Michigan Social Service Block Grant FY2016

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Critical Fact:
SSBG provides vital resources in Michigan

Main Resources Utilized Under SSBG:

- $18,840,494 on Protective Services for Adults
- $11,135,830 on Foster Care Services for Children
- $8,136,871 on Protective Services for Children
- $5,629,550 on Foster Care Services for Adults

Sum of Expenditures for Services in Michigan:

$48,967,028
Why is SSBG important to Michigan?

**Foster Care Services for Children**

11,918 children in Michigan lived apart from their families in out-of-home care in 2017. SSBG provided services for over 13,000 children. Generally, foster care services provide an alternative family experience for abused, neglected, or dependent children.

Michigan provides permanent homes for children in state wards. Health services like medical, dental, and mental health are provided for child welfare clients. Specific to adoption, the state provides medical, psychological, and psychiatric services to those clients.

**Protective Services for Adults**

Domestic, dating, and sexual violence are costly and pervasive problem in the U.S., causing victims, as well as witnesses and bystanders, in every community to suffer incalculable pain and loss. 15.5 million children in the U.S. live in families in which partner violence occurred at least once in the past year, and seven million children live in families in which severe partner violence occurred.

SSBG will provide protective services to nearly 43,131 adults. Services include onsite shelters managed by the domestic violence program, a 24-hour hotline, individual and group counseling, child care during counseling, and criminal justice assistance.

**Protective Services for Children**

In 2017, there were 38,064 victims of child abuse or neglect in Michigan. SSBG provide 90,292 children with child protective services. Funded services include investigating reports, coordinating community programs, and assisting families in resolving their problems.

**Foster care services for adults** are those services or activities that assess the need and arrange for the substitute care and alternate living situation of adults in a setting suitable to the individual’s needs. Individuals may need such services because of social, physical or mental disabilities, or as a consequence of abuse or neglect.