

Attachment A  
General Instructions:

Each State must provide the information indicated below on its TANF program regardless of the funding source -- i.e., no matter whether the State used segregated Federal TANF funds, segregated State TANF funds, or commingled funds to pay for the benefit or service.

If the State elects to report on other benefits or activities provided through other program funding streams, please mention it after the TANF-funded benefits or activities for each item.

**1. The State's definition of each work activity.**

Texas currently operates its TANF employment program, Choices, under provisions of federal law not modified by state law or rule. Federal Activity: Job Readiness/Job Search Job readiness and job search activities prepare participants to seek employment. Activities may include occupational exploration, job skill assessment, assistance with applications and resumes, job fairs, job interview and job search skills, employment goal setting, life skills, and guidance and motivation to develop positive work attitudes and behaviors necessary for successful employment.

Federal Activity: Unsubsidized Employment Unsubsidized employment links a participant with existing job openings within the community, either full-time or part-time, with wages paid in full by the employer. It also includes unsubsidized internships, with wages paid by the internship employer, and self-employment.

Federal Activity: Subsidized Private Employment Subsidized employment provides job training and work experience, based on a participant's skills and interests, either full-time or part-time, with wages subsidized in whole or in part. Federal Activity: Subsidized Public Employment Subsidized employment provides job training and work experience, based on a participant's skills and interests, either full-time or part-time, with wages subsidized in whole or in part. Federal Activity: On-the-Job Training On-the-job training provides for subsidized, time-limited training activities in which a participant, while in a job setting, obtains knowledge and skills that are essential to the workplace. Federal Activity: Community Service Community service provides a participant with employment and training activities through unsalaried work-based positions in either the public or private nonprofit sector to improve the employability of a participant who has been unable to find employment. Federal Activity: Vocational Educational Training Vocational educational training relates to the types of jobs available in the labor market, is consistent with the employment goals identified in the individual's family employment plan, is provided with an expectation of employment upon completion, and is subject to time limitations. Federal Activity: Work Experience Work experience provides unsalaried work-based positions to improve the employability of a participant who has been unable to find employment. The positions are time-limited, designed to move participants quickly into regular employment, and have designated hours, tasks, and skills attainment objectives. Federal Activity: Job Skills Training Job skills training services are designed to increase an individual's employability. Services may include activities that ensure that participants become familiar with workplace expectations and exhibit work behavior and attitudes necessary to compete successfully in the labor market. Various types of employment-related activities may qualify, such as personal development and pre-employment classes. These services must be directly related to the types of jobs available in the local labor market, and consistent with the employment goals identified in a participant's family employment plan. Included in this category are

Adult Basic Education and Literacy, English proficiency, entrepreneurial training and self-employment assistance. Texas Workforce Center staff stay familiar with employer needs to ensure that Choices job skills training supports these needs and leads participants towards employment. Federal Activity: Education Educational services are available for participants who have not completed secondary school or who have not received a General Educational Development (GED) credential. Education services include secondary school leading to a high school diploma, satisfactory school attendance at a secondary school, or a course of study leading to a GED credential.

**2. A description of the transitional services provided to families no longer receiving assistance due to employment.**

**Transitional Medicaid (1 TAC, §366.751)** Transitional Medicaid is available to households for up to 12 months following denial of TANF benefits due to new or increased earnings or expiration of TANF time limits as long as an eligible child resides in the home. **Transitional Child Care (40 TAC, §811.62 and 809.48)** Children meeting the age requirements and whose parents meet the income guidelines are eligible for Transitional child care if their parents: • Have been denied TANF cash assistance due to an increase in income; or • Have been denied cash assistance within 30 days because of expiration of TANF time limits. The parents must need child care in order to work or attend a job training or educational program for a combination of at least 25 hours for a single-parent family or 50 hours for a two-parent family. Boards may require a higher number of hours per week. Each Board sets the maximum family income limit used to determine eligibility for Transitional child care in the local workforce development area. That limit may be below, but may not exceed, 85 percent of state median income (SMI). Transitional child care is available for up to 12 months to former recipients of TANF cash assistance who were denied TANF cash assistance and were employed at the time cash assistance was denied. Transitional child care is available for up to 18 months to former recipients of TANF who were exempt from participating due to a child caretaker exemption, but voluntarily participated in Choices services. Former recipients of TANF cash assistance who are not employed when their TANF time limits expire receive up to four weeks of Transitional child care to search for work. Former TANF recipients who are engaged in a Choices activity and are denied TANF because of receipt of child support are eligible to receive Transitional child care until the date on which the individual completes the Choices activity. **Employment, Employment Retention, and Reemployment:** In an effort to assist Choices individuals to retain employment and increase earnings over time, Boards provide Choices services during the four-month Earned Income Deduction period while individuals are employed and may continue receiving their TANF cash assistance benefits. In addition, Boards may continue to provide services beyond the denial of TANF cash assistance due to employment. Services may include mentoring, employee assistance programs, education/training, child care, transportation, or any other work-related expense.

