

**STATE OF KANSAS  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL REHABILITATION SERVICES  
DIVISION OF ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT**

**Notification of Request for Proposals  
Food Stamp Outreach Pilot Grant**

**Date of Release: August 1, 2007  
Announcement Type – New**

**Fiscal Year 2008**

**Application Due Date: September 10, 2007**

**Funding Opportunity Summary**

The Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services (SRS), Division of Economic and Employment Support announces the release of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit application for Food Stamp Outreach Pilot Grants. The primary focus of the pilots is to connect potentially eligible consumers with monthly Food Stamp benefits. SRS will consider proposals that include activities that also connect potentially eligible consumers with other SRS program (medical, cash, child care) benefits. Eligible applicants are non-profit helping agencies with innovative ideas to assist consumers with Food Stamp outreach and application assistance in counties with a Food Stamp participation rate of 70% or less. (See *Attachment F for Estimated FS Participation County Map.*) SRS is awarding \$150,000 for grant awards (maximum amount of \$30,000 for each award) with a fair distribution of pilots across the state. The funding period is from October 1, 2007 to June 30,2008. SRS is seeking outreach plans with both rural and urban settings. SRS will give priority consideration to innovative activities that target and engage families, elderly, or Hispanic populations and guide them through the application process. Awarded grantees will work closely with the Regional Community Collaboration Directors in their communities:

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(See Attachment I for SRS Regional map)

## **I. Background/Philosophy of Social and Rehabilitation Services**

- A. Mission: To protect children and promote adult self-sufficiency.
- B. Vision: Partnering to connect Kansans with supports and services to improve lives.
- C. SRS Guiding Principles:
  - Act with integrity and respect in our work with customers, partners, and each other.
  - Champion customer success.
  - Demonstrate leadership without regard to position or title; embrace responsibility, take risks, make decisions, and act to overcome challenges.
  - Strive for continuous improvement.
  - Demonstrate passion for our mission – to protect children and promote adult self-sufficiency.
  - Recognize the value of partnerships, both within the agency and with community partners, to stretch capacity and achieve extraordinary results.

## **II. Award Information**

### **Summary of Funding -**

SRS is awarding \$150,000 in the form of grants, during State Fiscal year 2008, with the anticipated budget period from October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. The maximum amount awarded for each grant will not exceed \$30,000. SRS is awarding grants in both rural and urban settings with a fair distribution of pilots across the state. Matching funds are not required for the pilots.

### **Purpose of the Grant –**

To encourage non-profit helping agencies to pilot projects and test outreach strategies with innovative approaches to connecting and guiding potentially eligible consumers through the application process for Food Stamp benefits. Pilot projects must focus on populations in counties with a Food Stamp participation rate of 70% or less. (See *Attachment F for Estimated FS Participation County Map and data.*) Additional funds will be sought out during the State SFY 09 budget process to expand successful pilots to additional areas of the state. To aid SRS in seeking additional funds for outreach, pilots will be evaluated and assessed for their statewide applicability. The Food Stamp Program helps low-income households supplement their food purchases to obtain a more nutritionally adequate diet. Every \$5 in new Food Stamp Program benefits generates \$9.20 in additional community spending. This economic impact benefits the communities and the State of Kansas.

## **Eligible applicants –**

Non-profit helping agencies that serve consumers in counties with a Food Stamp participation rate of 70% or less. We are seeking Outreach plans for both rural and urban settings. Outreach pilots should focus on direct services and innovative approaches that connect and guide potentially eligible consumers through the Food Stamp application process. Plans that target families, elderly, or Hispanic audiences are given priority considerations. (See *Attachment G* for additional information on *Number of FS Households by County in Kansas*. See *Attachment H* for additional information on *The Profile of Today's Food Assistance Recipient*.)

## **III. Proposal Requirements: Organization and Content of Application Submission**

The following section explains the requirements for each section of the grant proposal. For each section the number of maximum points possible is included. Some sections are simply required and do not have a point value associated with them. (Use *Attachment A: Template for Grant Application* for completing and submitting the grant proposal.)

