior in the workplace, according to a study by Michigan State University.

"Frankly, it's an ugly finding," Brent Scott, associate professor of management and lead investigator, said.

Researchers surveyed 114 employees of a large hospital in the southeastern United States about how often their co-workers said hurtful things, made fun of them, or were otherwise cruel or rude.

Four strangers then judged the participants' attractiveness based on digital photos. Researchers also had spouses, partners or friends complete questionnaires to determine the participants' friendliness.

OBITUARIES LIST

Thursday, June 20, 2013

Obituaries are on Page 11. For more information, go to mlive.com.

BELL Robert, 72, of Muskegon (Knoezel-Wolffs Funeral Home)

BRUINING Thomas G., 62, of Muskegon (Systems Funeral Homes, Inc.)

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GAUL Joseph, 59, of Muskegon (Clock Life Story, Muskegon)

GAUTHIER Charlotte A., 84 (Systems Funeral Homes, Inc.)

HICKMANN Mary, 86, of Holland, formerly of Norton Shores

SCHLOEMP Siegfried, 83, of Shelby (Harris Funeral Home)

WEATHERBEE Amy L. (Systems Funeral Homes, Inc.)

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Wednesday, June 19, 2013

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MICHIGAN LOTTERY

Results from Wednesday:

Midday Daily 4: 3-3-9-6

Daily 5: 7-7-0

Late Tuesday result:

Mega Millions: 6, 17, 34, 40, 43

Wednesday's Fantasy 5 jackpot was worth \$458,000.

Wednesday's Classic Lotto 47 jackpot was worth \$7.6 million.

Wednesday's Powerball jackpot was worth \$105 million.

Friday's Mega Millions jackpot is worth \$44 million.

Possible results are available at mlive.com/lottery. The drawing took place after press time.

Scott said, "If you're unattractive and mean, watch out... they were bullied the most," he said.

"The flip side of that, if you're mean but attractive, then the attractiveness sort of buffers that relationship a little bit."

A lot of research shows similar findings in the junior high and high school settings, but this is the first study that links attractive workers with bullying at work, Timothy Judge, from the University of Notre Dame, co-authored the study.

"It's just one of those findings that it might just be important to be aware of," Scott said.

"Much like research on prejudice or discrimination, sometimes just being aware of your own biases... can help to reduce them."

FUTURE AWARD RECIPIENTS RECOGNIZED AT TUESDAY EVENT

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including the Senary Run Expo and the Tulip Time Festival.

Chad Lawler Lawrie is the founder and CEO of Longevity.com, a "virtual assistance" company that began in his Lakeside home in 2010.

Brett Gilbert and Jera Cooki Gilbert and Cook are the owners of Fatty Lumpkins Sandwich Shack, 971 Washington Ave., which opened in June 2011.

Nick Bessinger Bessinger is the executive director of the Muskegon Festival Group, the volunteer organization running the Coast West Music Festival.

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Number of people looking for work grew faster than added jobs

BY MELISSA ANDERS

LANSING — Michigan's jobless rate remained flat at 8.4 percent in May.

Total employment grew by 24,000 over the month, according to data released Wednesday from the Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget.

Despite the improved jobless rate, the number of unemployed rose by 4,000 from April, since the number of people looking for work grew faster than the number of jobs added.

"Michigan's labor market indicators appeared favorable in

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May," Michael Williams, acting director of the state labor market information bureau, said in a statement. "Payroll jobs registered a significant increase, and the size of the work force advanced for the fifth consecutive month."

Michigan's monthly job growth came mostly from the professional and business services sector and the leisure and hospitality industry, which typically adds jobs for the summer tourism season.

Manufacturing has posted the largest year-over-year job gains, followed by leisure and hospitality services, education and health services and professional and business services. The government, information and construction sectors have lost jobs since May 2012.

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400,000 unemployed workers. That hasn't happened since 2008.

The national unemployment rate was 7.6 percent in May, up from 7.5 percent in April. A different measure of the state's economy showed improvement. Commerce Bank on Wednesday said its Michigan Economic Activity Index rose in April.