**3. A description of how a State will reduce the amount of assistance payable to a family when an individual refuses to engage in work without good cause pursuant to 45 CFR 261.14 of this chapter.**

**Failure to Comply with Title IV-A Employment Program (1 TAC, §372.1155)** Households are subject to a full-family sanction when an adult TANF recipient or minor parent certified as an adult or second parent fails to cooperate with work requirements. The full-family sanction is imposed for a minimum of one month or until the household cooperates, whichever is longer.

**4. The average monthly number of payments for child care services made by the State through the use of disregards, by the following types of child care providers:**

<b><u>i. Licensed/regulated in-home child care:</u></b> 1
<b><u>ii. Licensed/regulated family child care:</u></b> 1
<b><u>iii. Licensed/regulated group home child care:</u></b> 0
<b><u>iv. Licensed/regulated center-based child care:</u></b> 8
<b><u>v. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) in-home child care provided by a non-relative:</u></b> 18
<b><u>vi. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) in-home child care provided by a relative:</u></b> 11
<b><u>vii. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) family child care provided by a non-relative:</u></b> 3
<b><u>viii. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) family child care provided by a relative:</u></b> 0
<b><u>ix. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) group child care provided by a non-relative:</u></b> 0
<b><u>x. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) group child care provided by a relative:</u></b> 0
<b><u>xi. Legally operated (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) center-based child care.</u></b> 0

**5. If the State has adopted the Family Violence Option and wants Federal recognition of its good cause domestic violence waivers under 45 CFR 260.50-58, then provide (a) a description of the strategies and procedures in place to ensure that victims of domestic violence receive appropriate alternative services and (b) an aggregate figure for the total number of good cause domestic waivers granted.**

Family Violence Waiver from Child Support Requirements TANF applicants or recipients do not have to cooperate with child support requirements if good cause exists. Good cause exists if the family fears that cooperating with child support requirements will endanger them or their children. HHSC established a telephone referral process to assist recipients in obtaining verification of family violence and introduces the recipient to family violence services. If a recipient tells the advisor that such violence exists, the advisor accompanies the client to a secured place within the office and assists in telephoning a family violence center. Most centers receive funds from HHSC and are staffed with persons who are trained in family violence. A family violence specialist in that center conducts a telephone assessment and notifies the HHSC advisor of his or her recommendation to grant or not to grant good cause based on a family violence situation. The advisor then notifies the child support division of the good cause claim by coding the case and referral appropriately, which prevents contact with the alleged abusive non-custodial parent. In Fiscal Year 2010 there were 14 TANF households that were granted good cause from having to comply with child support requirements due to family violence. Family Violence Waiver from Work Requirements TWC's Choices rules (40 TAC, Chapter 811) set forth the reasons that individual TANF recipients may be granted temporary good cause for not participating in work activities. One reason is if the individual is a victim of family violence. Good cause for family violence purposes must be reevaluated every month, is extended if the circumstances giving rise to the good cause exception are not resolved after available resources to remedy the situation have been considered, and may be

granted for up to 12 months per occurrence. Boards must ensure that family violence is considered during the initial Choices assessment and throughout participation. The existence of family violence must be one of the factors considered when assessing a customer's employability and ability to transition to self-sufficiency. An individual identified as a victim of family violence is referred to an individual or an agency that specializes in family violence issues. In Fiscal Year 2010, 89 individuals (unduplicated) were granted good cause due to family violence.

