Child care accounted for over a third of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) expenditures

Ohio's TANF Expenditures, FFY 2022



Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

- The largest TANF expenditure in FFY 2022 was for child care subsidies (\$418.3 million). TANF dollars are combined with other state and federal funds to provide benefits for eligible families. For initial eligibility, a family's income must be at or below 145% FPL. Once enrolled, a family can receive benefits until their income reaches 300% FPL.
- Other support services, the next largest category (\$394.1 million), include a variety of activities such as short-term, noncash benefits (e.g., shelter, job-required clothing, and transportation), work and training activities, child welfare services, and out-of-wedlock pregnancy prevention.
- Cash assistance (\$205.9 million) and local and state administration (\$133.1 million) were the remaining categories. Cash assistance benefits are typically provided to needy families (incomes up to 50% FPL) for up to 36 consecutive months, with a lifetime limit of 60 months.
- Ohio's TANF resources include about \$725.6 million from the federal TANF Block Grant and \$416.9 million in state funds to meet the maintenance of effort requirement.