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EXPIRATION DATE: 11/30/2017

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA	FISCAL YEAR: 2014-2015	REPORT PERIOD: 7/1/2014 - 6/30/2015
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	Service Supported with SSBG Expenditures	SSBG Expenditures		Expenditures of All Other Federal, State and Local funds**	Total Expenditures	Provision Method	
		SSBG Allocation	Funds transferred into SSBG*			Public	Private
1	Adoption Services						
2	Case Management	6,262,000		564,349,843	570,611,843	x	
3	Congregate Meals						
4	Counseling Services						
5	Day Care--Adults						
6	Day Care--Children		30,467,272	359,880,331	390,347,603	x	x
7	Education and Training Services						
8	Employment Services						
9	Family Planning Services	2,405,330		2,817,300	5,222,630		x
10	Foster Care Services--Adults						
11	Foster Care Services--Children						
12	Health-Related Services						
13	Home-Based Services						
14	Home-Delivered Meals						
15	Housing Services	4,183,000		20,479,000	24,662,000	x	x
16	Independent/Transitional Living Services						
17	Information & Referral						
18	Legal Services	5,724,631		15,448,711	21,173,342	x	x
19	Pregnancy & Parenting						
20	Prevention & Intervention						
21	Protective Services--Adults	6,504,930		24,091,350	30,596,280	x	x
22	Protective Services--Children	12,942,070		1,747,114,503	1,760,056,573	x	x
23	Recreation Services						
24	Residential Treatment	10,000,000		59,335,801	69,335,801	x	x
25	Special Services--Disabled						
26	Special Services--Youth at Risk						
27	Substance Abuse Services						
28	Transportation						
29	Other Services***	17,821,063		2,892,154,586	2,909,975,649	x	x
30	SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES	65,843,024	30,467,272	5,685,671,425	5,781,981,721		
31	Administrative Costs	325,000					
32	SUM OF EXPENDITURES FOR SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	66,168,024	30,467,272				

* From which block grant(s) were these funds transferred? TANF.

** Please list the sources of these funds: Please see Appendix A.

*** Please list other services: Community Mental Health, Community Intellectual Disabilities.

Part B. Estimated Recipients

OMB NO.: 0970-0234

EXPIRATION DATE: 06/30/2014

STATE: PENNSYLVANIA
FISCAL YEAR: 2014-2015

	Service Supported with SSBG Expenditures	Children	Adults			Total Adults	Total
			Adults Age 59 Years & Younger	Adults Age 60 Years & Older	Adults of Unknown Age		
1	Adoption Services						
2	Case Management	1,200,141	1,620,412	433,338	0	2,053,750	3,253,891
3	Congregate Meals						
4	Counseling Services						
5	Day Care--Adults						
6	Day Care--Children	96,505	0	0	0	0	96,505
7	Education and Training Services						
8	Employment Services						
9	Family Planning Services	0	155,527	935	0	156,462	156,462
10	Foster Care Services--Adults						
11	Foster Care Services--Children						
12	Health-Related Services						
13	Home-Based Services						
14	Home-Delivered Meals						
15	Housing Services	28,621	22,792	2,831	21,670	47,293	75,914
16	Independent/Transitional Living Services						
17	Information & Referral						
18	Legal Services	768	30,442	4,086	0	34,528	35,296
19	Pregnancy & Parenting						
20	Prevention & Intervention						
21	Protective Services--Adults	0	93,771	4,070	6,456	104,297	104,297
22	Protective Services--Children	239,246	0	0	0	0	239,246
23	Recreation Services						
24	Residential Treatment	769	0	0	0	0	769
25	Special Services--Disabled						
26	Special Services--Youth at Risk						
27	Substance Abuse Services						
28	Transportation						
29	Other Services***	6,994	38,053	6,406	161,409	205,868	212,862
30	SUM OF RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES	1,573,044	1,960,997	451,666	189,535	2,602,198	4,175,242

Note 1: Recipient counts may be duplicated between service categories.

Note 2: Recipient counts are reported for all funding sources; not exclusively SSBG funding.

Note 3: The methodology for reporting recipients in the Case Management service category is now unduplicated. In addition, the recipient counts for the Family Planning and Legal Services service categories now include recipients for all funding sources, not solely SSBG. This explains why there is a variance in the recipient counts for these service categories from prior reporting periods.

