

Madison County Department of Job and Family Services Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan

The Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) Program is designed to provide benefits and services that individuals need to overcome immediate barriers to achieving or maintaining self-sufficiency and personal responsibility. These services include nonrecurring, short-term, crisis-oriented benefits and, ongoing services that are directly related to the four purposes of the TANF program (reference 45 CFR 260.20) which do not meet the federal definition of assistance. Nonrecurring, short-term assistance addresses discrete crisis situations which do not provide for needs extending beyond four months. These nonrecurring benefits and services may encompass more than one payment a year, as long as the payment provides short-term relief and addresses a discrete crisis situation rather than meeting ongoing or recurrent needs. These benefits and services are consistent with the federal definition of "non-assistance" as found in 45 C.F.R. 260.30(b).

Assistance Group Composition

PRC benefits and services are available to an eligible assistance group (AG) who reside in the State of Ohio, and includes at a minimum:

1. A minor child who resides with a parent, caretaker relative, legal guardian or legal custodian and other members of the household (who may or may not be related to the minor child) who may significantly enhance the family's ability to achieve economic self-sufficiency. No family is eligible for PRC assistance unless the family includes a minor child who resides with the parent, caretaker relative, legal guardian or legal custodian.
2. PRC assistance may also be provided to a pregnant individual with no other minor children.
3. A Non-custodial parent who lives in the state, but does not reside with his/her minor child(ren).

A child may be "temporarily absent" from the home in accordance with the timeframes established in rule 5101:1-3-04 of the Ohio Administrative Code and the AG still qualifies for PRC. During the temporary period, the child is considered to be residing with the parent, caretaker relative, legal guardian, or legal custodian. An eligible family may also consist of a minor child residing with a parent, caretaker relative, legal guardian or legal custodian and other members of the household (who may or may not be related to the minor child) who may significantly enhance the family's ability to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Application

The MCDJFS PRC application has been developed for use when a family is applying for all PRC benefits and services except Help Me Grow♦. The application and any other information gathered during the eligibility determination process should be kept in the ongoing OWF, Medicaid, and/or Food Assistance AG record. If the AG is not in receipt of ongoing OWF, Medicaid, and/or Food Assistance, a separate AG folder should be maintained for the PRC application and related

verifications. In addition, PRC benefits and services provided to noncustodial parents shall also be kept in a separate AG record.

◆Help Me Grow will use a PRC application specific to the program, with eligibility being determined by MCDJFS staff.

Eligibility factors, time restraints, and amounts available to pay for the various benefits and services covered must be explained. Families being diverted from OWF assistance must receive appropriate information about, referrals to, and access to Medicaid, Food Assistance, child care assistance, and other programs that provide benefits that could help them successfully transition to work. MCDJFS will make voter registration forms available for all assistance groups applying for PRC benefits and services (reference ORC sections 3503.10 & 329.051). PRC assistance will be authorized with the expectation that the PRC AG will work with the MCDJFS to become self-sufficient.

Eligibility

In order to receive PRC benefits and services a member of the AG must be a citizen of the United States or a qualified alien as defined in Section 5506(d) of Public Law 105-33 (the Balanced Budget Act of 1997).

Eligibility for PRC is dependent upon the AG's demonstration and verification of need for financial assistance and/or services. In order for eligibility to be determined, the income of the AG must be compared to the economic need standard established for the benefits and services requested. The economic need standards are based upon federal poverty guideline measures which shall be updated annually, generally in March, when the federal poverty guidelines are released. When determining eligibility for the PRC AG to receive benefits or services, the AG income must be equal to or less than the economic need standard. See Scope of Coverage Chart.

Each person applying for PRC must provide the county agency with a social security number, or apply for a social security number. Providing the number is a condition of receipt of TANF and is required under section 1137(a) of the Social Security Act.

Income

The total gross income, both earned and unearned of all members of the PRC AG shall be counted except for gross earnings of a minor child as defined in Section 5101:1-23-20(c)(i) of the Administrative Code. This includes all income which is normally exempt or disregarded when determining eligibility for Ohio Works First (OWF) or Disability Assistance (DA). All income which is received or expected to be received during the thirty (30) day budget period is considered when determining financial need. The 30-day budget period begins 30 days projected from the date of the PRC application unless this period of time does not accurately reflect expected income. In this instance, income received 30 days prior to the date of application may be utilized.

