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Administration for Children and Families
Division of State Assistance/Office of Community Services
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Dear Ms. Werner:

RE: Social Services Block Grant: Intended Use Report 2009-2010

Enclosed please find the Intended Use Report for the 2009-2010 Social Services Block Grant (SSBG). The report covers the state fiscal year, July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. A brief overview of the intended use of the Hurricane Relief Supplemental Funds (H.R.2863) and Disaster Assistance Funds (H.R. 2638) is presented in Appendix A and B, and the Certifications are found in Appendix C.

Please contact Bridget S. Clark, Section Administrator, at (225) 342-2416 or Melissa Maiello, Program Manager, at (225) 342-3910 if you have questions or require additional information. Acknowledgement of receipt of this report would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

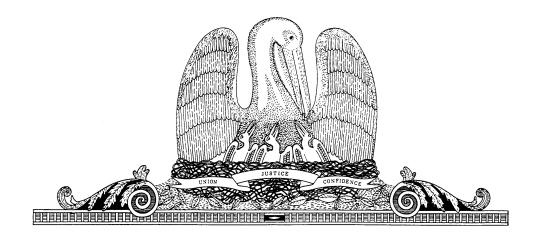
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## Title XX Social Services Block Grant FINAL INTENDED USE REPORT



Bobby Jindal, Governor Chief Executive Officer of the State

State Fiscal Year: July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010



Kristy H. Nichols, Secretary

<u>Department of Social Services</u>

Designated State Services Agency

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Louisiana Department of Social Services, Office of Community Services, is the designated State Services Agency for administration of the federal Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) to Louisiana. The Social Services Block Grant, which was established in 1981, consolidated federal assistance for social services into a single grant, where formerly funding had been separately allotted for training, child day care and general social services. The legislation creating the SSBG was contained in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 [Public Law 97-35], which amended Title XX of the Social Security Act. (The Title XX Social Services Program, originated in October 1975, established comprehensive social services assistance for individuals and families.)

Prior to its expenditure of Social Services Block Grant funds, each state must make a report on its intended use of the funds. This is Louisiana's plan for the twenty-ninth SSBG and thirty-fourth Title XX program period.

This plan is intended to fulfill the requirements of Section 2004 of Title XX of the Social Security Act, as amended. It describes the types of activities to be supported and the categories or characteristics of individuals to be served through use of block grant funds and any appropriations of state funds for social services listed in this plan. Provision of these services is subject to the availability of state and federal funds. In the event funds are totally or partially unavailable, necessary reductions in the services outlined in this plan may be made. Should there be need for service reductions or elimination, SSBG funds will be re-allocated to other services listed in this Plan.

The State of Louisiana defines the administration and delivery of services, both purchased and direct, derived from multiple funding sources, as actual costs in the provision of social services to the citizens of the State.

Louisiana's allocation of SSBG funds is based on the ratio of the State's population to the nation's population. The SSBG website (<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/ssbg/index.html">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/ssbg/index.html</a>) lists the State of Louisiana's allotment for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2009 as \$24,062,368 and for FFY 2010 as \$24,062,368. Because the State Fiscal Year (SFY) does not track the FFY, projected SFY 2009-2010 SSBG grant funds are calculated at 75% of the FFY 2010 grant (\$18,046,776) plus 25% of the FFY 2009 grant (\$6,015,592) plus \$ 16,397,196 in TANF transfer funds, for a total of \$40,459,564. The allotments to the States are contingent upon Congressional appropriations for the fiscal year. If Congress enacts and the President approves a different authorization or appropriation amount, the allotments will be adjusted proportionately. Availability of SSBG federal funds is estimated by quarters, since the state and federal fiscal years do not coincide. Louisiana's estimated SSBG expenditure for State Fiscal Year 2009-2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010) is \$40,459,564.

The proposed SSBG Intended Use Report includes an additional \$220,901,534. Louisiana's allocation of Hurricane Relief Funds as part of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act (H.R. 2863). These funds represent a one-time allocation that originally required expenditure by September 30, 2007. The time frame for expenditure was extended to September 30, 2009. The remaining Hurricane Relief Funds available for expenditure during SFY 2009-2010 is approximately \$18,764,830. These funds are treated as separate and apart funding from Louisiana's regular Social Services Block Grant funds, and the use of these funds is described in Appendix A of the Intended Use Report. These funds are treated separately because of the stated purpose of these funds and their intended use in Louisiana.

The proposed SSBG Intended Use Report also includes an additional \$129,737,880, Louisiana's allocation of the Social Services Emergency Disaster Relief grant as part of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act (H.R. 2638). These funds represent a one-time allocation that requires expenditure by September 30, 2010. These funds are treated as separate and apart funding from Louisiana's regular Social Services Block Grant funds, and the use of these funds is described in Appendix B of the Intended Use Report. These funds are treated separately because of the stated purpose of these funds and their intended use in Louisiana.

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#### **CHAPTER I**

#### SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM IN LOUISIANA

#### **GOALS**

The State of Louisiana will administer Title XX Block Grant Social Services through the Department of Social Services in accordance with Title XX of the Social Security Act as amended, and with applicable federal regulations including 45 CFR Part 96 – Block Grants, by providing services to low-income and vulnerable individuals and families directed toward the goals of:

- I. Achieving or maintaining economic self-support to prevent, reduce, or eliminate dependency;
- II. Achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency (i.e., reduction or prevention of dependency);
- III. Preventing or remedying neglect/abuse or exploitation of children; preserving, rehabilitating, or reuniting families;
- IV. Preventing or reducing inappropriate institutional care by providing for community-based care, home-based care, or other forms of less intensive care; or
- V. Securing referral or admission for institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate or providing services to individuals in institutions.

#### LIMITATIONS ON USE OF SSBG FUNDS

The following are prohibited uses of SSBG funds as set forth in the Title XX statute, as amended:

SEC 2005.[42 U.S.C. 1397d] (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) grants made under this title may not be used by the State, or by any other person with which the State makes arrangements to carry out the purposes of this title—

- (1) For the purchase or improvement of land, or the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement (other than minor remodeling) of any building or other facility;
- (2) For the provision of cash payments for costs of subsistence or for the provision of room and board (other than costs of subsistence during rehabilitation, room and board provided for a short term as an integral but subordinate part of a social service, or temporary emergency shelter provided as a protective service);
- (3) For payment of the wages of any individual as a social service (other than payment of the wages of welfare recipients employed in the provision of child day care services);
- (4) For the provision of medical care (other than family planning services, rehabilitation services, or initial detoxification of an alcoholic or drug dependent individual) unless it is an integral but subordinate part of a social service for which grants may be used under this title;
- (5) For social services (except services to an alcoholic or drug dependent individual or rehabilitation services) provided in and by employees of any hospital, skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or prison, to any individual living in such institution;
- (6) For the provision of any educational service which the State makes generally available to its residents without cost and without regard to their income;

- (7) For any child day care services unless such services meet applicable standards of State and local law;
- (8) For the provision of cash payments as a service (except as otherwise provided in this section); or
- (9) For payment for any item or service (other than an emergency item or service) furnished—
  - (A) By an individual or entity during the period when such individual or entity is excluded pursuant to section 1128 or section 1128A from participation in the program under this title, or
  - (B) At the medical direction or on the prescription of a physician during the period when the physician is excluded pursuant to section 1128 or section 1128A from participation in the program under this title and when the person furnishing such item or service knew or had reason to know of the exclusion (after a reasonable time period after reasonable notice has been furnished to the person).

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### INDIVIDUALS TO BE SERVED AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Under Title XX of the Social Security Act as amended, states are allotted a set amount of federal funds as social service grants and are encouraged to furnish services directed at the goals listed in this plan. The State is responsible for identifying the categories or characteristics of individuals to be served through use of block grant funds.

Louisiana through its Department of Social Services, Office of Community Services, will utilize its allotted funds to provide comprehensive social services on behalf of children and families in fulfillment of legislative mandates for child protection and child welfare programs. These mandated services, and certain other essential social services, are designated for provision without regard to income (WRI) to individuals having need of these specified services. Individuals to be served also include low-income persons defined in this Plan meeting eligibility criteria for services provided under this Plan. The delivery of services through direct provision and purchase of services, and the administration of these program services, are costs to the Social Services Block Grant.

#### **NEED**

An individual's eligibility for services provided under this Plan depends primarily upon his having a defined need for the services. "Need" for a particular service implies that the provision of that service will assist the individual or members of his family to advance toward the achievement of at least one of the five Title XX program goals listed in this plan.

Defining the basis of need for a service requires assessment of the individual's situation to determine whether (a) the service would be helpful to the individual in meeting specific objectives and (b) a reasonable likelihood exists for his achieving the service objective if the service is provided.

Part of the eligibility determination must include the assessment that the individual is in vulnerable circumstances or potentially at risk, or that the individual is unable to secure the service for himself.

In addition to having an established need, an individual must be included in the description of an eligible category and reside in an area of the State where the particular service component he needs is available.

#### **ELIGIBLE CATEGORIES**

- **LaCHIP -** Louisiana Children's **H**ealth Insurance Program offers health care assistance to children between the ages of 6 and 19 years. Eligibility for the program is based on the family's income.
- WRI Individuals, without regard to income, who are in need of Adoption, Child Protection, Family Services, and/or Foster Care/Residential Habilitation services. Other services may be provided WRI when specifically authorized by OCS personnel for individual cases or for designated high risk groups.

Individuals, without regard to income, who are recipients of Title IV-E Adoption Assistance as amended by U.S. Public Law 96-272. This shall include Adoption Assistance recipients who relocate to Louisiana from another state that is signatory to the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance.

**TANF** Recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and those persons whose needs were taken into account in determining the needs of TANF recipients.

Recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments, or state supplemental payments, and blind and disabled individuals eligible for such payments except for their earned income.

Income Eligible: Families with gross incomes which do not exceed 125 percent of the poverty level, as published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at <a href="http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/09poverty.shtml">http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/09poverty.shtml</a>. The published poverty income guideline for all states except Alaska and Hawaii is an annual gross income of \$22,050 for a family of four. The following chart shows 125 percent of the poverty level adjusted for size. A family of four (4) persons with a monthly gross income of not more than \$2297 is income eligible for services.

**Definition of Family**: Family means the basic family unit consisting of one or more adults an children, if any, related by blood, or law, and residing in the same household. Where adults, other than spouses, reside together, each shall be considered a separate family. Cohabitating non-legal spouses are considered separate families. When children are present in the home with non-legal spouses, the parent who has primary responsibility for the care of his/her <u>natural</u> children shall be considered as being in the same family unit with the children. Emancipated minors, foster children, and children living under the care of individuals not legally responsible for their care shall be considered one person families.

**Group Eligibles:** Title XIX (Medicaid) recipients and applicants for Title XIX (Medicaid) vendor payment for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) or Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) services, residing within the State.

#### **INCOME SCALE** (125% of Poverty Level)

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUAL GROSS INCOME	MONTHLY GROSS INCOME
1	\$13,538	\$ 1,128
2	18,213	1,518
3	22,888	1,907
4	27,563	2,297
5	32,238	2,686
6	36,913	3,076
7	41,588	3,466
8	46,263	3,855

For family units with more than eight (8) persons, add \$4,675 annually or \$390 monthly for each additional member.

#### STATEWIDE AUTOMATED CHILD WELFARE INFORMATION SYSTEM

OCS's Tracking, Information and Payment System (TIPS) is a computerized on-line, statewide interagency information management and payment system capable of tracking client information and generating payments for Office of Community Services (OCS) clients. TIPS has been modified to collect and report the required data for the federally mandated Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) and National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS). However, it does not provide effective case management tools nor lend itself to the changing automation and information needs of agency staff in a timely manner. Consequently, costs to the SSBG include the development and implementation of a Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS). This system is referred to as A Comprehensive Enterprise Social Services System (ACESS) and is envisioned to provide a comprehensive case management and eligibility system that provides web access for clients, staff, providers and other business partners. It is expected to provide automation for all of the primary business functions for the program areas and many of the administrative functions necessary to support staff and administration. designed to ultimately support the business activities of the entire department of Social Services and specifically meet all SACWIS requirements and OCS needs. The ACESS Project became fully operational statewide in September 2006.

#### **SLIDING FEE SCALE**

The Department shall allow for co-payments to be collected from recipients of certain services according to sliding fee scales, which are or may be established by the Department. Any sliding fee scales, which may be adopted during the year, will be available to the public.

The co-payment collected from a service recipient plus the OCS reimbursement rate may meet but shall not exceed the actual cost or usual fee for delivering the service. The family/client will be furnished a copy of the sliding fee scale for their information.

#### **ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION**

Administrative responsibility for determining individuals eligible for direct delivered and other appropriate services, and for certifying group eligibles for a service, rests with the Office of Community Services, except for situations where sub-recipient contractors may be designated to determine eligibility.

To the degree feasible, an eligibility decision on applications is made at the time the application is taken. Applicants and recipients have the right to appeal any decision concerning eligibility or eligibility re-determination for services, the continuation, termination, or reduction of services, or failure to act with reasonable promptness on a request for services. Notices of agency actions or anticipated actions are provided to applicants and recipients advising of proper procedures for requesting a fair hearing.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

The release of information from social service applications or case records shall be in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 46:56 as amended, and Chapter 5 of Title 12 in the Louisiana Children's Code regarding agency records of adoption proceedings. Copies of the statutes and related policy material may be requested from DSS Office of Community Services, Post Office Box 3318, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821.

#### **DIRECT DELIVERED SERVICES**

The direct method of delivery for services so designated in this Plan refers to direct provision by the Office of Community Services through its staff and by vendors, including ancillary professional services.

#### PURCHASE OF SERVICES (POS) CONTRACTS

OCS will limit contractual providers' administrative costs to not more than 9% of funds contracted for purchase of services. This provision is to ensure maximum utilization of available funds for client services. Exceptions may be granted when written requests with justifications are submitted and approved.

#### **INFORMATION AND REFERRAL**

Inherent in administration and program operations of services defined in this Plan are Information and Referral (I & R) activities, which involve the dissemination of information to individuals about services offered under Title XX and related service programs (Public Information), and referrals to appropriate resources, including activities responding to emergency assistance requests. The cost of such I & R activities are absorbed by all services defined in this Plan.

#### **REGULATORY SERVICES**

Costs to the SSBG may include services for implementation and operation of licensing, certification, and registration programs which develop and enforce minimum standards for facilities, agencies, administrators, and practitioners involved in provision of services under this Plan and related service programs.