### **Cover Page**

**Required**

Complete all sections and include as first page of your application submission.

### **Narrative**

**100 Total Points**

This section provides a comprehensive framework and description of all aspects of the proposed pilot project. It should be self-explanatory and well organized so reviewers will understand: 1) the need for the project within the context of the community, 2) the design of the project, and 3) the expected impact of the project. The Narrative section contains seven sub-sections, which should be presented in the following order with the given headings.

### **Statement of Need –**

**10 Points**

- Identify specific data indicators that demonstrate community needs.
- Include existing resources (e.g., grants, existing community services, surveys, other public or private funding).

### **Community Collaboration and Planning -**

**10 Points**

- Description of community coalition or partnership, including partners involved, years of partnership's existence, or other pertinent information.
- Description of the planning process including how the proposal was planned in collaboration with other stakeholders.

**Pilot Project Description -**

**45 Points**

- Give an overview of your outreach plan describing the goals, objectives, target audience, and outcome measures for the project. This should be measurable (a numeric goal, if possible).
- Describe your outreach activities and how they will be implemented by completing *Attachment B: Summary Table of Goals and Activities to Achieve Outcomes*.
- Examples of Outreach Activities that provide assistance to potential recipients are:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Example</b>
Eligibility pre-screening	Use of a paper or electronic tool to inform potential applicants that they may be eligible and potentially, how much they could receive
Application assistance	Assistance completing the application, including reminder calls about interview times, or delivery of the application to the local food stamp office.
Assistance obtaining application verification documents	Informing potential clients what documents may be needed and making copies of verification documents to include with application
Training or train-the-trainer programs for FSP outreach workers	Conducting outreach workshops with own agency as well as other community organizations and partners at their locations.
Translation of materials and bilingual accommodation to convey eligibility requirements and assist persons with limited English proficiency during the application process	Translation of outreach information into the predominant non-English language in the community.
Program access activities	Localize/promote printed educational or informational materials targeting the desired audience, outlining the benefits of participation in SRS programs - Food Stamp, Healthwave, Adult Medical, Temporary Assistance for Families, General Assistance and Child Care.

**Evaluation Plan –**

**15 Points**

- Identify the strategies and measures that will be used to evaluate the success of the pilot project.
- Base the measures for evaluation on the goals and anticipated outcomes of the pilot project that impact the target population and others in the community.
- Describe the process by which the data/information for these measures will be collected, analyzed and reviewed.

## **Budget -**

**Required**

- Submit a completed *Attachment C: Budget Sheet and Explanation of line items*.
- Provide details about the items listed on the project budget and any other relevant information.

## **Organizational Description -**

**10 Points**

- Describe your physical location, community and county.
- Describe your organization or agency and how it will be able to provide the described program including staff, physical location, and resources.

## **Sustainability -**

**10 points**

- List resources and strategies that may be used to sustain this project after the grant ends.

## **Application Submission –**

- Download the RFP and necessary forms and documents at:  
<http://www.srskansas.org>. **Applicants must submit the forms and documents electronically via e-mail to: Susan Craig at [susan.craig@srs.ks.gov](mailto:susan.craig@srs.ks.gov) by 5:00pm on September 10, 2007.** Hard copies and faxes will not be accepted. Late applications will not be considered.
- Sign *Attachment D “Statement of Assurances”* and send with the application. If your agency does not have electronic signature or scanning capabilities to electronically send this with the application, the “*Statement of Assurances*” may be mailed to Susan Craig, Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, EES Division, Docking State Office Bldg., 915 SW Harrison, 681-W, Topeka, Ks. 6612-1505 or faxed to Susan Craig at (785) 296-0146.
- Submit the grant application in the order indicated in *Attachment E “Application Checklist”*
- Contact Susan Craig at (785) 296-3374 or at [susan.craig@srs.ks.gov](mailto:susan.craig@srs.ks.gov) for technical assistance with grant.

## **IV. Proposal Review**

SRS Central and Regional staff will review applications. SRS will notify the applicants and award the grants by October 1, 2007.

