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PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY MEMORANDUM, 23-04

TO: Service Region Administrators

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FROM: Vanessa Hunter, Assistant Director

Division of Protection & Permanency

DATE: May 4, 2023

SUBJECT: CPS Referral for Concrete Goods and Services

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise staff that the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) has modified an existing contract with the Community Action Council (CAC) to assist families in need of concrete goods and services to reduce barriers to successful parenting. The CAC will be responsible for disbursement of the funds based on completion of the Community Action Council Referral for Child Protective Services Concrete Goods and Services Fund.

This funding is intended for families who have an active case to include investigations and ongoing cases. The goods and services eligible for this funding includes the following:

- Housing assistance such as security deposits, rental payments, utility deposits, utility bills, insurance, phone bills, and emergency housing funding.
- Environmental needs such as pest control/exterminators, transportation, and weatherization.
- Medical and mental health needs to include medication costs, transportation to appointments, etc.
- Housing supplies to include necessary household goods such as beds, bedding, stoves, refrigerators, cleaning supplies, etc.

Please refer to the <u>Community Action Council CPS Concrete Goods and Services Funding FAQ</u> for additional information and clarifications.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this information, please contact:

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