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Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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Serving Low-Income Families Through Community Partners

CSD partners with a network of private, non-profit, and local government community-based organizations dedicated to helping low-income families and individuals achieve and maintain self-sufficiency, manage their home energy needs and reside in housing free from the dangers of lead hazards.

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)

1.4M INDIVIDUALS SERVED

CSBG funds locally determined efforts to alleviate the causes and conditions of poverty with the goal of helping people achieve self-sufficiency. Examples of CSBG supported services and activities include programs to address employment, education, asset building, housing and shelter, nutrition and emergency services.

• EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

CSBG agencies assisted over 57,000 low-income tax filers with preparation services, including filing for EITC, who in aggregate received \$154M in tax refunds & credits.

• FACTS •

- The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded CA \$59M in FFY 2014.
- Eligibility is 100% of federal poverty. 76% of families served were in poverty. 36% were in severe poverty.
- For every \$1 of CSBG, CA's CSBG Network leveraged \$27.66 from federal, state, local and private sources, including the value of volunteer hours.
- CSD partners with local community action agencies, limited purpose agencies, migrant & seasonal farmworker agencies, and Native American Indian agencies to administer the block grant.

LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE (LIHEAP)

219,178 HOUSEHOLDS SERVED

LIHEAP provides assistance to eligible low-income households to manage and meet their immediate home heating and/or cooling needs. LIHEAP provides utility bill assistance, emergency assistance to prevent home energy shut-off, emergency home heating and cooling repair, and weatherization/energy efficiency services.

• FACTS •

- The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded CA \$152.8M in FFY 2014.
- Eligibility is limited to household incomes at or below 60% of State Median Income (~200% of federal poverty).
- 72% of households served included a vulnerable population of a young child, elderly or disabled individual.

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (WAP)

2,687* HOUSEHOLDS SERVED

WAP provides services to improve household energy efficiency helping to reduce energy usage/costs, while improving occupant health & safety. Measures include weather-stripping, insulation, caulking, water heater blankets, heating/cooling system repair/replacement, energy-efficient lighting & thermostat repair/replacement.

• FACTS •

- The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) awarded CA \$4.9M in FFY 2014.
- Eligibility is limited to household incomes at or below 60% of State Median Income (~200% of federal poverty).
- Based on DOE estimates, occupants of weatherized homes experience in the range of \$400 in annual savings on their energy bills in the first year.

RESIDENTIAL LEAD HAZARD SERVICES (LEAD)

195* HOUSEHOLDS REMEDIATED

This program removes hazardous lead-based paint in pre-1978 low-income households with young children. Under this competitive grant, CSD partners with five community-based organizations to provide lead hazard control & healthy home services in Fresno, Humboldt, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Sutter, Tulare & Yuba counties.

• FACTS •

- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded CSD \$3.4M in FFY 2014.
- Priority is given to households with a child under six, or with elevated blood lead levels.
- A few particles of dust from lead-based paint are enough to poison a child. Having children wash their hands frequently helps protect them from lead poisoning, as they often put their hands and toys in their mouths.

* Number of households served between December 2011 and April 2014, under the FFY 2011 and 2012 awards. FFY 2013 award was released on July 1, 2014, and rolled into the FFY 2014 award.

* Projected number of households to be abated under the FFY 2014 grant.

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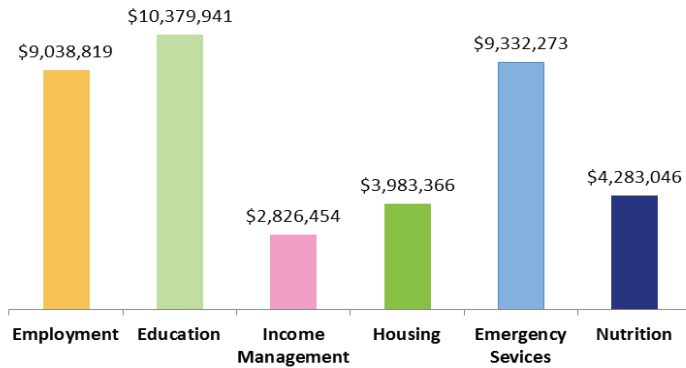
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The Department of Community Services and Development's (CSD) mission is to reduce poverty for Californians by leading the development and coordination of effective and innovative programs for low-income Californians.

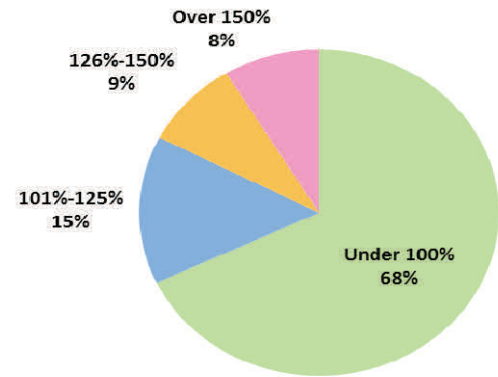
CA CSBG FUNDS SPENT BY CATEGORY

CSBG Service Categories Include the Following as reported in the 2013 CSBG Information System Survey



LIHEAP INCOME ELIGIBILITY BREAKDOWN

Percentage of incomes served by federal poverty level as reported in the 2014 LIHEAP Household Report



LOW-INCOME WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM

The Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP) installs rooftop solar systems, solar water heater systems, and energy efficiency measures on low-income single-family and multi-family households in disadvantaged communities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy.

LIWP is one of California's Climate Investments and is funded by Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds maintained in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

The program targets all of its funds to benefit disadvantaged communities as identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency through a tool known as [CalEnviroScreen 2.0](#). This tool uses geographic, socioeconomic, public health and environmental hazard criteria to identify vulnerable communities disproportionately burdened by multiple sources of pollution.

In addition to being located within a disadvantaged community, households must meet income qualifications of 60 percent of the State Median Income, or income eligibility requirements under the California Solar Initiative's Single-Family Affordable Solar Homes program. Owners of multi-family properties of over 20 units are potentially eligible for services under the LIWP's large multi-family program.

FACTS

\$75 Million

Funded in 2014/15 State budget

1,780

Rooftop Solar Systems estimated to be installed on single family low-income homes in disadvantaged communities

17,700

Estimated number of households that will receive services

\$981

Average electrical utility saving from solar PV in first year

based on an estimated rate of 16 cents per kilowatt-hour

DROUGHT EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Drought Emergency Assistance Program (DEAP) provides funding for supportive services and emergency assistance for low-income workers in agriculture and ancillary industries who have suffered job losses related to the state's drought. Under this program, funded by \$7.5 million in State General Funds in 2014/15, four local agencies offer a broad spectrum of supportive services over 24 counties including housing assistance, food, transportation, and employment supportive services.