## **V. Attachments**

- A. Template for Grant Application
- B. Summary Table of Goals and Activities to Achieve Outcomes
- C. Budget Sheet and Explanation of Line items
- D. Statement of Assurance
- E. Application Checklist
- F. Estimated Food Stamp County Participation Map and Data sheet
- G. Food Stamp Number of FS Households Map
- H. Profile of a Food Stamp Recipient
- I. SRS Regions Map

# ATTACHMENT A: Template for Grant Application

## Grant Application Cover Page

<b>A. APPLICANT AGENCY</b> (Name, title, address, telephone, e-mail)	<b>C. OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN APPLICATION</b> (Name, title, address, telephone, e-mail)
<b>B. TYPE OF AGENCY</b> (Public, private non-profit, private, government)	
<b>D. PROJECT DIRECTOR</b> (Name, title, address, telephone, e-mail)	<b>E. FINANCIAL OFFICIER</b> (Name, title, address, telephone, e-mail)
<b>F. TITLE OF PROJECT</b>	
<b>G. GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED &amp; TARGET POPULATION</b> (type and numbers)	
<b>H. FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEIN)</b>	
<b>I. APPLICANT FISCAL YEAR</b>	

## **Proposed Pilot Project Narrative**

**Statement of Need (10 Points) –**

**Community Collaboration and Planning (10 Points) –**

**Pilot Project Description (45 Points) –**

Give an overview of outreach plans with your goals, objectives, priorities, target audience, and outcome measures for the project. This should be measurable (a numeric goal, if possible). Then complete Attachment B: *Summary Table of Goals and Activities to Achieve the Outcomes*

**Evaluation Plan (15 Points) –**

**Budget** - Provide any information and relevant details about items listed in the budget. Attach the completed Attachment C: *Budget Sheet and Explanation of line items*.

**Organizational Description (10 Points) -**

**Sustainability (10 Points) -**

**Assurances** – Complete Attachment D: *Statement of Assurances*

(Be sure to complete and attach Attachments B, C, and D with this application.)



## Attachment C: Budget Sheet and Explanation of Line items

FUNDING SOURCE	GRANT REQUEST	ALL OTHER OR CASH MATCH	TOTAL
<b>1. PERSONNEL GROSS SALARY &amp; FRINGE BENEFITS</b> (Include position and percentage of time -See explanation details)			
<b>2. TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE</b>			
<b>3. SUPPLIES</b>			
<b>4. CONTRACTUAL</b>			
<b>5. STAFF EDUCATION AND TRAINING</b>			
<b>6. BUILDING, SPACE, AND MAINTENANCE</b>			
<b>7. OTHER (SPECIFY)</b>			
<b>8. OTHER (SPECIFY)</b>			
<b>9. OTHER (SPECIFY)</b>			
<b>10. INDIRECT COSTS</b>			
<b>11. TOTAL OF 1-10</b>			
<b>12. PERCENT OF TOTAL</b>			

### **C. Glossary of Budget Expense Items and Budget Instructions (listed in order from the budget sheet)**

**Gross Salary:** Payments of salary for time of all staff allocated for work directly related to this project.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - Example of salary: \$7,500*

*Please indicate position title, number of people with this title working on the project, the percentage of each person's time devoted to the project (%FTE on Outreach) and the calculated cost of that time.*

**Fringe Benefits:** Pro-rated costs other than wages or salaries that is attributable to the program employees. Examples are Social Security, health insurance and pension contributions.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - An example of fringe benefits, with the fringe benefit package equaling 15% of gross salaries follows:*

*Gross salary X percentage allotted for benefits package X FTE = fringe benefits*

*\$7,500 X 15% X .50 = \$562.50*

**Travel and Subsistence:** Transportation and accommodations, per diem and mileage allowances, lodging expenses for staff and contract personnel associated with the project. The rate shall be no more than the current amount specified by the state at the time at which the grant was issued.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item -*

*Travel rate not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ [47cents a mile]*

*Subsistence rate not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ [\$8.50 per quarter a day]*

