Analysis and Summary of Governor's FFY 24 Federal Block Grant Allocation Plans

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INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to CGS Section 4-28b, the Governor has submitted for consideration proposed block grant allocation plans for the Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CMHSBG), the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (MCHBG), the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG), the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), and the Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUPTRSBG). The allocation plans are effective beginning October 1, 2023.

OVERVIEW

The proposed allocation plans are based on assumed federal grant awards (and estimated carry forward funding) as Congress has yet to finalize the FFY 24 appropriations for these programs. While all plans assume level base grant awards, anticipated carry forward funding is adjusted in most cases. MCHBG and PHHSBG assume level funding as there are no carryover funds in these block grant programs. A comparison of the proposed funding levels to the FFY 23 amounts is presented in the following table:

Block Grant	Assumed Block Grant Award	Estimated Funds Carried Forward	Total Funds Available
MCHBG	-	-	-
PHHSBG	-	-	-
SAPTBG	-	1000.1%	7.5%
CMHSBG	-	121.0%	10.4%
SSBG	-	-8.7%	-2.8%
CSBG	-	0.7%	0.3%

FFY 24 Percentage Change from FFY 23

FEDERAL BUDGET ACTION

Final Congressional action has yet to be taken on FFY 24 appropriations for these grants. All plans assume level base grant awards.

CONTINGENCY PLAN

If funding is more or less than the amount assumed in each proposal, program funding and services may be adjusted. Per CGS Section 4-28b, any proposed transfer over \$50,000 to or from any specific allocation or any transfer amount that is 10% of any specific allocation (whichever is less), must be submitted to the speaker and president pro tempore to be approved, modified or rejected by relevant committees.

MAJOR RECOMMENDED CHANGES

Major recommended changes are described for each block grant below, followed by historical expenditures and the proposed allocation for each program category. A table summarizing block grant objectives and allocation processes can be found on page 13.

Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant

The MCHSBG is administered by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

Administrative Expenditures – The proposal shifts administrative funding from the Maternal and Child Health category to Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs but results in level funding overall.

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 24 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Maternal & Child Health	· ·	.	• · · ·		
Perinatal Case Management	125,287	212,287	212,287	-	0.0%
Reproductive Health Services	0	16,092	16,092	-	0.0%
Information and Referral	201,690	201,690	201,690	-	0.0%
School Based Health Services	273,691	273,691	273,691	-	0.0%
Genetics	36,000	36,000	36,000	-	0.0%
Other	105,199	-	-	-	0.0%
Program Subtotal	741,867	739,760	739,760	-	0.0%
Administrative Expenditures	1,931,447	1,978,545	1,901,425	(77,120)	-4.1%
MCH Total	2,673,314	2,718,305	2,641,185	(77,120)	-2.9%
Children & Youth with Special Healt	h Care Needs				
Medical Home Community Based Care Coordination Services	863,011	863,011	863,011	-	0.0%
Reproductive Health Services	0	2,404	2,405	1	0.0%
Genetics	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	0.0%
Information and Referral	41,310	41,310	41,310	-	0.0%
School Based Health Services	14,405	14,405	14,405	-	0.0%
Other	35,066	-	-	-	0.0%
Program Subtotal	957,792	925,130	925,131	1	0.0%
Administrative Expenditures	1,032,727	1,020,399	1,097,518	77,119	7.6%
CYSHCN Total	1,990,519	1,945,529	2,022,649	77,120	4.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,663,833	4,663,834	4,663,834	-	0.0%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant ⁱ	4,663,834	4,663,834	4,663,834	-	0.0%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	4,663,834	4,663,834	4,663,834	-	0.0%

Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

ⁱ Block grant funds are available for expenditure over a two-year period. There are no carryover funds in the MCHSBG program.

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

The PHHSBG is administered by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

Local Health Departments (LHDs) – Increased funding will support grants to additional LHDs. As approved under last year's allocation plan, funding is now distributed to LHDs through a competitive request for proposals. Of the 53 local health departments and health districts eligible for this funding, 24 submitted a proposal by the June 23, 2023 deadline. Grants will range from \$30,000 to \$75,000 per year for five years (10/1/23 - 9/31/28).