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2 CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Pennsylvania Services Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

County Assistance Office Service Planning/Case Management

Definition of Child/Adult:

For County Assistance Office Service Planning/Case Management services, a child is defined as a person under age 18. An adult is anyone 18 years of age or older.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State General Fund	\$298,299,995
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Federal Sources:

Title XX	\$6,262,000
Title XIX	\$121,645,000
TANF	\$36,010,598
SNAP	\$108,394,250

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6 DAY CARE SERVICES - CHILDREN

Pennsylvania Service Included (Definition in Appendix B):

Subsidized Child Care Service

Definition of Child/Adult:

For Subsidized Child Care Services, a child is defined as a person under age 13. Children between the ages of 13 and 19 who are unable to care for themselves may be eligible for the service if proper medical documentation is provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State General Fund	\$155,283,331
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Federal Sources:

Title XX-TANF Transfer	\$30,467,272
CCDBG	\$204,597,000

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9 FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES

Pennsylvania Service Included (Definition in Appendix B):

Family Planning Services

Definition of Child/Adult:

Pennsylvania's Family Planning Program serves adults, defined as recipients 16 years of age and older.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State Funds:

Expanded Services	\$1,500,000
Breast Cancer Screening	\$1,317,300

Federal Sources:

Title XX	\$2,405,330
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15 HOUSING SERVICES

Pennsylvania Service Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

Homeless Assistance Service

Definition of Child/Adult:

The Homeless Assistance Program serves adults, defined as recipients 18 years of age and older, and families with children under age 18.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State General Fund	\$18,496,000
Federal Sources:	
Title XX	\$4,183,000
Substance Abuse Block Grant	\$1,983,000

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18 LEGAL SERVICES

Pennsylvania Service Included (Definition in Appendix B):

Legal Service

Definition of Child/Adult:

For Legal Services, a child is defined as a person under age 18. An adult is anyone 18 years of age or older.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds

State Funds:

General Fund	\$2,586,000
Disability Advocacy Program	\$909,000

Federal Sources:

Title XX	\$5,724,631
HHS - CHIPRA	\$136,975

Local Funds:

IOLTA	\$368,750
AJA	\$10,973,000
CLE Board	\$474,986

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21 PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR ADULTS

Pennsylvania Services Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

Protective Service - Domestic Violence

Protective Service - Rape Crisis

Definition of Child/Adult:

Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis serves adults, defined as recipients 18 years of age and older.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State Funds:

Act 44	\$20,490,470
Act 222	\$766,360

Federal Sources:

Title XX	\$6,504,930
Family Violence Prevention and Services	\$2,834,520

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22 PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

Pennsylvania Services Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

Child Welfare Service

Protective Service - Domestic Violence

Protective Service - Rape Crisis

Definition of Child/Adult:

Child Welfare Services, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis serves children, defined as recipients under age 18.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State Funds:

State Share YDC/YFC	\$38,779,779
Act 148	\$979,918,397
Act 44	\$3,591,530
Act 222	\$66,640

Federal Sources:

Title XX	\$12,942,070
Title XIX	\$1,356,173
TANF	\$58,508,000
Title IV-B	\$8,353,000
Title IV-E	\$264,155,390
Family Violence Prevention and Services	\$246,480

Local Funds

Local Share/County Generated	\$366,285,926
County Share YDC	\$25,853,188

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22 PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN (Continued)

The following is the estimation method for calculating the total expenditures for Protective Services for Children:

Some counties have not yet submitted final expenditure reports with actual data for the Child Welfare Service. Estimates were calculated using Fiscal Year 2014-2015 county budget requests for the counties that have not submitted final expenditure reports.

The following is the estimation method for calculating the recipient count of Protective Services for Children:

Because some county reports for Child Welfare Services will not be available until after the SSBG Post-Expenditure Report is due, the number of recipients was estimated by using annualized fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2013-2014 recipient data from all allowable cost centers. The number of children served in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 is expected to remain the same.