For cases in which the income cannot be accurately obtained, the implementation of practices that are reasonable and prudent should occur when determining countable income. A signed ODHS 7341, "Applicant/Recipient Authorization for Release of Information" should be obtained from the applicant for an inquiry. Once the release is received, verification which is obtained by phone must contain clear documentation in the PRC AG record concerning the name and position of the supplier of the information, the date the verification was obtained, the amount of the verified income, and the name of the individual who obtained the verification. More stringent verification is required when PRC benefits and services involve a direct monetary gain by the applicant and opportunities for fraud are prevalent.

Unearned Income

The following are examples of unearned income which must be counted. These are examples only and are not meant to be an all-inclusive list:

- RSDI Benefits
- Alimony and Child Support
- Veteran Administration Benefits
- Workers' Compensation Benefits
- Lump-sum payments (including tax refunds)
- Unemployment Benefits
- Pension and Retirement Benefits
- Strike Benefits
- Investment Income
- Rental Income
- OWF, DA, or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments

Earned Income

Earned income is income in which the AG member must perform some type of labor or service to receive it. The following are examples of earned income. This is not intended to be an all-inclusive list:

- Earnings from work as an employee
- Earnings from self-employment
- Strike benefits if striker is required to perform services in order to receive them
- Training allowances

Residence

PRC benefits and services are available to residents of the county in which they reside. Residence is established by living in the county voluntarily with the intent to remain permanently or for an indefinite period. Residence is also established by an applicant who is not receiving assistance from another county and entered the county with a job commitment or seeking employment, whether or not currently employed.

Ineligible Family AGs

Federal and State law must be adhered to when providing PRC benefits and services. Listed below are federal and state prohibitions based upon 42 U.S.C.608, section 431 of PRWORA (as amended by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 and the Balanced Budget Act of 1997), and the Ohio Revised Code:

1. No assistance for families without a minor child.
2. No assistance to a single individual, unless such individual is pregnant.
3. No medical services except for pre-pregnancy family planning services.
4. No benefits or services to an individual who is not a citizen of the United States or a qualified alien.

5. No assistance for families that fraudulently receive assistance under the OWF and PRC programs until repayment occurs. Ref. 5101.83 of the ORC.
6. No assistance (excluding soft services) for families with an outstanding overpayment balance in any program resulting from fraud.
7. No assistance (excluding soft services) for families with an outstanding overpayment balance in any program resulting from client error with the following exceptions:
 - Client is currently receiving assistance in the category of overpayment and a monthly amount can be deducted each month from that assistance to be applied to the overpayment (applies only to OWF and SNAP AG's)
 - Client has previously signed a repayment agreement and is satisfying that agreement (Note: At least 3 payments submitted prior to PRC application constitute satisfying agreement). If client signs repayment agreement subsequent to PRC application, at least three payments need to be submitted prior to PRC approval.
8. An Assistance Group with a member who is serving a current sanction and is ineligible for OWF due to deliberate non-compliance with the terms of his/her assistance, such as those stated in the Self-Sufficiency Plan and Contract (*exception: Individuals receiving soft services or who are employed may receive employment-related PRC assistance.*)

Exploring Community Resources

A PRC AG is required to apply for and utilize any program, benefit, or support system which may reduce or eliminate the presenting need. The Madison County Department of Job and Family Services (MCDJFS) personnel determining eligibility for PRC should be aware of community resources, which may be contracted for or otherwise utilized to help meet the need or additional needs.

Once eligibility for PRC is established, the MCDJFS Director will authorize and generate payment for the assistance, goods, and/or services. Authorization may occur at any time during a period beginning on the date that PRC is approved. As long as payment is authorized within the appropriate period, actual payment may be made to vendors according to the procedures in place at the MCDJFS. All PRC payments are made by the MCDJFS to the vendor. The MCDJFS must ensure that its policies meet all auditing requirements.

Overpayments

An applying family shall provide truthful and complete information on the PRC application and during the application interview. If it is later determined that PRC assistance was issued erroneously due to false or misleading statements, misrepresentation, concealment, or the withholding of facts, an overpayment will be determined and pursued as fraud.

Program Operation

To ensure fair and equitable treatment of families applying for PRC, the program shall be continuously in operation according to the standards of policy and procedures as set forth within this document. The covered benefits or services or the amounts specified for the benefits and services listed in the section detailing the scope of coverage may not be reduced, limited, or restricted unless the program is amended. PRC services and benefits are limited to available PRC funds.

Scope of Benefits/Services

The attached chart contains the scope of benefits and services provided under the PRC program model. The chart also contains the assistance groups served, the economic need standards for the particular benefit/service, caps on benefits/services, and the targeted groups. The targeted groups are used to customize service delivery specific to the family circumstances.