Public Health Infrastructure – The proposed decrease reflects anticipated funding requirements and does not result in a programmatic impact.

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 24 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Administrative Support	149,930	149,930	149,930	-	0.0%
Cancer Prevention	42,727	42,727	42,727	-	0.0%
Cardiovascular Disease Prevention	20,000	20,000	20,000	-	0.0%
Local Health Departments	1,083,322	1,083,322	1,118,705	35,384	3.3%
Rape Crisis Services	75,278	75,278	75,278	-	0.0%
Surveillance and Evaluation	316,227	316,227	316,227	-	0.0%
Youth Suicide Prevention	99,198	99,198	99,198	-	0.0%
Nutrition and Weight Status	14,587	14,587	14,587	-	0.0%
Public Health Infrastructure	439,776	439,776	404,392	(35,384)	-8.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,241,045	2,241,045	2,241,044	-	0.0%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant ⁱⁱ	2,241,045	2,241,045	2,241,045	-	0.0%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,241,045	2,241,045	2,241,045	-	0.0%

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

ⁱⁱ Block grant funds are available for expenditure over a two-year period. There are no carryover funds in the PHHSBG program.

Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant

The SAPTBG is administered by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS).

Community Treatment Services – The proposed reduction to the Crisis Hotline (988) reflects a shift to other federal funding sources that are now available to support the hotline. The proposed increase to Methadone Maintenance provides Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) to individuals residing within skilled nursing facilities.

Recovery Support Services – The proposed increase to Ancillary Services supports the statewide coordination of recovery activities and services. This includes trainings for treatment staff and individuals in the recovery community. Vocational Rehab funding is expected to return to typical spending levels after a program closure in FFY 23 resulted in lower than anticipated expenditures.

Prevention & Health Promotion – The increase is proposed to support new alcohol compliance inspections as well as improvements to the regional prioritization process used to identify prevention, treatment, and recovery priorities throughout the state.

Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 23 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Community Treatment Services	2,332,869	2,534,528	2,484,528	(50,000)	-2.0 %
Outpatient	2,035,582	2,036,118	2,036,118	-	0.0%
Methadone Maintenance	297,287	298,410	448,410	150,000	50.3%
Crisis Hotline	-	200,000	0	(200,000)	100.0%
Residential Treatment	2,497,125	2,446,162	2,446,162	-	0.0%
Residential Detox	341,554	341,805	341,805	-	0.0%
Residential Intensive	818,931	818,931	818,931	-	0.0%
Residential Long Term Treatment	1,336,640	1,285,426	1,285,426	-	0.0%
Shelter	0	-	-	-	0.0%
Recovery Support Services	8,586,178	8,691,026	9,034,880	343,854	4.0%
Case Management and Outreach	3,886,805	3,875,391	3,875,391	0	0.0%
Vocational Rehab	531,109	289,196	531,109	241,913	83.7%
Ancillary Services/ Transportation	2,494,264	2,960,403	3,062,344	101,941	3.4%
Shelter	1,674,000	1,566,036	1,566,036	-	0.0%
Prevention & Health Promotion	5,934,049	5,245,395	5,357,895	112,500	2.1%
Primary Prevention	5,934,049	5,245,395	5,357,895	112,500	2.1%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	19,350,220	18,917,111	19,323,465	406,354	2.1%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	19,103,524	20,463,616	20,463,616	-	0.0%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	401,334	154,637	1,701,143	1,546,506	1000.1%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	19,504,858	20,618,253	22,164,759	1,546,506	7.5%

Community Mental Health Services Block Grant

The CMHSBG is administered by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) and the Department of Children and Families (DCF).

ADULT SERVICES: Services for adults are maintained and include several increases noted below. Carryforward funds may be used to support unanticipated block grant funding modifications.

Emergency Crisis – The proposed increase supports the implementation of new suicide prevention initiatives across the state, including the national Governor's challenge to prevent suicide among service members, veterans, and their families.

Outpatient Services/Intensive Outpatient – The proposed increase is intended to provide training and consultation related to treatment for co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Services will be provided to staff from both state operated and nonprofit community mental health clinics.

