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SUBJECT: Allowable Use of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Funds for 2024 National Association for State Community Service Programs (NASCSPP) Winter Training Conference

TO: CSBG Network

The Office of Community Services (OCS) is excited to support the National Association of State Community Services Programs (NASCSPP) 2024 Winter Training Conference themed: ***Turning Possibilities into Reality***, scheduled from March 11-15, 2024. This will be an in-person conference in Arlington, Virginia.

OCS recognizes state budget challenges often force difficult decisions regarding training investments. Since staff training is an allowable Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) administrative expense, CSBG funds can be used for state administrators' attendance at the NASCSPP 2024 Annual Training.

OCS will provide remarks at the Federal Partner Update session on **Wednesday, March 13** from **10:00 – 11:00am ET**, as well as lead two sessions on **Thursday, March 14** from **10:30 – 11:45am ET** and **1:30 – 2:45pm ET**. The first session, **Performance, Evaluation, Accountability, Accessibility, and Knowledge (PEAAK): Maximizing Performance through Targeted Training and Technical Assistance**, will provide insights on the national CSBG training and technical assistance (TTA) survey and how the TTA resources based on the survey results were shaped to provide support for performance management through the CSBG Network. The second session, **PEAAK: Performance Management Website Demonstration**, is a showcase of updates to the CSBG performance management website as part of the national rollout to enhance the telling of the CSBG story. Additional information about these sessions will be detailed in the conference agenda.

Additionally, members of the OCS team will be available by appointment to meet with state administrators, giving priority scheduling to CSBG administrators with less than three years in the position. Instructions on how to schedule appointments are forthcoming.

We hope to see you at the NASCSPP conference and please know that OCS appreciates all you do to serve families navigating the challenges of poverty.

Sincerely,

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