



COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) FACT SHEET

CSBG provides the base funding supporting a nationwide network of Community Action Agencies that serve the most vulnerable children, families, seniors and veterans.

CSBG is exclusively focused on the reduction of poverty and helps those with low-incomes to obtain employment, increase their education, access vital early childhood programs and maintain their independence.

IMPACT OF PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

CSBG funds provides the means to respond to local community emergencies *AS THEY ARISE*.

IN FY16, EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED IN CSBG LEVERAGED AN AVERAGE OF \$20.80 IN OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND PRIVATE FUNDS!

2016 CSBG FUNDS	25% REDUCTION	50% REDUCTION	75% REDUCTION
\$531,141	\$398,356	\$265,570	\$132,785

CSBG Dollars at Work in Greater Lowell!

- 48,373 individuals served in FY16 including wrap around services ensuring needs are met.
- 9,377 families served by Fuel Assistance.
- 515 tax returns filed with \$1.1 million in refunds going back into the local economy.
- 84 First Time Homebuyers purchased homes.
- 1,300 children receive educational services so their parents can work.
- 132 individuals obtained jobs.
- 402 families obtained safe and affordable housing.

We have received bipartisan support in Congress for our programs and look forward to working with our community members to make sure these essential programs are included and not reduced in the FY18 Federal budget.

Stay tuned for more information on how you can help us.