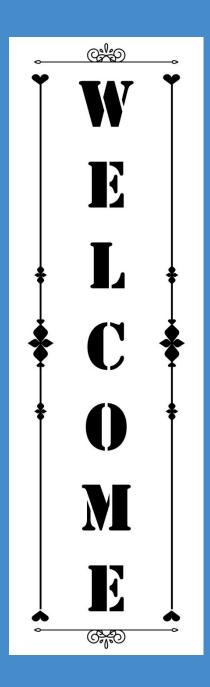


NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR STATE COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

CSBG Quarterly Member Call

August 19, 2025



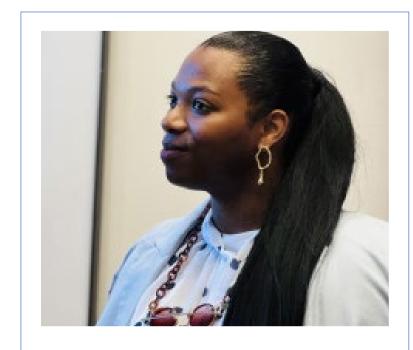
Changes at State Offices

Colorado: Welcome **Snow Staples**, Federal Programs Coordinator

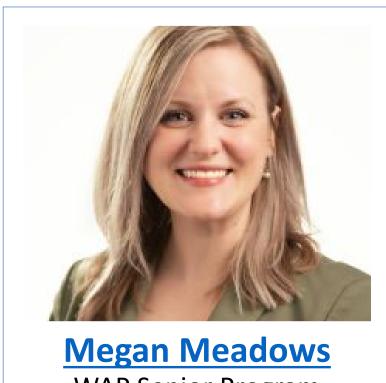
Nevada: Congrats on **Kelli Quintero**, DHHS Social Services Chief, on her upcoming retirement!

If you've had personnel changes at your State Office, please share them with <u>Lauren</u>.

Welcome New NASCSP Staff



Beck PasqualeMember Services Associate



WAP Senior Program

Manager

Agenda



- > Open Discussion Matt
- > NASCSP Updates Cheryl, Tiffany, Hugh, Lauren
- > CSBG Chair Updates Matt

Open Discussion



- > PRWORA
- Contingency Planning
- CSBG Directive on DEI
- CSBG Drawdowns
- > Advocacy

PRWORA

Billing Code: 4150-26-P

Notice: This HHS-approved document has been submitted to the Office of the Federal Register (OFR) for publication and has not yet been placed on public display or published in the Federal Register. The document may vary slightly from the published document if minor editorial changes are made during the OFR review process. The document published in the Federal Register is the official HHS-approved document.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA); Interpretation of "Federal Public Benefit"

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice. 30-day comment period.

listed in the 1998 HHS PRWORA Notice.

RIN: 0991-ZA57

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the interpretation that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) uses for the term "Federal public benefit" as used in Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA), Pub. L. 104–193, 8 U.S.C. § 1611. In doing so, this notice revises the interpretation of the term set forth in a prior notice, 63 FR 41658 (Aug. 4, 1998) ("the 1998 HHS PRWORA Notice" or "1998 Notice"). This notice also describes and preliminarily identifies the HHS programs that provide "Federal public benefits" within the scope of PRWORA, including HHS programs that were not

DATES: To be assured consideration, comments must be received no later than 11:59 p.m.

Eastern Time (ET) on [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL

REGISTER]. HHS will not reply individually to responders but will consider all comments
submitted by the deadline.

Contingency Planning



CSBG Directive on DEI

Key points in the HHS letter:

- All recipients are strongly encouraged to review CSBG State or Tribal Plans, CSBG Annual Reports, expenditures, and services funded under CSBG, including activities of eligible entities and contractors, to ensure compliance.
- Recipients should promptly assess budgets, justification narratives, program goals, and related materials to confirm that federal funds are not being used for unlawful DEI initiatives.
- Expenditures determined to be noncompliant with federal law may be subject to enforcement action under applicable statutes and the terms of your award.



July 3, 2025

Dear Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) States and Territories:

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is obligated to ensure that taxpayer dollars are used to advance the best interests of the government. The Secretary of HHS has determined that awards supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) do not meet a public purpose to the extent they are inconsistent with the Department's policy of improving the health and well-being of all Americans and may violate Federal civil rights law.

