

Mississippi

Social Service Block Grant FY2016

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Critical Fact:

**SSBG provides vital
resources in
Mississippi.**

**Sum of
Expenditures for
Services in
Mississippi through
SSBG2016:**

\$14,827,833

Main Resources Utilized Under SSBG 2016:

\$5,972,362 on Aging and Adult Services

\$4,799,426 on Family and Children
Services

\$1,974,199 on Youth Services

Why is SSBG important to Mississippi?

Division of Aging and Adult Services:

The division provides adult protective services, adult day care, case management, and respite care. 4,700 people received home delivered meals in 2016 due to \$1.3 million in SSBG funding. Also, 4,600 people received homemaker and health services as a result of \$2.1 million in SSBG funding.

Division of Family and Children Services:

In 2016, there were 10,179 victims of child maltreatment in Mississippi. Also, there were over 31,000 total referrals of child abuse and neglect, with 85.4% of those referrals screened-in for investigation.

This division provides adoption, placement, case management, and protective services. Mississippi's Central Intake Program has funded a call center to ensure consistent and measurable services for the state's centralized intake. This program sends intakes and screenings to an Intake Supervisor who will immediately respond to a child in danger. In 2016, over 29,000 calls were received through this program. SSBG2016 funding provided \$2,000,000 for this program.

Division of Youth Services:

In 2016, there 12,507 juvenile delinquency cases and over 17,000 referrals in Mississippi. Law enforcement provided the majority of referrals, 52%.

The Division of Youth Services provides counseling, day treatment, and other services for youth at risk of participating in criminal activity. Mississippi's Electronic Monitoring and Surveillance Program assists in supervising and rehabilitating juveniles who've returned to the community. The program is available for high and low risk juveniles ages 13 to 17 years old. SSBG2016 funding provided \$500,000 for this program and 720 youth were served.

Other services include counseling, mental health and rehabilitative programs, juvenile reentry program to address recidivism, and academic and vocational programs.