**6. A description of any nonrecurrent, short-term benefits (as defined in 45 CFR 260.31(b)(1)) provided, including:**

**i. The eligibility criteria associated with such benefits, including any restrictions on the amount, duration, or frequency of payments;**

**ii. Any policies that limit such payments to families that are eligible for TANF assistance or that have the effect of delaying or suspending a family's eligibility for assistance;**

**iii. Any procedures or activities developed under the TANF program to ensure that individuals diverted from assistance receive information about, referrals to, or access to other program benefits (such as Medicaid and food stamps) that might help them make the transition from welfare to work.**

One-Time Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (OTTANF) provides \$1000 cash assistance for families in crisis. The intent of the OTTANF payment is to help solve a short-term crisis and divert households from ongoing TANF benefits. These families must • meet all TANF eligibility requirements, and • not currently receive TANF. A household has an option of receiving TANF or OTTANF if it meets one of four crisis criteria. Households who choose this option are not eligible to receive TANF, TANF-SP, or OTTANF payments for 12 months. In addition to meeting all TANF requirements, the household must also meet one of the following four crisis criteria: Crisis Criteria 1: The caretaker or second parent must have a loss of employment in the two months before application, application month, or process month. Crisis Criteria 2: In a one-parent household, the dependent child must have a loss of financial support from the legal parent or stepparent within the last 12 months, through death, divorce, separation, abandonment or termination of child support; and the caretaker must have been employed within the 12 months before the application or process month. Financial support is assistance with basic living expenses like rent, utilities, and food. Loss of financial support from a legal parent or stepparent must be verified. Crisis Criteria 3: The caretaker or second parent graduated from a university, college, junior college, or technical training school within the 12 months before the application or process month, and is unemployed or underemployed. The caretaker or second parent must provide proof of degree or certificate of completion from a technical training school, junior college, college, or university. This includes beauty, nursing, or vocational schools in or out of Texas; not currently be enrolled in an institution of higher learning; and have received TANF (in Texas) anytime in the 12 months before enrolling, or while attending a college, university, or technical training school. Crisis Criteria 4: The caretaker and/or second parent is currently employed but still meets TANF requirements and is facing a crisis situation because of one of the following reasons: Loss or potential loss of transportation; Loss or potential loss of shelter; Medical emergency (60 days or less). Families choosing a one-time payment over regular TANF cash assistance are automatically screened for eligibility for Medicaid and are advised that they may also apply for food stamp benefits. Workforce Orientation for Applicants To become certified for temporary cash assistance, individuals applying for TANF must attend a Workforce Orientation for Applicants (WOA). Alternative

WOAs may be used when individuals are unable to attend a regularly scheduled WOA. The orientations are usually conducted in Texas Workforce Centers, offer TANF applicants an introduction to Texas Workforce Center services and encourage TANF applicants to take immediate advantage of employment opportunities and other family services available through the Texas Workforce Centers. The WOA provides information on the time-limited nature of TANF benefits and helps individuals understand that the services offered through the Texas Workforce Centers can assist them with immediate attachment to the workforce and help them avoid exhausting time-limited TANF benefits. Applicants attending a WOA who are subsequently certified for TANF cash assistance are scheduled to attend an Employment Planning Session.

7. A description of the grievance procedures the State has established and is maintaining to resolve displacement complaints, pursuant to section 407(f)(3) of the Social Security Act. This description must include the name of the State agency with the lead responsibility for administering this provision and explanations of how the State has notified the public about these procedures and how an individual can register a complaint.

TWC's Choices rules state that placements in work-based services must not result in the displacement of currently employed workers or impair existing contracts from services or collective bargaining agreements (40 TAC §811.21(c)). TWC's Integrated Complaints, Hearings and Appeals rules also provide a process for Board review of complaints (40 TAC §823.13) and for appeals to TWC (40 TAC §823.20).