Consistent with these goals, the Office of Community Services (OCS) strongly encourages all recipients of block grant funded by Title II (Community Service Block Grants) of the Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services (COATES) Human Services Reauthorization Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-285), as amended, to review all plans, services, strategies, and expenditures under these programs, including those made by subrecipients or contractors, to ensure that they do not support DEI initiatives or any other initiatives that discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or another protected characteristic.

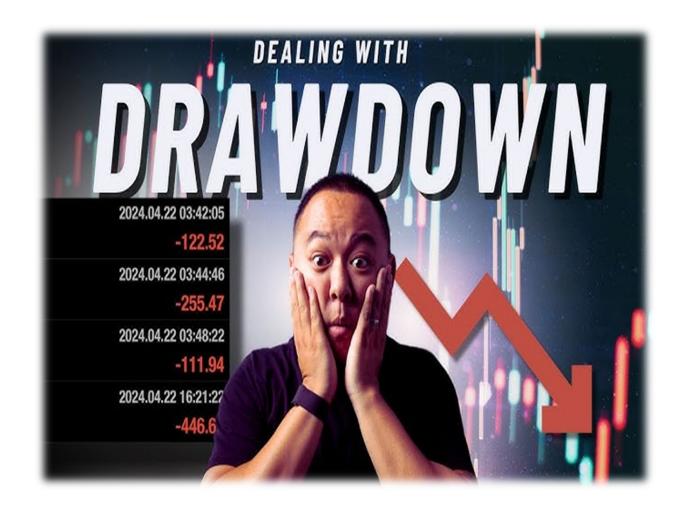
OCS recommends recipients take prompt action to conduct reviews for compliance with all applicable laws. Recipients are strongly encouraged to review budgets, budget justification narratives, program goals, and other materials to ensure that federal funds are not used for unlawful DEI initiatives. Expenditures found to be out of compliance with federal law may be subject to enforcement action in accordance with an applicable law and the terms and conditions of the award.

Sincerely,

Andrew K. Bradis

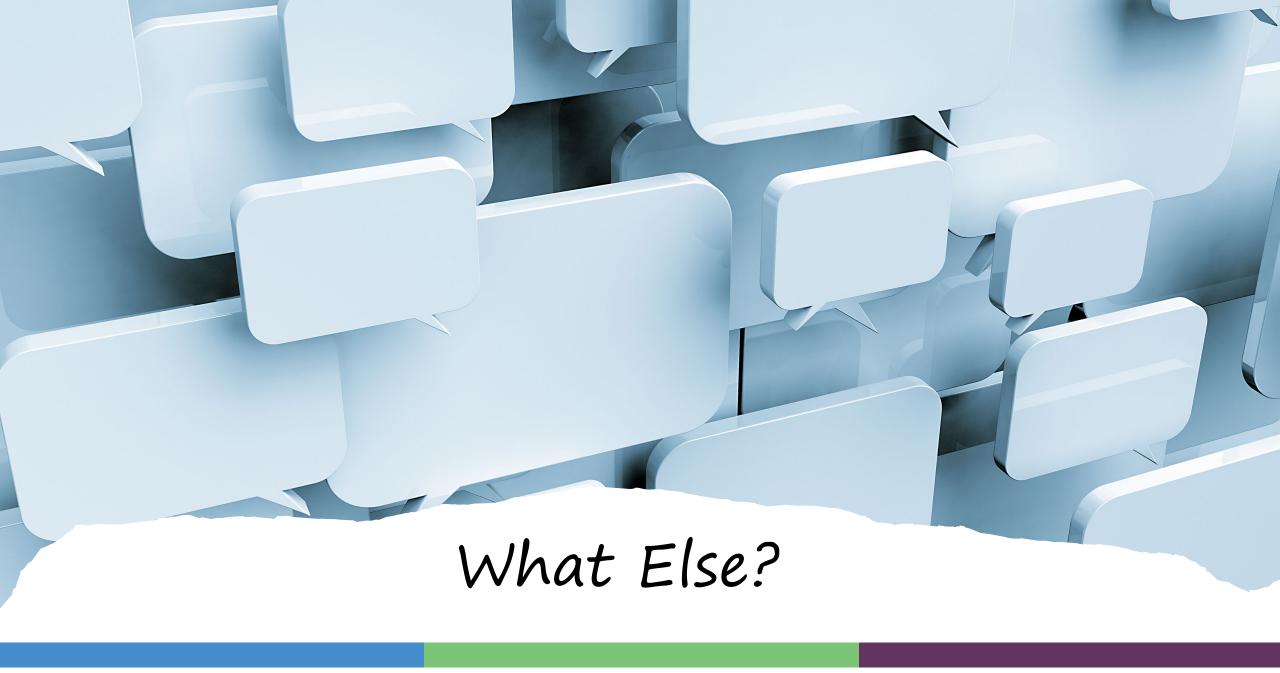
Andrew Gradison Acting Assistant Secretary Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