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24 RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES

Pennsylvania Services Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

Residential Social Services for Adjudicated Delinquents

Definition of Child/Adult:

For Residential Social Services for Adjudicated Delinquents, a child is defined as an individual who: 1) is under the age of 18 years; 2) is under the age of 21 years who committed an act of delinquency before reaching the age of 18 years; or 3) was adjudicated dependent before reaching the age of 18 years and who, while engaged in a course of instruction or treatment, requests the court to retain jurisdiction until the course has been completed, but in no event shall a child remain in a course of instruction or treatment past the age of 21 years.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State Funds	
General Fund	\$58,780,124
Federal Sources:	
Title XX	\$10,000,000
Food Nutrition	\$555,677

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29 OTHER SERVICES

Pennsylvania Service Included (Definitions in Appendix B):

Community Mental Health Services
Community Intellectual Disabilities Services

Definition of Child/Adult:

The Community Mental Health and Community Intellectual Disabilities programs serves children, defined as a person under age 18 and adults, defined as a person 18 years of age and older.

Eligibility Requirements:

Please reference the General Eligibility Requirements and Program Definitions in Appendix B.

Sources of Funds:

State Funds	
General Fund	\$1,366,248,098
State HSBG	\$172,138,551
Federal Sources:	
Title XX	\$17,821,063
Title XIX	\$1,286,571,699
CMHSBG	\$5,507,752
Local Funds	
County Match	\$15,660,670
Ineligible Costs	\$1,240,399
Other Sources (services fees, private insurance, interest, etc.)	
Program Service Fees	\$434,009
Patient Paid	\$3,978,575
Interest	\$90,162
Other	\$40,284,671

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29 OTHER SERVICES (Continued)

The following is the estimation method for determining Community Mental Health Services and Community Intellectual Disabilities Services total expenditures:

Estimated amounts are based upon Fiscal Year 2013-2014 actual expenditures. Actual Fiscal Year 2014-2015 amounts will not be available prior to the submission of the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 SSBG Post-Expenditure report.

The following is the estimation method for determining the recipient count for Community Mental Health Services:

Unduplicated recipient data broken down between children and adults is not available for Community Mental Health Services. Therefore, the data is estimated from actual recipient counts from Fiscal Year 2013-2014 and assigned as "Adults of Unknown Age". The number of recipients served in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 is expected to remain the same.

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GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR 2014-2015

Eligibility requirements are contained in specific program regulations of the Department of Human Services. The following general provisions will apply to all providers who use SSBG funds for social services.

NONDISCRIMINATION

Individuals applying for, and receiving, services may not be discriminated against because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or disability.

DEPARTMENTAL FAIR HEARING

The Department's Appeal and Fair Hearing Regulations, contained in The Pennsylvania Code, Title 55, Part 2, Chapter 275, apply to the provision of Title XX Social Services.

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SSBG PROGRAM/SERVICE DEFINITIONS

CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM

Services under the Department's Child Welfare Program are provided through grants to county children and youth social service agencies.

Service: Child Welfare Social Service.

Service Definition: Child Welfare Social Service includes certain activities performed by county children and youth social service agencies to alleviate or prevent conditions of dependency and delinquency of children and to strengthen the functioning of their families. Activities are defined in Title 55 PA Code, Chapter 3130 – Administration of County Children and Youth Social Services Programs.

Eligibility: Service is provided without regard to income to children and their families who are in need of the service. The need for the service is determined in accordance with the definitions in Title 55 PA Code, Chapter 3130 – Administration of County Children and Youth Social Services Programs and other applicable program regulations.

Fees: Fees, if established, are based on the scale established by each county Children and Youth social service agency under Title 55 PA Code, Chapter 3130.21(h)(3) – Administration of County Children and Youth Social Services Programs, if appropriate.

Application for Service: Requests/referrals for service are made through each county Children and Youth social service agency.

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COMMUNITY INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM

Services for persons with Intellectual Disabilities are provided by the Department of Human Services through the county Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities (MH/ID) program.

Services: Community Intellectual Disabilities Services.

Service Definitions: Community Intellectual Disabilities Services consist of a comprehensive array of services and supports for people with intellectual disabilities which are either administered or operated by county MH/ID programs or by contracted private service providers.

Specific activities and services include, but are not limited to:

- adult developmental training;
- community residential services;
- employment and employment related services;
- family support services including respite care, behavioral support, family education/training, homemaker services, in-home therapy and
- supports coordination (case management).