8. A summary of State programs and activities directed at the third and fourth statutory purposes of TANF (as specified at 45 CFR 260.20(c) and (d) of this chapter).

a. Summarize below, the State programs and activities directed at preventing and reducing the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establishing annual numerical goals for preventing and reducing the incidence of these pregnancies (TANF purpose 3):

After-School Youth Robotics Initiative - TWC implemented this initiative in August 2010, which provides after-school robotics programs for youth. The Robotics Initiative is projected to serve 6732 youth on 686 new teams. The number of new sites will range from 25-91. Subsidized Employment (Federal TANF and State MOE) - TWC will expand the availability of subsidized employment opportunities for youth ages 14-24, low-income individuals, and individuals receiving unemployment insurance (UI) compensation. TWC will use federal TANF funds to support subsidized employment opportunities for TANF recipients, and other low-income parents (defined as a parent with annual wages that do not exceed \$37,000 with a minor child, noncustodial parents, and SNAP recipients). TWC also will use state general revenue (as appropriated to TWC in Rider 31(c), Article VII, General Appropriations Act, 81st Texas Legislature, Regular Session (2009)) to implement the Texas Back-to-Work Initiative (MOE). This initiative is targeted to eligible families, defined as UI claimants who were previously earning less than \$15/hour, and have a minor child. Family Planning Services- Family planning services are part of comprehensive health care delivery systems established in Texas to assist low-income men, women, and adolescents (age 17 and younger) to improve their health status, reduce unintended pregnancies, and positively affect the outcomes of future pregnancies. Administration of the State family planning program is the responsibility of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Preventive and Primary Care Unit. Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) Amachi- BBBS provides

one-to-one mentoring for youth ages 6 – 14 whose parents or family members are incarcerated or recently released from the prison system and is administered by the Texas Education Agency. The mentoring is provided through community based, school based and/or school plus initiatives. Noncustodial Parent Choices Project (NCP)- TWC supports an initiative that provides employment services to noncustodial parents who are not in compliance with their child support payments. NCP is a collaboration between TWC, the Texas Office of the Attorney General, and the IV-D courts. The primary goal is to increase child support collection and employment among low-income noncustodial parents and provide noncustodial parents who are not being served by Choices the same level of service that custodial parents receive. Foster Youth Transition Centers - TWC, in collaboration with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services' Child Protective Services (CPS) Division oversees four foster youth transition centers for current and former foster youth ages 14–25. The goal of these transition centers is to address critical life barriers facing youth who have aged out or are close to aging out of the foster care system. Disability Navigator - TWC implemented the Texas Disability Navigator Initiative in 2006 as part of a national initiative funded, implemented, piloted, and evaluated by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) in collaboration with the Social Security Administration. OneStar Foundation - is an organization that assists a broad spectrum of Texas's nonprofit sector through innovative efforts that provide high-quality support services to special-needs groups, such as low-income families and youth. The particular grant funded through TANF support capacity-building activities available to faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs). The capacity-building activities are designed to help FBCOs strengthen leadership, administration and funding to ultimately expand service delivery. Specifically, capacity-building efforts are targeted to community development groups working to fulfill TANF purpose 3 and TANF purpose 4.

**b. Summarize below, the State programs and activities directed at encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families (TANF purpose 4):**

**9. An estimate of the total number of individuals who have participated in subsidized employment under §261.30(b) or (c) of this chapter. 28,429**

Attachment B Child Care Services  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

<p><b><u>Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> Child Care Services</p>
<p><b><u>2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:</u></b> Affordable child care otherwise unavailable to applicants, recipients, and former recipients of TANF cash assistance to enable the parents to work or participate in education or training. Structured environment and activities that promote early learning and healthy social interaction among children whose parents are applicants, recipients, or former recipients of TANF cash assistance. Parent education on the types of care available and what to look for in choosing child care services for their children. Parent choice in selecting the type of provider (licensed center, regulated family home, relative care) who will care for the children.</p>
<p><b><u>3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> To assist applicants, recipients, and former recipients of TANF cash assistance in maintaining or transitioning toward self-sufficiency through the provision of child care subsidies that enable parents to work or participate in education or training. To prevent future dependency through early physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development of children whose parents are current or former recipients of TANF cash assistance, as these children are an integral part of the state's future workforce. To allow parents, when placing their child in care, to choose from a variety of child care providers, including licensed centers, regulated family homes, and care by a relative in the child's own home or the relative's home.</p>
<p><b><u>4. Program Type. (Check one)</u></b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> TANF   <input type="radio"/> State</p>
<p><b><u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u></b> N/A</p>
<p><b><u>6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$105,714,781</p>
<p><b><u>7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$27,745,141</p>
<p><b><u>8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:</u></b> 7,376</p>
<p><b><u>This last figure represents (Check one):</u></b> <input type="radio"/> The average monthly total for the fiscal year.   <input checked="" type="radio"/> The total served over the fiscal year.</p>
<p><b><u>9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:</u></b> TANF Applicant Child Care - Provided up to 12 months Each Board sets the maximum family income limit used to determine eligibility for child care in the local workforce development area. That limit may be below, but may not exceed, 85 percent of the state median income (SMI), the parents must: have applied for TANF</p>

