

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.005

Program Name: Office of Director

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Office of Director

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Safe Children, Healthy and Prosperous Missourians

1b. What does this program do?

Mission: Empower Missourians to live safe, healthy, and productive lives

The Office of the Director for the Department of Social Services is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of Missourians. Through effective use of the people's money, quality service and assistance, innovation, and continued ongoing improvements, the organization is holistically committed to helping Missouri citizens first with honor, dignity, and excellence. In its leadership role, this office operates under these guiding principles:

- Results
- Excellence in Service
- Proficiency
- Integrity
- Inclusiveness
- Stewardship
- Accountability

The Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS) was constitutionally established in 1974. It is charged with the health and general welfare of the people of primary public concern; to secure them there shall be established a department of social services; to provide appropriate public welfare services to promote, safeguard and protect the social well-being and general welfare of children; to help maintain and strengthen family life; and, to provide such public welfare services to aid needy persons who can be so helped to become self-supporting or capable of self-care.

The department has six divisions (Children's Division, Family Support Division, MO HealthNet Division, Division of Youth Services, Division of Finance and Administrative Services, and Division of Legal Services) and four offices (Human Resource Center, Missouri Medicaid Audit and Compliance, State Technical Assistance Team, and Strategic Performance and Innovations) reporting to the Office of the Director. The core functions of the Department are:

- Child Protection and Permanency
- Youth Rehabilitation
- Access to Quality Health Care
- Maintaining and Strengthen Families

The oversight provided by the Director's Office establishes a firm foundation and sets a positive tone to ensure the department and its employees are responsible public servants, who efficiently deliver high quality services to citizens, are committed to optimizing resources for greater impact, and who continuously promote and rapidly transcend leadership programs to identify and cultivate generational leaders and promote better government.

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2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

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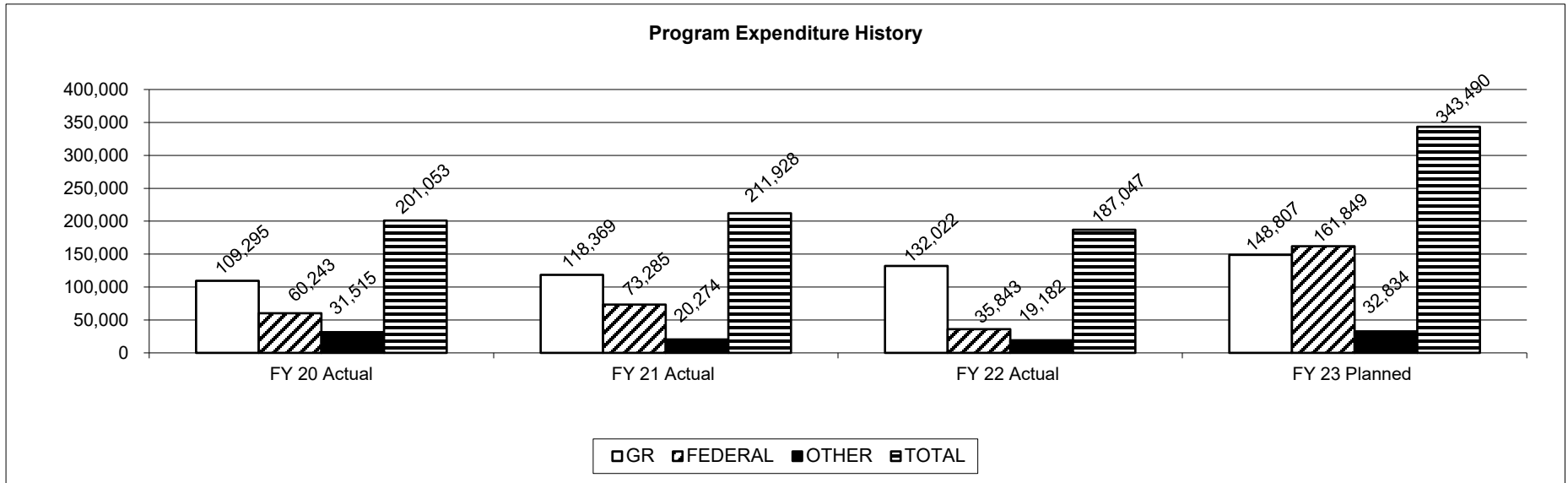
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



Planned FY 2023 expenditures are net of reverted.

4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

Child Support Enforcement Collections Fund (0169)

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

State Statute: Section 660.010, RSMo.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

Expenditures are allocated across the department based on FTE counts and charged to corresponding grants or used as maintenance of effort as appropriate.

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No.