

Office of Community Services

DATE: December 11, 2024

SUBJECT: Allowable Use of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Funds for National

Association for State Community Service Programs (NASCSP) 2025 Winter

Training Conference

TO: CSBG Network

The Office of Community Services (OCS) is pleased to join in the National Association of State Community Services Programs (NASCSP) 2025 Winter Training Conference. The theme of the winter training conference is *Building Towards Together* and is scheduled from February 3-7, 2025, in Arlington, Virginia.

OCS recognizes state budget challenges often force difficult decisions regarding training investments. As a reminder, staff training is an allowable administrative expense in which Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds can be used for attendance at a training conference. CSBG state administrators may use CSBG funding to attend the NASCSP 2025 Winter Training Conference.

As part of the training conference, OCS will provide remarks at the Federal Partner Update session on Wednesday, February 5 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. ET, as well as lead a session on Thursday, February 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. ET. The session is CSBG PEAAK: Harnessing the Power of Automation through the CSBG Performance Management Website. Details about the session will be forthcoming in the conference agenda.

OCS staff will be available by appointment to meet with state administrators. Guidance on how to schedule appointments is forthcoming.

We look forward to engaging with CSBG state administrators attending the NASCSP Winter Training Conference and to further strengthening our collective capacity to serve families navigating the challenges of poverty.

Sincerely,

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