cash assistance; need child care to accept or retain employment; have received a referral from the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to attend a Workforce Orientation for Applicants (WOA); have located employment or has increased earnings prior to certification for TANF cash assistance; and have not voluntarily terminated paid employment of at least 25 hours a week within 30 days prior to receiving the referral from HHSC to attend WOA unless it is determined the parent had good cause for the voluntary termination. Parents who are employed less than 25 hours a week at the time they apply for TANF cash assistance are limited to 90 days of Applicant child care. TANF Applicant child care may be extended to a total of 12 months, inclusive of the 90 days, if before the end of the 90-day period, the applicant increases the hours of employment to a minimum of 25 hours a week. Choices Child Care - Provided as long as the parents are meeting their Choices (TANF employment program) work requirements. Children meeting the age requirement are eligible for Choices child care if it is determined that child care is needed in order for their parents to comply with Choices work requirements. Transitional Child Care - Eligibility period varies Children meeting the age requirements and whose parents meet the income guidelines are eligible for Transitional child care if their parents; have been denied TANF cash assistance due to an increase in income; or have been denied cash assistance within 30 days because of expiration of TANF time limits. The parents must need child care in order to work or attend a job training or educational program for a combination of at least 25 hours for a single-parent family or 50 hours for a two-parent family. Boards may require a higher number of hours per week. Each Board sets the maximum family income limit used to determine eligibility for Transitional child care in the local workforce development area. That limit may be below, but not exceed, 85 percent of SMI. Transitional child care is available for up to 12 months to former recipients of TANF cash assistance who were denied assistance and were employed at the time of denial. Transitional child care is available for up to 18 months to former recipients of TANF who were exempt from participating due to a child caretaker exemption, but voluntarily participated in Choices services. Former recipients of TANF cash assistance who are not employed when their TANF time limits expire receive up to four weeks of Transitional child care to search for work. Former TANF recipients who are engaged in a Choices activity and are denied TANF because of receipt of child support are eligible to receive Transitional child care until the date on which the individual completes the Choices activity.

**10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)**

Yes  No

**11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):** \$0

Attachment B Adult Education  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

<p><b><u>Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> Adult Education for TANF Recipients</p>
<p><b><u>2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:</u></b> Services &amp; Activities: (1) Support services for child care, transportation, and learning disabilities screening and diagnosis, etc. (2) student assessment (3) adult basic education instruction to achieve a literacy level consistent with the recipient's employability plan including job readiness, job retention, and/or job advancement skills (4) English As a Second Language training to meet the objectives of the recipient's employability plan including job readiness, job retention, and/or job advancement</p>
<p><b><u>3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> The primary purpose of adult education for current and former TANF cash assistance recipients is to assist these individuals in obtaining and retaining employment (TANF Purpose 2)</p>
<p><b><u>4. Program Type. (Check one)</u></b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> TANF   <input type="radio"/> State</p>
<p><b><u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u></b> N/A</p>
<p><b><u>6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$1,998,719</p>
<p><b><u>7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$1,998,719</p>
<p><b><u>8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:</u></b> 11,670</p>
<p><b><u>This last figure represents (Check one):</u></b> <input type="radio"/> The average monthly total for the fiscal year.   <input checked="" type="radio"/> The total served over the fiscal year.</p>
<p><b><u>9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:</u></b> Rider 46 to Article III of the General Appropriation Act for the Texas Education Agency for State Fiscal Years 2010-2011 contains the eligibility criteria for TANF Adult Education Services: • Recipients of TANF Cash Assistance • Families with a child living at home if any family member receives any of the following forms of assistance: Food Stamps, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, Child Care and Development Fund, or Free or Reduced Priced Child Nutrition Program meals.</p>
<p><b><u>10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)</u></b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes   <input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p><b><u>11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):</u></b> \$0</p>

