

Alert! Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) fraud scheme

The Department of Social Services (DSS) warns Missourians to be alert of fraud activity involving Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds. People have reported getting phone calls saying they are eligible to receive a large sum of money through CSBG funds if they agree to pay a start-up fee.

If you suspect you have received a fraudulent text, call, or email, do not respond.

Report it immediately to the [Welfare Investigations Unit online](#) or by phone 877-770-8055.

"The Department of Social Services will not email, text, or call an individual asking for money in exchange for more money," said Jennifer Tidball, Acting Director, Department of Social Services.

For more tips on keeping your information secure, visit the Missouri Attorney General's website on Identity Theft & Data Security at <https://www.ago.mo.gov/civil-division/consumer/identity-theft-data-security>.

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The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) is a federal block grant provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services that helps fund a network of 19 Community Action Agencies that help create, coordinate, and deliver programs and services to low-income Missourians across the state. For more information about CSBG and the services available, [visit the DSS website](#).



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