More detailed information regarding service definitions is available in ODP Bulletin #00-13-04, "Crosswalk between ODP Cost Center Codes and Human Services Block Grant Cost Center Codes" with attachment.

Eligibility: Persons who are diagnosed with intellectual disabilities by the county MH/ID program are eligible for full or partial support and services based on their assessed needs.

Fees: See 55 Pa. Code Chapter 4305 (Liability for Community Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Services Regulations).

Application for Service: Persons may apply through the county MH/ID Program.

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COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICE (CAO) SERVICE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Title XX funds are used by County Assistance Offices to assure that public assistance recipients have access to needed community services.

Services: CAO Service Planning/Case Management and Information and Referral.

Service Definitions: CAO Service Planning/Case Management consists of staff activities to assess need, arrange for, or follow-up on, services provided by other community agencies which are necessary to enable public assistance recipient families and/or individuals to achieve Federal Title XX goals.

Service activities may include:

- an exploration of service needs, and discussion with the recipient of available and acceptable service options;
- arrangement for the provision of needed medical, functional, psychological, psychiatric, social, or vocational diagnostic assessments;
- prompt arrangement for delivery of the requested services, taking into account the recipient's choice of service provider, if possible;
- liaison with all providers serving the recipient;
- personal advocacy, if needed, to ensure the satisfactory delivery of services;
- monitoring of the continuity or continued appropriateness of services; or
- follow-up to ensure recipient satisfaction and to offer additional services as needed.
- a brief assessment (not diagnosis and evaluation) of the person's problem to make appropriate referral possible;
- provision of relevant information on, and referral to, community resources providing, or making available, the needed service; and
- follow-up, as appropriate.

Service activities do not include provision of information through the mass media or general public information methods, except for the costs of advertising for the service itself.

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COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICE (CAO) SERVICE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Continued)

Eligibility: Persons financially eligible for CAO Service Planning/Case Management are:

- current recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF);
- current recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- current recipients of Medical Assistance; and
- current recipients of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Persons desiring service may apply at any County Assistance Office.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

Title XX provides funds for protective services to victims of domestic violence through a contract with a statewide coalition which in turn subcontracts for services at the local level. Victims of domestic violence may contact provider agencies to request legal representation under the Protection from Abuse Act.

Service: Protective Service - Domestic Violence.

Service Definition: Protective Service is a system of activities to assist persons who are in situations of actual or threatened abuse.

The service is provided as intervention in a crisis situation and includes all activities necessary to alleviate the problem or to remove the individual from the dangerous situation as detailed in the individual's written service plan.

Service activities include, but are not limited to:

- making referral for financial aid, either in the form of emergency aid or in the form of ongoing income maintenance;
- providing assistance to obtain public benefits;
- arranging for or providing to an individual and his/her dependents for no more than 30 days in any six-month period, emergency shelter or housing, in the form of room and board, transportation services, and if other resources including Titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act are not available, emergency health services and financial aid;
- providing or arranging for services necessary to enable the person to remain in his/her own home;
- providing outreach services;
- arranging for medical, mental health, and/or intellectual disabilities assessments;
- arranging or referring persons for services, on the basis of assessment;
- arranging or referring for provision of legal services/assistance, including the preparation of legal documents and direct representation in cases of exploitation, abuse, and/or neglect;
- providing accompaniment to police, hospital, court, and/or social services and providing victim advocacy;

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM (Continued)

- providing supportive counseling, both in person and via telephone, and protective casework for as long as necessary to implement the individual service plan;
- providing preventative services for potential domestic violence victims, and educating other service providers about dealing with victims of domestic violence;
- providing a 24-hour hotline service to victims; and
- recruiting and training volunteers to provide service.

Eligibility: Persons are eligible without regard to income.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Individuals may request service at local domestic violence provider agencies under contract with the Department.

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FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM

Service under the Department's Family Planning program is provided in all 67 counties through contracts with four regional management agencies, Family Planning Councils, which contract with local family planning agencies.

Service: Family Planning Service.

Service Definition: Family Planning Service meets contraceptive needs through the provision of educational, medical, and social services. The service enables individuals to determine family size, to space children, and to prevent unplanned pregnancies.