#### FAMILY FOSTER AND RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY RATE SETTING

Costs to the SSBG may include services for implementation and operation of a family foster and residential care system, which shall establish reasonable rates of reimbursement for foster families and residential care. A competitive solicitation process is used to select providers and establish rates.

#### **CASE MANAGEMENT**

Specifications for all services set forth in this Plan include requisite case management activities, which entail evaluation of referrals, assessment of service need, arrangements for utilization, referrals and follow-up.

#### OCS STAFF LOCATIONS/DIRECT DELIVERY SERVICE LOCATIONS

The following four pages list the locations of OCS parish, regional, and state office staff.

### DIRECT DELIVERY SERVICE LOCATIONS Office of Community Services Parish Offices

Acadia	Allen	Ascension
600 North Avenue G	209 North 16 <sup>th</sup> Street	1078 E. Worthy
P.O. Drawer 649	P.O. Drawer B M	P.O. Box 1269
	Oakdale, LA 71463	
Crowley, LA 70527-0649 (337) 788-7503	(318) 335-1740	Gonzales, LA 70707-1269 (225) 644-4603
	Avoyelles	Beauregard
Assumption No Parish Office	930 North Main Street	1877 Hwy. 190 West
	Marksville, LA 71351	P.O. Drawer 1117
Refer to Thibodaux Region	(318) 253-7734	DeRidder, LA 70634 (337) 463-2056
Bienville	Bossier	Caddo (337) 403-2030
No Parish Office	3808 Kilpatrick Drive	1525 Fairfield Ave.
Refer to Webster Parish	Bossier City, LA 71112	424 State Office Bldg
Refer to webster ransii	(318) 741-7340	Shreveport, LA 71101-4388 (318)676-7323
Calcasieu	(318) 741-7340 Caldwell	Cameron (318)070-7323
1919 Kirkman Street	No Parish Office	No Parish Office
P.O. Box 1850	Refer to Ouachita Parish	Refer to Calcasieu Parish
	Refer to Quacinta Parish	Refer to Calcasieu Parisii
Lake Charles, LA 70602 (337) 491-2470		
Catahoula	Claiborne	Concordia
124 Airport Road	No Parish Office	100 Serio Blvd.
Jonesville, LA 71343	Refer to Webster Parish	Ferriday, LA 71334-1755 (318) 757-3667
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#### **CHAPTER III**

#### **SERVICES**

#### **SERVICE: ADOPTION**

[SSBG Uniform Service Category: Adoption Services]

**Definition**: The provision of permanent homes and legal parentage for children who are, or may be expected to become, available for adoption.

Service provision includes evaluation of referrals, assessment of child's need, development and implementation of an individualized plan of service, preparation of pre-adoptive study and plan, arrangements for utilization of appropriate resources and follow-up.

#### **Service Activities:**

- 1. Recruitment, study and approval of potential adoptive families;
- 2. individual/group counseling and assessment for children, biological parents, and adoptive parents before and during placement. Counseling for a limited time with biological parents;
- 3. selection of adoptive parents, placement of child, and supervision of the adoption home;
- 4. acceptance of children voluntarily surrendered by their legal and/or biological parents and arrangements for their pre-adoptive care and supervision;
- 5. acceptance of children abandoned under Safe Haven legislation provisions; initiation of actions to make children available for adoption through legal termination of parental rights; and to effect legal transfer of children to adoptive parents;
- 6. provision of legal services to make children available for adoption and establish new parentage;
- 7. preparation of home studies and written confidential reports to the courts on private, agency, and intra-family adoptive placements;
- 8. provision of intrastate and interstate adoption information exchange services;
- 9. maintenance and management of referrals to the *AdoptUsKids* website to publicize waiting children and families to Louisiana adoption agencies, and to adoption support groups in and out of state;
- 10. recruitment, study, and approval of adoptive homes for specific children with special needs;
- 11. purchase of adoption services from licensed private agencies for recruitment, study, approval, placement and placement supervision;
- 12. medical, psychological, and psychiatric evaluations and treatment for children in adoptive placement to determine appropriateness of and/or to sustain the placement;

13. certification of families to receive maintenance subsidies, and/or special services subsidies

to facilitate the adoption of special needs children and to sustain adoptions;

14. arrangements for interstate placement of children and for reciprocal supervision of such

placements through Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children;

15. provision of, or arrangements for, transportation when necessary for delivery of adoption

services when such transportation is not otherwise available;

16. expanded use of media recruitment as a vehicle for identifying prospective adoptive homes;

17. arrangements for the notification of Title XIX entitlement in state of residence for Title IV-E

Adoption Assistance eligible children through the Interstate Compact on Adoption and;

medical Assistance

18. reevaluation of each IV-E and non IV-E family receiving an adoption subsidy every 5 years

and annually, respectively, to determine eligibility for recertification;

19. provision of ongoing reevaluation of each child's pre-existing medical or psychiatric

condition at the time of payment request to assure that payment is made appropriately and

that all other resources have been explored and ruled out before subsidy funds are be used;

20. initial assessment of each applicant applying for an adoption subsidy to assure that he/she qualifies for services according to the definition of a child with "special needs" as defined

by the State and to initiate an Adoption Subsidy Agreement that is effective until the child's

18<sup>th</sup> birthday in accordance with eligibility guidelines;

21. provision or arrangement of a limited number and range of post-adoptive services designed

to help retain adoptive homes; specialized recruitment/retention activities by adoptive parent

support groups; and

22. maintenance of the Louisiana Voluntary Adoption Reunion Registry to help reunite adult

adoptees and consenting birth parents and adult birth siblings.

Federal Goals: III, IV

**State Objectives:** 

1. To provide adoptive services to children available for adoption.

2. To provide reports to the court on adoption petitions filed in the State.

Eligible Categories WRI: All children determined by OCS to be in need of this service

Method of Delivery: Direct

SSBG Recipient Reporting Class: Children

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#### **SERVICE: CHILD PROTECTION**

[SSBG Uniform Service Category: Protective Services for Children]

**Definition**: Protective and therapeutic intervention on behalf of individuals under 18 years of age, who are in danger, or threatened with danger, of abuse, neglect or exploitation, or who are without proper custody or guardianship. The focus of this intervention shall be the safety of the child, the rehabilitation of the family, and, whenever possible, the maintenance of the child within his own home.

Note: The *Louisiana Children's Code* is the legal basis for the State providing this service without the consent of those served.

Service provision, includes investigation or an alternative response family assessment of complaints, reports, and referrals alleging abuse, neglect, or exploitation of children or alleging that children are without proper custody or guardianship; evaluation of circumstances including a safety and risk assessment; assessment of need for this and other services to prevent removal and rehabilitate the family; referrals and follow-up. Reports are accepted and responded to on a priority basis in accordance with the degree of risk and available resources. For reports which are identified as low risk and there is no serious and immediate threat to the child's health or safety, they are assigned to Alternative Response Family Assessment (ARFA).

#### **Service Activities for Investigation Only:**

- 1. determination as to whether a report is valid; report valid cases to the appropriate district attorney;
- 2. requests for court intervention to order services/removal of custody in non-emergency cases in which the home situation presents substantial long term risk to the child/children;
- 3. intervention through request to court for instanter order to effect immediate removal of the child/children from the home in emergency cases; placement in licensed shelter care facility or foster home;
- 4. arrangements for alternative living arrangements with suitable relatives, state approved non-related family (i.e., neighbors) or approved foster family, or residential placement; and
- 5. short term voluntary/involuntary emergency shelter care, up to 30 days in any six month period, when the need is documented by state agency personnel (30 days may be consecutive or may accumulate over more than one stay).

#### Service Activities for Investigation and ARFA:

- 1. assessment of safety and of future risk from child abuse/neglect to the child/children;
- 2. Medical, psychological, and psychiatric evaluations of both the children and parents, as an integral but subordinate part of this service, when necessary to assess or

substantiate the circumstances of abuse, neglect or exploitation or to assess the need for services, and such evaluations are not otherwise available;

participation in development and implementation of a time limited service plan, when circumstances warrant, to include prevention services, protective supervision, removal

when necessary, and to specify needed services;

arrangements for securing and utilizing homemaker services and mental health 4.

counseling, therapy and related services as indicated;

5. short term counseling, information, and referral to service agencies that are supportive

to the delivery of this service;

referrals for ancillary services - Title XIX, Public Assistance, Food Stamps, Social

Security benefits, etc;

medical examination and treatment services, when not otherwise available, in 7.

emergency situations to alleviate pain and suffering, as an integral but subordinate

part of this service; and

8. arrangements for or provision of transportation when necessary to the delivery of this

service and not otherwise available.

Federal Goal: III

State Objective: To remove, ameliorate, arrest or impede the progression of the conditions that

endanger or threaten to endanger children through intervention efforts or through

actions to obtain substitute care when necessary

Eligible Categories: WRI: All children under 18 years of age and their families, referred for or reported to be in need of this service. Such children and their families are eligible for any other

service in this plan when such service is considered by state personnel to be necessary. Although any provider agency may provide services to an identified child protection investigation case without regard to income, the Office of Community Services has sole responsibility for eligibility

determination. Any service provided to such cases by provider agencies must be specifically

authorized by Office of Community Services on an individual basis.

Method of Delivery: Direct

SSBG Recipient Reporting Class: Children

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#### SERVICE: PREVENTION AND FAMILY SERVICES

[SSBG Uniform Service Category: Prevention and Intervention Services]

**Definition**: Social services provided to families subsequent to validation of a report of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, or to certain high risk groups. Family services may include pre-placement preventive services provided to the family with the children still in the home or services offered to the family while the children are temporarily placed with relatives or other caregivers.

Service provision includes assessment of familial function/dysfunction, development of a service plan, and provision of or arrangements for the services identified in the case plan.

#### **Service Activities:**

- 1. Assessment of family functioning, medical, psychological, and/or psychiatric evaluations of both children and parents, as an integral but subordinate part of this service, when necessary to assess the family's ability to meet the safety and well being needs of their children;
- 2. arrangements for securing and utilizing family support services, as indicated by the service plan;
- 3. participation in family team conferences, case reviews, staffings, and court reviews, etc. to determine the continued appropriateness of the case plan;
- 4. evidence based family focused therapeutic interventions provided to the child or the child's family aimed at ameliorating or remedying personal and/or family problems;
- 5. arrangement for legal services or actions as need indicates;
- 6. arrangement for or provision of transportation, in-home based services (IHBS and MST), Family Resource Center services, or other activities necessary to the delivery of family services;
- 7. develop community awareness of specific problems which have negative impact on children and families; and
- 8. arrangement for, or provision of, specialized parent training in meeting children's physical and emotional needs;

**Note**: When activities are to develop community awareness (7) or are targeted to groups of parents (8) providers may be exempt from individualized case management/eligibility documentation activities. Such providers may be required to submit program narrative reports to OCS.

Federal Goals: II. III. IV

**State Objective**: To provide pre-placement prevention or reunification services to families

**Eligible Categories**: WRI: All individuals determined by state personnel to be in need of this service subsequent to an investigation of alleged child abuse or neglect or to certain high risk groups. Individuals/families whose need for Family Services is documented by state personnel are also eligible for all other needed services defined in this plan and necessary to the fulfillment of the service plan.

**Method of Delivery**: Direct (including vendor services)

SSBG Recipient Reporting Class: Adults and Children

#### SERVICE: FOSTER CARE/RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION SERVICES

[SSBG Uniform Service Category: Foster Care Services for Children]

#### **Definition**:

**Foster Care** is a planned protective service provided to children in the custody of DSS (or transitioning from the custody of DSS) who are unable to live with their parents and who require maintenance outside of their normal environment because of parental neglect or abuse. It provides substitute, temporary care (e.g. family foster home, relative home, group home, emergency shelter, residential care facility, etc.) for a planned period of time when a child must be separated from his own parents or relatives. Foster care is viewed as an interim process to provide care for a child until he is reunited with his family or until he is provided with another type of permanent living situation.

Service provision includes assessment of child safety, risk of harm to child, family functioning, assessment of need for services, arrangement for provision and utilization of services, coordination of service delivery by multiple service providers, evaluation of effectiveness of services in reducing risk of harm to children and meeting child's needs for safety, permanency and well-being.

**Residential Habilitation** provides treatment and/or training, for individuals with special needs or who are unable to function successfully in family settings or lack access to an appropriate family setting. Many of these individuals have special needs including, but not limited to, physical, mental or neurological conditions, emotional disturbances or behavior disorders, and may include older youth transitioning from foster care to independent living or another type of permanent living situation.

