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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Interested Persons and Providers

FROM: Renee Ikard, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Finance

DATE: May 27, 2025

SUBJECT: Social Services Block Grant Review

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As a part of the federal requirements at Title XX, Section 2004 of the Social Security Act (as enacted in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 [P.L. 97-35] and codified at 42 U.S.C. 1397c), attached for your review and comment is the Social Services Block Grant Intended Use Plan and Pre-Expenditure Report.

Public comments must be submitted in writing at the above address or at the following email address: [ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov](mailto:ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov). Please note that public comments submitted in response to this notice are considered public documents. A public comment, including the commenter's name and any personal information contained within the public comment, will be made publicly available and may be seen by various people.

If you have any comments, please submit in writing, no later than May 30, 2025.

## NOTICE OF SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PRE-EXPENDITURE REPORT

The Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) hereby gives notice of the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Intended Use Plan and Pre-Expenditure Report to the citizens of Arkansas for review and comment. The report reflects DHS's plans to expend SSBG funds for the 2026 state fiscal year, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Title XX, Section 2004 of the Social Security Act (as enacted in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 [P.L.97-35] and codified at 42 U.S.C. 1397c).

The SSBG documents mentioned above are available for review at the Department of Human Services Office of Policy and Rules, 2nd floor Donaghey Plaza South Building, 7th and Main Streets, P. O. Box 1437, Slot S295, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1437. You may also access and download this notice on the DHS website at [ar.gov/dhs-proposed-rules](https://ar.gov/dhs-proposed-rules).

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A public hearing will be held by remote access through Zoom. Public comments may be submitted at the hearing. The details for attending the Zoom hearing appear at [ar.gov/dhszoom](https://ar.gov/dhszoom).

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*Renee Ikard* 05/27/2025

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