Standard of Promptness

The focus of this program is to provide and authorize benefits and services within ten (10) days of the receipt of a signed application. In some instances, this time frame will not be met due to unavoidable delays on the part of the applicant or the agency.

The ten-day standard of promptness is a suggested time frame that is intended to stress the importance of dealing with PRC applications in an appropriately efficient manner. The denial of a PRC application due only to the expiration of the ten-day period is not acceptable eligibility determination practice. The AG record should contain sufficient documentation of the case activity on the PRC application, including an explanation of unexpected or unavoidable delays in processing the application.

Notice of Approval/Denial

If it is determined that an application for PRC is approved, the ODHS 4074, "*Notice of Approval of Your Application for Assistance*" shall be mailed or otherwise delivered. If it is determined that an application for PRC is denied, the ODHS 7334, "*Notice of Denial of Your Application for Assistance*" shall be mailed or otherwise delivered.

Once eligibility for PRC is established, authorization shall occur and a payment for the benefits or services will be generated. Authorization may occur at any time during a period beginning on the date that PRC is approved. As long as payment is authorized within 30 days, actual payment may be made to vendors according to the procedures in place. All payments shall be made to the vendor or PRC AG. Policy has been written to ensure all auditing requirements are maintained. Agency will recover/prosecute individuals who received PRC assistance fraudulently.

Services and benefits shall be provided which directly lead to or can be expected to lead the family in becoming self-sufficient by accomplishing one of the four purposes of TANF:

Purpose 1: "To provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives:

This purpose covers only needy families so children may live with their parents or other relatives. It does not cover children living with non-relatives.¹ A needy family is one that meets the income and/or resource standards established by the state in its TANF plan. A state may establish a variety of income and resource standards for "assistance" and other services and benefits.

¹ HHS has issued clarification which indicates that if state law provides that legal guardians or other individuals stand in *loco parentis*, then the state could provide benefits and services under this purpose. Under Ohio law, legal guardians and legal custodians stand in *loco parentis*. HHS TANF Program Policy Questions and Answers, <http://www.acfhhs.gov/programs/ofa/polquest/index.htm>.

This purpose is not limited to benefits that are within the regulatory definition of “assistance”. A state may provide other services in support of this purpose. For example, funding home repairs for needy families would be consistent with the purpose.

Purpose 2: “To end the dependence of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work and marriage”

A state could help any needy parent, including a non-custodial parent or a working parent, by providing employment, job preparation or training services. Examples of potential services include job or career advancement activities, marriage counseling, refundable earned income tax credits and employment services designed to increase the non-custodial parent’s ability to pay child support. Activities that promote any one of the objectives – job preparation, work and marriage – would be consistent with this purpose.

Purpose 3: “To prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establish annual numerical goals for preventing and reducing the incidence of these pregnancies”

