



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
 OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES  
 DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE

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January 29, 2018

The Honorable Neal M. Kurk, Chairman  
 Fiscal Committee of the General Court

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
 and the Honorable Council  
 State House  
 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

*Charles M. Kurk* 2/29/18  
 Approved by Fiscal Committee Date

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, Additional Revenues, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family Assistance to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$13,313,800 from the Temporary Assistance To Needy Families (TANF) program, effective upon approval by the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council through June 30, 2018, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Federal Funds.

**05-95-045-450010-6146 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SVS, HHS: DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, TEMP ASSISTNC TO NEEDY FAMILY**

Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	Requested Change	Adjusted Budget
<b>Revenue</b>				
000-403982	Federal Funds	\$ 15,206,819	\$ 10,010,500	\$ 25,217,319
009-407095	Agency Income	\$ 2,800,000	\$ -	\$ 2,800,000
	General Funds	\$ 6,874,063	\$ -	\$ 6,874,063
	Total Revenue:	\$ 24,880,882	\$ 10,010,500	\$ 34,891,382
<b>Expense</b>				
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$ 12,357	\$ 10,500	\$ 22,857
501-500425	Payments to Clients	\$ 19,913,868	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 29,913,868
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$ 4,204,657	\$ -	\$ 4,204,657
538-500380	Emergency Assistance	\$ 750,000	\$ -	\$ 750,000
	Total Expense:	\$ 24,880,882	\$ 10,010,500	\$ 34,891,382

**05-95-42-421010-29580000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS  
 DEPT OF, HHS: HUMAN SERVICES, CHILD PROTECTION, CHILD - FAMILY SERVICES**

Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	Requested Change	Adjusted Budget
Revenue				
000-404230	Federal Funds	\$ 26,855,397		\$ 26,855,397
000-403982	Federal Funds	\$ -	\$ 3,303,300	\$ 3,303,300
	General Funds	\$ 25,933,486		\$ 25,933,486
007-407139	Other Funds	\$ 12,583	\$ -	\$ 12,583
Total Revenue:		\$ 52,801,466	\$ 3,303,300	\$ 56,104,766
Expense				
041-500801	AUDIT FUND SET ASIDE	\$ 22,495	\$ 3,300	\$ 25,795
049-500294	TRANSFER TO OTHER STATE AGEN	\$ 3,930		\$ 3,930
101-500729	MEDICAL PAYMENTS TO PROVIDER	\$ 88,084		\$ 88,084
108-500751	PROVIDER PAYMENTS LEGAL SERV	\$ 141,488		\$ 141,488
533-500373	FOSTER CARE SERVICES	\$ 1,300		\$ 1,300
534-500375	ADOPTION SERVICES	\$ 1		\$
535-500376	OUT OF HOME PLACEMENTS	\$ 24,434,544		\$ 24,434,544
550-500398	ASSESSMENT AND COUNSELING	\$ 12,584		\$ 12,584
563-500915	COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES	\$ 5,000,000		\$ 5,000,000
636-504180	IVEFOSPLA FOSTER C PLACEMENT	\$ 3,300,000		\$ 3,300,000
637-504181	IVEFOSSER FOSTER C SERVICE	\$ 552,812		\$ 552,812
638-504182	IVEFOSOTH FOSTER C OTHER	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000
639-504184	IVATANPLA TANF E A PLACEMENT	\$ 4,820,166	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 7,820,166
640-504185	IVATANSER TANF E A SERVICE	\$ 1,617,843	\$ 300,000	\$ 1,917,843
641-504186	IVATANOTH TANF E A OTHER	\$ 1		\$ 1
642-504187	IVATANMOE TANF MOE	\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000
643-504191	SGFPLA SGF PLACEMENT	\$ 5,851,301		\$ 5,851,301
644-504195	SGFSER SGF SERVICES	\$ 1,502,271		\$ 1,502,271
645-504004	SGFOTH SGF OTHER	\$ -		\$ -
646-504006	IVEADOPLA ADOPTION PLACEMENT	\$ 4,967,646		\$ 4,967,646
647-504007	IVEADOSER ADOPTION SERVICES	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000
648-504015	IVEADOADM ADOPTION ADMIN	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000
Total Expense:		\$ 52,801,466	\$ 3,303,300	\$ 56,104,766

