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## Friday Public Notice Public Invited to Comment on Proposed Social Services Block Grant Plan

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RALEIGH – The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is seeking public comment on the proposed Social Services Block Grant Plan, which outlines how \$76 million in federal Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) funds will be spent in North Carolina for the 2025-2026 state fiscal year. The SSBG is the major source of federal funding for several programs, including adoption, counseling, adult day care and foster care, protective services for adults, housing, and residential treatment. Other uses may include childcare for individuals involved in child welfare cases, community-based services for adults who are elderly and/or have a disability, mental health services, transportation and other human services programs. The written plan will be available for review online at the following websites:

- Online through our website
- Online at each county department of social services website

Comments on the report must be submitted in writing no later than Wednesday, October 15, 2025, by one of the following methods:

Mail: Re: SSBG Plan Comments
Michael Leighs
Deputy Secretary for Opportunity and Well-Being
2420 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2420

Email: ssbg.comments@dhhs.nc.gov

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**Public Hearing:** NCDHHS will hold the public hearing via online webinar and conference call. Hearing for comments on the report will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. EDT. To participate in the online webinar, please register at <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5675536536483348570">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5675536536483348570</a>.

After registering, individuals will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the webinar. The email will also contain a conference line should attendees prefer to call into the public hearing.

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