"Our Michigan Index has shown consistent gains over the first four months of 2013, reflecting improved labor market conditions, strong vehicle production and improved housing market conditions within the state," Comerica Chief Economist Robert Dye said in a statement. "The ongoing economic expansion within the U.S., accompanied by increasing consumer wealth and improving consumer confidence, points to favorable conditions for the state's key auto industry for the remainder of the year."

Michigan's monthly job growth came mostly from the professional and business services sector and the leisure and hospitality industry, which typically adds jobs for the summer tourism season.

Manufacturing has posted the largest year-over-year job gains, followed by leisure and hospitality services, education and health services and professional and business services. The government, information and construction sectors have lost jobs since May 2012.

Since May 2012, the number of unemployed dropped by 33,000, or 7.7 percent, to 395,000. It's the third consecutive month with fewer than

Downtown Muskegon Now. He also works with the American Red Cross and the United Way.

Lisa Rose: Rose is a service line leader of orthopedics, neurosurgery and rehab at Mercy Health Partners. In her role, she connects physicians and physicians' groups and oversees anything related to rehab at Mercy Health's five outpatient clinics and three inpatient units.

Luke Sasser: Sasser is the creative director of the Watermark Center, where he works behind the scenes to put together entertainment events. He has worked on the "Inside the Mitten" concert series, which features Michigan artists, and the "Party in Your Parks" event that was held at the Muskegon Winter Sports Complex this year.

The first Future 15 award recipients were recognized at a Business After Hours event at the MLive/The Muskegon Chronicle offices Tuesday afternoon.

Virtual Middle School Academy

PLAN IF TEACHERS DON'T AGREE, STAFF CUTS POSSIBLE

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payments or district contributions to their 403(b) retirement savings plans for next year, he said.

If teachers don't agree, staff positions might have to be cut, he said.



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World

World briefing

Dubai wants Quran-themed park

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Dubai has added a new item to its top ambitions menu as building the world's largest Ferris wheel and holding out an Angry Birds theme park — a site honoring the Quran.

The estimated \$7.3 million project will include a greenway with plants mentioned in the Islamic holy book and an air-conditioned street depicting events from the Quran.

Dubai media quoted the city's director of projects, Mohammed Noor Al-Mastoom, as saying today the park should be ready in September 2014.

It is a departure from Dubai's emphasis on Western-style tourism, which draws millions of visitors from around the Muslim world but has its detractors.

This week, a Saudi cleric issued a religious edict saying it was a "sin" for Saudi women to visit Dubai, but later softened the opinion after outcry.

Kyrgyzstan to end US airbase lease

BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan (AP) — Kyrgyzstan has voted to end the United States' lease on an airbase key to supplying military operations in nearby Afghanistan. Lawmakers in the southern Central Asian republic voted 91-4 today in favor of ending the agreement in June 2014 to lease the Manas Transit Center. The bill will



take effect when it is signed by President Almazbek Atambayev, who has repeatedly pledged to end the lease. The move comes despite U.S. expectations that the lease would remain in exchange for higher aid. The United States pays 100 million annually for the lease.

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Taliban offers to trade US soldier for Afghans held at Guantanamo

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The Afghan Taliban are ready to free a U.S. army soldier held captive since 2002 in exchange for five of their senior operatives imprisoned in Guantanamo Bay as a condition of peace, a senior spokesman for the group said today.

The offer follows this week's official opening of a Taliban political office in Dubai, the capital of the Gulf state of Qatar.

The newly known American soldier held captive from the

On the Net:

■ <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taliban>

Alpha war is U.S. Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl of Hawaii, Idaho. He disappeared from his base in southeastern Afghanistan on June 30, 2009, and is believed held in Pakistan.

Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said today that Bergdahl "is, in fact, a known, in good condition."

Chinese astronauts offer kids lecture from space

BEIJING (AP) — Astronauts struck floating metal into pieces, tilted gyroscopes and manipulated wobbling globes of water during a lecture today from China's orbiting space station that's part of efforts to popularize the space program among young people.

Wang Yaping demonstrated principles of weightlessness and took questions live from among the 130 grade school kids gathered at a Beijing auditorium during the 10-minute class from aboard the Tiangong-1 space station. Her fellow crew members Nie Haisheng and Zhang Xiaoguang answered questions about living, working and staying fit in space.