**Supplies:** Costs of project materials, equipment rentals or leasing, supplies and other consumables.

**Contractual:** Costs of personnel who are not on the staff of your organization, but whose services are required in order to complete the project successfully. This could include consultants, teachers, social workers, artists, technicians, advisers, and support personnel.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - Please specify type of contractor, number of days committed to this project, rate charged per day (or other fee basis), and calculated total cost.*

**Staff Education and Training:** Those costs associated with providing education and training that will benefit staff in the services they provide. This can include travel, room and board if the training is outside the geographical area.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - Examples include organizational memberships, books, courses, workshops, etc.*

**Building, Space, and Maintenance:** The facility in which a project is located and the amount of work or costs of keeping the facility in operation.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - Examples include monthly mortgage payments or rent, gas, telephone, electricity, water, insurance, taxes, maintenance and repairs, janitorial services, and routine facility improvements related to a project.*

**Other Expenses:** All other expenses directly related to this project that are not included in the categories above.

*\* Budget instructions for this line item - 1 Please specify type of expense on budget form and provide additional detail in budget narrative.*

*2) Examples include a program audit, renovations, and professional liability insurance.*

**Indirect Costs:** Those costs attributed to overhead or general operating expenses that may occur when the program is associated with an umbrella organization.

*\* Budget instruction for this line item - Rent, electricity, etc., may be included under Building, Space, and Maintenance or Indirect Costs, but not under both.*

**Project Costs:** The total amount the project will cost the vendor.

**Cash Match:** Cash contribution to the project by agencies, institutions, or private sources.

## Attachment D: Statement of Assurances

- The grantee shall not replace or supplant funding of another existing program with funds provided for in this Grant. Funds awarded under this Agreement may not be used for any purpose other than the one defined in this document.
- The grantee agrees that it will comply with all federal, state, and local health, safety and civil rights laws and regulations in effect at any time during the course of this Grant. Any violation of applicable laws, rules and regulations may result in termination of this Grant.
- The fiscal agent will maintain such financial records, provide such information and afford access to the records as SRS finds necessary to carry out SRS duties.
- The grantee agrees to keep records, provide monthly information, carry out evaluations, and provide a summary report for the FS outreach pilot project.
- The grantee agrees that non-compliance with the requirement of the program could result in termination of funds.

I attest that I have read the assurances lined and will comply with their provision in the Food Stamp Outreach Grant.	
Title of Grant Program:	Print Name of Applicant Organization:
Print Name and Title of Applicant CEO/COO:	Applicant's Signature:

## **ATTACHMENT E: Application Checklist**

The following sections must be submitted in this order:

- \_\_\_ Cover Page
- \_\_\_ Statement of Need
- \_\_\_ Community Collaboration and Planning
- \_\_\_ Pilot Project Description
- \_\_\_ Program Evaluation Plan
- \_\_\_ Budget Narrative
- \_\_\_ Organizational Description
- \_\_\_ Sustainability

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment B: Summary Table of Goals and Activities to Achieve Outcomes