#### **Service Activities:**

- 1. Acceptance of custody of children through voluntary agreement, court order or legal surrender in accordance with agency policy and federal and state law;
- 2. identification, selection, and arrangements for placement (foster family homes, specialized foster family homes, relative/kinship homes, restrictive care facilities or other appropriate placement for basic care, required treatment, habilitation or transitional services), supervision of placement and planning for discharge or replacement as the need dictates;
- 3. assessment of the functional capacity of the family;
- 4. development and implementation of the individual's and family's case/treatment plans based on assessed needs;
- 5. participation in family team conferences, administrative reviews, court reviews, and permanency hearings for identification of a permanent plan for the child;
- 6. provision of supportive and concrete reunification services to reduce risk of harm to children and overcome or alleviate circumstances resulting in the child's removal and/or to overcome barriers to the child's return home as resources permit;

- 7. provision of individual, family, and/or group counseling, when not otherwise available, (including social group therapy, parenting education, etc.) in support of improved functional capacity of the primary client and/or family, foster family, etc.;
- 8. provision of medical services when not available through Medicaid such as diagnosis, treatment, supervision, prescribed laboratory tests, appliances, aids, supplies, medicine, glasses, and prostheses;
- 9. provision of remedial resources, when not otherwise available through Medicaid or local school systems, or community services, such as physical, social, educational, psychological, and psychiatric examinations;
- 10. provision of assistance in acquiring Medicaid dental and orthodontic care, as an integral but subordinate part of this service, when absolutely necessary to the medical care of the child and not otherwise available:
- 11. provision of short term room and board not to exceed twelve (12) consecutive months, or short term hospital services, including psychiatric or substance abuse, as an integral but subordinate part of this service, when necessary to the delivery of this service;
- 12. provision of training or instruction in self-help and daily living skills, adaptive behavior (behavior management, "token economics", etc.), and/or housing assistance to assist individuals to achieve successful independent living and social functioning;
- 13. provision of educational training opportunities and employment assistance for recipients to include books, supplies, living allowances, and short term room and board, as an integral but subordinate part of this service;
- 14. provision of clothing when the need arises due to emergencies, unusual situations, and one time needs including graduation clothing and layettes for newborns; provision of an individual's routine clothing needs when approved;
- 15. recruitment, study, and approval of foster family homes and specialized foster family homes;
- 16. pre-service and in-service training of foster parents and support of foster parents; training of caregivers in appropriate alternative placements;
- 17. re-evaluation of foster homes at prescribed intervals;
- 18. evaluation and supervision of interstate placements under the provisions of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children;
- 19. provision of monthly subsidies to approved foster family homes to care for children with special needs, and provision of respite care as needed to afford foster parents and caregivers with temporary relief from their care giving responsibilities as needed to sustain placements and foster home resources;
- 20. provision of transportation for individual and escort, when applicable, and/or in-home services when necessary to the delivery of this service and not otherwise available;

- 21. provision of opportunities for school/church/facility activities or other recreation on or off site including field trips, summer camps, vacations, music or dance lessons, and similar activities;
- 22. maintenance of family ties and involvement in preparation for individuals' return to their own homes or relatives' homes, when applicable;
- 23. provision of specialized social services for families of children in foster care, including information and referral services to agency programs and community resources, and follow-up on these services;
- 24. provision of specialized social services designed to meet the particular social/developmental needs of individuals who are blind, deaf, or neurologically disabled;
- 25. provision of after- care planning for individuals after departure from placement;
- 26. provision of opportunities through referral to appropriate state agencies for sheltered employment within facilities and/or in the surrounding community for individuals who cannot function in the competitive job market, or training for individuals to enter the competitive job market;
- 27. provision of temporary living arrangements outside the residential habilitation facility other than regular full-time residential care or regular own-home living (includes, but not limited to respite care); and
- 28. securing legal services, expert testimony, and initiating court action to support permanency planning.

Federal Goals: I, II, III, IV, V

**State Objective**: (Foster Care) To limit the number of children in permanent foster care (over 12 months) to 16% of the total foster care population.

Foster family care is viewed as the optimum placement setting for most children in the foster care system. OCS utilizes a number of different types of foster homes, including those with special training in the care of children with specific needs or problems. In- home Intensive Home Based Services (IHBS) or Multi systemic therapy (MST) services may be utilized to support and assist foster families in the care of children with special needs or problems. Those children who require a level of therapeutic intervention or behavior management not available in a family setting are placed in residential treatment facilities until they are able to function in a less restrictive setting.

Casework services in the Foster Care Program include assessment and service planning with the child and his family, arrangements for or direct provision of identified services such as counseling, parent education, client advocacy, and assistance in developing financial resources.

Eligible Categories: WRI: All individuals determined to be in need of this service by OCS.

This service area excludes payment for room and board except as noted in numbers 10 and 12 above. Subsidy payments as in activity number 18 and thirty (30) days emergency room and board are allowable.

**Method of Delivery**: Direct Purchased: Reportable Unit of Service: One unit per day of placement

**SSBG Recipient Reporting Class**: Children. The term child for reporting purposes is defined to include minor individuals younger than age eighteen and those recipients eighteen years of age and older who were in state custody on their eighteenth birthday and continue to receive services through contractual arrangements.

#### PRIORITIES FOR SERVICE PROVISION

Since March 1981, the State's planning for the provision of social services has been based on the following categories of priority:

- **Priority 1**. Life Support those services which if denied would place individuals at life threatening risk.
- **Priority 2.** Essential Services, although non-life support, which maintain individual health and support the family unit.
- **Priority 3**. Those services which are important but do not meet the criteria of 1 and 2 above or are available from another source.

LA Revised Statute 36:477, c (1) specifies that the Office of Community Services shall perform the public child welfare functions of the state, including but not limited to prevention services which promote, facilitate, and support activities to prevent child abuse and neglect; child protective services; making permanent plans for foster children and meeting their daily maintenance needs of food, shelter, clothing, necessary physical medical services, school supplies, and incidental personal needs; and adoption placement services for foster children freed for adoption.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### **FUNDING RESOURCES**

Section 2003 of Title XX of the Social Security Act as amended authorizes and Congress has appropriated the amount of \$1.7 billion for Federal Fiscal Year 2009 Title XX allotments for all of the States and Territories.

The SSBG website (http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/ssbg/index.html) specifies the amount of Louisiana's FY 2010 allotment as being \$24,062,368, plus \$16,397,196 in TANF Transfer Funds for a total of \$40,459,564. SSBG funds are available to the State for expenditure in the Federal Fiscal Year appropriated and in the following Federal Fiscal Year.

The appropriation and allocation of funds according to this plan are subject to legislative and gubernatorial approval as well as the availability of federal and state funds. In the event that funds are not available in the amounts anticipated, necessary reductions will be made in the budgeted services outlined in this Intended Use Report.

Federal Fiscal Years (October 1 through September 30) and State Fiscal Years (July 1 through June 30) overlap; therefore, the formula used in estimating funding available for the State Fiscal Year 2009-2010 is as follows:

Total	\$ 40,459,564
TANF Transfer	\$ 16,397,196
First 3 quarters of FFY 2010 (75% of \$24,062,368)	\$ 18,046,776
4 <sup>th</sup> quarter of FFY 2009 (25% of \$24,062,368)	\$ 6,015,592

The following table reflects the anticipated expenditures of SSBG funds by service area for direct and purchased services. The delivery of services derived from multiple funding sources, and the administration of those service programs, are costs to the Social Services Block Grant.

SERVICE	PROJECTED EXPENDITURES
Adoption	\$ 1,393,114
Foster Care – Children	\$ 17,599,155
Prevention/Intervention	\$ 1,832,549
Independent/Transitional Living Services	\$ 126,174
Protective Services – Children	\$ 1,422,641
Administrative Cost	\$ 1,688,735
TOTAL	\$ 40,459,564

STATE: Louisiana	FISCAL YEAR:	2010	Report Period:
Contact Person:Debbie Johnson	Phone Number: (225) 342-2766		July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010
Title: Director	E-Mail Address: djohns13@dss.state	e.la.us	
Agency: DSS - Office of Community Services	Submission Date: April 17, 2009		

	SSBG Funds			×		
Service Supported with SSBG Funds			Expenditures of All Other	9355-050	Provision	
	SSBG	transferred	Federal, State and Local	Total	Method	
1	Allocation	into SSBG*	funds**	Expenditures	Public	Private
1 Adoption Services	\$1,393,114	\$1,539,893	\$32,748,723	\$35,681,730	X	X
2 Case Management						
3 Congregate Meals						
4 Counseling Services						
5 Day Care - Adults						
6 Day Care - Children			\$5,477,470	\$5,477,470	X	
7 Education and Training Services						
8 Employment Services						
9 Family Planning Services						
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults						
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	\$17,599,155	\$8,224,702	\$111,778,327	\$137,602,184	X	
12 Health Related Services						
13 Home Based Services						
14 Home Delivered Meals						
15 Housing Services	gio					
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.	\$126,174		\$2,058,382	\$2,184,556	X	X
17 Info. & Referral Services						
18 Legal Services						
19 Pregnancy & Parenting						
20 Prevention/Intervention	\$1,832,549	\$1,687,616	\$20,389,095	\$23,909,260	X	X
21 Protective Svcs Adults						
22 Protective Svcs Children	\$1,422,641	\$3,469,237	\$25,345,686	\$30,237,564	X	
23 Recreation Services						
24 Residential Treatment						
25 Special Services - Disabled						
26 Special Services - Youth at Risk						
27 Substance Abuse Services						
28 Transportation						
29 Other Services						
30 SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES	\$22,373,633	\$14,921,448	\$197,797,683	\$235,092,764		1000
31 Administrative Cost	\$1,688,735	\$1,475,748	\$14,126,944	\$17,291,427		
SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR						
SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE 32 COSTS	\$24,062,368	\$16,397,196	\$211,924,627	\$252,384,191		

<sup>\*</sup>From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred? TANF

\*\*Please list the sources of these funds: Title IV-E, Chafee Foster Care Independent Living, State General Funds, Children's Justice Act,
CAPTA, Title IV-B Part I and II, CCDBG, SSI, SSA, Community Based Family Resource, Educational & Training Vouchers, TANF

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Please list other services:

State: Louisiana	
Fiscal Year: 2010	

#### PART R RECIPIENTS

PART B. RECIPIENTS					
Service Supported with SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 Adoption Services	5,190				5,190
2 Case Management					0
3 Congregate Meals					0
4 Counseling Services					0
5 Day Care - Adults					0
6 Day Care - Children	4,184				4,184
7 Educ./Training Services					0
8 Employment Services					0
9 Family Planning Services		ALONDON TO THE	V - N - 1		0
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults					0
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	8,636				8,636
12 Health Related Services					0
13 Home Based Services					0
14 Home Delivered Meals					0
15 Housing Services					0
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.		336			336
17 Info. & Referral Services					0
18 Legal Services					0
19 Pregnancy & Parenting					0
20 Prevention/Intervention	8,215	401	25	4,424	13,065
21 Protective Svcs Adults					0
22 Protective Svcs Children	22,796				22,796
23 Recreation Services					0
24 Residential Treatment					0
25 Spec. Svcs Youth at Risk					0
26 Special Svcs Disabled					0
27 Substance Abuse Services					0
28 Transportation					0
29 Other Services					0
TOTAL RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	49,021	737	25	4,424	54,207

# PREVIOUS YEARS' ESTIMATED SERVICE PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

	7/1/07-6/30/08	7/1/06-6/30/07	7/1/05-6/30/06	7/1/04-6/30/05
\$18,869,800	\$18,869,800	\$20,372,071	\$26,137,729	\$26,278,678
\$0	0\$	80	\$0	\$0
\$16,397,198	\$16,397,198	\$16,397,198	\$16,397,198	\$16,397,198
\$35,266,998	\$35,266,998	\$36,769,269	\$42,534,927	\$42,675,876
7/1/03-6/30/04	7/1/02-6/30/03	7/1/01-6/30/02	7/1/00-6/30/01	7/1/99-6/30/00
\$26,420,319	\$27,324,641	\$27,425,100	\$27,622,408	\$36,647,328
\$0	0\$	0\$	80	\$0
\$16,397,198	\$16,397,198	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$42,817,517	\$43,721,839	\$27,425,100	\$27,622,408	\$36,647,328
7/1/98-6/30/99	7/1/97-6/30/98	7/1/96-6/30/97	7/1/95-6/30/96	7/1/94-6/30/95
\$32,795,910	\$39,633,203	\$39,429,720	\$46,475,020	\$46,832,961
\$0	\$0	80	\$0	\$0
\$0	- \$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$32,795,910	\$39,633,203	\$39,429,720	\$46,475,020	\$46,832,961
7/1/93-6/30/94	7/1/92-6/30/93	7/1/91-6/30/92	7/1/90-6/30/91	7/1/89-6/30/90
\$47,021,520	\$47,720,105	\$49,344,330	\$48,431,354	\$49,496,733
\$0	\$621,752	\$1,540,362	\$788,610	\$4,282,567
\$577,261	\$1,222,070	\$1,241,306	\$1,039,408	\$967,190
\$47,598,781	\$49,563,927	\$52,125,998	\$50,259,372	\$54,746,490
7/1/88-6/30/89	7/1/87-6/30/88	7/1/86-6/30/87		
\$50,200,287	\$50,730,291	\$51,822,579		
\$3,928,697	0\$	0\$		
\$1,042,273	\$1,086,177	\$1,600,521		
\$55,171,257	\$51,816,468	\$53,423,100		

#### CHAPTER V

#### PREVIOUS YEARS' POST EXPENDITURE REPORTS

Public Law 97-35, Section 1742 (a), requires that each State's Intended Use Report must include a description of how the State has met the goals, objectives, and needs in the use of block grant funds for the previous fiscal year as identified in the previous year's pre-expenditure report.

Section 2006 of the Social Security Act as amended further requires that each State's SSBG post-expenditure report is to provide an accurate description of activities carried out with funds made available (or transferred for use) under Title XX so as "to secure a complete record of the purposes for which funds were spent" in a manner consistent with the pre-expenditure report. Section 607 of the Family Welfare Reform Act of 1988 amended Section 2006 to add additional specifications for the contents of SSBG post-expenditure reports and changed the frequency for reporting from biennially to annually.

The annual reports for services funded by the Social Services Block Grant for Fiscal Years 2007 and 2008 follow on the next two pages. The spreadsheets list the following: the type of service which was provided; the number of clients (adults and children) who received the service; the amount of the expenditure; and whether the service was provided by public or private means.

STATE: Louisiana	FISCAL YEAR 2007 Report Period:
Contact Person:Debbie Johnson	Phone Number: (225) 342-2766 July 1, 2006 - June 30, 20
Title: Director	E-Mail Address: djohns13@dss.state.la.us
Agency: DSS - Office of Community Services	Submission Date: April 2, 2008

PART A. EXPENDITURES AND PROVISION METHOD

Service Supported with SSBG Funds		SSBG Funds		All other			
		SSBG	Funds transferred	Federal, State and Local	Total	Me	vision
		Allocation	into SSBG*	Funds**	Expenditures	Public	Private
	Adoption Services	\$1,956,903	\$1,181,117	\$25,052,177	\$28,190,197	X	X
2	Case Management						
	Congregate Meals						
4	Counseling Services						
5	Day Care - Adults						
6	Day Care - Children	\$0	\$0	\$4,725,035	\$4,725,035	X	
7	Education and Training Services						
8	Employment Services						
9	Family Planning Services						
10	Foster Care Svcs Adults						
11	Foster Care Svcs Children	\$17,649,496	\$8,544,646	\$91,600,583	\$117,794,725	×	
12	Health Related Services						
13	Home Based Services						
14	Home Delivered Meals						
15	Housing Services						
16	Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.	\$40,499	\$0	\$1,663,201	\$1,703,700	×	X
17	Info. & Referral Services					1 1/2/0	
18	Legal Services						
19	Pregnancy & Parenting						
20	Prevention/Intervention	\$3,036,040	\$1,624,038	\$15,858,315	\$20,518,393	×	X
_	Protective Svcs Adults						
22	Protective Svcs Children	\$3,172,248	\$3,331,120	\$19,461,958	\$25,965,326	X	
_	Recreation Services						7
_	Residential Treatment					-	
25	Special Services - Disabled						
_	Special Services - Youth at Risk						
_	Substance Abuse Services						
_	Transportation						
	Other Services						
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES	\$25,855,186	\$14,680,921	\$158,361,269	\$198,897,376	1172-1111	
_	Administrative Cost	\$1,369,563	\$1,605,878	\$14,160,713	\$17,136,154		
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$27,224,749		\$172,521,982	\$216,033,530		

<sup>\*</sup>From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred?