### EXPLANATION

The Department of Health and Human Services manages the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, which is funded annually by \$38,394,141 of federal TANF block grant funds. The TANF block grant has a maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement of \$32,115,100. The current budget anticipates State MOE at the minimum level necessary to retain the federal funds and avoid the penalties that are imposed for failure to meet the MOE. Since the recession of 2008, caseloads had steadily declined as has been reported on the Department's monthly dashboard. However, with the passage of the SFY 2018-2019 budget how the TANF cash assistance grant was calculated was changed such that the maximum monthly cash benefit shall be equal to 60 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, based upon the applicable household size and composition, as determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The Department had anticipated that the average monthly caseload would become 2,301 however the average monthly caseload is 2,708 as of December 31, 2017 or 15% higher than was budgeted. The Point In Time caseload for the month of December 2017 is 3,008 so it is likely that the average monthly caseload will continue to increase. The average monthly grant amount was anticipated to be \$509.00 but is actually \$729.65 or 31% higher than budgeted. The Point In Time monthly grant has fluctuated month to month so it is difficult to know if the average will increase further. This accounts for \$5,000,000 of the \$10,000,000 request in the 045-61460000 Payments to Clients (Class 501). The balance of the \$10,000,000 being requested or \$5,000,000 is because the Department took advantage of being able to use Community Spending to meet the TANF grant MOE requirement and was able to transfer \$5,000,000 of general funds to other accounting units. \$1,400,000 was transferred to cover other cash assistance needs within the Division of Family Assistance and the balance or \$3,600,000 was transferred to the Division of Children, Youth and Families to help offset the anticipated deficit in 042-29580000 the Child and Family Services account where all services and placements for youth are incurred and will be matched with federal Foster Care and Medicaid funding.

This request is also being made to accept additional TANF funds available for SFY 2018 to cover the increased caseloads around placements provided to abuse and neglect clients, to keep children safe in their own homes whenever possible and assist families in the protection, development, permanency, and well-being of their children. Children and families involved with DCYF due to abuse and neglect concerns need both core and intensive supportive services. Both are essential in order to assure child safety and increase positive outcomes for children and families in their homes and communities. Funds are being budgeted in 042-29580000 IV- A TANF Placements (Class 639) to cover the 23% increase in placements. The Department has increased claiming TANF Funds for dual eligible children.

This request is being made to accept additional TANF funds available for SFY 2018 to cover the increased caseloads around services provided to delinquents which is to promote community safety and positive youth development via Juvenile Probation and Parole Supervision. Juvenile Probation and Parole Officers work to assure offender accountability through restoration of individuals and communities harmed by misconduct and by treating youth as assets to be developed within families and communities. Funds are being budgeted in 042-29580000 IV- A TANF Services (Class 640) to cover the increase in services. The Department has increased claiming TANF Funds for dual eligible delinquents.

Funds are being budgeted in Audit Fund Set Aside (Class 041) as required in both accounting units.

In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: These funds may not be used to offset General Funds. General funds are required to meet the annual maintenance of effort for the TANF program.

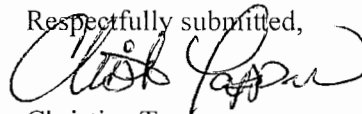
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Area served: statewide

Source of funds: These funds are 100% Federal from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program.

In the event that these Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program

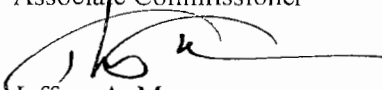
Respectfully submitted,



Christine Tappan  
Associate Commissioner

Approved by:

for



Jeffery A. Meyers  
Commissioner

	QE 9/30/16	QE 12/31/16	QE 3/31/17	QE 6/30/17	QE 9/30/17
FFY 2015 Grant	22,847,704	19,232,345	13,683,404	7,627,879	-
FFY 2016 Grant	33,384,324	33,384,324	33,384,324	33,384,324	30,300,930
FFY 2017 Grant		9,843,310	19,646,885	29,085,113	26,980,458
	56,232,028	62,459,979	66,714,613	70,097,316	57,281,388

TANF Balance Per ACF 196:

TANF Ledger grant year 2017  
AMT = \$ 9,309,028.00

cc Chris Tappan  
- Penny Smith



ADMINISTRATION FOR  
**CHILDREN & FAMILIES**

Office of Grants Management 330 C St., S.W., Washington DC 20201



July 1, 2017

Commissioner  
New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services  
129 Pleasant St  
Concord, NH 03301-3852

Re: Notice of Award - FY 2017

Dear Grantee:

This grant award represents obligation for fiscal year 2017 for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. These funds are subject to requirements of Title IV-A of the Social Security Act as amended by Title IV-A of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PRWORA, P.L. 104-193.