Early Serious Mental Illness (ESMI)/First Episode Psychosis (FEP) – The proposed increase supports the implementation of a new statewide FEP consultation line. This will provide clinical consultation and support to staff from both state operated and private non-profit clinics throughout the state.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES:

Funding is proposed at the FFY 23 allocation level and provides continued support for Children's Services categories, with the following exceptions:

Respite Care for Families – The proposed reduction reflects recent expenditure trends and is not anticipated to result in a programmatic impact.

FAVOR Family Peer Support Specialist – The proposed increase supports two Family Peer Support Specialists to serve additional families, as well as funds to support increased staffing costs including healthcare benefits.

Outpatient Services/Intensive Outpatient: System Treatment and Improvement – The proposed increase supports the Urban Trauma Initiative performance improvement activities. This provides specialized training, supervision and supports to providers serving youth exposed to violence and trauma in large urban settings.

Quality of Care: Best Practices Promotion & Program Evaluation – The proposed increase reflects support for programs previously supported by temporary COVID-related funds. This allows for the continued support for the CT Behavioral Health Plan implementation, workforce development activities, work and tasks recommended within the Children's Behavioral Health Plan, and opportunities to collaborate with the newly developed Transforming Children's Behavioral Health Policy and Oversight Committee.

Community Mental Health Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 24 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
PROGRAM: ADULT SERVICES					
Emergency Crisis	2,106,939	2,165,637	2,286,470	120,833	5.6%
Outpatient Services/Intensive Outpatient	407,530	433,524	533,524	100,000	23.1%
Residential Services/Supportive Housing	519,416	825,247	825,248	1	0.0%
Social Rehabilitation	134,044	145,044	145,044	_	0.0%
Supported Employment/ Vocational Rehab	454,694	499,206	499,206	-	0.0%
Case Management	222,196	237,154	237,154	-	0.0%
Family Education/ Training	112,980	120,824	120,824	-	0.0%
Consumer Peer Support in Community Mental Health Provider Setting	97,821	104,648	104,648	_	0.0%
Parenting Support/Parental Rights	45,315	49,708	49,708	-	0.0%
Peer to Peer Support - Vocational Rehab.	46,841	52,850	52,852	2	0.0%
Admin- Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations	199,454	209,451	209,451	-	0.0%
Early Serious Mental Illness (ESMI)/ First Episode Psychosis (FEP) 10% Set-Aside	837,611	816,260	1,003,760	187,500	23.0%
SUBTOTAL ADULT EXPENDITURES	5,184,841	5,659,553	6,067,889	408,336	7.2%
PROGRAM: CHILDREN'S SERVICES			ll		
Respite Care for Families	456,000	450,000	360,000	(90,000)	-20.0%
FAVOR Family Peer Support Specialist	722,451	720,000	945,000	225,000	31.3%
Youth Suicide Prevention/Mental Health Promotion	155,647	156,000	225,000	69,000	44.2%
CT Community KidCare (System of Care) Workforce					
Development/Training & Culturally Competent Care	65,000	65,000	65,000	-	0.0%
Extended Day Treatment: Model Development & Training	24,002	24,000	40,000	16,000	66.7%
Early Serious Mental Illness (ESMI)/ First Episode	254 050	202 502	(00.450	20 550	10.40
Psychosis (FEP) 10% Set-Aside	376,859	383,703	423,453	39,750	10.4%
Outpatient Services/Intensive Outpatient: System Treatment & Improvement	155,872	183,000	333,333	150,333	82.1%
Quality of Care: Best Practices Promotion & Program Eval.	26,485	76,485	375,000	298,515	390.3%
Outcomes: Performance Improvement and Dashboard	20,400	70,400	575,000	290,010	0,0,0,0
Development	46,410	47,000	50,000	3,000	6.4%
Workforce Development: Higher Education In- Home					
Curriculum Project	27,529	65,000	65,000	-	0.0%
Other Connecticut Community KidCare	42,998	43,000	45,000	2,000	4.7%
Emergency Crisis	375,000	800,000	800,000	-	0.0%
SUBTOTAL CHILDREN EXPENDITURES	2,474,253	3,013,188	3,726,786	713,598	23.7%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,659,094	8,672,741	9,794,675	1,121,934	12.9%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	8,419,191	9,786,104	9,786,104		0%
Prior Year Carry Forward Adjustment ⁱⁱⁱ	(1,109,886)	2,700,104	2,700,104	-	0%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	1,270,216	920,427	2,033,790	1,113,363	121.0%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	8,579,521	10,706,531	11,819,893	1,113,362	121.0%
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ⁱⁱⁱ The FFY 22 adjustment corrects an accounting error in FFY 21, which prevented DMHAS from fully drawing down the federal award. Provider contract funding and client services were maintained via appropriated funds that would have otherwise lapsed.