CSBG Drawdowns



Advocacy

The act of pleading n favor of something - alicy, or Advocacy Efforts



NASCSP UPDATES



- Legislative Updates Cheryl
- > Annual Report Update Tiffany
- > State Management Work Group Update Hugh
- > Conference Updates Lauren



H.R. 3131 CSBG Reauthorization

Bipartisan Cosponsors:

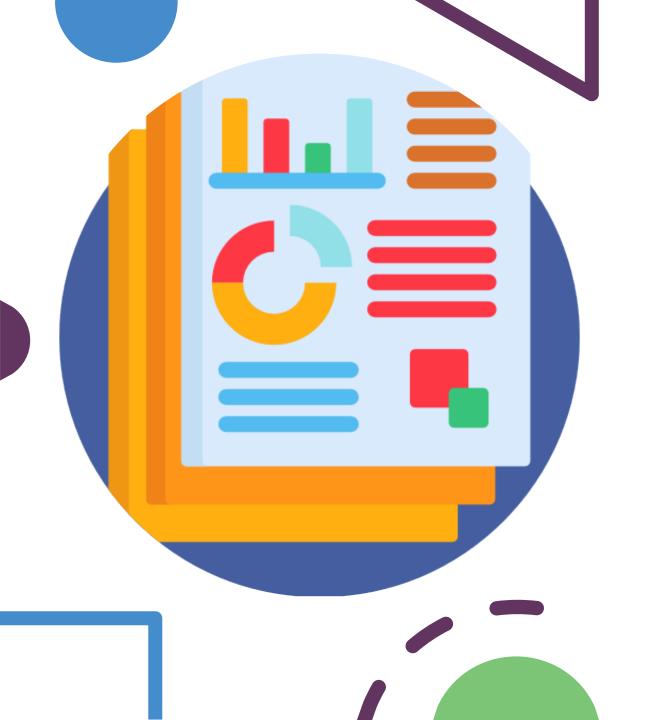
Reps. GT Thompson (R-PA) & Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR)

- Rep. Don Bacon (R-NE)
- Rep. Nanette Barragán (D-CA)
- Rep. Julia Brownley (D-CA)
- Rep. Nikki Budzinski (D-IL)
- Rep. André Carson (D-IL)
- Rep. Danny Davis (D-IL)
- Rep. Mark DeSaulnier (D-CA)
- Rep. Vincente Gonzalez (D-TX)
- Rep. Julie Johnson (D-TX)
- Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA)

- Rep. Sarah McBride (D-DE)
- Rep. Mark Messmer (R-IN)
- Rep. Frank Mrvan (D-IN)
- Rep. Donald Norcross (D-NJ)
- Rep. Harold Rogers (R-KY)
- Rep. Greg Stanton (D-AZ)
- Rep. Mark Takano (D-CA)
- Rep. Derek Tran (D-CA)

FY2026 Appropriations

Funding Stream/ Program	FY2025	Network Request	President's FY2026 Budget Request	House FY2026	Senate FY2026
CSBG	\$770M 200% FPL	\$780M 200% FPL	\$0	TBD	\$770M 200% FPL
LIHEAP	\$4.025B		\$0	TBD	\$4.045B