"I want to know how you know which way is up," said one student.

During one playful moment, Wang tilted the physical cross-legged horse position familiar to all fans of Chinese martial arts films.

"In space, we're all kind of masters," Wang remarked.

In a later demonstration resembling a magic show, Wang opened completely an increasingly larger suspended ball of water, drawing exclamations of "wow" and polite applause from the students, another 50 million of whom were watching the live TV broadcast in their classrooms. The astronauts also spun gyroscopes and swung a ball on its tether to show how weightlessness affects objects in motion.

The lesson was "aimed at making space more popular," Zhou Haoping, director



Is this image taken today and made from CCTV via Xinhua News Agency, female astronaut Wang Yaping, of Shenzhou 10 spacecraft, makes a water ball in space during a lecture to students on Earth, aboard China's space module Tiangong-1. (AP photo)

of China's manned space program, was quoted as saying by the official Xinhua News Agency. "The spirit of science among youth is an important drive for the progress of mankind," Zhou said.

China's second female astronaut, Wang smiled her way through the chemistry-related class, which more closely resembled a children's TV science program than America's astronaut Chris Hadfield's recent free-wheeling YouTube videos from the International Space Station.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Michigan Department of Transit Services (MDTS) announces the availability of the Fiscal Year 2013 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) State Plan, and the Title XX Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) State Plan.

Public hearing by the MDTS State Plan will be held July 10, 2013, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Grand Hotel, 220 S. Grand Ave., Grand Rapids, Michigan. The CSBG State Plan will be available for public comment beginning July 1, 2013, to the MDTS website at www.mdts.org. It will also be available for review at the Michigan State Agency for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 1000 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, Michigan 48912, from July 1, 2013, to July 10, 2013, and available to a 900-876-6666. Any questions regarding the State Plan should be directed to the MDTS State Plan at 517-325-3042.

The SSBG State Plan is available for public review on the MDTS website starting July 1, 2013. Comments on the SSBG State Plan may be sent to the MDTS website at www.mdts.org or by mail to the MDTS State Plan at 517-325-3042.

If you have any questions regarding the MDTS State Plan, please call 517-325-3042. The MDTS State Plan will be available for public comment from July 1, 2013, to July 10, 2013.

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NorthCare Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency is seeking proposals for the delivery Primary Substance Abuse Prevention Programming. The target population and location of services will be for residents of Alger, Chippewa, Delta, Leelanau, Mackinac, Marquette, Mecumac and Schoolcraft Counties. Completed proposals are due August 1, 2013 by 3:00 p.m. eastern. The Request for Proposal can be viewed @ <http://www.northcare-up.org/sub/prevntion2.html>. Please contact Gery Shelace with questions at gshelace@northcare-up.org or 800.925.7323.

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Appendix B: Certifications

1. Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
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SSBG CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

January 18, 2011

Audience: Social Services Block Grants (SSBG)

Topics: Guidance, Policies, and Procedures

Types: Legislation

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988: 45 CFR Part 76, Subpart, F. Sections 76.630(c) and (d) (2) and 76.645(a)(1) and (b) provide that a Federal agency may designate a central receipt point for STATE-WIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central point is: Division of Grants Management and Oversight, Office of Management and Acquisition, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 517-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20201.

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Instructions for Certification)

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the agency, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. For grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
4. For grantees who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios).
7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
8. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

Controlled substance means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

Conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

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Criminal drug statute means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

Employee means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All direct charge employees; (ii) All indirect charge employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and, (iii) Temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
 Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

The grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
 - (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
 - (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
 - (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
 - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
 - (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
 - (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted --
 - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
 - (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).
- (B) The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)

- (a) The grantee certifies that, as a condition of the grant, he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant;
- (b) If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, he or she will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to every grant officer or other designee, unless the Federal agency designates a central point for the receipt of such notices. When notice is made to such a central point, it shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

[55 FR 21690, 21702, May 25, 1990]

Signature 
 Title Director, Michigan Department of Human Services
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SSBG CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

January 9, 2011

Audience: Social Services Block Grants (SSBG)

Topics: Guidance, Policies, and Procedures

Types: Legislation

CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

Public Law 103227, Part C Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro Children Act of 1994, requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor routinely owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1000 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity by signing and submitting this application the applicant/grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act.

