

State of Connecticut
Department of Social Services
Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)
Target Population and Income Requirements

Target Population: The target population is “vulnerable or at-risk” individuals and families with special emphasis on serving those groups that are less able than others to care for themselves (for example, children with special health care needs, youth, and elderly). “Vulnerable or at-risk” individuals and families are those that exhibit one or more of the following conditions (*in no particular order*):

- i. Economically disadvantaged (unemployed, under-employed or low-income);
- ii. Physically, mentally, neurologically or developmentally disabled;
- iii. Abused or neglected (for example, sexual assault victims or abused or exploited children or elderly);
- iv. In need of language translation and culture-based awareness assistance or technical immigration assistance;
- v. In need of drug or alcohol abuse services;
- vi. In need of family planning services;
- vii. In need of mental health support services (for example, distressed families or individuals who may be at risk of institutionalization);
- viii. In need of supportive services to remain in the community; or
- ix. In need of shelter assistance.

SSBG Income Eligibility Requirements: eligible clients are individuals and families whose income is at or below **150%** of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines, which are embedded in this section as a hyperlink.

SSBG-TANF Income Eligibility Requirements: eligible clients are families with at least one child under 18 years of age, and whose income is at or below **200%** of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines, which are embedded in this section as a hyperlink.

SAGA Case Management Eligibility Requirements: In addition to the Income Eligibility Requirements for SSBG and SSBG-TANF, to receive SAGA Case Management, the client must be eligible for SAGA Cash and/or Medicaid LIA and be unable to work for medical or other prescribed reasons.