Eligibility: Persons 16 and 17 years of age are eligible without regard to income.

Service is provided to persons 18 years of age and older who are:

- current recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF);
- current recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI); and
- those not described under this section whose family monthly gross income does not exceed 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines adjusted according to family size.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Persons may apply at local family planning agencies.

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HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Services under the Department's Homeless Assistance Program (HAP) are provided through grants to the county commissioners who subcontract with local provider agencies.

Service: HAP Service is provided through the following five service components:

- Case Management - Provides assistance to HAP recipients to access and to coordinate activities and services needed to work towards permanent housing and self-sufficiency.
- Rental Assistance - Provides assistance to individuals and families to prevent or to end homelessness or near homelessness. Assistance may be provided in the form of rental, mortgage arrearage, utility, or security deposit payments. Homelessness is ended by moving the recipients out of temporary living situations or shelters into permanent housing. Evictions are prevented by providing payments for rent or mortgage arrearages so that individuals and families are able to maintain their own residences.
- Bridge Housing - Assists homeless individuals and families for up to 18 months by providing housing and case management with the goal of returning the recipients to the most independent living situation possible.
- Emergency Shelter - Adult Protective Service - Provides shelter to persons in immediate need who have no permanent residence. Service components include mass and individual shelter in congregate settings and individual shelter paid through a voucher system to house recipients in hotels, motels, or boarding homes.
- Innovative Supportive Housing Services - Allows counties to develop supportive housing services to address unique county needs which are not met within the other eligible HAP service components.

Service Definition: Homeless Assistance Program Service makes available a continuum of service components to homeless and near homeless individuals and families. These services help individuals and families in Pennsylvania who are homeless, at risk of becoming homeless, or near homeless find refuge and care, and are able to move toward self-sufficiency.

Eligibility: To receive HAP services, a person must be low-income, in immediate need of shelter, or at risk of becoming homeless or be homeless or near homeless. People seeking Emergency Shelter services as a result of a disaster or domestic violence are not required to meet income guidelines.

Individuals or families are *homeless* if they:

- reside in a group shelter, domestic violence safe home, hotel or motel paid for with public or charitable funds, a mental health, drug or alcohol facility, jail, or hospital with no place to reside; or living in a home, but due to domestic violence, need a safe place to reside;

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HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (Continued)

- verify that they face foster care placement of their children solely because of lack of adequate housing or need housing to allow reunification with children who are in foster care placement;
- are living in a doubled-up arrangement for six months or less on a temporary basis;
- are living in a condemned building;
- are living in housing in which the physical location presents life and/or health threatening conditions; or
- are living on the streets, in cars, doorways, etc.

Individuals and families are *near homeless* if they are facing eviction.

Fees: Counties utilizing the Bridge Housing component of the HAP are permitted to charge fees in accordance with the fee scale developed by the county and service provider. No fees are charged under any other service component. However, if the HAP county contact and service provider determine that it is operationally and programmatically necessary to charge a fee to access emergency shelter, the HAP county contact must submit a waiver request to the Department. This request, must describe how a fee will improve administrative efficiency and the health and safety of recipients, and foster recipient independence.

Application for Service: Persons seeking service may apply at local HAP service provider agencies designated by the County Commissioners/County Executive.

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LEGAL SERVICE PROGRAM

Title XX Legal Service is provided by local legal services programs through a contract with the Pennsylvania Legal Services.

Service: Legal Service.

Service Definition: Legal Service is provided by lawyers and paralegal aides under their supervision to resolve or prevent the civil legal problems of an eligible person or several eligible persons sharing the same legal problem or circumstances. The provision of Legal Service must be consistent with the Code of Professional Responsibility and the Disciplinary Rules of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and/or other applicable rules of professional conduct. The service does not include political activities or the provision of direct service to organizations. Class action lawsuits are governed by special criteria available through the Department. The substantive services provided primarily fall within core areas which include: termination of employment and unemployment compensation; custody and other family law matters; insurance; health care; income and income supports; discrimination due to race, age, sex, or handicap; wage and pension claims; housing; taxation; wills and estates; Social Security; disability; and debtor-creditor issues. It also includes protective services under the Protection From Abuse Act.