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\*Please list the sources of these funds:

Title IV-E, Chaffee Foster Care Independent Living, State General Funds, Children's Justice Act, CAPTA, Title IV-B Part I, Title IV-B Part II, CCDBG, SSI, SSA, Community Based Family Resource, Strengthening Marriages, Educational & Training Vouchers, TANF

STATE: Louisiana

Fiscal Year: 2007

#### PART B. RECIPIENTS

Service Supported with SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 Adoption Services	4,830		A Throng Tree of	10 0 0 0 0	4,830
2 Case Management					
3 Congregate Meals					
4 Counseling Services					
5 Day Care - Adults					
6 Day Care - Children	3,776				3,776
7 Educ./Training Services					
B Employment Services					
9 Family Planning Services					
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults			and the state of the state of		
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	8,676				8,676
12 Health Related Services					GDCSH-Call
13 Home Based Services					
14 Home Delivered Meals					
15 Housing Services					
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.		336			336
17 Info. & Referral Services					
18 Legal Services	Turn or Conservat				0.85
19 Pregnancy & Parenting					
20 Prevention/Intervention	8,736	664	3	4,472	13,875
21 Protective Svcs Adults					
22 Protective Svcs Children	22,941				22,941
23 Recreation Services					
24 Residential Treatment					
25 Spec. Svcs Youth at Risk					
26 Special Svcs Disabled	Maria and American				
27 Substance Abuse Services					
28 Transportation					
29 Other Services					
TOTAL RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	48,959	1,000	3	4,472	54,434

STATE: Louisiana	FISCAL YEAR: 2008 Report Period:
Contact Person:Debbie Johnson	Phone Number: (225) 342-2766 July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008
Title: Director	E-Mail Address: djohns13@dss.state.la.us
Agency: DSS - Office of Community Services	Submission Date: April 17, 2009

PART A. EXPENDITURES AND PROVISION METHOD

	SSBG Funds					
Service Supported with SSBG Funds	SSBG	Funds transferred	Expenditures of All Other Federal, State and Local	Total	M	ovision lethod
	Allocation	into SSBG*	funds**	Expenditures	Public	Private
1 Adoption Services	\$1,439,424	\$1,539,893	\$32,748,723	\$35,728,040	X	X
2 Case Management						
3 Congregate Meals						
4 Counseling Services						
5 Day Care - Adults						
6 Day Care - Children			\$5,477,470	\$5,477,470	X	
7 Education and Training Services						
8 Employment Services						
9 Family Planning Services						
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults						
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	\$18,188,377	\$8,224,702	\$111,778,327	\$138,191,406	X	
12 Health Related Services						
13 Home Based Services						
14 Home Delivered Meals						
15 Housing Services				2.0		
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.	\$126,174		\$2,058,382	\$2,184,556	X	X
17 Info. & Referral Services		7				
18 Legal Services						
19 Pregnancy & Parenting				- Property		
20 Prevention/Intervention	\$1,893,466	\$1,687,616	\$20,389,095	\$23,970,177	X	X
21 Protective Svcs Adults						
22 Protective Svcs Children	\$1,469,932	\$3,469,237	\$25,345,686	\$30,284,855	X	
23 Recreation Services						
24 Residential Treatment						
25 Special Services - Disabled						
26 Special Services - Youth at Risk						
27 Substance Abuse Services						
28 Transportation						
29 Other Services						
30 SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICE	\$23,117,373	\$14,921,448	\$197,797,683	\$235,836,504		THE STATE
31 Administrative Cost	\$1,744,872	\$1,475,748	\$14,126,944	\$17,347,564	THE STATE OF	E 25
SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE 32 COSTS	\$24,862,245	\$16,397,196	\$211,924,627	\$253,184,068		

<sup>\*\*</sup>From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred? TANF

\*\*Please list the sources of these funds: Title IV-E, Chafee Foster Care Independent Living, State General Funds, Children's Justice Act,
CAPTA, Title IV-B Part I and II, CCDBG, SSI, SSA, Community Based Family Resource, Educational & Training Vouchers, TANF

\*\*\* Please list other services:

State:	Louis	iono		_
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Fiscal	Year:	2008		

#### PART B. RECIPIENTS

	PART B.	RECIPIENTS			
Service Supported with SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 Adoption Services	5,190				5,190
2 Case Management					0
3 Congregate Meals					0
4 Counseling Services					0
5 Day Care - Adults					0
6 Day Care - Children	4,184				4,184
7 Educ./Training Services					0
8 Employment Services					0
9 Family Planning Services					0
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults					0
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	8,636				8,636
12 Health Related Services					0
13 Home Based Services					0
14 Home Delivered Meals					0
15 Housing Services					0
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.		336			336
17 Info. & Referral Services					0
18 Legal Services					0
19 Pregnancy & Parenting					0
20 Prevention/Intervention	8,215	401	25	4,424	13,065
21 Protective Svcs Adults					0
22 Protective Svcs Children	22,796				22,796
23 Recreation Services					0
24 Residential Treatment					0
25 Spec. Svcs Youth at Risk					0
26 Special Svcs Disabled					0
27 Substance Abuse Services					0
28 Transportation					0
29 Other Services					0
TOTAL RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	49,021	737	25	4,424	54,207

#### CHAPTER VI

#### **PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS**

Display advertisements (see notice on the following page) to publicize the availability of the SSBG Plan for review and providing notice of a public hearing to be held on May 6, 2009 were run on April 17, 2009 in the Lafayette *Daily Advertiser* and the Alexandria *Daily Town Talk*; April 20, 2009 in the Shreveport *Times*, New Orleans *Times Picayune* and the Lake Charles *American Press*; and April 21, 2009 in the Baton Rouge *Advocate* and the Monroe *News Star World*. The location and time for the public hearing was as follows:

Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Department of Social Services Office of Community Services 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street

**Room 1-129** 

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Prior to the scheduled hearing date, the proposed SSBG Plan was distributed by way of the following website: http://www.dss.state.la.us. Copies for public review were available at OCS State Office, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays. Copies were also mailed to those individuals who telephoned or wrote OCS (per advertised instructions) requesting a copy. All interested persons were afforded an opportunity from April 20, 2009 through May 1, 2009, to submit written comments on the proposed plan to the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Community Services, P.O. Box 3318, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT TO LOUISIANA

The Louisiana Department of Social Services (DSS) announces an opportunity for public review of the State's Plan for the use of federal Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) funds during the State Fiscal Year (SFY) beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. Estimated SSBG expenditures for the upcoming SFY total \$40,459,564 for the regular SSBG funds (including \$16,397,196 in Temporary Assistance to Needy Families [TANF] transfer funds) which will be expended between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010; and 2005 Supplemental Hurricane Relief SSBG funds of \$18,764,830, which will be expended between July 1, 2008 and September 30, 2009 and an additional S129,737,880 in Supplemental SSBG funds for 2008 Emergency Disaster Relief which will be expended between October 1, 2008 and September 30, 2010. The intended use of the 2008 Supplemental SSBG Funds was addressed in a separate public hearing held on March 4, 2009.

Louisiana through the DSS Office of Community Services (OCS) will primarily use its allotted regular SSBG funds to provide comprehensive social services on behalf of children and families in fulfillment of legislative mandates for 2009-2010 child protection and child welfare programs. Services proposed in the State's FY 2009-2010 SSBG Intended Use Report are Adoption, Child Protection, Family Services, and Foster Care/Residential Habilitation Services and Supplemental Hurricane Relief Funds. Persons eligible for SSBG funded services without regard to income include individuals who are in need of Adoption services, Child Protection, Family Services, or Foster Care/Residential Habilitation services, and persons receiving Title IV-E Adoption Assistance. Other persons who may qualify for services under the proposed plan include recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI), persons receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program (LaCHIP), individuals who are members of specified low-income groups, and persons whose gross monthly income is not more than 125% of the poverty level. A family of four (4) with a gross monthly income of no more than \$2297 would qualify as income eligible for services. Supplemental SSBG funds will be used to provide social services, behavioral health services, and health care services to meet the needs of people affected by the 2005 and 2008 hurricanes and lacking health insurance or adequate access to care, and to help health "safety net" providers restore and resume their operation. Intended use of the Supplemental SSBG funds is addressed in Appendix A and B of the Social Services Block Grant Intended Use Report.

The SSBG Intended Use Report for SFY 2008-2009 is available for public review at the Department of Social Services website: <a href="www.dss.state.la.us">www.dss.state.la.us</a>, and at the OCS State Office, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Copies are available without charge by telephone request to (225) 342-3077 or by writing the Assistant Secretary, Office of Community Services, Box 3318, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. Inquiries and comments on the proposed plan may be submitted until Friday, May 1, 2009 to the above address.

A public hearing on the proposed SSBG Intended Use Report for SFY 2009-2010 for regular SSBG Funds is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday May 6, 2009, at the Department of Social Services, 627 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 in Conference Room 129. At the public hearing all interested persons will have the opportunity to provide recommendations on the proposed plan for use of SSBG Funds, orally or in writing. Post-expenditure reports for the SSBG program for State Fiscal Years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 are included for review in the SFY 2008-2009 SSBG Intended Use Report and are also available for review at the Office of Community Services, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

Published as display advertisements on April 17, 2009 in the Lafayette *Daily Advertiser* and the Alexandria *Daily Town Talk*; April 20, 2009 in the Shreveport *Times*, New Orleans *Times Picayune* and the Lake Charles *American Press*; and April 21, 2009 in the Baton Rouge *Advocate* and the Monroe *News Star World*.

#### SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT 2008 EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

A public hearing was held at 10:00 a.m. on March 4, 2009 at the Louisiana Department of Social Services, Iberville Building, located at 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821. The notice on the following page was published in the Louisiana Register, Potpourri Section, on February 20, 2009 and in 7 metropolitan newspapers statewide (Lafayette Daily Advertiser; Alexandria Daily Town Talk; Shreveport Times; New Orleans Times Picayune; Lake Charles American Press; Baton Rouge Advocate; and Monroe News Star World).

Prior to the scheduled hearing date, the proposed SSBG Plan was distributed by way of the following website: http://www.dss.state.la.us. Copies for public review were available at OCS State Office, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays. Copies were also mailed to those individuals who telephoned or wrote OCS (per advertised instructions) requesting a copy. All interested persons were afforded an opportunity from February 20, 2009 through May 6, 2009, to submit written comments on the proposed plan to the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Community Services, P.O. Box 3318, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

#### POTPOURRI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Department of Social Services (DSS) announces opportunities for public review of the state's preexpenditure report on intended uses of Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Supplemental funds for the January 9, 2009 through September 30, 2010. The proposed amendment to the SFY 2008 – 2009 SSBG Intended Use Report has been developed in compliance with the requirements of Section 2004 of the Social Security Act (SSA), as amended and includes information on the types of activities to be supported and the categories or characteristics of individuals to be served through use of the state's allocation of SSBG funds. Section 2004 of the SSA further requires that the SSBG pre-expenditure report shall be "made public within the state in such manner as to facilitate comment by any person." This proposed intended use report was submitted to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services (ACF/OCS) on February 17, 2009, as per federal requirements, prior to conducting a public hearing with the provision that the intended use report is subject to change pending public review. The DSS, as the designated state services agency, will administer programs funded under the SSBG in accordance with applicable statutory requirements and federal regulations. The DSS/Office of Community Services (OCS) will be responsible for provision of social services, by direct delivery and vendor purchase, through use of SSBG Supplemental expenditures. The Intended Use Report describes the uses of a Supplemental Appropriation for disaster relief. These are federal funds from the Department of Defense Act (HR 2638) for states most severely affected and for expenses related to the consequences of disasters in the United States in calendar year 2008.

Post expenditure reports for the SSBG program for SFY 2004 - 2005 and 2005 – 2006 are included in the previous year's SSBG Final Intended Use Report for SFY 2007 – 2008. These reports, as well as the SSBG Supplemental intended use plan, are available for public review on line at: <a href="www.dss.state.la.us">www.dss.state.la.us</a> Free copies are available by telephone request to (225) 342-3910 or by writing to the Assistant Secretary, Attention: Planning and Accreditation Section, PO Box 3318, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

Interested persons will have the opportunity to provide recommendations on the proposed SSBG Supplemental Intended Use Report at a public hearing scheduled for 10:00 A.M., March 4, 2009 at the Department of Social Services, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 1-127, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Comments must be received by the close of business, February 26, 2009.

Kristy H. Nichols Secretary

#### SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT 2008 EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS PUBLIC HEARING

Joycelyn Y. Elmore, Department of Social Services (DSS), Administrative Law Judge, John McInturf, OCS Division Director, and Melissa Maiello, OCS Program Manager, were present in order to conduct a Public Hearing on 2008 SSBG Emergency Disaster Relief as scheduled on March 4, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Persons in attendance include: Donald Parker, Program Manager for DHH Bureau of Primary Care and Public Health; Amanda Guma, Louisiana Recovery Authority (LRA); and Theata Blakes, Director of Infinity Network, Inc.

#### Comments received are as follows:

John McInturf, OCS Director of Performance and Planning, informed those in attendance that the Louisiana Department of Social Services (DSS) was awarded Emergency Disaster Relief funds. Mr. McInturf stated that DSS was given a 30 day window to submit a Proposed Intended Use Plan to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Mr. McInturf also stated that the Proposed Intended Use Plan might be revised based on the feedback received from the public, as well as feedback in the State budgeting process.

