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OCS Notice

200% Federal Poverty Line Provision for CSBG Eligibility

Happy New Year CSBG Network!

2023 brings Good News for the individuals, families, and communities benefitting from the mobilization of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding. Per the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328) and section 673(2) of the CSBG Act, states may revise the poverty line not to exceed 125 percent of the official poverty line otherwise applicable under the CSBG Act by substituting "200 percent" for "125 percent" for CSBG and CARES funding during FY 2022 (October 1, 2021 — September 30, 2022) and FY 2023 (October 1, 2022 — September 30, 2023).

Upon receipt of the CSBG apportionment, the Office of Community Services (OCS) will more officially communicate this information to CSBG grant recipients via the FY 2023 Quarter 2 Notice of Award (NOA) and the Dear Colleague Letter outlining allocations. Our goal is to release funding by January 31, 2023.

OCS looks forward to continuing to provide high-quality services through the administration of CSBG.

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