CSBG Annual Report Update

FY25 Annual Report: FY24 Changes Remaining

- FY24 Changes Remaining to Public Facing FY25 SmartForms
- Additional Changes to Module 3
- No Changes to XML
- XML "doctoring" if needed
 - Os for the removed datapoints
 - Gender Total = Sum of Male and Female only



FY25 Annual Report: Changes to SmartForms and Vendor Documents

- SmartForm Only Changes
 - A combined Module 2 and Module form
 - Adding missing validations
 - Removing old validations
- SmartForms and Vendor Documents
 - Adding \$100,000 thresholds to Year-to-Year Comparisons
 - Revising max lengths of numbers
 - Revised Message Description and Action Required Language
 - Adding other thresholds to promote a trend approach



FY25 Annual Report: Vendor Document

- Will be Uploaded to the Vendor Portal before October 1
 - Updated Data Dictionary
 - Updated Validations document
 - FY25 XML and XSD Files
 - FY25 Unprotected SmartForms



CAR v2.1 and v3.0: Changes

Several updates were made early April 2025.

ICR Ref. No.	Request Type	Date Received By OIRA	Conclusion Date	Conclusion Action
1707507-0970-008	No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection	03/28/2025	04/04/2025	Approved without change
202410-0970-006	Revision of a currently approved collection	10/10/2024	12/17/2024	Approved with change

CAR v2.1 and v3.0: CNPI 51.

December 2024 Approval

----,

CNPI 5I Percent decrease in unplanned pregnancies in the identified community

April 2025 Approval

Removed

CAR v2.1 and v3.0: Strategy Changes

December 2024 Approval

April 2025 Approval

Community Relations Campaign

STR 3a	Cultural Asset Creation	
STR 3b	Police and Community Relations Campaign	

STR 3b

STR 5d	Gun Safety and Control Campaign

Removed

Removed

STR 6 G2c	Poverty Simulations
STR 6 G2d	Attract Capital Investments
STR 6 G2e	Build and Support Increased Equity
STR 6 G2f	Equity Awareness Campaign

Not new changes. These were made in FY24.

CAR V3.0: ACR C1. Sex

December 2024 Approval

C1. Gender Identity

- a. Male
- b. Female
- c. Transgender, non-binary, or another gender
- d. Unknown or not reported
- e. TOTAL (auto-calculated)

April 2025 Approval

C1. Sex

- a. Male
- b. Female
- e. TOTAL (auto-calculated)

CAR v3.0: ACR D9. Household Type

December 2024 Approval

D9. Household Type

- a. Single Person
- b. Two Adults no children
- c. Household with multiple adults with no children
- d. Single Parent Female
- e. Single Parent Male
- f. Single Parent Non-Binary, Transgender, or Another Gender
- g. Two Parent Household
- h. Non-related Adults with Children
- i. Multigenerational Household
- j. Other
- k. Unknown or Not Reported
- I. TOTAL

April 2025 Approval

D9. Household Type

- a. Single Person
- b. Two Adults no children
- c. Household with multiple adults with no children
- d. Single Parent Female
- e. Single Parent Male
- g. Two Parent Household
- h. Non-related Adults with Children
- j. Multigenerational Household
- j. Other
- k. Unknown or Not Reported
- I. TOTAL

DATA-Related TTA

- NCAP Annual Training Convention
 - Data quality session
 - CAR v3.0 session
- NASCSP Conference
 - Introduction to CAR
 - Possible CAR v3.0 Sessions
- Other Tools and Resources
 - Data Quality Action Plan
 - Storytelling Toolkit
 - Data Collection 1-pagers
 - Updated CAR v2.1 Instruction Manuals and Lexicon
 - Moodle CAR v2.1 e-Course



CAR v3.0: Tools and Resources in Development

- Crosswalks
- **Instruction Manuals**
- 1-Pager Topic Focus Resources
- On-demand e-course
- Other standalone videos
- Lexicon





State Management Work Group 2.0



Purpose:

Help states address the challenges facing low-income families in rural communities, and the agencies that serve them.





Chair Updates



- > NASCSP Annual Business Meeting
- > NASCSP Executive Committee Nominations
- > Regional Representative Updates
- Upcoming Webinars
- > 2025 Quarterly Member Calls
- > NASCSP Membership
- > NASCSP TTA Offerings

While you're in Chicago, plan to attend the NASCSP 2025 Annual Business Meeting

Wednesday, September 24, 2025 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Swissotel Chicago

The meeting is open to <u>all</u> NASCSP members. If you work for a state office, you may attend the Annual Business Meeting.