Appropriation	CAN	This Action	Cumulative
75-17-1552	2017G996115	\$9,309,028.00	\$38,394,141.00
Total		\$9,309,028.00	\$38,394,141.00

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EIN: 102600061883 Document Number: 1701NHTANF CFDA Number: 93.558

With the acceptance of this award, you agree to administer this grant in compliance with conditions set forth in the applicable Program Instructions, terms and conditions, Departmental regulations, and OMB Circulars. This award is also subject to the requirements of Section 106 (g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104).

A copy of the General Terms and Conditions governing mandatory grant programs and additional program-specific requirements for this program are available at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/terms-and-conditions>.

Further, in accordance with Department of Treasury regulations 31 CFR Part 205, implementing the Cash Management Improvement Act, you agree to limit your request to draw Federal funds to the minimum amount needed and to time the request in accordance with the actual, immediate requirements in carrying out programs funded through this award. Failure to adhere to these requirements may cause the suspension of grant funds.

Funds included in this award will be made available through the DHHS Payment Management System (PMS). Questions pertaining to payments should be directed to DHHS Division of Payment Management, Post Office Box 6021, Rockville, MD 20852; telephone 1-877-614-5533. Fiscal reporting questions regarding this grant should be directed to the ACF Regional Office.

Please transmit a copy of this letter to the office authorized to request funds covered by this award.

Sincerely,

Mausami Kothari  
Grants Officer  
Division of Mandatory Grants

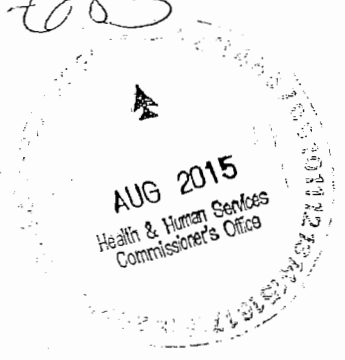
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TANF '15 15-1083



# ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W. Washington DC 20447



August 19, 2015

Commissioner  
New Hampshire Dept of Health & Human Services  
129 Pleasant St  
Concord, NH 03301-3852

Re: Notice of Award - FY 2015

Dear Grantee:

This grant award represents obligation for fiscal year 2015 for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. These funds are subject to requirements of Title IV-A of the Social Security Act as amended by Title IV-A of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PRWORA, P.L. 104-193.

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*[Signature]*

Appropriation	CAN	This Action	Cumulative
75-15-1552	2015G996115	\$1	\$38,521,261
		<i>[Handwritten: ✓, 10-4-15]</i>	
		Total \$1	\$38,521,261

EIN: 1026000618B3 Document Number: 1502NHTANF CFDA Number: 93.558

With the acceptance of this award, you agree to administer this grant in compliance with conditions set forth in the applicable Program Instructions, terms and conditions, Departmental regulations, and OMB Circulars. This award is also subject to the requirements of Section 106 (g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104).

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*[Signature]*  
Patrick A Wells  
Director  
Division of Mandatory Grants

These funds represent additional funding that the grantee is entitled to due to a rounding error that occurred during calculation of the Q4 awards.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Expenditures made using funds from this and all subsequent awards for this program will be governed by guidelines found in the new Omni Circular published by the Office of Management and Budget. These guidelines incorporate and update existing OMB Circulars and are being codified for HHS programs in Federal regulations at 45 CFR Part 75. (See the Federal Register Notice, dated Dec 19, 2014 at 79 FR 75871-76106.) The Terms and Conditions for this program will be revised accordingly.



# ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

330 C Street, S.W. Washington DC 20201

16-668



July 11, 2016

Commissioner  
New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services  
129 Pleasant St  
Concord, NH 03301-3852

Re: Notice of Award - FY 2016

Dear Grantee:

This grant award represents obligation for fiscal year 2016 for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. These funds are subject to requirements of Title IV-A of the Social Security Act as amended by Title IV-A of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PRWORA, P.L. 104-193.

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Appropriation	CAN	This Action	Cumulative
75-16-1552	2016G996115	\$9,552,389 ✓	\$38,521,261
		<b>Total \$9,552,389</b>	<b>\$38,521,261</b>

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8:00 AM  
PMS OKAY

EIN: 1026000618B3 Document Number: 1601NHTANF CFDA Number: 93.558

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