Service activities include:

- consultation and advice; and
- representation of persons which includes, but is not limited to, legal assessment; negotiation; research and representation before district judges, courts, and administrative agencies.

Legal Service is provided neither in fee-generating cases, nor in cases where the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or political subdivisions of the commonwealth have an obligation to provide counsel to the indigent. Legal Service is not provided in criminal matters or in matters which, in the professional judgment of an attorney, are of little merit or which, under all circumstances presented by the person, are of no benefit to the person. A fee-generating case means any case or matter which, if undertaken on behalf of an eligible recipient by an attorney in private practice, reasonably may be expected to result in a fee for legal services to be paid from a monetary award made by a court or an administrative agency. The term "fee-generating case" does not include cases in which representation is permitted by 45 CFR §1609.4.

The objective of Legal Service is to resolve civil legal problems, thus helping persons to reach one or more of the five federal goals.

Eligibility: Persons financially eligible are:

- current recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF);

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- current recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- current recipients (both children and adults) who receive protective services under the Protection From Abuse Act;
- current recipients of Medical Assistance;
- those not described under this section whose family monthly gross income does not exceed 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines adjusted according to family size.

Individuals also must meet one of the two categories of need: (1) emergency situations; and (2) termination of employment and unemployment compensation; custody and other family law matters; insurance; health care; income and income supports; discrimination due to age, race, sex, or handicap; wage and pension claims; housing; taxation; wills and estates; Social Security; disability; and debtor-creditor issues.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Individuals desiring service may apply at local Legal Service provider agencies under contract/subcontract with the Department.

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MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Mental Health Services are provided by the Department of Human Services through grants to county Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities (MH/ID) programs.

Services: Community Mental Health Services.

Service Definitions: Community Mental Health Services provides a range of services and supports.

- Community Residential Rehabilitation services provide intensive, goal-directed supports in a non-medical setting enabling recipients to achieve their maximum possible independence within a community.
- Vocational services enable individuals with mental disabilities to prepare for, secure, and retain employment.
- Service Planning/Case Management services provide coordination, monitoring, and advocacy among all the services received by the individual.
- Social Rehabilitation services improve an individual's functioning in society by developing skills in areas including social competence, communication, and daily living.

Additional information regarding service definitions is available in Mental Health Bulletin Number OMHSAS-12-02, "Cost Centers for County Based Mental Health Services."

Eligibility: Persons who are diagnosed as having a mental health problem by the county MH/ID Program and who are eligible for full or partial support based on the MH/ID Title 4305 Client Liability Regulations.

Fees: See 55 Pa. Code Chapter 4305 (Liability for Community Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Services Regulations).

Application for Service: Persons may apply through the County MH/ID Program.

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RAPE CRISIS PROGRAM

The SSBG provides funding for Protective Service to victims of rape crisis/sexual assault through a contract with a statewide coalition which, in turn, subcontracts for services at the local level.

Service: Protective Service - Rape Crisis.

Service Definition: Protective Service - Rape Crisis is a system of activities to assist persons who are in situations of actual or threatened abuse.

The service is provided as intervention in a crisis situation and includes all activities necessary to alleviate the problem or to remove the individual from the dangerous situation as detailed in the individual's written service plan.

Service activities include, but are not limited to:

- making referral for financial aid, either in the form of emergency aid or in the form of ongoing income maintenance;
- with recipient consent, arranging alternate care;
- arranging for emergency health services and financial aid;
- providing outreach services;
- arranging for medical, mental health, and/or intellectual disabilities assessments;
- arranging or referring persons for services, on the basis of assessment;
- arranging or referring for provision of legal aid, including the preparation of legal documents and direct representation in cases of exploitation, abuse, neglect, involuntary commitment, and competency proceedings;
- arranging with or referring the individual to appropriate agencies or individuals for initiation of guardianship proceedings;
- providing accompaniment to police, hospital and court, and providing victim advocacy;
- providing crisis counseling, both in person and via telephone, and protective casework for as long as necessary to implement the individual service plan;
- educating service provider agencies to more effectively support victims of rape;

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RAPE CRISIS PROGRAM (Continued)

- providing a 24 hour hotline service to victims of rape and/or to the significant others of victims; and
- recruiting and training volunteers to provide service.