Theata Blakes, Director of Infinity Network, Inc. said that she saw the notice of the public hearing in the newspaper and wanted to know how Infinity might fit into the Proposed Intended Use Plan. Ms. Blakes stated that Infinity was a residential substance abuse treatment facility for women with children that were located in New Orleans prior to Hurricane Katrina. Infinity received its primary funding from TANF funds from DSS and DHH's Residential Treatment Program. Ms. Blakes said that 21 families were in the residence at Infinity at the time of the storm. While many of Infinity's clients evacuated to parts of Baton Rouge, Mississippi and Texas; unfortunately a few chose to return to their families in New Orleans and wound up stranded in the Superdome. Ms. Blakes said that she relocated to Houston, TX following Hurricane Katrina. The Director of Infinity said that she made an effort with her clients that were also located in Harris County. Ms. Blakes said that the program was expanded to service males in need of treatment that had been displaced by the hurricane. Ms. Blakes further stated that while she managed to obtain some aid from Access to Recovery Funds, overall funding was difficult to obtain. The funding for program's that were intended to serve those persons affected by Katrina was limited to programs that were operating prior to Katrina. Ms. Blakes said that she has returned home and recognizes that New Orleans residents still have a need for the services that Infinity once provided. Ms. Blakes said that she came to the hearing to see what funding was available to restart Infinity; she posed the question whether or not the supplemental funds had already been allocated to existing programs?

John Mcinturf explained that these funds represent a new grant awarded to the agency received as a result of Hurricane's Gustav and Ike but legislation extended it to include recovery needs caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Mr. McInturf stated that the Proposed Intended Use Plan is pretty broad and some of the services which Infinity provided to New Orleans may fall under the plan. Donald Parker, Program Manager for DHH Bureau of Primary Care and Public Health asked Ms. Blakes who was her contact person at DHH. Ms. Blake responded that in the past her agency had worked closely with Mike Duffy and Quinetta Riley Womack. Mr. Parker took Ms. Blake's information and promised to pass it on to Mr. Duffy in effort to see what funding might be available to help her restart Infinity.

Amanda Guma stated that LRA is proposing an allocation of five million dollars to support the transition of the 21k families (4k in trailers and 17k receiving rental assistance) that are still in temporary housing since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The Obama administration extended the temporary housing assistance program for an additional six months. Ms. Guma said that is anticipated that these families will have additional needs, which have not yet been identified as they move from the disaster housing assistance program and it is important that the State prepare to for ways to help them.

Ms. Guma stated that LRA is proposing to do two things with the allocated funds. The first is to create a statewide housing resource clearinghouse which would be like a call center similar to 211 with the primary focus on housing needs. LRA is concerned that while there are lot of program's that have been set up to provide families recovering from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita there is nothing in place at this point to connect all of the programs together. The proposed clearinghouse would serve as a call center that would provide information to renters, landlords and homeowners.

The second part of the allocation will be for extended case management for those families that require additional help as they transition from the temporary housing assistance program.

### SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARING

Marlon Yarbrough, Department of Social Services (DSS), Acting Assistant Director of Appeals; Bridget Clark, OCS Section Administrator; and Melissa Maiello, OCS Program Manager were present in order to conduct the Public Hearing as scheduled on May 6, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Prior to the hearing, no written comments were received regarding the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Intended Use Report from the general public. No individuals from outside of OCS attended the hearing.

### **APPENDIX A**

### **ALLOCATION OF HURRICANE RELIEF FUNDS**

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT (H.R.2863) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Under the Department of Defense Appropriations Act (H.R. 2863), additional Social Services Block Grant funds (SSBG) were allocated to states for expenses related to the consequences of the hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico in calendar year 2005. The amount of supplemental funding allocated to Louisiana was \$220,901,534.

In addition to the wide array of human services permitted by Title XX of the Social Services Act, these supplemental funds may also be used for health care assistance, such as: providing assistance to citizens lacking health insurance or other adequate access to healthcare; helping health care "safety-net" providers restore and resume operations; providing mental health services to meet the emerging public mental health crisis; making repairs or reconstruction needed to allow health centers and similar providers to resume or expand operations; helping key health care providers meet salary and other costs associated with resuming or restoring health services.

This special appropriation by the Department of Defense for hurricane relief is one-time only funding, which originally required that all funds be expended by September 30, 2007. However, in May of 2007, the President signed H.R. 2206/Public Law 110-28, the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, which extends the expenditure deadline two full years, to September 30, 2009. Projected expenditures in the previous Intended Use Report, were based on the original term date of the funds; however, with the extension, the Department of Social Services along with its SSBG partners, were able to reevaluate and prioritize expenditures in order to make the most beneficial use of allocated funds.

Additionally, as projects progressed, and some projects were completed, decisions were made to move available funds from one partner to another. Pages 38 through 47 will describe the current intended uses and a chart will follow that shows the adjustments made to the original appropriations. Additional adjustments could occur during the current period since projects may close with funds available, or a simple determination is made that a particular project's needs are greater and the benefit to make an adjustment is called for. The overall use of funds has remained as originally presented, which is to provide recovery to the citizens of Louisiana affected by the hurricanes of 2005.

As of December 31, 2008, Louisiana expended over 92% of the available funds. (See actual expenditure information on page 48.)

### **NEED**

The following needs may be addressed at the state's discretion and separate from the previously stated uses and purposes in the SSBG to include:

- Addressing the health care needs of people affected by the hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico in calendar year 2005 and who lack health insurance or other adequate access to care and to help health care create a 'safety net.' This would include intended uses of these funds in areas of mental health service provision and provision for substance and additive disorder interventions and services.
- Expanding services to meet the needs of families in the child welfare system in the areas of foster care, adoption, prevention, intervention, and protective services in Child Welfare including document imaging and locating birth and foster parents, who have been displaced and providing them with child support case management. Child care is a critical need to promote independence and safety of families and children. Child care infrastructure and furthering quality child care initiatives are current needs in Louisiana.
- Institutions serving these populations in order to build community health centers, rural hospitals and clinics, community mental health centers, public hospitals, and other providers with substantial percentages of uninsured patients. Funds may be made available for repairs and reconstruction needed to allow health centers and similar providers to resume or expand operations, or to help key providers meet salary and other costs associated with resuming or restoring health services.
- Providing social service delivery and case management services to families in order to assist with identification of housing needs, development of individualized recovery plans and referral of families to available disaster relief services, provide for case management and follow-up with families, and to provide for direct emergency assistance in human services.

### ELIGIBLE AGENCIES AND TARGET SERVICE AREAS

### I. Department of Social Services

\$33,323,149

#### A. Child Welfare Services

\$16,540,380

Nearly 1,900 foster children lived in the impacted areas of Katrina. In total, approximately 73% of the foster care population of Louisiana lived in the Katrina and Rita impacted areas. Louisiana had nearly 300 foster children displaced out of state. Thus, significant unexpected travel expenses were incurred by the state. Over 50% of the biological parents of foster children from the greater New Orleans area were displaced out of state. Fifty-six percent of the therapeutic foster homes (highly trained foster parents) were displaced and were not currently available for placement. With this void, the next level of placement available was residential care and this is exponentially more expensive. Children's case records were destroyed. Lost documents included legal documents as well as "life books" of children in foster care, foster and adopted children that document their lives and history. Many individuals needed to be located by DSS for the purposes of establishing child support or locating biological parents of foster children.

• Foster Care, Adoption, Prevention, Intervention and Protective Services in Child Welfare \$16,540,380 Post-disaster stress usually brings an increase in abuse and neglect, so these funds were

used to provide services to prevent an increase in out-of-home placements. Services included anger management, parenting skills, counseling, etc. Visitation expenses included travel for the foster child and foster parent/caretaker from their displaced location to the birthparent's location, lodging, and meals during the travel. This included travel both within and outside of Louisiana. It is estimated that 2/3 of impacted children lost at least a significant portion or all of their personal belongings. SSBG supplemental funds were used to help replace those items. Funds were also used to provide for independence programs for children aging out of foster care and will have likely had greater needs for transitional assistance than is typically provided. Funds were used for foster care reunification services. After most disasters, there is an evidenced increase in abuse and neglect as well as disruptions in foster care. Funds were used to stabilize placements and prevent disruptions by providing family services, respite care, counseling, parenting classes, etc. In addition, the Office of Community Services used a portion of their supplemental funding for necessary technology to assist in the service of data collection and tracking children impacted by the hurricanes.

B. Child Care Services \$14,400,000

Supporting the restoration of the child care infrastructure damaged due to the consequences of Hurricanes Rita and Katrina in the Gulf of Mexico in 2005 continues to be critical in Louisiana's recovery efforts. Available, affordable and quality child care services are necessary to support families as they return to work in hurricane affected parishes. Child care services are vital to reestablishing a workforce and strengthening our state's economy. Because the child care industry is poorly capitalized, Louisiana has used funds for hurricane recovery to achieve simultaneously two policy goals: 1) to assist in reopening the supply of child care and 2) to ensure the availability of quality child care. For every dollar spent in the child care sector, \$1.72 is returned to the economy. Louisiana must rebuild the child care and early childhood education infrastructure in the hurricane affected parishes to assist families in returning to work while ensuring their children receive quality child care. To meet the critical need for child care in Louisiana, DSS/OFS will implement a child care quality support system to rebuild the child care sector. This will be done by investing \$14.4 million of the SSBG allocation across the following three initiatives:

Quality Initiatives: To assist in retaining and retooling child care professionals in the disaster areas, an estimated \$2 million in SSBG funding has been expended or will be spent for these efforts. Child care providers are offered business development training, including pre-licensure and pre-registration training, technical assistance in reopening facilities, and training on topics including CPR/first aid, child development, social/emotional needs of children, and emotional support and well-being of child care providers. Training and technical assistance is available to new or reopened child care providers in the hurricane affected areas. Training will also be provided for other professionals in the industry. Funds from other OFS SSBG efforts could be redirected to increase this quality initiative or to other SSBG recovery efforts within DSS.

<u>Child Care Facility Restoration Program</u>: An estimated \$2.4 million has been dedicated to refurnishing child care centers as they reopen. To date, over 124 child care centers in the eight hurricane affected parishes have used SSBG recovery funding to purchase equipment, supplies,

developmentally appropriate materials, playgrounds and other furnishings necessary to operate a child care facility. As child care facilities continue to reopen, funds from other OFS SSBG efforts could be redirected to support child care restoration or other SSBG recovery efforts within DSS.

<u>Rebuilding/Construction program</u>: An estimated \$10 million of funding will be used to support rebuilding and construction of child care centers. If this effort proves infeasible due to the federal interest stipulations or expiration of funds, OFS may invest this funding to support child care subsidies in the impacted areas. OFS may also redirect funds to support another SSBG recovery effort with DSS.

### C. DSS – Wide Services

\$2,382,769

### Oversight and Monitoring

\$320,295

DSS will be held accountable by the Federal Government for the administration of over \$220 million one-time block grant funds; therefore \$2.2 million (10%) was allocated for the administration, oversight, and monitoring of the projects utilizing the supplemental funds. A staff position was created and filled in September, 2006, funded with SSBG Recovery funds. That position will remain funded throughout the active period of the project, which will occur on or before September 30, 2009. All costs in support of that position are provided from this set of funds. Additionally, contracts with individuals and organizations that are providing other program functions or additional and administrative support and oversight are being carried out. As projects continue to reach closure, additional project monitoring, auditing of financial information and evaluations of performance data will be needed. Since past and projected expenses for these services were greater than originally anticipated, the Department has invested the difference in other programs funded with supplemental SSBG funds. Additional shifts between programs and/or sub-programs may occur as the projects reach closure. (See chart on page 47)

### Video Conference Equipment

\$0

This element was not developed; Funds were transferred to other existing activities.

### Other Assistance

\$45,732

Additionally, funds from the DSS – Wide Services were directed to provide other necessary supports for recovery – such as case management, direct social services, or housing assistance services performed by DSS or an outside subcontractor with experience in such areas.

### Document Imaging System

\$2,016,742

This allocation is allowing DSS to purchase equipment and technical services in order to establish and maintain a digital image of critical legal documents. Our prioritization was to digitally capture information in offices south of I-10 first. DSS began a digital document imaging pilot project in the Calcasieu OCS and Office of Family Support and Family Assistance (OFS/FA) offices in February 2007 in response to documents being lost as a result of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and to expand the department's enterprise approach to delivering social services. Sixteen documents are currently being imaged by these agencies. They include:

- o Birth Certificates
- o Identity Documents (Drivers License, ID Cards, etc.)

- Social Security Card
- o Immunization Records
- Marital Status Documents
- o Acknowledgements of Paternity
- Proof of Income
- Court Orders
- o Custody Decrees
- Adoption Decrees
- o Orders to Deliver Services
- o Protective Orders
- o Emancipation Orders
- o Surrenders
- o Child Support Orders
- o Name Changes
- o Paternity Judgments

Since the commencement of the pilot, 17,709 documents have been imaged. Continued implementation of this project is critical due to the displacement of DSS clients throughout the state, and the continued need to rapidly access shared information and documents.

### II. Department of Health and Hospitals

\$101,701,534

### A. Behavioral Health Services

\$80,000,000

Funds are being used to restore and expand mental health services, substance abuse treatment and prevention services and developmental disability services as follows:

- Immediate Intervention Crisis Response System \$31,002,758
  Inappropriate use of the public hospital emergency departments by individuals with mental health disorders has been of concern in Louisiana for many years. Since the hurricanes, this problem has been exacerbated due to the reduced numbers of acute and intermediate care psychiatric beds. The crisis response system alleviates emergency room backlogs and decreases over-reliance on hospitalization by use of a range of specialized crisis services including mobile teams and crisis intervention units.
- Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention \$20,747,916 It is expected that of the 500,000 residents in the areas that were impacted by Katrina and Rita, 25-30% of these individuals who have been exposed to severe trauma and 5-10% of those who have been exposed to moderate trauma will present with clinical symptom otology for abuse or dependence of alcohol and/or drugs. This has occurred within 6 9 months following other recorded disasters. The increased demand for services is in addition to an already overwhelmed service delivery system.
- Behavioral Health Services for Children and Adolescents \$12,915,279

  There is a significant underutilization of mental health services by children and adolescents. Barriers to utilization include lack of adequate insurance coverage, lack of transportation because of poverty and/or distance, lack of behavioral health providers,

and cultural stigma related to behavioral health problems. Early identification of problems and integration of services in the schools will provide the opportunity to prevent many of the societal problems associated with failing in school.

- Preventing or Reducing Inappropriate Institutional Care \$7,346,398 Louisiana's already poorly balanced system of care for individuals with developmental disabilities relied even more heavily on institutional care services immediately following the hurricanes. Efforts must be made to transition people from institutional settings where appropriate and to ensure that people already in community based settings can remain so wherever it is safe and financially appropriate. In areas outside of the metropolitan New Orleans area, there has been increased demand for case management and crisis intervention services to assure that community based placements can be maintained.
- Behavioral Health Program Restoration and Resumption \$7,987,649
   In order to expand service delivery options there must be a restoration of existing programs and services that have been reduced or suspended in the aftermath of the hurricanes. Once core services are restored, recovery and expansion services and programs can be implemented.