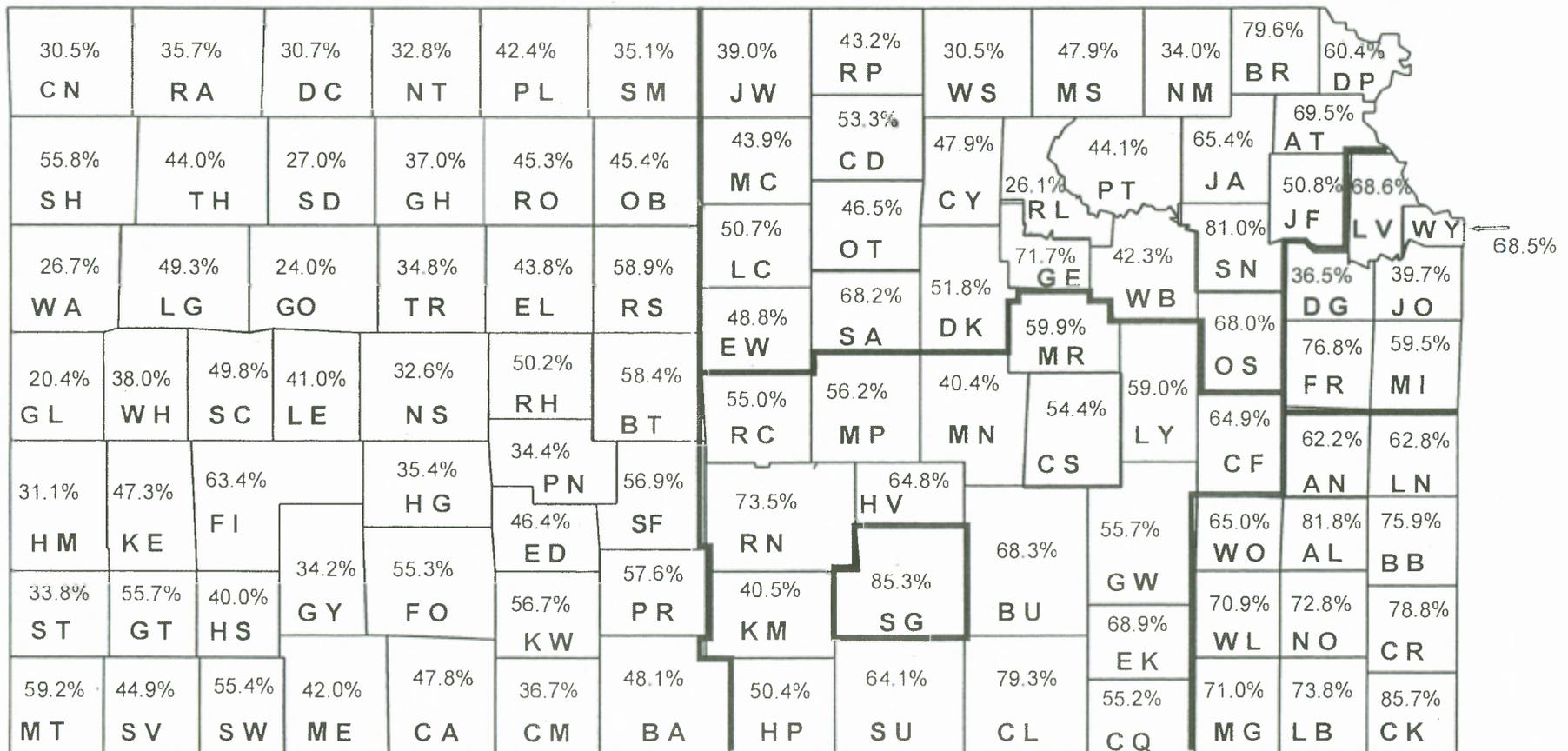
Attachment C: Budget Sheet and Explanation of Line items

Attachment D: Statement of Assurances

# Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services Integrated Service Delivery Economic and Employment Support

## Estimated Food Stamp Participation Rates in SFY2006

July 2006



USDA Food Stamp Participation Rate for Kansas in 2003: 55.0%

Estimated FS Participation Rate for Kansas in 2006: 64.5%

USDA National Food Stamp Participation Rate in 2003: 56.0%

NOTE: Counties with estimated FS participation rate below 50.0% are displayed in red..

**Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services  
Integrated Service Delivery  
Economic and Employment Support Services**

**Estimated Food Stamp Participation Rate by County in SFY2006**

Data Sources: Monthly MR600 Reports / US Census Bureau / EES & Other Economic Indicators

