# Hawaii

### Social Service Block Grant FY2016

## January 2019

**Critical Fact:** 

SSBG provides vital resources in Hawaii.

Sum of Expenditures for Services in Hawaii:

\$12,452,875



### Main Resources Utilized Under SSBG:

\$10,702,129 on Protective Services for Children

\$707,366 on Special Services for Youth at Risk

\$552,780 on Foster Care Services for Children

\$429,013 on Protective Services for Adults

### Why is SSBG important to Hawaii?

### **Child Abuse and Neglect**

In 2017, there were 1,280 victims of abuse or neglect in Hawaii, a decrease of 14% from 1,491 in 2016.

### **Foster Care Services for Children**

1,607 children in Hawaii lived apart from their families in out-of-home care in 2017, compared with 1,605 children in 2016.

#### **Home-Based Services**

Of the 978 children exiting out-of-home care in 2015 in Hawaii, 66% were reunited with their parents or primary caretakers.

### **Special Services for Youth at Risk**

4,257 children were the recipient of services in Hawaii.

**Foster care services** for children are those services or activities associated with the provision of an alternative family life experience for abused, neglected, or dependent children, between birth and the age of majority, on the basis of a court commitment or a voluntary placement agreement signed by the parents or guardians.

**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.



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