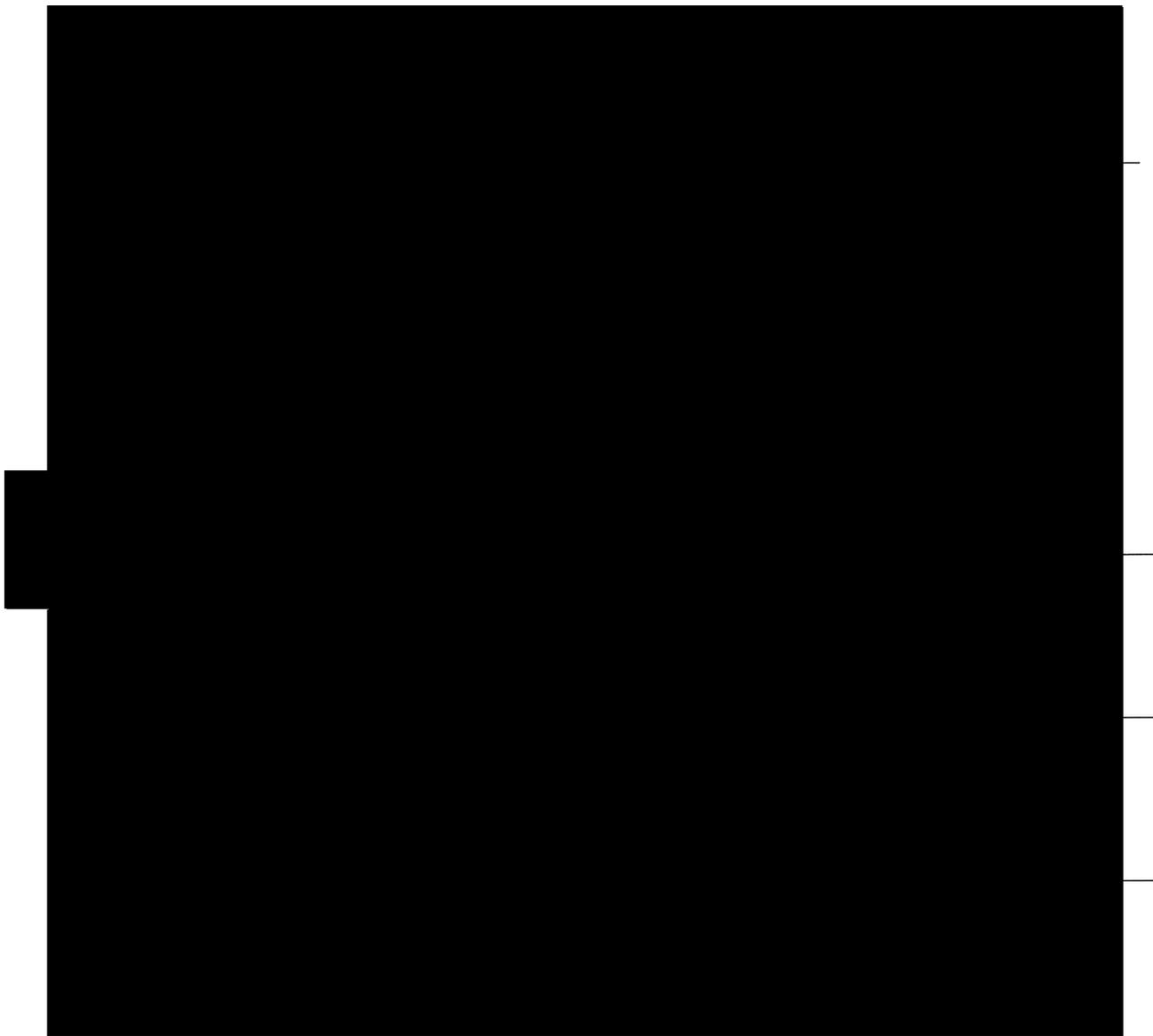
This purpose is not limited to needy families or individuals. However, the state must establish objective criteria for the delivery of services to the non-needy. Potential activities that would be reasonably calculated to accomplish this purpose include family planning, clinical and follow-up services, abstinence programs, visiting nurse services and programs and services for youth such as counseling, teen pregnancy prevention campaigns and after-school programs that provide supervision when school is not in session.

Purpose 4: “To encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families”

A significant share of TANF families consists of unmarried mothers with low skills who live with their children apart from low-skilled, underemployed fathers. Many of these fathers are involved in the lives of their children and provide some financial support, but would like to do much more. Historically, the fathers have found limited employment opportunities, and welfare rules have worked to discourage family formation and fuller involvement of these fathers in the lives of their children

Some activities that are reasonably calculated to accomplish this purpose might include parenting skills training, premarital and marriage counseling, and mediation services; activities to promote parental access and supervision; job placement and training services for non-custodial parents; initiatives to promote responsible fatherhood and increase the capacity of fathers to provide emotional and financial support for their children; and crisis or intervention services.

This Prevention, Retention, and Contingency Plan is effective October 1, 2015.



PRC SCOPE OF COVERAGE CHART

October 1, 2015

| SERVICES OR BENEFITS | CAP | ASSISTANCE GROUP | ECONOMIC NEED STANDARD | TARGET GROUP |
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| <p>Employment Support Services Support Purpose: 1 & 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Work clothes/uniform/shoes/grooming and hygiene to obtain or retain employment •Employment background checks & testing required, but not provided by employer. •Tools - specific to obtaining or retaining employment •Fees to take GED test. •Safety equipment to obtain or retain specific employment. •Automobile Loan Payment •Licenses (drivers, CDL, barber, etc.) •Reinstatement of drivers license for driving w/out insurance •Automobile License •Automobile parts to repair vehicle used for employment. •Automobile Insurance (four months) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •proof of ownership •valid drivers license •title w/no lien - liability coverage only •title w/lien - comprehensive coverage •Short term child care expenses (not to exceed 4 months) to attend employment, upon verification of application for publicly funded child care assistance. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Employment Support, an AG is only entitled to a maximum of \$500 per 12 month period. Not to exceed one contingency occurrence and two other occurrences for Employment Support Services and/or Employment Related Transportation Services per 12 month period. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •200% of Federal Poverty Level | <p>Newly employed/hired individuals and have received OWF or SNAP benefits in the past 12 months</p> <p>individuals to meet the requirements of their OWF Self Sufficiency Plan</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Youth Works program. To provide basic educational and social skills enhancement plus subsidized employment and training for at risk youth. Attendance incentive and participation expense allowance. •School and work supplies, clothes, equipment, and fees •Drivers Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •No cap on service as needed. Suitability test applies (6110.4). Contracted Service, in-house service. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents with minor children. Specified relatives with minor children. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •200% Federal Poverty Level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth enrolled in (WIOA) Youth Works Program |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Job Club •Vocational testing/counseling •Tutor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •No cap on service as needed, suitability test applies (6110.4) Contracted service. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals •Non Custodial Parents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •200% Federal Poverty Level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Unemployed or underemployed individuals |