Social Services Block Grant

The SSBG is administered by the Department of Social Services (DSS) in conjunction with the Departments of Housing (DOH), Labor (DOL), Aging and Disability Services (ADS), and DMHAS.

Case Management – The proposed increase supports a 2.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) and funds the FFY 22 and 23 COLAs under the allocation plan.¹

Employment Services – The proposed increase reflects a shift from DOL to DSS to support statewide employment services for non-custodial parents through the Connecticut Fatherhood Initiative. FFY 24 is funded at the FFY 23 allocation level.

Family Planning Services – The plan increases base funding by \$35,566 to support the FFY 22 COLA. While the allocation looks like a decrease overall, FFY 23 expenditures include \$588,929 in costs incurred in FFY 22 but expended in FFY 23.

Home Delivered Meals – The allocation continues the temporary increase of \$150,000 provided in the FFY 23 allocation to offset the increased cost of food due to inflation.

Independent and Transitional Living Service – The proposed increase supports a 2.5% COLA and funds the FFY 22 and 23 COLAs under the allocation plan.

Legal Services – The plan increases base funding by \$27,346 to support the FFY 22 COLA. While the allocation looks like a decrease overall, FFY 23 expenditures include \$249,654 in costs incurred in FFY 22 but expended in FFY 23.

Special Services for Persons with Developmental and Physical Disabilities – The proposed elimination of this service category is based upon recent expenditure trends. Only \$150 was expended in FFY 22 (of the \$5,000 allocation) and no expenditures were incurred in FFY 23.

Other Services – The proposed increase supports a 2.5% COLA and funds the FFY 22 and 23 COLAs under the allocation plan. Funding for DSS- Personal Services is similar to the FFY 23 allocation level and reflects full-year funding to support salary, fringe, and indirect costs for two positions.

¹ DMHAS will be funding COLAs directly with the funds allocated to that department for the applicable service categories.

Social Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 23 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Case Management Services	2,310,512	2,527,905	2,787,718	259,813	10.3%
DSS	1,920,881	2,100,851	2,360,664	259,813	12.4%
DMHAS	189,631	227,054	227,054	-	0.0%
DOH	200,000	200,000	200,000	-	0.0%
Counseling Services	43,375	83,051	83,051	-	0.0%
DMHAS	43,375	83,051	83,051	-	0.0%
Employment Services	183,145	138,000	308,433	170,433	123.5%
DSS	-	-	308,433	308,433	100.0%
DOL	183,145	138,000	-	(138,000)	-100.0%
Family Planning Services	544,576	1,478,081	924,718	(553,363)	-37.4%
DSS	544,576	1,478,081	924,718	(553,363)	-37.4%
Home-Based Services	1,570,230	1,600,685	1,742,427	141,742	8.9%
DSS	1,570,230	1,600,685	1,742,427	141,742	8.9%
Home Delivered Meals	846,741	982,601	982,601	-	0.0%
ADS	846,741	982,601	982,601	-	0.0%
Independent & Transitional Living Services	6,470,644	6,733,217	7,537,168	803,951	11.9%
DSS	90,000	75,000	75,000	-	0.0%
DOH	6,260,440	6,500,745	7,304,696	803,951	12.4%
DMHAS	120,204	157,472	157,472	-	0.0%
Legal Services	263,079	933,298	710,990	(222,308)	-23.8%
DSS	263,079	933,298	710,990	(222,308)	-23.8%
Protective Services for Adults	934,272	1,182,272	1,182,272	-	0.0%
DSS	738,142	986,900	986,900	-	0.0%
ADS	196,130	195,372	195,372	-	0.0%
Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities	150	-	-	-	0.0%
ADS	150	-	-	-	0.0%
Substance Abuse Services	1,057,980	1,332,365	1,332,365	-	0.0%
DMHAS	1,057,980	1,332,365	1,332,365	-	0.0%

