

VERMONT

Social Service Block
Grant FY2016

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CRITICAL FACT:

**SSBG Provides Vital
Resources in Vermont**

Sum of
Expenditures for
Services

\$3,095,990

Key Resources Utilized Under SSBG:

**\$866,934 on Day Care Services for
Children**

\$516,258 on Legal Services

**\$513,285 on Independent/Transitional
Living Services**

**\$409,004 on Residential Treatment
Services**

\$312,728 on Family Planning Services

Why is SSBG important to Vermont?

Child Abuse and Neglect

Vermont had 19,756 total referrals for child abuse and neglect. Of those, 4,320 reports were referred for investigation.

In 2017, there were 878 child victims of abuse or neglect in Vermont. 1,270 children in Vermont lived apart from their families in out-of-home care, compared with 1,323 children in 2016.

Day Care Services for Children

In 2017, the SSBG provided childcare services for 8,459 children. Vermont's childcare is provided through community providers. The services allow low-income parents to go to work or school.

Legal Services

As a result of SSBG, 6,737 children and adults received legal services.

Independent/Transitional Living and Residential Treatment Services

SSBG funded independent living services for 1,099 youth and 184 received residential treatment services. The services rehabilitate delinquent youth through diagnostic assessments, counseling, psychological and psychiatric services, and developing treatment plans.

Family planning services are those educational, comprehensive medical or social services or activities which enable individuals, including minors, to determine freely the number and spacing of their children and to select the means by which this may be achieved. These services and activities include a broad range of acceptable and effective methods and services to limit or enhance fertility, including contraceptive methods (including natural family planning and abstinence), and the management of infertility (including referral to adoption).

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