### **B.** Preventive and Primary Care

\$21,701,534

Funds are being used to restore and develop comprehensive and integrated primary, preventive and behavioral health care services, with an emphasis on restoring safety net services for the uninsured and underinsured as follows:

### • Health Care Work Force

Immediately following Hurricane Katrina, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill estimated that almost 6,000 active, patient-care physicians along the Gulf Coast were displaced by the storm. Over two-thirds – 4,486—of those were in the three central New Orleans parishes that were evacuated, which constitutes the largest single displacement of doctors in U.S. history. The study also estimates that over 35% of the dislocated physicians in the three central New Orleans parishes are primary care physicians. The loss of medical manpower in hurricane-affected areas has created a critical shortage of physicians all across south Louisiana, especially in heavily affected areas, which has impacted our ability to provide critical primary, preventive and behavioral health services. Similar shortages are occurring with nurses and other licensed and trained health care providers.

### • Operational Tools

In addition to restoring the health care workforce displaced by the hurricanes, there are certain operational tools needed to reduce high emergency room costs and improve health outcomes by focusing on providing quality, community-based, integrated outpatient primary care and behavioral health care services. Such operational tools include diagnostic and detection equipment, lab equipment, and other medical supplies or devices needed to provide evidence based quality preventive and primary care.

### A. LSU Health Sciences Center (HSC) – New Orleans

\$33,496,730

The various schools that comprise HSC-NO provided direct health care services as a key component of its educational mission including:

- Primary care clinics and practice by School of Medicine Faculty, which includes medical, mental health, dental, nursing and allied health practitioners.
- Residents at the state's charity hospital clinics both in and outside of New Orleans, which have experienced a significant increase in patients since the hurricanes.
- Residents and faculty temporarily placed at many other hospitals around the state are providing direct care as well as continuing their education.
- Nursing programs are critical because of the nursing shortage and because effective primary and preventive care models rely even more on qualified nurses.
- Behavioral and clinical services through its Juvenile Justice Program for youth involved with the state's youth correctional system.
- Cancer Control programs for prevention and early detection, especially for underserved or uninsured populations.
- HIV/AIDS services, including detection, treatment and education. HSC staffs the charity hospital clinics where Ryan White HIV medical care and services are delivered.
- Through allied health school, direct supports, education and advocacy for disabled children and adults and their families.

### Funds allocated to LSU – HSC were used as follows:

- Keep the Healthcare workforce intact by retaining faculty and residents.
- Set up primary care clinics across the city with funding for salaries for dentists, physicians, nurses and allied health personnel.
- Expand capabilities to address psychiatric needs in New Orleans and surrounding areas.
- Support our General Dentistry Residency, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency, and Oral Medicine programs which provide preventive and primary care to the uninsured at multiple sites in the state.
- The School of Allied Health Professions at LSUHSC-New Orleans is a primary source of graduate level practitioners in the areas of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Pathology, Audiology, Medical Technology, Cardiopulmonary Technology, and Rehabilitation Counseling for New Orleans and the state of Louisiana. It is critical that we continue to prepare an adequate number of allied health professionals who can function in primary, secondary, and tertiary care.
- Resume Early Intervention Institute and the Human Development Center direct service, consultative, and advocacy programs for individuals with disabilities. Reestablishing these services will ensure that we maintain high-quality health care educational experiences for individuals who work with these citizens who represent a portion of our

population that is typically uninsured, underserved, and at the greatest risk for developing physical and mental problems.

### **B. LSU Health Care Services Division (HCSD)**

\$20,000,000

HCSD's health care system in New Orleans and at its other seven locations around the state are the primary safety net providers for the uninsured and in many instances those displaced from New Orleans. In New Orleans, HCSD has been a critical participant in day-to-day care, including urgent and emergency care.

Funding to the Health Care Services Division enabled the following services:

- The enhancement of primary care services at the regional hospitals to accommodate the population shifts which have occurred. This has and will enable the continuation of the Disease Management Programs which provide preventative care by appropriate management of the patients through education and provision of medications.
- The patient pharmaceutical procurement program which has been highly successful in matching needy patients with low cost medications that are essential to proper management of such conditions as diabetes, hypertension, asthma, HIV and asthma which have the effect of preventing further and or as rapid development of the disease.
- Provide needed financing for eight neighborhood health units currently under development for placement in New Orleans. While it is anticipated that FEMA will provide financing for the capital assets needed the operational costs are to be borne by MCLNO. The units are to be placed in proximity to the neighborhoods where FEMA trailer parks are scheduled to be erected. We have been working in conjunction with FEMA and others relative to this operation.
- Continued funding of the EMED currently at the New Orleans Convention Center. In this
  instance as well the Federal Government has provided the majority of the capital costs
  but the operational costs remain the responsibility of MCLNO. The operation has been
  seeing approximately 175-200 patients per day.
- Funding for the Level I Trauma Service at the Elmwood Hospital
- Provide the HCSD Hospitals with the ability to provide continued support for Mental and Behavioral Health Programs, especially since there have been increased numbers of mental health patients and the lack of ability to transfer these patients to an Office of Mental Health Facility.

### IV. Louisiana Family Recovery Corps.

\$18,735,000

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita devastated the coast of Louisiana and created an unprecedented need for a comprehensive humanitarian response. The Louisiana Family Recovery Corps (LFRC), an independent non-profit organization, was created by the state of Louisiana to

mobilize and coordinate humanitarian services to displaced Louisiana families in the wake of these disasters.

The goals of the LFRC have included:

- Ensuring comprehensive service delivery for citizens impacted by the hurricanes.
- Coordinating humanitarian disaster relief to mobilize resources, identify unmet needs and reduce duplication.
- Centralizing management of information regarding humanitarian relief efforts.

The LFRC was awarded \$32.7 million from the TANF<sup>a</sup> Emergency Response and Recovery Program to deliver comprehensive case management and direct services to displaced Louisiana families with dependent children; The LFRC has contracted with Louisiana-based non-profit organizations to deploy trained individuals ("Family Liaisons") to do the following:

- Identify and establish contact with displaced Louisianans located in temporary housing situations across the state
- Develop an individualized recovery plan and refer families to available disaster relief services
- Follow-up through long term, one-on-one relationships to ensure families receive the services they need
- Provide direct emergency assistance in human services where resources have been depleted

The majority of LFRC funds are used to pay for direct human services and other funds go to case management services. In order to ensure families receive long-term, intensive care and assistance, LFRC caseloads are limited to 25 families per Family Liaison. The initial TANF funding allowed LFRC to serve approximately 7,000 families (estimated 21,000 individuals) during the original term of their SSBG-funded contract.

Due to restrictions of the TANF funding in limiting LFRC services to families with dependent children, it was imperative that LFRC secure additional funding to serve non-TANF eligible families to enable the Corps to coordinate and deliver services to all displaced residents, regardless of their family composition.

The SSBG funds allocated to LFRC have been used to provide case management and direct services to non-TANF eligible displaced families (and even TANF-eligible families after the TANF funds were exhausted, September 30, 2007) in Louisiana and as such have delivered the following returns:

• As a supplement to the TANF funds, it is estimated that LFRC is serving an additional 3,100 families (9,300 individuals) with case management and direct emergency services – bringing the total LFRC case load to over 10,000 families (30,000 individuals.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The TANF program (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) stipulates several restrictions specifying who can be served by the program. TANF eligibility is limited to families with dependent children whose household income is less than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. The TANF-funded contract with LFRC, expired on September 30, 2007.

- Through other non-profit providers, LFRC is funding additional Family Liaisons delivering comprehensive services to displaced Louisiana citizens.
- As the recovery needs of citizens evolved, LFRC increased the amount of assistance that could be provided per family, especially as it relates to direct funding assistance. To enable the increase per family, LFRC's original appropriation of \$15,000,000 was supplemented with \$3,475,000 from other projects. The increase also enabled the Corps to provide energy assistance to families living in temporary trailer communities.
- An additional \$260,000 was added to this contract to cover a new scope of work, providing benefits and services to families who are homeless or at risk of being homeless as a result of the hurricanes. Services include the development of a family recovery plan in order to provide housing stabilization and rapid re-housing services for these clients.

Through the period ending June 30, 2009, LFRC's intended use of SSBG funds includes the following:

### **High Risk of Homelessness**

One of the most intractable problems since Hurricane Katrina and Rita is the number of individuals and families who, nearly three years since the storms, are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Many of these households face a number of challenges, although with case management support and financial assistance, including linking them to existing mainstream resources, most can be stabilized.

The purpose of the High Risk of Homelessness program is to provide case management services to households which are homeless or at risk of homelessness due to the impact of the 2005 Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and which are otherwise ineligible for FEMA housing support. The funds available through this project help to provide rental assistance, utility assistance and supportive services directly related to overcoming and preventing homelessness.

### **Housing Repair Assistance Program**

Louisiana needs affordable housing for both renters and homeowners in order to recover fully and fairy from the devastation and displacement of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Even before the storms, decent affordable housing was in short supply and many moderate to low-income families and individuals faced housing hardship. But the hurricanes and the flooding that followed left the state with a severe housing shortage.

The Housing Repair Assistance Program (HRAP) provides one-time housing repair assistance to families in Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes attempting to repair their storm damaged homes as part of their recovery process from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The program provides home repairs or modifications to eligible homeowners including material, supplies, tools, equipment, labor and other services as necessary to repair each home up to \$15,000.

### V. Tulane University Health Sciences Center

\$13,000,000

Tulane University invested funds in a variety of ways to sustain the health care safety net in New Orleans, as well as assist in responding to the new health care crisis in the community. Prior to hurricane season 2005, 3% of Tulane's patients were uninsured. That figure rapidly increased as

a result of the storms. SSBG Recovery funds were used to sustain Tulane's role in providing care to these patients as follows:

- Sustain, and when needed, enhance capacity to provide the following care to the under and uninsured:
  - o primary care
  - o emergency care
  - o public health preparedness and training
  - o adult and child psychiatry
  - o women's health
  - o children's health
  - health equality
  - o environmental health
  - o infectious diseases
- Maintain a high-quality biomedical workforce in the greater New Orleans region through retention of existing healthcare faculty and residents.
- Support for the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine.
- Retention and establishment of primary care clinics.
- Support for Cancer Center and Gene Therapy Center.
- Support for Clinical Research and supporting faculty and staff.

### VI. Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs

\$645,121

It is recognized that the elderly are a special needs group within the general population of those affected by the hurricanes. The elderly often rely on assistance from family members, many of whom were displaced; therefore the existing needs of the elderly community had increased significantly. The purpose of the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA) project was to provide services to seniors, age 60 or over, and individuals with an adult onset disability, who have a need for living assistance as a result of the storms. Services delivery was coordinated by the GOEA through contracts with local area councils on aging located in the storm-affected areas of the state.

Services to the elderly included: material aid (replacement bedding, appliances, safety ramps), minor home repairs, chore services (debris clean-up and removal), safety installations, in-home care, transportation assistance, and other services common to the needs of elderly, but of even greater need due to the closure of area services and the displacement of caregivers and relatives.

# SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS INTENDED USE BUDGET

SSBG Recovery Agency	Original	Adjustments since	Current
	Allocation 2005	original award	Allocation July 1, 2008
I. Department of Social Services			•
Office of Community Services Child Welfare			
Services	\$15,500,000	\$1,040,380	\$16,540,380
Office of Family Support Childcare Services	\$14,400,000	0	\$14,400,000
DSS-Wide Services – Office of the Secretary	\$4,300,000	-\$1,917,231	\$2,382,769
	\$34,200,000	-876,851	\$33,323,149
II. Department of Health and Hospitals	\$101,701,534	0	\$101,701,534
III. Louisiana State University			
A. LSU - Health Sciences Center	\$50,000,000	-\$16,503,270	\$33,496,730
B. LSU - Health Care Services	\$20,000,000	0	\$20,000,000
	\$70,000,000		\$53,496,730
IV. Louisiana Family Recovery Corps	\$15,000,000	+\$3,735,000	\$18,735,000
V. Tulane University – Health Sciences Center	\$0	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000
VI. Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs	\$0	+\$645,121	\$6
TOTAL SSBG SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR LOUISIANA	\$220,901,534		\$220,901,534

### SSBG SUPPLEMENTAL EXPENDITURES BY STATE FISCAL YEAR

Provider	Encumbered/	Expenditures	Expenditures	Expenditures	Expenditures	Balance
Frovider	Obligation	SFY 2005-2006	SFY 2006-2007	SFY 2007-2008	SFY 2008-2009	Dalance
	Obligation	SF 1 2005-2000	SF 1 2000-2007	SF 1 2007-2006		
Dad Cam a					As of 3/10/09	
DSS-Office of						
Community						
Services	\$16,540,380	\$46,506.00	\$15,453,494	\$750,000.00	\$0	\$290,380.00
DSS- Office of the						
Secretary	\$2,382,769	\$0.00	\$1,623,848	\$240,676.22	\$58,762,47	\$459,482.31
Louisiana Family						
Recovery Corps	\$18,735,000	\$0.00	\$7,981,445.70	\$8,626,367.43	\$807,534.03	\$1,319,652.84
Tulane University	\$13,000,000	\$0.00	\$13,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
DSS-Office of						
Family Support	\$14,400,000	\$0.00	\$49,527.00	\$3,603,351.00	\$396,026.48	\$10,351,095.52
LSU Health						
Sciences Center						
New Orleans	\$33,496,730	34,153,614.00	\$93,116.00	\$750,000.00	\$0	\$0.00
LSU Health Care						
Services	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
Department of						
Health and						
Hospitals	\$101,701,534	\$3,355,350.98	\$65,305,749.00	\$18,688,821.66	\$8,007,392.33	\$6,344,220.03
Office of Elderly						
Affairs	\$156,521	\$0.00	\$156,521.00	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00
Office of Elderly						
Affairs	\$488,600	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$488,600.00	\$0	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$220,901,534	\$57,555,470.98	\$103,663,700.70	\$31,647,816.31	\$9,269,715.31	\$18,764,830.70

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PART A EXPENDITURES AND PROVISION METH	OD	