Attachment B Pre-kindergarten  
Grantee Information

State TEXAS

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

**1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:**

Pre-kindergarten/Extended Day Programs

**2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:**

Rider 9 in Article III of the General Appropriations Act for the Texas Education Agency for State Fiscal Years 2010-2011 states that "It is expressly provided that the pre-school day care programs, such as the Early Childhood Program for Educationally Disadvantaged Children and Special Education and Training for Pre-School Children with Disabilities administered by the Texas Education Agency, are day-care programs. The funds expended in those programs on behalf of children meeting eligibility requirements in accordance with interagency contracts with the Texas Education Agency under the day care program of the Social Security Act shall be considered as expenditures for day care."

**3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:**

To provide pre-kindergarten/extended day care services for children

**4. Program Type. (Check one)**

TANF  State

**5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):**

N/A

**6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$136,953,336

**7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$136,953,336

**8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:** 214,694

**This last figure represents (Check one):**

The average monthly total for the fiscal year.  The total served over the fiscal year.

**9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:**

Eligibility requirements for participation in pre-kindergarten programs are that the child is: • Educationally disadvantaged (this is defined as qualifying for free or reduced school lunch program benefits), • Unable to speak and comprehend the English language, or • Homeless.

**10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)**

Yes  No

**11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):** \$0

Attachment B Healthy Marriage  
Grantee Information

State TEXAS

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

**1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:**

Healthy Marriage Development Program (HMDP)

**2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:**

The HMDP strengthens families and increases the availability of healthy marriage services in low-income communities to improve child well-being in Corpus Christi, Fort Bend county, Fort Worth and Laredo. Healthy marriage services include a marriage education curriculum for low-income couples and individuals, booster sessions that strengthen parenting skills, budgeting, nutrition education and helping parents to talk to their children about healthy relationships. A public advertising campaign is implemented in the four areas and provides awareness on the availability of healthy marriage services and the importance of stable marriages to children. Reducing the financial disincentives to marriage among welfare program recipients and offering participant support costs for clients in marriage education services also provides major program benefits. Services are provided free of charge to participants.

**3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:**

The purpose of HMDP is to make marriage education services accessible in low-income communities. HMDP will accomplish this goal by increasing awareness of marriage education services, providing access to marriage education for targeted audiences, reducing the financial disincentive to marriage among welfare program recipients, and offering participant support costs for participation in marriage education services.

**4. Program Type. (Check one)**

TANF  State

**5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):**

N/A

**6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$103,868

**7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$103,868

**8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:** 1,322

**This last figure represents (Check one):**

The average monthly total for the fiscal year.  The total served over the fiscal year.

**9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:**

Services are targeted to clients receiving TANF cash assistance or who are low income.

**10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under**

prior law? (Check one)

Yes  No

11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B Basic Cash Assistance  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

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<p><u>1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:</u> TANF Basic Cash Assistance</p>
<p><u>2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:</u> The TANF-Basic program provides financial assistance to families with needy children who are deprived of parental support because of the absence or disability of one or both parents and the unemployment or underemployment of the remaining parent.</p>
<p><u>3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:</u> The purpose of the program is to provide temporary financial assistance to needy dependent children and the parents or relatives with whom they are living. The program meets TANF purpose 1, provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives.</p>
<p><u>4. Program Type. (Check one)</u> <input checked="" type="radio"/> TANF   <input type="radio"/> State</p>
<p><u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u> N/A</p>
<p><u>6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u> \$63,890,317</p>
<p><u>7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u> \$63,890,317</p>
<p><u>8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:</u> 26,295</p> <p><u>This last figure represents (Check one):</u> <input checked="" type="radio"/> The average monthly total for the fiscal year.   <input type="radio"/> The total served over the fiscal year.</p>
<p><u>9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:</u> Eligibility Criteria for TANF Basic Cash Assistance are derived from federal and state laws, federal regulations, state policy decisions, and court rulings. The following eligibility criteria must be explored: residence, deprivation, work registration, citizenship, resources, SSN, age, income, relationship and domicile.</p>
<p><u>10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)</u> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes   <input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p><u>11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):</u> \$0</p>

Attachment B Family Based Safety Services  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