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| <p>Employment Support Services continued Support Purpose: 1 & 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Employment Retention Bonus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Not to exceed \$1000.00 per lifetime, • first payment - \$200 upon approval. <p>Subsequent payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd month \$200 if employment is confirmed in the 2nd month; • 6th month \$200 if employment is confirmed in the 5th month; • 9th month \$400 if employment is confirmed in the 8th month | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must have been in receipt of OWF & the OWF case is closed • At least 1 OWF recipient in the last month of OWF eligibility had countable employment income in the month that OWF was terminated • A PRC application must be completed and returned to the MCDJFS prior to or no later than the 2nd month following the termination of the OWF case • At the time of application, the PRC applicant is employed an average of at least 25 hours per week or earning at least the equivalent gross wages of federal minimum wage times 25 hours per week |

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| <p>Employment Related Transportation Services Support Purpose: 1 & 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Gas card (.22¢ per mile) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •For Gas Card an AG is only entitled to a maximum of \$250 per 12 month period. Not to exceed one contingency occurrence and two other occurrences for Employment Support Services or three occurrences for Employment Support Services. (One months gas cards is equal to one occurrence.) •Gas Card amounts will be calculated based on the actual round trip mileage from employed individuals' home to employment. Cards will be issued on a reimbursement basis, upon verification of travel to and from employment, until the cap is met. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •200% of Federal Poverty Level | <p>Newly employed/hired individuals and have received OWF or SNAP benefits in the past 12 months</p> <p>individuals to meet the requirements of their OWF Self Sufficiency Plan</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Purchased Transportation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Amount needed per episode not to exceed \$250 in a 12 month period . Not to exceed one contingency occurrence and two other occurrences for Employment Support Services or three occurrences for Employment Support Services. (One month of purchased transportation is equal to one occurrence.) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •200% of Federal Poverty Level | <p>Newly employed/hired individuals and have received OWF or SNAP benefits in the past 12 months</p> <p>individuals to meet the requirements of their OWF Self Sufficiency Plan</p> |
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| <p>Contingency Services (Upon Completion of Financial Literacy Training)</p> <p>Support Purpose: 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Rent/Mortgage including home insurance and taxes if escrowed. •Past due rent or relocation deposit and rent (late fees only if in lease agreement and will not be waived) •Emergency utility assistance (with documented shut-off notice or with past due utility bill which is preventing delivery of current needed utility services) •Emergency home repair or emergency household assistance (must be homeowner) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •For Contingency Services an AG is entitled to a maximum of \$0 per 24 month period not to exceed one occurrence. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •100% of Federal Poverty Level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Unemployed individuals •Underemployed individuals •Victims of domestic violence •Families with children at risk of abuse or neglect |
| <p>Contingency Services (Children Services)</p> <p>Support Purpose: 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Rent/Mortgage including home insurance and taxes if escrowed. •Past due rent or relocation deposit and rent (late fees only if in lease agreement and will not be waived) •Emergency utility assistance (with documented shut-off notice or with past due utility bill which is preventing delivery of current needed utility services) •Emergency home repair or emergency household assistance (must be homeowner) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •For Contingency Services an AG is entitled to a maximum of \$500 per 12 month period not to exceed one occurrence. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Parents living with minor children •Specified relatives/legal guardians/legal custodians, living with minor children •Pregnant individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200% of Federal Poverty Level with self-disclosure of financial eligibility. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families with children at risk of abuse or neglect as determined by Children Services • Relative/guardian caring for minor children/Legal Custodian • Child has not been out of the home for more than 180 days • Victims of domestic violence with minor children as determined by Children Services |