	Supplemental S	SSBG Funds				
Service Supported with Supplemental	Supplemental	Funds	Expenditures of All Other		Pro	vision
SSBG Funds	SSBG	transferred	Federal, State and Local	Total	Me	ethod
	Allocation	into SSBG*	funds**	Expenditures	Public	Private
1 Adoption Services	(\$2,000)			(\$2,000)	X	X
2 Case Management	\$8,626,367			\$8,626,367	X	
3 Congregate Meals				\$0		
4 Counseling Services	\$8,443,942			\$8,443,942	X	
5 Day Care - Adults	\$10,481			\$10,481	X	
6 Day Care - Children				\$0		
7 Education and Training Services	\$999,230			\$999,230	X	X
8 Employment Services				\$0		
9 Family Planning Services		M		\$0		
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults				\$0		
11 Foster Care Svcs Children	\$506,970			\$506,970	X	
12 Health Related Services	\$6,916,319			\$6,916,319	X	
13 Home Based Services	\$1,822			\$1,822	X	
14 Home Delivered Meals	\$27,072			\$27,072	X	
15 Housing Services	\$237,372			\$237,372	X	
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.	\$65,355			\$65,355	X	X
17 Info. & Referral Services	\$164,506			\$164,506	X	X
18 Legal Services				\$0		
19 Pregnancy & Parenting				\$0		
20 Prevention/Intervention	\$138,313			\$138,313	X	X
21 Protective Svcs Adults				\$0		
22 Protective Svcs Children	\$41,362			\$41,362	X	
23 Recreation Services				\$0		
24 Residential Treatment				\$0		
25 Special Services - Disabled	\$1,626,531			\$1,626,531	X	
26 Special Services - Youth at Risk				\$0		
27 Substance Abuse Services	\$849,451			\$849,451	X	
28 Transportation	\$32,543			\$32,543	X	
29 Other Services***	\$2,630,266			\$2,630,266	X	X
30 SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICE	\$31,315,902	\$0	\$0	\$31,315,902	26 910	
31 Administrative Cost	\$1,081,916			\$1,081,916		
SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE 32 COSTS	\$32,397,818	\$0	so	\$32,397,618		

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		PART B. I	RECIPIENTS			
Se	ervice Supported with Supplemental SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 A	doption Services	(6)				(6
2 C	ase Management	2,721	38,011	5,408	44,214	90,354
3 C	ongregate Meals					0
4 C	ounseling Services	1,947	6,298		1,561	9,806
5 D	ay Care - Adults			114		114
6 D	ay Care - Children					0
7 E	duc./Training Services				1,088	1,088
8 E	mployment Services					0
9 Fa	amily Planning Services					(
10 F	oster Care Svcs Adults					(
11 F	oster Care Svcs Children	514				514
12 H	ealth Related Services	20,408	3,704	475		24,587
13 H	ome Based Services			2		- 2
14 H	ome Delivered Meals			5,047		5,047
15 H	ousing Services	52	127	746		925
	dep./Trans. Living Svcs.	50				50
17 In	fo. & Referral Services			233		233
18 Le	egal Services					(
19 P	regnancy & Parenting					(
20 P	revention/Intervention	162				162
21 P	rotective Svcs Adults					
22 P	rotective Svcs Children	45				45
23 R	ecreation Services					(
24 R	esidential Treatment					(
25 S	pec. Svcs Youth at Risk					(
26 S	pecial Svcs Disabled	18	199			217
27 S	ubstance Abuse Services	198	7,080			7,278
28 Tr	ansportation			465		465
	ther Services		4	261	153	418
	RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	26,109	55,423	12,751	47.016	141,299

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Supplemental SSBG Funds						
service Supported with Supplemental SSBG Funds	Supplemental SSBG Allocation	Funds transferred into SSBG*	Expenditures of All Other Federal, State and Local funds**	Total Expenditures	Provision Method Public Private	
1 Adoption Services	Allocation	Into SSBG	Tunds	Experiolitures	Public	Filvate
2 Case Management						
3 Congregate Meals						
4 Counseling Services						
5 Day Care - Adults						
6 Day Care - Children						
7 Education and Training Services						
8 Employment Services						
9 Family Planning Services						
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults						
11 Foster Care Sycs Children						
12 Health Related Services						
13 Home Based Services						
14 Home Delivered Meals						
15 Housing Services						
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.						
17 Info. & Referral Services	\$212,948			\$212,948	X	X
18 Legal Services	42.210.10			42.12,0.10		
19 Pregnancy & Parenting						
20 Prevention/Intervention						
21 Protective Svcs Adults				-		
22 Protective Svcs Children						
23 Recreation Services						
24 Residential Treatment						
25 Special Services - Disabled						
26 Special Services - Youth at Risk						
27 Substance Abuse Services						
28 Transportation .						Jan 1996
29 Other Services	\$1,000,000			\$1,000,000	Х	Х
30 SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES	\$1,212,948	\$0	\$0	\$1,212,948	50/45 E G	The Party
31 Administrative Cost	\$1,E1E,040	40	AND DESCRIPTION	\$0	Pales N	ADE IN
SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE 32(COSTS	\$1,212,948	\$0	\$0	\$1,212.948		

<sup>\*</sup>From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred?

\*\*Please list the sources of these funds:

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Please list other services: Rebuilding and refurishing of child care centers

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	PART B. RE	CIPIENTS			
Service Supported with SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 Adoption Services					(
2 Case Management					(
3 Congregate Meals					
4 Counseling Services					
5 Day Care - Adults					
6 Day Care - Children					
7 Educ./Training Services					
8 Employment Services					
9 Family Planning Services					
10 Foster Care Svcs Adults					
11 Foster Care Svcs Children					
12 Health Related Services					
13 Home Based Services					
14 Home Delivered Meals					
15 Housing Services					
16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs.					
17 Info. & Referral Services					
18 Legal Services					
19 Pregnancy & Parenting					
20 Prevention/Intervention					
21 Protective Svcs Adults					
22 Protective Svcs Children					
23 Recreation Services					
24 Residential Treatment					
25 Spec. Svcs Youth at Risk					
26 Special Svcs Disabled					
27 Substance Abuse Services					
28 Transportation					
29 Other Services			and the second		
TOTAL RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	0	0	0	0	

### APPENDIX B

### ALLOCATION OF EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT (H.R. 2638) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

### ELIGIBLE AGENCIES AND TARGET SERVICE AREAS

The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, HR 2638 Public Law 110-329, was passed on September 30, 2008, allocating \$600 million to states for recovery from disasters that occurred in 2008 as well as the hurricanes of 2005. The Louisiana Department of Social Services (DSS) was designated by the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families as the administering agency for the state of Louisiana.

The department is submitting the following action plan on behalf of the state. This action plan includes information on the types of activities to be supported and the categories or characteristics of individuals to be served through use of the state's \$129,737,880 allocation of supplemental Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) funds.

### IMPACT OF HURRICANES AND LOUISIANA'S RECOVERY NEEDS

Since 2005, Louisiana has been impacted by four major hurricanes - Katrina, Rita, Gustav and Ike. In the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, Louisiana and neighboring states witnessed circumstances that had never before been experienced in such magnitude and with such far-reaching impact. The metropolitan areas of New Orleans and Lake Charles faced extensive consequences for the people and infrastructure within their communities. The dynamics and landscape of health and human services delivery were changed.

In September 2008, the state experienced the catastrophic effects of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike. The storms of 2008 brought dangerous winds, heavy rains and flooding from the southern coastal parishes through central and north Louisiana. More than 1.9 million Louisiana residents were forced to evacuate for hurricanes, including 30,000 critical transportation-needs residents and 10,400 medical evacuations. After the largest medical evacuation in U.S. history, many of Louisiana's residents were unable to return to their homes and jobs for several days. Gustav and Ike left additional communities without electricity and sanitary water for days, and sometimes weeks. More than 120,000 homes received some damage. Fifty-three of the state's 64 parishes were included in the President's disaster declaration for individual assistance; all 64 were declared for public assistance. Still today a large number of resident's homes remain unlivable. They continue to need short-term shelter and longer-term transitional housing.

While hurricanes Katrina and Rita taxed our state's resources, the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) used lessons learned from those storms to better prepare for future storms. These lessons were put to good use for the preparation and response to Gustav and Ike. Before the storms, DHH staff began establishing, prepping, stocking and staffing the eight medical special needs shelters around the state. Staff members contacted medical institutions like hospitals and nursing homes to ensure the institutions' evacuation plans were in place, and the department stood ready with resources to help with potential evacuations.

For Gustav and Ike combined, the department helped evacuate nearly 9,000 nursing home and hospital patients. Facilities that did not evacuate were closely monitored to ensure they had the assets they needed to protect patient health and safety. After Gustav, the department helped to repatriate nursing home residents, hospital patients and medical special needs shelterees once it was determined that their home parish was stable (power and water service restored).

Children and their families impacted by the 2005 and 2008 storms have made tremendous strides in their recovery, but despite new investments in mental and primary health care, indications suggestions that their road to recovery is not over.

All told, the storms of 2008 created an additional hardship on a state working hard to recover from the disasters of 2005. To address critical needs stemming from these disasters, the recommendations for supplemental SSBG are categorized in three areas: Child and Family Services, Health Systems Delivery, and Housing.

### **CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES**

\$32,987,880

Foster Care, Adoption, Prevention, Intervention and Protective Services

\$23,700,000

Protecting children from harm and securing their permanency and well-being is a core function of DSS. It is well documented that post-disaster stress brings about an increase in abuse and neglect. In addition, the state has recently seen a sharp increase in the incidence of child fatalities related to "rollover" deaths and substance abuse exposure. DSS will use funds to provide services to prevent child fatalities; to prevent an increase in out-of-home placements; to stabilize foster care/adoptive placements, to facilitate reunification and to prevent disruptions by providing services such as inhome family services, respite care, counseling and parenting classes; and to provide services such as anger management and mental health counseling. Funds will also be used to provide for independence programs for youth aging out of foster care that will have greater needs for transitional assistance than is typically provided.

### Crisis Intervention and Workforce Development

\$4,000,000

Due to the complex issues facing the citizen's of Louisiana in relation to the disasters experienced in 2005 and 2008, DSS must address issues of child welfare staff turnover and retention, enhance staff skills/levels of competence and expand service delivery capacity especially in the areas that saw the greatest impact from the disasters. It is expected that individuals who have been exposed to severe trauma will experience an increase in dependence on drugs and/or alcohol, an increase in mental health issues such as PTSD, and an increase in the need for intensive case management services and direct emergency assistance. The agency is faced with these issues in the families and children that they work with as well as among agency staff. These conditions and circumstances can compromise a worker's emotional and physical ability to perform child welfare work and subsequently contribute to increased staff turnover.

The department proposes to utilize funding to develop and maintain a competent and efficient workforce to increase quality prevention and intervention services to children and families in all program areas using the following strategies:

1. <u>Intensive Assistance Teams</u>: Teams will be developed to provide support, consultation, specialized training and management assistance to staff for a specified period of time. Since staff

turnover is impacting service delivery statewide, the agency's long term plan is to deploy Intensive Assistance Teams statewide; however, teams will first be sent to areas along and south of the Interstate 10 corridor since they were hardest hit by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav and Ike.

2. Training: The agency is working to maintain and improve service delivery to children and families by addressing the issues of staff turnover and retention, capacity building and skills development through a number of efforts. One of which is the development of a training consortium in which colleges and universities work collaboratively with each other and the state child welfare agency to provide comprehensive and coordinated training for all child welfare staff (from preemployment through supervision and management training) and foster/adoptive parents. Other workforce development initiatives include the Office of Community Service's Professional Coaching Program and the Louisiana Child Welfare Comprehensive Workforce Project (LCWCWP). The coaching program seeks to enhance the specialized child welfare coach/mentor program utilizing the skills and knowledge of experienced supervisors/managers for the benefit of new supervisors. The LCWCWP was developed to improve safety, permanency, and well-being outcomes for children and youth by building the capacity of Louisiana's child welfare professionals and by improving the systems in the state that recruit, train, supervise, manage, and retain them. Additionally, the agency is mapping workflow processes and case ratios of staff to address unique needs of various geographic areas.

### Child Residential and Foster Care

\$3,000,000

Each year DSS investigates nearly 20,000 cases of potential abuse or neglect. Of those cases, approximately 4,699 children have been removed from their homes and are in foster care placements today. During the storms, foster families evacuate with their foster children, often placing an unexpected financial burden of those foster families. In addition, these foster families may have also experience personal damage to their homes as a result of the storms. This can result in a reduction of available foster home placements and additional placements in child residential facilities. DSS licenses 38 residential care providers operating 67 programs statewide de. During the storms of 2008, 445 children were placed in residential care in Louisiana and for Hurricane Gustav all facilities (52%) along and below the Interstate 10 corridor were required to evacuate. As a result, youth were disrupted from their placements and forced to evacuate with their caregivers to ensure their safety and well-being. Residential providers also incurred travel and lodging expenses to ensure the safety of children in their care and many were faced with damages to their facilities and furnishings. In some instances, youth's personal property was damaged as well.

Children and youth in residential care are much more likely to be highly traumatized and troubled having experienced multiple prior placements, long stays in foster care and lack of a permanent home before entering residential care. Children and youth in residential programs often come into care experiencing physical, sexual, and emotional trauma. When traumatic events occur, such as those with the storms of 2005 and 2008, youth experience additional traumatization further complicating their pre-existing symptoms and treatment.

DSS believes a successful treatment milieu must incorporate trauma informed techniques within a youth development approach; provide a safe, secure and accessible physical environment; provide a predictable, structured routine; and support the concept of self-management by providing opportunities for the young person to learn and practice skills that eventually eliminate the need for external behavioral interventions. What is needed to address the multifaceted needs of children in residential treatment programs is a comprehensive approach to treatment in which permanency

planning, case management, verbal therapies, special education, medical intervention, life skills training, real life work experience are provided.

To provide this kind of multidisciplinary planning and treatment, residential treatment programs must employ trained staffs who form a collaborative of specialists with varied skills and expertise. They must also be appropriately screened, trained, and supervised so that they provide youth with the structure, support, and guidance they need and they must understand and share the common goal of achieving successful outcomes for the child and family both during and after placement. Providers and staff must also place importance on the transitional services that assist young people leaving care, their future caregivers and prepare youth for independent living.

