

3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST
 80th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1
 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: 8/18/2006
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Agency code: **529** Agency name: **Health and Human Services Commission**

GOAL: 4 Encourage Self Sufficiency

Statewide Goal/Benchmark: 3 6

OBJECTIVE: 1 Assistance Services

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grants

Service: 28 Income: A.1 Age: B.1

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2005	Est 2006	Bud 2007	BL 2008	BL 2009
Output Measures:						
1	Average Number of TANF Recipients Per Month	205,866.00	178,943.00	178,647.00	182,012.00	189,669.00
2	Average Number of TANF State-paid Recipients Per Month	13,166.17	10,343.00	10,652.00	10,670.00	11,119.00
3	Average Number of TANF One-time Payments Per Month	862.00	1,736.00	1,269.00	1,400.00	1,531.00
4	Number of Children Receiving \$30 Once a Year Grant	157,768.00	152,109.00	156,034.00	162,776.00	169,469.00
5	Average Monthly Number of TANF Grandparent Payments	79.00	58.00	38.00	40.00	42.00
6	Average # TANF Adults Per Month with State Time-limited Benefits	19,561.00	16,603.00	16,614.00	17,279.00	18,004.00
7	Average # TANF Adults Per Month with Federal Time-limited Benefits	59,362.00	50,632.00	50,668.00	52,694.00	54,908.00
Efficiency Measures:						
1	Average Monthly Grant: TANF	62.08	62.84	62.38	62.38	62.38
2	Average Monthly Grant: TANF-State Paid	58.62	60.43	60.47	60.47	60.47
Explanatory/Input Measures:						
1	Percent of Potential Eligible Population Receiving TANF	20.69	16.45	16.11	15.95	16.35
Objects of Expense:						
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$70,979	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3001	CLIENT SERVICES	\$198,507,011	\$160,780,926	\$157,846,689	\$177,025,622	\$185,071,526
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$198,577,990	\$160,780,926	\$157,846,689	\$177,025,622	\$185,071,526
Method of Financing:						
759	GR MOE FOR TANF	\$90,516,210	\$67,046,524	\$66,893,393	\$62,025,693	\$65,349,257
888	EARNED FEDERAL FUNDS	\$12,985,929	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)		\$103,502,139	\$67,046,524	\$66,893,393	\$62,025,693	\$65,349,257

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555	FEDERAL FUNDS					
93.558.000	Temp AssistNeedy Families	\$93,296,008	\$79,373,023	\$87,925,917	\$113,218,339	\$117,922,514
93.558.100	TANF Hurricane \$97m	\$0	\$11,334,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
CFDA Subtotal, Fund	555	\$93,296,008	\$90,707,023	\$87,925,917	\$113,218,339	\$117,922,514
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)		\$93,296,008	\$90,707,023	\$87,925,917	\$113,218,339	\$117,922,514
Method of Financing:						
777	INTERAGENCY CONTRACTS	\$1,779,843	\$3,027,379	\$3,027,379	\$1,781,590	\$1,799,755
SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)		\$1,779,843	\$3,027,379	\$3,027,379	\$1,781,590	\$1,799,755
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FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) is a block grant program to help move recipients into work and turn welfare into a program of temporary assistance. The purpose and objectives of the programs are to provide time-limited financial assistance to needy families with children so that the children can be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives; end dependence of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage; prevent and reduce out-of-wedlock pregnancies, including establishing prevention and reduction goals; and encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families. The federal program provides assistance to needy families by granting States the federal funds and wide flexibility to develop and implement their own welfare programs. States may use their TANF funding in any manner "reasonably calculated to accomplish the purposes of TANF" and have broad flexibility to determine eligibility, method of assistance and benefit levels. Assistance includes benefits directed at basic needs (food, clothing, shelter, utilities, household goods, personal care items, and general incidental expenses) even when conditioned on participation in a work experience or community service activity. It also includes childcare, transportation, and supports for families that are not employed. Legal Base: Legal Basis: Federal - TANF 42 USCA 601 et seq., Food Stamps 7 USCA 2011 et seq., Medicaid 42 USCA 1396 et seq., CHIP 42 USCA 1397 et seq. State - Human Resources Code, Chapters 22, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 44.

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EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

External and internal factors affecting TANF include the Legislature has not increased the income limit or asset limit for eligibility for over 10 years, but established the maximum monthly grant to be at least 17% of the federal poverty level, as updated annually; if Food Stamp and Medicaid benefits are added to TANF, the ratio of total benefits to poverty is 73%; TANF recipients in Texas under current HHSC eligibility rules automatically qualify for Medicaid, and almost 90% also receive Food Stamps; and federal program and policy changes, such as the Deficit Reduction Act, TANF reauthorization, and upcoming CHIP reauthorization

HHSC needs the flexibility to ensure the TANF MOE is met.