

Delaware

Social Service Block Grant FY2018

January 2018



Critical Fact:

**SSBG provides vital
resources in
Delaware.**

**Sum of
Expenditures for
Services in
Delaware through
SSBG2018:**

\$4,180,853

Main Resources Utilized Under SSBG 2018:

\$1,083,321 on Foster Care Services for
Children

\$945,860 on Day Care for Children

\$792,238 on Home-Based Services

\$587,003 on Protective Services for
Children

\$434,292 on Special Services for Youth at
Risk

Why is SSBG important to Delaware?

Foster Care Services for Children:

780 children in Delaware lived apart from their families in out-of-home care in 2016.

Delaware's foster care services include relative, non-relative, and group home placements. In 2018, the state will serve over a million children.

Protective Services for Children:

In 2016, there were 1,572 victims of abuse or neglect in Delaware, a rate of 7.7 per 1,000 children.

Delaware provides case management, child care licensing, family support, shelter, and group residential care. They estimate they'll serve 434,000 children in 2018

Special Services for Youth at Risk:

3,704 children younger than 18 were arrested in Delaware in 2016. Violent crimes were the reason for 348 of the arrests in 2016.

Delaware plans to serve around 2,000 children in 2018. These services include sex-offender treatment in communities, youth monitoring, transportation to appointments, and in-home services.

Childcare services for children (including infants, preschoolers, and school age children) are services or activities provided in a setting that meets applicable standards of State and local law, in a center or in a home, for a portion of a 24-hour day.

Home-based services are those in-home services or activities provided to individuals or families to assist with household or personal care activities that improve or maintain adequate family well being.

Protective services for children are those services or activities designed to prevent or remedy abuse, neglect, or exploitation of children who may be harmed through physical or mental injury, sexual abuse or exploitation, and negligent treatment or maltreatment, including failure to be provided with adequate food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.

Special services for youth involved in or at risk of involvement with criminal activity are those services or activities for youth who are, or who may become, involved with the juvenile justice system, and for their families.