July 28, 2006

County	Average Monthly Number of FS Participants	Estimated Food Stamp Participation Rate
Allen	1,590	81.8%
Anderson	626	62.2%
Atchison	1,342	69.5%
Barber	275	48.1%
Barton	1,977	58.4%
Bourbon	1,638	75.9%
Brown	1,061	79.6%
Butler	3,509	68.3%
Chase	171	54.4%
Chautauqua	315	55.2%
Cherokee	2,746	85.7%
Cheyenne	89	30.5%
Clark	119	47.8%
Clay	428	47.9%
Cloud	572	53.3%
Coffey	518	64.9%
Comanche	65	36.7%
Cowley	3,717	79.3%
Crawford	4,456	78.8%
Decatur	108	30.7%
Dickinson	915	51.8%
Doniphan	546	60.4%
Douglas	4,362	36.5%
Edwards	170	46.4%
Elk	318	68.9%
Ellis	1,224	43.8%
Ellsworth	256	48.8%
Finney	3,300	63.4%
Ford	2,180	55.3%
Franklin	1,968	76.8%
Geary	2,316	71.7%
Gove	69	24.0%
Graham	112	37.0%
Grant	434	55.7%
Gray	182	34.2%
Greeley	26	20.4%
Greenwood	546	55.7%
Hamilton	96	31.1%
Harper	378	50.4%
Harvey	1,902	64.8%
Haskell	183	40.0%
Hodgeman	66	35.4%
Jackson	812	65.4%
Jefferson	749	50.8%
Jewell	156	39.0%
Johnson	9,691	39.7%
Kearny	212	47.3%
Kingman	347	40.5%

Kiowa	189	56.7%
Labette	2,251	73.8%
Lane	69	41.0%
Leavenworth	3,851	68.6%
Lincoln	184	50.7%
Linn	744	62.8%
Logan	128	49.3%
Lyon	2,660	59.0%
Marion	472	40.4%
Marshall	484	47.9%
McPherson	1,257	56.2%
Meade	194	42.0%
Miami	1,412	59.5%
Mitchell	279	43.9%
Montgomery	3,426	71.0%
Morris	344	59.9%
Morton	191	59.2%
Nemaha	316	34.0%
Neosho	1,562	72.8%
Ness	91	32.6%
Norton	179	32.8%
Osage	1,114	68.0%
Osborne	215	45.4%
Ottawa	228	46.5%
Pawnee	245	34.4%
Phillips	252	42.4%
Pottawatomie	770	44.1%
Pratt	563	57.6%
Rawlins	110	35.7%
Reno	5,695	73.5%
Republic	242	43.2%
Rice	630	55.0%
Riley	2,047	26.1%
Rooks	266	45.3%
Rush	188	50.2%
Russell	465	58.9%
Saline	3,815	68.2%
Scott	175	49.8%
Sedgwick	47,064	85.3%
Seward	1,788	55.4%
Shawnee	15,071	81.0%
Sheridan	73	27.0%
Sherman	457	55.8%
Smith	150	35.1%
Stafford	324	56.9%
Stanton	88	33.8%
Stevens	256	44.9%
Sumner	1,721	64.1%
Thomas	344	44.0%
Trego	124	34.8%
Wabaunsee	220	42.3%
Wallace	56	26.7%
Washington	194	30.5%
Wichita	105	38.0%
Wilson	918	70.9%
Woodson	289	65.0%
Wyandotte	17,443	68.5%
State Totals:	182,821	64.5%

# Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services

## FNS 256 REPORT

Stamps Issued: \$15,235,154.00

Number of Persons: 180,105

Number of Households: 80,719

Average Issuance Per HH: \$188

### Households by County

Percentage of Total State Population  
Receiving Food Stamps: 6.7%

**June 2006**

42 <b>CN</b>	56 <b>RA</b>	46 <b>DC</b>	74 <b>NT</b>	236 <b>PL</b>	58 <b>SM</b>	70 <b>JW</b>	97 <b>RP</b>	82 <b>WS</b>	231 <b>MS</b>	138 <b>NM</b>	476 <b>BR</b>	234 <b>DP</b>		
190 <b>SH</b>	165 <b>TH</b>	23 <b>SD</b>	61 <b>GH</b>	108 <b>RO</b>	81 <b>OB</b>	118 <b>MC</b>	270 <b>CD</b>	166 <b>CY</b>	312 <b>PT</b>	327 <b>JA</b>	636 <b>AT</b>	302 <b>JF</b>		
20 <b>WA</b>	52 <b>LG</b>	West Region		55 <b>TR</b>	606 <b>EL</b>	219 <b>RS</b>	87 <b>LC</b>	99 <b>OT</b>	932 <b>RL</b>	90 <b>WB</b>	7040 <b>SN</b>	1643 <b>LV</b>	7629 <b>WY</b>	
9 <b>GL</b>	35 <b>WH</b>	83 <b>SC</b>	30 <b>LE</b>	48 <b>NS</b>	88 <b>RH</b>	893 <b>BT</b>	99 <b>EW</b>	1728 <b>SA</b>	432 <b>DK</b>	149 <b>MR</b>	1235 <b>OS</b>	2195 <b>DG</b>	4550 <b>JO</b>	
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43 <b>HM</b>	71 <b>KE</b>	1155 <b>FI</b>	21 <b>HG</b>	131 <b>PN</b>	109 <b>SF</b>	2467 <b>RN</b>	2467 <b>RN</b>	887 <b>HV</b>	1413 <b>BU</b>	256 <b>GW</b>	136 <b>WO</b>	691 <b>AL</b>	679 <b>BB</b>	
39 <b>ST</b>	141 <b>GT</b>	65 <b>HS</b>	74 <b>GY</b>	939 <b>FO</b>	73 <b>ED</b>	103 <b>PR</b>	152 <b>KM</b>	20928 <b>SG</b>	1413 <b>BU</b>	256 <b>GW</b>	401 <b>WL</b>	660 <b>NO</b>	1974 <b>CR</b>	
73 <b>MT</b>	102 <b>SV</b>	792 <b>SW</b>	73 <b>ME</b>	47 <b>CA</b>	28 <b>CM</b>	120 <b>BA</b>	166 <b>HP</b>	717 <b>SU</b>	1544 <b>CL</b>	115 <b>EK</b>	143 <b>CQ</b>	1587 <b>MG</b>	1032 <b>LB</b>	1199 <b>CK</b>

#### Total Number of Households Receiving Food Stamps By Area

Kansas City Metro Region: 17427

Southeast Region: 8924

West Region: 7583

Northeast Region: 15322

South Central Region: 10535

Wichita Region: 20928

**Kansas Total: 80719**

## **Attachment H: *Profile of Today's Food Assistance Recipient***

**Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services**

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*May 2007*

The demographics of food assistance recipients have not changed markedly over time.

**Age.** The average age of the head of the food assistance household is 41 years.

**Type of Household.** 32 percent of our food assistance cases are composed of 1 adult with children. 11 percent are two parent households with children. 5 percent are other family situations with children. The elderly and disabled make up 32 percent of the caseload and other kinds of cases with no children make up 20 percent. The average household size of a food assistance case is 2 persons.

**Children.** Of the food assistance cases with children, most have only two children. The average number of children per household is 2.2. 48 percent of all food assistance cases have children on the case. 47 percent of all food stamp recipients are children.

**Education.** About 57 percent of food assistance adults have a high school diploma or GED. 9 percent have more than a high school diploma or GED and 34 percent have less than a high school diploma or GED. (Note: this is based on information supplied for 80 percent of the total food stamp population.)

**Income.** 31 percent of all food assistance cases have earned income. 11 percent have income from child support. 27 percent have Social Security income and 23.5 percent have SSI income. 14 percent of all food assistance recipients report no income. Of the food assistance recipients who lose eligibility each month, 10.5 percent lose eligibility due to earnings from employment. (Note: Cases can be counted in multiple income categories.)

**Time on Assistance.** The average time on assistance for a food assistance recipient is 17 months. 27 percent receive for 6 months or less. 41.5 percent receive for one year or less.

**Other Assistance.** Of families receiving food assistance, 57.5 percent also receive other assistance from the agency. 15.5 percent receive TAF, 8.6 percent receive child care assistance, 5 percent receive general assistance and 28 percent also receive low income energy assistance. 81 percent of the children receiving food stamps also receive medical assistance.

**Caseload Growth.** The food assistance caseload in Kansas has increased 31.2 percent over the last 5 years to 183,689 recipients in December 2006. Over the last year, the caseload has stabilized and even decreased slightly. The percent change from December 2005 to December 2006 was -0.5%.

# Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services Regional Office Boundaries