Eligibility: Persons are eligible without regard to income.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Individuals may request service at local Rape Crisis provider agencies under contract with the Department.

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SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE PROGRAM

Subsidized Child Care Services are provided through a system of grants to public and private agencies administered through the Office of Child Development and Early Learning, Bureau of Subsidized Child Care Services.

There are 42 Child Care Information Services (CCIS) agencies that cover each of the 67 counties that administer the parent-choice system. The CCIS agencies purchase services from providers who the eligible parent has chosen. The CCIS agencies establish provider agreements with any licensed, registered, and legally unregulated provider who agrees to participate. A parent may choose care from any of these facilities.

Service: Subsidized Child Care Service.

Service Definition: Subsidized Child Care Service is care provided for part of a 24-hour day to children of low-income families whose parent(s)/caretaker(s) are working or receiving training.

Care is provided to children up to the age of 13. Children between the ages of 13 and 19 who are unable to care for themselves may be eligible for the service if proper medical documentation is provided. This service does not include care provided by parents. This service may not be provided as a substitute for publicly-funded education programs such as kindergarten or other specialized treatment programs. Subsidized child care service is provided to children in child care centers, group child care homes, family child care homes regulated by the Department, and legally unregulated care.

Types of services provided to:

- Infant (0-12 months);
- Toddler (13 months to 36 months);
- Preschool (37 months to entry into kindergarten);
- School-Age (kindergarten to age 13);
- Special Needs (as documented).

The goal of Subsidized Child Care Service is to provide low-income families with quality child care for their children to enable the parent(s)/caretaker(s) of these children to work or receive training.

Service activities include:

- maintaining a safe and healthful environment for the child;
- implementing a written plan of daily activities and routines for the child;
- maintaining and updating child and employee records; and

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- providing care which promotes the affective, cognitive, communicative, perceptual-motor, physical, and social development of the child.

Eligibility: The parent(s) or caretaker(s) must:

- have a total family income which does not exceed 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines to enter the program or 235 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines to remain in the program, and;
- work at least 20 hours per week; or work a minimum of 10 hours per week *and* attend a training/education program for 10 hours per week; or be under the age of 18 *and* attend high school *or* a full-time general educational development (GED) program.

If the need for service is greater than the availability of funds in a county, the CCIS agency is required to maintain a waiting list of eligible children based on application date.

Fees: Fees are charged to all families, beginning at \$5.00 per week and increasing as the family's income increases. The fee is based on the family's monthly gross income and is adjusted for family size. The fee is a family fee regardless of the number of children in care.

Application for Service: Persons desiring service may apply to their local CCIS agency or through the Department's COMPASS website.

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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PROGRAM

The Department of Human Services operates residential facilities which provide services for the rehabilitation of youth who have been adjudicated delinquent.

Service: Residential Social Services for Adjudicated Delinquents.

Service Definition: The Youth Development Centers and Youth Forestry Camps provide residential social services for the rehabilitation of delinquent youth who require care, guidance and control. Services are designed to meet the social, emotional, vocational and educational needs of youth in care while ensuring accountability on the part of the youth to the victim, the community, the court and family. Services are designed to enable youth to return to the community more capable of being law abiding and productive members.

Services include, but are not limited to:

- diagnostic assessments of each delinquent youth;
- preparation, implementation, and monitoring of individual treatment service plans;
- provision of individual, group, and family counseling;
- psychological/psychiatric services;
- teaching of basic social, interpersonal, and living skills;
- provision of training in the development of job-related skills needed to obtain employment; and
- provision of socialization and recreation activities to foster individual growth and enable youth to reach maximum functioning while in placement and upon return to the community.

Eligibility: All youth who are adjudicated delinquent and placed in a Youth Development Center or Youth Forestry Camp are eligible without regard to income as provided in the Juvenile Act, 42 Pa C.S. § 6301 et seq., as amended.

Fees: None.

Application for Service: Admission to the facilities which provide this service is by court order in compliance with the Juvenile Act, 42 Pa C.S. § 6301 et seq., as amended. Service is based on programmatic decisions made by staff of the facility from an assessment of recipient need.