Members will receive key updates on organizational priorities, board activities, strategic initiatives, and financials. This meeting is an opportunity for members to engage with leadership, participate in decision-making processes, and help shape the direction of the association.

Nominations for the Executive Committee and WAP Board Members will be received from the floor.





Submit your nominations for the NASCSP Executive Committee

Nominations are Open until September 5, 2025

Visit https://nascsp.org/2025-nascsp-board-nominations/

In accordance with the <u>NASCSP Bylaws</u>, nominations are being taken for the WAP Board of Directors and Executive Committee. Members may submit more than one nomination for any position. **Self-nominations are encouraged.**

Executive Committee officers serve a four-year term. Learn more about the duties of elected officers and to submit your nominations on our website.

Regional Rep Updates

Region I	Cassandra Norfleet-Johnson, Program Manager (CT)
	Tamara Fahey, CSBG Program Coordinator (MA)
Region II	Cynthia Bryant, Lead Program Manager – LIHEAP/CSBG (GA)
1108101111	Shelly Woda, Sustainability Unit Manager (WV)
Region III	Jill Giles, CSBG Program Coordinator (NE)
	Lorie Easter, CSBG Program Manager (IA)
Region IV	Anna Sainsbury, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator (WI)
	Sarah Priest, Community Action Grant Manager (MN)
Region V	Elizabeth Rackham, CSBG Program Specialist (ID)
Weblell A	Leeann Marx, CSBG Program Coordinator (OR)



Save the Date

Data Dashboards
 August 21, 2025 | 2:00 pm ET

Be on the lookout for more information on upcoming webinars in the CSBG Director's Digest.



2025 Quarterly Member Call Dates

November 18, 2025 | 3:00 to 4:30 pm ET | Register <u>here</u>

Don't forget to save the dates for the 2026 CSBG Quarterly Member Calls!

- **February 17, 2026** | 3:00 to 4:30 pm ET
- May 19, 2026 | 3:00 to 4:30 pm ET
- August 18, 2026 | 3:00 to 4:30 pm ET
- November 17, 2026 | 3:00 to 4:30 pm ET



NASCSP Membership Your State Office Dues At Work:

Member-Only Services

- CSBG Digest
- Quarterly Member Calls
- Member-Only Web Portal Library of Resources
- NASCSP Conference Member Rate
- Access to States Contact information in the CSBG Network

State & National Collaboration

- NASCSP champions appropriations/reauthorization at the Federal level
- Peer to Peer opportunities to share promising strategies and success stories
- Provide updates on changing policy and regulations

Training & Technical Assistance

- National Conferences
- Regional Trainings & Webinars
- Employee Orientation on Monitoring, Data Reporting, Performance Management and State Plan, Board Governance and Organizational Standards
- Customized on-site or virtual training or technical assistance
- Trusted resource for guidance

NASCSP NASCSP CAN HELP!

Our expert staff are here to help to grow your knowledge, skills and capacity with trainings and technical assistance tailored to your needs.

CSBG Training & Technical Assistance

- Monitoring
- Succession Planning
- Annual Reporting
- State Plan Development
- Policy Manual and/or SOP Development
- Funding Formula Revisions



Beverly Buchanan (AR), NASCSP Board Chair

Matt Fitzgerald (VA), NASCSP Board CSBG Program Chair

Cheryl Williams, Executive Director

cwilliams@nascsp.org

(202) 370-3658

Thank you!!

Hugh Poole, CSBG Director

 \searrow

hpoole@nascsp.org



202-370-3663

Lauren Johnson, CSBG Program Manager

 \searrow

ljohnson@nascsp.org

202-370-3653

Tiffany Jarvis, Research Director

 \searrow

tjarvis@nascsp.org

(202) 370-3665

Sarah Yang, Sr. Research Analyst

 \searrow

syang@nascsp.org

202-370-3664

Brandy Boulos, Research Analyst

 \searrow

bboulos@nascsp.org

A

(202) 717-8422