It is critical to the care of these youth that out of home placements are safe, secure, properly equipped and adaptable to meet identified needs; therefore, DSS proposes using supplemental funds for repairs and modifications to both foster homes and residential facilities allowing facilities to restore fully resume operations and increase accessibility for children that require such placement. In addition, DSS will engage in capacity building with agency staff, residential providers/staff to reduce inappropriate institutional care, to prevent abuse/neglect and to meet the needs of these children and youth. Training will ensure that youth have access to the appropriate clinical services, case management, family services, educational and vocation services, recreational services, behavior support and behavior management, health, and nutritional services.

### Coordinated care management for at-risk children

\$2,000,000

Implementation of case management post-hurricanes Katrina and Rita has been hampered by a lack of readily available social and health care services identified in case management plans. After Hurricane's Katrina and Rita, while many organizations were contracted to provide case management, no service providers were contractually obligated to provide the services identified by the case management process, and state supported services such as Medicaid Enrollment, Food Stamp, etc. were not necessarily organized to seamlessly integrate with and external case management process.

The state is proposing to contract with entities to implement a focused coordinated care management program for children at highest risk of social, behavior or medical harm in select hurricane affected areas demonstrating the highest unmet need – these may include medically fragile children, children in foster care, children with chronic disease, and others The community-based coordinated care provider will be charged with identifying children at high-risk in their communities; assessing their medical, dental, social and behavioral needs within the context of their family and social support system and assembling a documented care coordination plan; and ensuring the provision of the necessary individual and family medical, dental, social and behavioral health services required under the case management plan. In addition, State provided support services will be dedicated to support this effort and will be reengineered in the focus areas to support coordinated care management model.

### Administrative Management

\$287,880

The agency proposes the use of funds for additional resources for administrative management of SSBG Recovery funds. As with the funding received from the hurricanes of 2005, the development of agreements (contracts, interagency agreements, memoranda of understanding), exchanges of vital information, budgetary provisions, accounting and payment/revenue management services, etc. require additional manpower. Further, due to the emergency nature of the projects, heavy administrative oversight and project monitoring will be needed to assure adherence with all state

and federal requirements. Staffing and contractor services acquired to oversee/monitor SSBG Recovery will need to be retained and possibly supplemented in order to ensure that funding streams are segregated and that the highest standards of financial management are supported.

Department of Social Services	\$30,987,880
Department of Health and Hospitals	\$2,000,000
TOTAL PROPOSED FOR CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES	\$32,987,880

### HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM

\$94,750,000

### Community Clinic Stabilization

\$1,000,000

Federal Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics in hurricane affected areas continue to experience increased case volumes of uninsured patients resulting from disruption and displacement of health care services, loss of health benefits due to hurricane related unemployment or job changes and increased demand for hurricane related behavioral health. Many of these safety-net clinics suffered significant business interruption, damage and increased use as a result of Hurricane Gustav and Ike. The agency proposes reimbursing this important access points for documented losses due to the storm in order to preserve their ability to deliver services to the uninsured.

### Primary Care, Dental and Behavioral Health Workforce

\$750,000

In response to Hurricane Katrina the federal government awarded \$50 million dollars to the Greater New Orleans Health Service Corps to "enhance the professional health care workforce supply in the Greater New Orleans Area". While this program has successfully improved the workforce situation in Greater New Orleans, the cumulative effects of Hurricane's Rita, Gustav and Ike exacerbate the longstanding shortage other costal parishes in Regions 3, 4 and 5 of the state. The U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) identifies shortages of at least 76 primary care physicians, 44 dentists and 32 mental health professionals in these three regions. Practices and hospitals which invest *new* capacity to serve the uninsured and Medicaid population in these parishes since will be eligible for \$15,000 in quarterly income guarantees per new primary care, dental and behavioral health provider recruited to these regions.

### Mental Health Services for Adults

\$7.741.255

A broad continuum of mental health services for adults are crucial for stabilization of a population that was traumatized in 2008 after not yet fully recovered from the devastation of the hurricanes of 2005. Services in this program are geared towards appropriate diagnosis and treatment of adult mental health disorders include offering mobile crisis teams, clinical mental health assessments, assertive community treatment services, crisis services that divert people from inpatient psychiatric hospitals and emergency rooms to more appropriate care settings, rental assistance and housing support services and teaching skills needed to live more independently and stable in the community.

### Mental Health Services for Children

\$762.961

Early diagnosis and treatment options for children are vital tools for ensuring that children already suffering from the consequences of the 2005 hurricanes can be identified and treated in the most appropriate setting. Services for children in this program include school-based services in select parishes to identify children at risk of mental health issues due to hurricane disasters, personal, family or other catastrophic events, on-site emergency treatment planning and intervention services

for children and their families, acute inpatient services for children with no funding source for such services and violence prevention programs.

### Mental Health Inpatient Services

\$60,745,784

Southeast Louisiana State Hospital and Eastern Louisiana State Hospital are state operated inpatient mental health facilities that serve the state's most fragile mental health patients. These facilities serve both adults and children and offer several specialty and acute care programs and services. Services in this program would make available non-Medicaid funded intermediate inpatient services when other forms of inpatient services are not appropriate.

### Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention for Adults

\$9,500,000

Disasters and catastrophic events such as the hurricanes of the past few years can exacerbate a substance abuse problem in all levels of society, from those who may otherwise not turn to substances, to those who are in a state of recovery, to those who are dually diagnosed with substance abuse and mental health disorders. Identification, diagnosis, and appropriate treatment are crucial in managing this population. Services for adults with substance abuse disorders in this program include supporting 40 medically supported detoxification beds, 40 inpatient treatment beds and providing Access to Recovery vouchers for multiple levels of addiction treatment and recovery support services such as transportation, job skills and child care.

### Developmental Disability Services for Children

\$6,122,933

Families of children with severe or profound developmental disabilities need supports and services to ensure that their children can remain with them and avoid unnecessary institutionalization. The stress on a family to care for a developmentally disabled child is compounded after a hurricane or other natural disaster. Services in this program to aid families through diagnosis and treatment of developmentally disabled children include Early Steps for infants to toddlers three years of age and distribution of a monthly cash stipend to families with children less than 18 years of age to offset extraordinary costs.

### Developmental Disability Services for Adults

\$8,127,067

Many adults with developmental disabilities strive to be independent and reside in the community as opposed to being institutionalized. The threat of institutionalization after the devastation of a hurricane can be magnified and compounded by many external factors. Services in this program to assist adults with developmental disabilities include individual and family support services, vocational and related habilitative needs, guardianship program, preventive dentistry, resource centers and the continued transition of individuals from the Metropolitan Developmental Center.

TOTAL PROPOSED FOR HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM	
(Department of Health and Hospitals)	\$94,750,000

HOUSING \$2,000,000

### Transition to Permanent Affordable Housing

\$2,000,000

As federal funding for temporary housing disappears, the Louisiana Recovery Authority will assist those families that require additional support as they move forward in their recovery and self-sufficiency. These services will include a Housing Resource Clearinghouse and coordination of supportive services. The s state will launch a call center/hotline designated to connecting residents

with the appropriate housing resources available (such as Permanent Supportive Housing vouchers, Cottages, etc). The call center will ensure that all families have access to information, and it will provide the state with a mechanism for disseminating information on housing programs. As affordable units come online, and voucher programs become available, there will be a need for a means of coordinating placement. This Clearinghouse will provide comprehensive tool -- a virtual one-stop shop -- for available housing programs and services. In addition, a percentage of the families exiting out of Disaster Housing Assistance Program (DHAP) and trailers will need additional support in order to successfully transition beyond federal assistance. Some of these families have been dependent on federal assistance for over 3 years and some will not be ready for independence. It is critical that the state have the ability to connect them with available resources and assist in their progress.

TOTAL PROPOSED FOR HOUSING	
(Louisiana Recovery Authority)	\$2,000,000

### SUMMARY OF PROPOSED FUNDING ALLOTMENT

\$129,737,880

FUNDING RECIPIENT	SERVICE CATEGORY	TOTAL PROPOSED FUNDING
Department of Social Services	Child and Family Services	\$32,987,880
Department of Health and Hospitals	Health Delivery Services	\$96,750,000
Louisiana Recovery Authority	Housing	\$2,000,000

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PART B. RECIPIENTS

		PART B. RI	ECIPIENTS			
Service	Supported with Supplemental SSBG Funds	Children	Adults 59 Years & Younger	Adults 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age	Total
1 Adopti	on Services	1,686				1,686
2 Case	Management	5,000				5,000
	egate Meals					0
4 Couns	eling Services	1,200	2,310			3,510
5 Day C	are - Adults					0
6 Day C	are - Children					0
7 Educ./	Training Services					0
8 Emplo	yment Services					0
9 Family	Planning Services					0
10 Foster	Care Svcs Adults					0
11 Foster	Care Svcs Children	4,186				4,186
12 Health	Related Services	7,500	10,000			17,500
13 Home	Based Services					0
14 Home	Delivered Meals					0
15 Housin	ng Services				13,230	13,230
16 Indep.	Trans. Living Svcs.	58				58
	Referral Services					0
18 Legal	Services					0
19 Pregna	ancy & Parenting					0
20 Prever	ntion/Intervention	4,368	332			4,700
21 Protec	tive Svcs Adults					0
22 Protec	tive Svcs Children	3,759				3,759
23 Recre	ation Services					0
24 Reside	ential Treatment					0
25 Spec.	Svcs Youth at Risk					0
26 Specia	al Svcs Disabled	2,042	1,659			3,701
27 Substa	ance Abuse Services	500	5,270			5,770
28 Transp	portation					0
29 Other	Services				38	0
TOTAL RECIP	PIENTS OF SERVICES	30,299	19,571	0	13,230	63,100

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\$0 \$127,970,000

\$1,767,880

\$129,737,880

\$0

\$0

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Agency: DSS - Office of Community Services	Submission Date: April 27, 2009	

PART A. EXPENDITURES AND PROVISION METHOD

All other Supplemental SSBG Funds Service Supported with Supplemental Federal, State Provision Supplemental SSBG Funds SSBG transferred and Local Total Method Private Allocation Expenditures Public into SSBG\* Funds\*\* 1 Adoption Services \$601,090 \$601,090 2 Case Management \$9,750,000 \$9,750,000 3 Congregate Meals \$61,000,000 \$61,000,000 4 Counseling Services X \$0 \$0 \$0 5 Day Care - Adults 6 Day Care - Children \$0 \$0 7 Education and Training Services 8 Employment Services \$0 \$0 9 Family Planning Services 10 Foster Care Svcs. - Adults \$0 \$25,503,480 11 Foster Care Svcs. - Children \$25,503,480 \$0 12 Health Related Services \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 13 Home Based Services 14 Home Delivered Meals 15 Housing Services 16 Indep./Trans. Living Svcs. \$1,770,000 \$1,770,000 \$1,202,180 \$0 \$1,202,180 17 Info. & Referral Services 18 Legal Services \$0 19 Pregnancy & Parenting \$0 \$2,077,500 20 Prevention/Intervention \$2,077,500 \$0 Х 21 Protective Svcs. - Adults \$0 22 Protective Svcs. - Children \$1,315,750 \$0 \$1,315,750 23 Recreation Services 24 Residential Treatment \$0 25 Special Services - Disabled \$14,000,000 \$14,000,000 X 26 Special Services - Youth at Risk \$0 27 Substance Abuse Services \$9,250,000 \$9,250,000

\$0

\$0

\$127,970,000

\$1,767,880

29 Other Services
30 TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES

SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE

31 Administrative Cost TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR

28 Transportation

32 COSTS

<sup>\$129,737,880</sup> \*From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred?

<sup>\*</sup>Please list the sources of these funds:

### **APPENDIX C**

# NON-DISCRIMINATION IN SERVICE DELIVERY TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

The Department of Social Services (DSS) reaffirms its policy for the Equal Delivery of Services and will administer all programs and conduct its business, either directly or indirectly, or through contractual or other arrangements, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000 et seq.), Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 80, as amended through July 5, 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 706), and the Agency's Statements of Compliance.

No person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or handicap be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity conducted in this agency. The Department of Social Services will take appropriate action to ensure that the above will be implemented at all levels of administration.

The Secretary of the Department of Social Services has overall responsibility for the policy and program development under Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Responsibility for the coordination and implementation has been placed with the DSS Civil Rights Bureau.

Any person who believes that he or she or any specific class of persons has been subjected to discrimination covered by Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, may without fear of reprisal or coercion, file a written complaint with the DSS Civil Rights Bureau at 755 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Fourth Floor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801, or the federal Regional Office for Civil Rights, 1200 Main Tower, Dallas, Texas 75202.

#### SFY 2009-2010 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS - STATES AND STATE AGENCIES

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F. The regulations, published in the May 25, 1990, Federal Register, require certification by grantees, prior to award, that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. Section 85.630(c) of the regulations provide that a grantee that is a State may elect to make one certification in each Federal fiscal year. The certificate set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the agency determines to award the grant. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension, or termination of grants, or government-wide suspension or debarment (see 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.615 and 85.620).

- A. The grantee certified 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 grantees 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
  - (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 subparagraph (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 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 sub 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)

### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, 627 NORTH FOURTH STREET, EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70821

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Name and Title of Authorized Representative:	Kristy H. Nichols, Secretary
Signature: Dull	Date: 5-2005
States electing to exclude certain state agencies from	the statewide certification append to this form a list of the

agencies not covered by the terms of this certification.

### SFY 2009 – 2010 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 from covered transactions by any Federal Department or agency;
  - (b) have not within a 3 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 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.

The prospective primary participant agrees that by submitting this proposal, it will include the clause entitled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transaction" which is provided below.

### CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND 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 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.

The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause entitled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

Organization Name: <u>Department of Social Service</u>	ices/Office of Community Services
Name and Title of Authorized Representative:	Kristy H. Nichols, Secretary
Signature: Pell	Date 5 20-03

### CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

## CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Program: TITLE AX SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
Period: July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010
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 any 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, 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 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 document for sub awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients 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.
Organization Name: <u>Department of Social Services/Office of Community Services</u>
Name and Title of Authorized Representative: Kristy H. Nichols, Secretary
Signature: Date: 5/20/09

### CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

Public Law 103-227, Part C – Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), 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 program 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 \$1,000.00 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 sub awards, which contain provisions for the children's services and that all sub grantees shall certify accordingly.

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Name and Title of Authorized Representative:	Kristy H. Nichols, Secretary
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