The applicant/grantee further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards which contain provisions for the children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

Signature *Karina J. Cruzon*

Title *Director*

Organization *Michigan Department of Human Services*

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

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Topics: Guidance, Policies, and Procedures

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

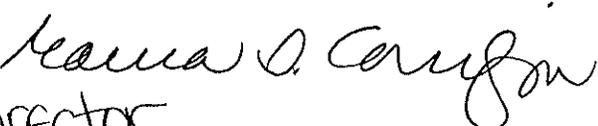
(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Signature 

Title Director

Organization Michigan Department of Human Services

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SSBG CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

January 9, 2011

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Topics: Guidance, Policies, and Procedures

Types: Legislation

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

(1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
 - (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
 - (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions
Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, [[Page 33043]] should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility an Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Signature *Maureen O. Conroy*

Title *Director*

Organization *Michigan Department of Human Services*

Appendix C: Proof of Audit

Federal regulations state that: "Each State shall, not less often than every two years, audit its expenditures from amounts received (or transferred for use) under this title...Within 30 days following the completion of each audit, the State shall submit a copy of that audit to the legislature of the State and to the Secretary." (Sec. 2006 [42 U.S.C. 1397a, Sec. 2006]).

Proof of Audit

The single audit report for the year ended September 30, 2013 is posted on the Office of the Auditor General's website at

http://audgen.michigan.gov/finalpdfs/12_13/r000010013.pdf

In addition, the audit report has been received by the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.

VII. Additional Information

PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF PERSONS APPLYING FOR OR RECEIVING SERVICES FUNDED BY THE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

Confidentiality

Michigan Act 280 of Public Acts of 1939 contains provisions that govern the use and disclosure of information in social services records. These are found in Section 35 and 64 of Act 280, being Sections 400.35 and 400.64, Michigan Compiled Laws. In addition to the state law, the Department has promulgated Administrative Rule 400.6. Other state laws and administrative rules that apply to specific programs include:

- Section 748, Act 258, 1974, being MCLA 330.1748 (Mental Health Code).
- Section 11, Act 220, 1935, being MCLA 400.211 (MCI Act).
- Section 8, Act 150, 1974, being MCLA 803.308 (Youth Rehabilitation Act).
- Section 5 and 7, Act 238, 1975 as amended by Act 372, 1988, being MCLA 722.627 and 722.627 (Child Protection Act)
- Section 67 and 68, Act 296, 1974, as amended by Act 116, 1980 and Act 505, 1988, being MCLA 710.67-68 (Adoption Code).
- Section 13, Act 442, 1977, being MCLA 15.243 (Freedom of information Act).
- Section 28, Act 288, 1939, as amended by Act 330, 1982; Act 420, 1984; Act 170, 1986; Act 18 and 91, 1988; and Act 73, 1989 being MCLA 712A.28 (Juvenile Code).
- Section 10, Act 116, 1973, being MCLA 772.120 (Child Care Organization Act).
- Section 12, Act 218, 1979, being MCLA 400.712 (Adult Foster Facility Licensing Act).
- The law and the administrative rules provide protection of confidentiality for clients in services programs supported by Social Services Block Grant funds.

Hearings and Appeals

Act 280 of Public Acts of 1939, Section 65, as amended by Act 401, 1965, being Section 400.65 of Michigan Compiled Laws, specifies that the department shall prescribe rules

and regulations for the conduct of hearings, appeals and complaints. Administrative Rule 400.901-922 provides the same hearing procedure for all department clients.

Standards of Promptness

Administrative Rule 400.2 states that applications shall be processed within the standard of promptness established in federal regulations. With the elimination of any federal regulations governing the standard of promptness for Title XX Social Services, programming receiving Social Services Block Grant funds will be governed by department policy. Department policy will continue with standards of promptness for Social Services Block Grant funded services that require processing applications within 45 days.