SSBG FFY 24 Allocation Plan (continued)

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 23 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Other Services	929,964	1,074,469	1,417,727	343,258	31.9%
DSS	929,964	1,017,231	1,143,032	125,801	12.4%
DSS- Personal Services	-	57,238	274,695	217,457	379.9%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	15,154,668	18,065,944	19,009,470	943,526	5.2%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	17,343,186	17,344,439	17,344,439	-	0.0%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	6,107,189	8,295,707	7,574,202	(721,505)	-8.7%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	23,450,375	25,640,146	24,918,641	(721,505)	-2.8%

Community Services Block Grant

The CSBG is administered by the Department of Social Services (DSS).

State Agency Administration – The proposed reduction to Other Expenses reflects FFY 23 expenditures that were one time in nature and not necessary going forward. Personal Services and associated fringe are increased by the same amount to reflect full year funding for 2.5 staff responsible for the administration of the CSGB program.

Grants to Eligible Entities – At the direction of the United States Health and Human Services (HHS), the allocation plan proposes a new formula based on current poverty and population data to distribute funding across the Community Action Agencies (CAAs) but excludes the Connecticut Association for Community Action (CAFCA), which has historically been included in the funding for eligible entities. Under the new formula, all CAAs receive a fixed amount of \$18,287 with additional funding based on the poverty level of individuals and total number of residents in each catchment area.² This change results in lower allocations for three CAAs; however, carryforward funding of approximately \$176,061 is proposed to offset these decreases in FFY 24. DSS also plans to use \$248,369 in discretionary funding to maintain support for CAFCA for one additional year.

Beginning in FFY 25, without further adjustments, it is anticipated that Alliance for Community Empowerment (ACE), Community Action Agency of New Haven (CAANH), and Community Renewal Team of Greater Hartford (CRT) will receive less funding under the new formula compared to previous years. The table below shows the allocation percentage change between FFY 23 and FFY 24 before carryforward funding.

Program Category	\$ Change	% Change
	24 v. 23	24 v. 23
Grants to Eligible Entities		
Alliance for Community Empowerment (ACE) (Formerly ABCD)	(27,226)	-2.30%
ACCESS Agency, Inc.	168,507	34.16%
Community Action Agency of New Haven, Inc. (CAANH)	(110,337)	-9.33%
Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut, Inc.(CAAWC)	110,007	14.60%
Community Renewal Team of Greater Hartford, Inc. (CRT)	(38,497)	-1.98%
Human Resource Agency of New Britain, Inc. (HRANB)	20,996	3.76%
New Opportunities, Inc. (NOI)	71,465	6.53%
TEAM, Inc.	19,942	8.31%
Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. (TVCCA)	87,155	17.87%
Formula Allocations - Total	302,012	3.80%

Community Services Block Grant FFY 24 v. FFY 23 Base Allocation Percent Change

² For background, the historical formula was largely based on 1996 poverty and population data.

In addition, the allocation plan includes the use of carryforward funding to support a 2.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) on the FFY 24 base allocation and funds the FY 22 and FY 23 COLAs under the allocation plan. This is applied to all entities. The table below shows the overall change between FFY 23 and FFY 24 with the assumed carryforward funding.