**1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:**  
Family Based Safety Services

**2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:**  
Eligible families are those for whom an investigation for alleged child abuse/neglect has been conducted, and for whom it has been determined that the risk of future abuse and possible removal from the home are likely in the short-term if Child Protective Services intervention services are not provided. Services are contracted and may include, but are not limited to: psychological and psychiatric evaluation; diagnostic consultation; therapeutic camping; home studies; chemical dependency recovery management; home based therapy (substance abuse); assessment for substance abuse treatment; developmental testing and evaluation; individual counseling; group counseling; family counseling; mentoring; parent/caretaker training; home based therapy (not substance abuse); support groups; substance abuse education; and other substance abuse intervention services.

**3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:**  
The purpose of this program is family preservation. The program fulfills the TANF statutory purpose described at section 401(a)(1) of the Social Security Act and regulatory purpose described at 45 CFR 260.20(a).

**4. Program Type. (Check one)**  
 TANF    State

**5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):**  
N/A

**6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$12,038,173

**7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$12,038,173

**8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:** 12,687

**This last figure represents (Check one):**  
 The average monthly total for the fiscal year.    The total served over the fiscal year.

**9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:**  
Annual family income cannot exceed \$63,000

**10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)**  
 Yes    No

**11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):** \$0

Attachment B Choices  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

**1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:**  
TANF Employment and Training - Choices

**2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:**  
Choices services assist applicants, recipients, and former recipients of TANF cash assistance in preparing for, obtaining, and retaining employment. Choices offers TANF recipients immediate access to employment opportunities in a local workforce development area through a "Work First" service delivery approach. Support services, such as child care, transportation, and work-related expenses are provided as deemed necessary to assist TANF recipients in obtaining or retaining employment.

**3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:**  
Texas emphasizes personal responsibility, time-limited cash assistance benefits, and the goal of work instead of welfare. The Choices program operates under a Work First service model to promote self-sufficiency at the earliest possible time and to provide information on the comprehensive employment, education and training services available through the Texas workforce system.

**4. Program Type. (Check one)**  
 TANF    State

**5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):**  
N/A

**6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$6,403,881

**7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:** \$6,403,881

**8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:** 47,480

**This last figure represents (Check one):**  
 The average monthly total for the fiscal year.    The total served over the fiscal year.

**9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:**  
Choices eligible - An individual, including an adult or teen head of household, who is a TANF applicant, conditional applicant, TANF recipient, non-recipient parent, former TANF recipient, or sanctioned family.

**10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)**  
 Yes    No

**11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):** \$0

Attachment B Project RIO  
Grantee Information

<u>State</u> TEXAS	<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010
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Program Information

<p><b><u>Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> Project Reintegration of Offenders (Project Rio)</p>
<p><b><u>2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:</u></b> Project Rio is a statewide employment referral program designed to reintegrate into the labor force individuals sentenced to a Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) correctional institution. Employment activities, training services, and support services are provided as needed to assist Project RIO job seekers in obtaining employment.</p>
<p><b><u>3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:</u></b> To assist Project RIO job seekers in reentering the labor force upon their release from incarceration in a TDCJ facility.</p>
<p><b><u>4. Program Type. (Check one)</u></b> <input type="radio"/> TANF   <input checked="" type="radio"/> State</p>
<p><b><u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u></b> Job search/job readiness activities; assessment; individual employment plan; training services; support services such as transportation or work-related expenses.</p>
<p><b><u>6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$10,092,569</p>
<p><b><u>7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year:</u></b> \$425,470</p>
<p><b><u>8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds:</u></b> 11,054</p>
<p><b><u>This last figure represents (Check one):</u></b> <input type="radio"/> The average monthly total for the fiscal year.   <input checked="" type="radio"/> The total served over the fiscal year.</p>
<p><b><u>9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:</u></b> Unemployed or underemployed adult job seekers formerly sentenced to TDCJ correctional institutions, who are within one year after release from incarceration or discharge of sentence and who are noncustodial parents.</p>
<p><b><u>10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)</u></b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes   <input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p><b><u>11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No):</u></b> \$0</p>

Certification  
Certify:

This certifies that all families for which the State claims MOE expenditures for the fiscal year meet the State's criteria for "eligible families."

Signature 

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Title Program Specialist

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