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| Children Services Support Purpose: 1, 2 & 4 | | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case management • Resource and referral | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No cap on services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents with minor children • Specified relatives with minor children | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200% of Federal Poverty Level with self-disclosure of financial eligibility. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families with children at risk of abuse or neglect as determined by Children Services • Relative/guardian caring for minor children/Legal Custodian • Child has not been out of the home for more than 180 days • Victims of domestic violence with minor children as determined by Children Services | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal services for establishment of guardianship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount needed per episode per child not to exceed \$500.00 in a 12 month period | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home Based services Family centered case management designed to preserve the family unit by reducing risks, including AR intake • Parenting Education Services Assists parents in developing basic parenting skills • Independent and transitional living services • Transportation • Other identified services that promote family stability and unity • Relocation services (Victims of Domestic Violence) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount needed per AG not to exceed \$500.00 per episode, and no more than three occurrences. (One month service is equal to one occurrence). | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pest Removal/Treatment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One referral per family per contract period to the cap of the contract. | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children/families at risk of homelessness, or children with excessive absence from school, due to chronic pest infestation. |
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| <p>Help Me Grow Support Purpose: 2 & 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation (non cash payments) • Case management/service coordination • Information and Referral • Parenting classes • Group activities to enhance parenting skills and build support systems • Child development screenings • Outreach/Child Find/Intake Procedural Safeguards • Parental Visits • Home Visiting Services • Service Coordination/IFSP Development, Implementation and Review • Home Visiting Services/Paraprofessional Family Support Services • Evaluation • Specialized Services in everyday routines, activities, and places | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited to the Help Me Grow contract | <p>Families with children under age 3</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OWF Participants • 300% of Federal Poverty Level if Non OWF with Self-Disclosure of Financial Eligibility • Former OWF AG's may continue to receive services if enrolled prior to OWF ineligibility, until youngest child reaches age three | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children (under three years of age for HMG Home Visitation & Early Intervention) |

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| <p>Disaster Services</p> <p>Support Purpose: 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Services provided to eligible families who have sustained losses as a result of state-declared natural disasters. Individuals may be eligible when the governor declares the county to be in a state of emergency. ● Shelter Assistance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rent Rent deposits Mortgage payments Emergency shelter/temporary shelter (excluding hotel charges) ● Utility Assistance: Payments for initial hook up purchase bulk fuel destroyed or damaged by disaster, installation or repair of telephone (when medically necessary with Dr. statement) ● Home repair or replacements affecting basic structure (provided to the homeowner only) ● Appliances or fixture repairs or replacements ● Repair or purchase of furnace, air conditioning, or water heater (provided to the homeowner only) ● Purchase or replace essential household contents ● Personal items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential clothing for members of the Assistance Group Essential non-consumable products, excluding tobacco products and alcohol ● Vehicle repair for damage caused by the disaster provided the auto is necessary for employment or a Medical condition. ● Other services targeted toward the goals of the Madison County PRC may be defined/approved by the PRC Team and Director or designee. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● up to \$1500 per family dwelling per declared disaster, to cover losses incurred as a result of the disaster. <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Adult Non-TANF Disaster: Up to \$750 per dwelling and dwellings that have not already been approved for TANF-PRC Disaster Assistance. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Pregnant woman or a minor child living with (except for a temporary absence) a parent, legal guardian, legal custodial or specified relative ●Resident of Madison County ●Meet all other federal & state laws applicable to the PRC Program <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●On a first come first serve basis, as long as funding is available, disaster assistance may also be provided to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Childless individuals age 55 or older or disabled individuals who have been adversely affected by the emergency. A "disabled" individual must be childless and in receipt of disability benefit payments such as SSI, SSD, VA, PERS, RRD, Black Lung, etc. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 200% Federal Poverty Level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Will be defined by the OWF/PRC Guidance Letter issued by ODJFS for the current disaster. ●Adversely affected by the emergency condition. |

Every attempt to verify income in writing must be made; however, if income records were lost or destroyed due to the disaster, self-declaration of income will/may be utilized. Applicants must verify damage through an assessment by the MADISON County Emergency Management Agency, photographs or the CDJFS may verify by personal visit. Assistance from this program is intended to complement assistance received from private insurance and other community resources. This assistance should not duplicate payment for a service provided by another service or agency. Applicants will be requested to provide the Department of Job and Family Services any records they can produce. All applications will be approved or denied by the Director or his/her designee/s Any person misrepresenting information will be prosecuted for fraud.