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FY 25-26 Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)

Request for Applications

Funding Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

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FY 2025-2026

Mountainland Association of Governments' Department of Community and Economic Development is pleased to invite your agency to apply for FY 2025-2026 Social Services Block Grant funding.

**SSBG OVERVIEW:**

SSBG funds are awarded directly to States, and the State and local communities are fully responsible, within the limitations of the law, for determining the use of their funds. The State and local communities have the flexibility to determine what services are provided, who is eligible to receive services, and how funds are distributed among various providers within the State of Utah and local communities.

SSBG funds enable local agencies to furnish social services best suited to meet the needs of the individuals residing within their community. Such services may be, but are not limited to:

- daycare for children or adults
- protective services for children or adults
- special services to persons with disabilities
- adoption
- case management
- health-related services
- transportation
- foster care for children or adults
- substance abuse
- housing
- home-delivered meals
- independent/transitional living
- employment services
- information and referral

SSBG uniform definitions of services can be found at:

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/law-regulation/ssbg-legislation-uniform-definition-services>

**AUTHORITY AND SCOPE:**

Social Services Block Grant rules are issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, under the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) # 93.667. Federal funds are passed through the Utah Department of Human Services to MAG. The SSBG program is subject to regulations periodically published in the Federal Register.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Agencies and organizations within Summit, Utah, and Wasatch Counties that provide applicable services to individuals with disabilities, domestic violence victims, seniors, and low- and moderate-income households are eligible to apply.

**PURPOSE and FUNDING GUIDELINES**

Services that may be provided with SSBG funds include, but are not limited to: child care for children or adults, protective services for children or adults, special services to persons with disabilities, adoption, counseling, case management, family planning, health-related, transportation, foster care for children

or adults, substance abuse, legal, housing, home-delivered meals, congregate meals, independent/transitional living, special services for youth, employment services, information and referrals, or any other social services needed by the grantee's population.

Regardless of the services funded by the SSBG funds, they must be used to provide services directed toward one of the following five goals specified in the law:

1. Achieving or maintaining economic self-support to prevent, reduce or eliminate dependency;
2. Achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency, including reduction or prevention of dependency;
3. Preventing or remedying neglect, abuse or exploitation of children and adults unable to protect their own interest, or preserving, rehabilitating or reuniting families;
4. Preventing or reducing inappropriate institutional care by providing for community-based care, home-based care or other forms of less intensive care;
5. Securing referral or admission for institutional care when other forms of care are not appropriate or providing services to individuals in institutions.

#### **FUNDING AVAILABILITY:**

MAG receives federal funding passed through the Utah Department of Human Services. Changes in federal or state policy, reduction of funding on a state or national level, or other external factors make it impossible to ensure specific award amounts. Although subrecipients selected for Local Government Social Services Block Grant funding will be provided an award letter and contract, please note all award totals can be changed with a 30-day notification. By submitting this application, potential sub-recipients acknowledge all award offers are tentative and may be influenced by factors outside of MAG's control.

#### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:**

SSBG grantees must report the number of **unduplicated** individuals who received services paid for in whole or in part with funds made available under the SSBG, showing separately the number of children and the number of adults who received such services and broken down in each case to reflect the types of services.

Reporting of unduplicated individuals, with a list of names and number of service units provided, must be provided quarterly.

#### **FISCAL CONTROL AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS:**

Quarterly (or monthly with prior arrangement) statements of expenditures are required of all SSBG grantees/contractors. These statements of expenditure must be submitted by the 15th day following the end of the month for which the grantee is billing. The grantee must maintain an adequate accounting system to identify and support all expenditures billed. All grantees/contractors are required to submit audit reports according to the requirements of the Single Audit Act.

***Please do not submit an application if your organization is unable to meet reporting and billing reimbursement requirements.***

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:**

Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 21, 2025 . Applications must be submitted through Neighborly Software found at

<https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/mountainland/participant>

**CONTRACT PERIOD:**

**The contract period is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.** Contracts will begin on the date of the signed contract (or July 1, 2025, if the contract is signed prior to July 1, 2025) and extend through June 30, 2026. Any services delivered before the start date of the contract are not reimbursable.

For further information and technical assistance, contact Heather Mills at [hmills@magutah.gov](mailto:hmills@magutah.gov) or 801-229-3815