Program Category	FFY 2022 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2023 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2024 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 24 v. 23	% Change 24 v. 23
Grants to Eligible Entities					
Alliance for Community Empowerment (ACE) (Formerly ABCD)	1,025,300	1,185,061	1,321,563	136,502	11.5%
ACCESS Agency, Inc.	487,066	493,350	739,885	246,535	50.0%
Community Action Agency of New Haven, Inc. (CAANH)	1,167,891	1,182,958	1,309,412	126,454	10.7%
Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut, Inc.(CAAWC)	804,271	753,494	949,809	196,315	26.1%
Community Renewal Team of Greater Hartford, Inc. (CRT)	1,920,041	1,944,811	2,169,553	224,742	11.6%
Connecticut Association for Community Action (CAFCA)	245,206	248,369	-	(248,369)	-100.0%
Human Resource Agency of New Britain, Inc. (HRANB)	413,896	558,981	648,352	89,371	16.0%
New Opportunities, Inc. (NOI)	1,170,407	1,094,550	1,303,480	208,930	19.1%
TEAM, Inc.	215,004	239,982	290,566	50,584	21.1%
Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. (TVCCA)	481,535	487,748	642,679	154,931	31.8%
Formula Allocations - Total	7,930,617	8,189,304	9,375,299	1,185,995	14.5%
Discretionary Programs	263,993	457,172	457,172	-	0.0%
State Agency Administration	410,964	457,172	457,172	-	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,605,574	9,103,648	10,289,643	1,185,995	13.0%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	9,057,263	9,143,431	9,143,431	-	0.0%
Balance Forward From Previous	5,419,735	5,871,424	5,911,207	39,783	0.7%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	14,476,998	15,014,855	15,054,638	39,783	0.3%

Community Services Block Grant FFY 24 Allocation Plan

FEDERAL BLOCK GRANTS DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Block Grant	Lead Agency	Program Objective	Federal Allotment Process	State Allotment Process
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CMHSBG)	DMHAS/ DCF	Provide grants to support community mental health services for adults with a serious mental illness and for children with a serious emotional disturbance.	Based on the Population at Risk (relative risk of mental health problems in the state), Cost of Services Index (cost of providing related treatment services in the state), and the Fiscal Capacity Index (ability of state to pay for related services).	Adult Services - Based on a statewide advisory structure that includes the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations, and the Behavioral Health Planning Council. Children's Services - Based on input from the Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Committee, which serves as the Children's Mental Health Planning Council.
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	DSS	Provide grants to help ameliorate the causes of poverty, coordinate governmental and non-governmental programs, and provide emergency services to low-income individuals and families.	Based on the same share of funds that the state's local agencies received in 1981 under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964.	Based on federal requirements and a state agreement with Community Action Agencies (CAAs) and Limited Purpose Agencies (LPAs). New in FFY 24, each CAA and LPA will receive a fixed base amount, with remaining funds allocated based on the population in each service area with income at or below 125% federal poverty level (FPL) and the total number of people residing in each catchment area.
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (MCHBG)	DPH	Provide grants to support programs related to maternal and child health. Funds address reducing adverse perinatal outcomes, providing and ensuring access to care, reducing health disparities and health inequities, and other areas identified in the statewide needs assessment.	Based on the proportion of funds allocated to states that existed when the original eight categorical grants were consolidated in 1981. Amounts appropriated above the level of fiscal year 1983 funding are allocated to states in proportion to the number of low- income children in the state.	Based on various performance measures, with focus provided by the MCH Statewide Needs Assessment conducted every five years. The application must reflect that three dollars of state matching funds are provided for each four dollars in federal funding. The FFY 24 state match is estimated at \$3,503,610 and the maintenance of effort requirement is \$6,783,445.
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG)	DPH	Provide grants to support the reduction of preventable morbidity and mortality, and the improvement of the health status of targeted populations.	Based on the amount of 1981 funds provided to the state for the original categorical health grants that were combined into the block grant. Additionally, a sex offense set-aside based on a state's population is required.	Based on the recommendations of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Advisory Committee. Supported programs include cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, tobacco cessation, policy and environmental change strategies, emergency medical services, data surveillance, and other related services. The state's FFY 24 maintenance of effort requirement is estimated at \$2,353,850.
Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)	DSS	Provide grants to encourage self- sufficiency and prevent and reduce dependency on public assistance for individuals with incomes at and below 150% FPL.	Based on state population data (Department of Commerce census data).	Based on the state's focus within the 29 federal service categories. FFY 24 funding will support 11 categories, including case management, home based services, independent & transitional living, and substance abuse services.
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SAPTBG)	DMHAS	Provide grants for alcohol and other drug abuse services, which include community treatment, residential and recovery support services, and prevention and health promotion services.	Based on the Population at Risk (relative risk of substance abuse problems in the state), Cost of Services Index (cost of providing related prevention and treatment services in the state), and the Fiscal Capacity Index (ability of state to pay for related services).	Based on surveys, needs assessments, analysis of DMHAS service data, and input from Connecticut- based advisory boards.