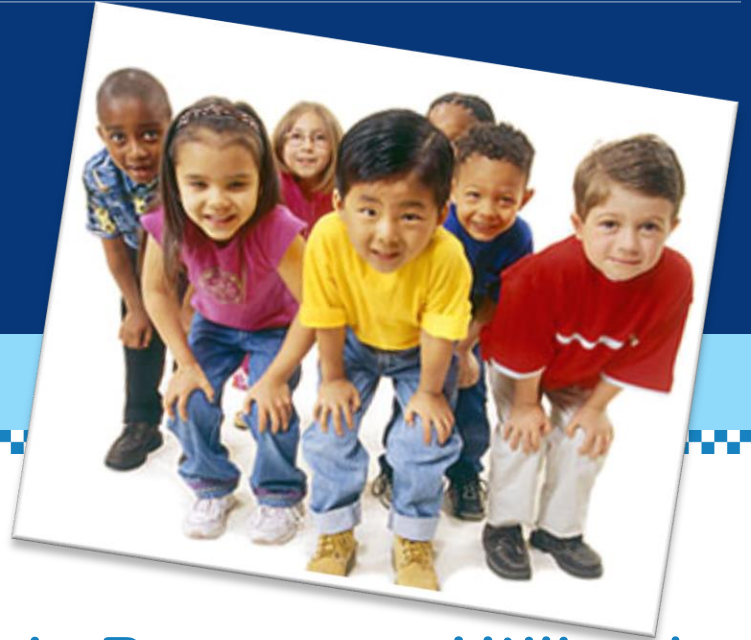


# Arkansas

Social Service Block  
Grant FY2016

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## Critical Fact:

**SSBG provides vital resources in Arkansas.**

Sum of  
Expenditures for  
Services in  
Arkansas:

**\$22,698,215**

## Main Resources Utilized Under SSBG

**\$9,480,816 on Residential Treatment**

**\$3,442,726 on Prevention and  
Intervention**

**\$2,652,029 on Special Services for  
Disabled Individuals**

**\$1,477,030 on Protective Services for  
Children**

# Why is SSBG important to Arkansas?

## Child Abuse and Neglect

SSBG funding would provide prevention and intervention services to 14,482 children.

In 2017, Arkansas had 59,983 total referrals for child abuse and neglect. 60,736 reports were referred for investigation. Arkansas had 9,334 child victims of maltreatment in 2017.

## Residential Treatment Services

SSBG funding would provide 575 children with residential treatment services. Services can place children in alternative living arrangements such as foster homes or group homes. Also, casework with the child, parents/guardians, and caregivers is included in the service.

## Special Services for Disabled Individuals

SSBG funding would provide 7,516 children with special services for disabled individuals. The services assist the individual to function at their highest level of independence.

**Prevention and Intervention services** are those services or activities designed to provide early identification and/or timely intervention to support families and prevent or ameliorate the consequences of abuse, neglect, or family violence, or to assist in making arrangement for alternative placements or living arrangements where necessary.

**Residential treatment services** provide short-term residential care and comprehensive treatment and services for children or adults whose problems are so severe or are such that they cannot be cared for at home or in foster care and need the specialized services provided by specialized facilities.

**Special services** for persons with developmental or physical disabilities, or persons with visual or auditory impairments, are services or activities to maximize the potential of persons with disabilities; help alleviate the effects of physical, mental, or emotional disabilities; and to enable these persons to live in the least restrictive environment possible.

