

FORM ACF-202 – TANF CASELOAD REDUCTION REPORT

Date of Completion: 12/1/2018

State: Pennsylvania

Fiscal Year to which credit applies: 2019

Overall Report (check one)
Two-parent Report

Apply the overall credit to the two-parent participation rate? yes
 no

PART 1 –Eligibility Changes Made Since FY 2005 (Complete this section for EACH change)

1. Name of eligibility change: Exclusion of Interest Income Earned on Savings Bonds and Certain Interest-Bearing Accounts
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: April 5, 2006
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy: Interest earned on savings bonds and on the following checking and savings accounts is excluded as both unearned income and a resource in the month of receipt: checking and savings accounts (including pass book accounts), statement accounts, NOW and Super NOW accounts, money market deposit accounts, certifications of deposit (CDs), and Christmas/Vacation clubs.
4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change (attach supporting materials to this form): The impact due to this eligibility change is negligible since any interest amount on the small resource limit for TANF (\$1,000) would be negligible and would, therefore, have no impact on the eligibility of the TANF family.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 0

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1. Name of eligibility change: Exclusion of Tax Refunds as Income or Resource
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: May 22, 2006
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy: Generally, the receipt of tax refunds, including EIC and PA Tax Forgiveness, does not have a negative effect on the eligibility for or amount of any TANF cash assistance benefit, because TANF clients could simply spend down the amount in the first two months as it was previously excluded in that timeframe. County assistance workers previously had to track, verify and document the receipt of all state and IRS refunds to ensure that the refunds were disregarded correctly. Hence, this eligibility change was implemented in order to promote program efficiency.
4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change: (attach supporting materials to this form) The impact due to this eligibility change is negligible since previously clients would have simply spent down the tax refund in the allotted timeframe.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 0

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1. Name of eligibility change: Implementation of Transitional Cash Assistance (TCA)
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: March 24, 2009
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy: This new policy provides temporary supplemental grants designed as an incentive for TANF recipients to move from TANF to employment. The grant amount is \$100 per month for a period of three consecutive months to eligible families whose TANF case would otherwise be closed due to employment.
4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change: (attach supporting materials to this form) Extracted TCA caseload for FFY 2016. The average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload is based on the average caseload for TCA participation for the FFY 2016.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 3,254

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1. Name of eligibility change: Conversion of Solely State Funded program for households with disabled parent and 2-parent households
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: October 1, 2007
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy: Effective October 1, 2007 the State stopped claiming the disabled household and two-parent households of the cash assistance program as TANF or MOE expenditures. Effective October 1, 2007, cash assistance is provided to these households in a solely state funded program. There had been no changes in eligibility to evaluate for caseload effects. The average monthly caseload data for this group is 'added back' to the Average Monthly FFY 2016 Caseload. The state did not utilize TANF federal of State Maintenance of Effort dollars for this program as of October 1, 2007 and thus the effect was a reduction in the total SSP-MOE caseload.
4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change: (attach supporting materials to this form) The impact of this change was calculated using extracted caseload data for FFY 2016. The estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload is based on the average caseload for budgets funded with State dollars that do not count toward MOE. These 645 cases are to be 'added back' to the TANF caseload to level the comparison to the FFY 2005 base year average monthly caseload.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: (495)

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5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 160

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5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 0

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PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit

(Complete Part 2 using Excel Workbook provided.)

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PART 3 -- Certification

I certify that we have provided the public an appropriate opportunity to comment on the estimates and methodology used to complete this report and considered those comments in completing it. Further, I certify that this report incorporates all reductions in the caseload resulting from State eligibility changes and changes in Federal requirements since Fiscal Year 2005.

(signature)

(name)

(title)

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Overall Credit

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Pennsylvania			Fiscal Year to which credit applies:		2019
2				Date of Completion:	12/1/2018	
3	PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit					
4						
5	<u>Impact of All Changes</u>			<u>Caseload Reduction Calculation</u>		
6				FY 2005 TANF Caseload	96,635	
7				FY 2005 SSP Caseload		
8				Total FY 2005 Caseload	96,635	
9				FY 2018 TANF Caseload	47,101	
10	Transitional Cash Assistance	3,254		FY 2018 SSP Caseload		
11				Total FY 2018 Caseload	47,101	
12				Excess MOE Cases in FY 2018	2,424	
13				Adjusted FY 2018 Caseload	44,677	
14				Caseload Decline	51,958	53.8%
15				Decline – Net Impact	54,717	
16	Adjustment for soley state funded	-495				
17				Caseload Reduction Credit =		53.8%
18						
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26	Net Impact	2,759				
27						
28						

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Two-Parent Credit**

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1	Pennsylvania			Fiscal Year to which credit applies:		2019
2				Date of Completion:	12/1/2018	
3	PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit -- 2-Parent Caseload					
4						
5	Impact of All Changes			Caseload Reduction Calculation		
6				FY 2005 TANF 2-Parent Caseload	4,545	
7				FY 2005 SSP 2-Parent Caseload		
8				Total FY 2005 Caseload	4,545	
9				FY 2018 TANF 2-Parent Caseload	508	
10	Transitional Cash Assistance	160		FY 2018 SSP 2-Parent Caseload		
11				Total FY 2018 2-Parent Caseload	508	
12				Excess MOE 2-Parent Cases in FY 2018	26	
13				Adjusted FY 2018 Caseload	482	
14				Caseload Decline	4,063	89.4%
15				Decline – Net Impact	4,223	
16	Adjustment for soley state funded	0				
17				2-Parent Caseload Reduction Credit =		89.4%
18						
19						
20						
21						
22						
23						
24						
25						
26	Net Impact	160				
27						
28						

Pennsylvania

Policy Name

Date of Completion: 12/1/2018

	Impact on Each Month in FY 2018												Grand Total
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	
Time of Closure													
Prior years carryover													
Oct													
Nov													
Dec													
Jan													
Feb													
Mar													
Apr													
May													
Jun													
Jul													
Aug													
Sep													
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FY 2018 monthly average												0	

Columbia

Impact #3, Full Family Sanction

Date of Completion: 12/15/2008

	Impact on Each Month in FY 2007												
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	
Time of Closure													
Prior years carryover	-81	-76	-72	-69	-67	-65	-63	-61	-60	-59	-57	-56	
Oct	-33	-30	-28	-26	-24	-21	-18	-16	-15	-13	-10	-8	
Nov		-42	-39	-36	-34	-32	-29	-27	-25	-23	-21	-20	
Dec			-55	-53	-51	-48	-46	-43	-41	-40	-38	-37	
Jan				-64	-61	-59	-56	-53	-52	-51	-49	-47	
Feb					-27	-25	-25	-24	-24	-24	-22	-21	
Mar						-22	-20	-20	-20	-19	-18	-18	
Apr							-16	-16	-12	-11	-11	-11	
May								-26	-23	-21	-21	-19	
Jun									-24	-20	-18	-17	
Jul										-31	-26	-26	
Aug											-29	-23	
Sep												-26	
Total	-114	-148	-194	-248	-264	-272	-273	-286	-296	-312	-320	-329	Grand Total
													-3,056
FY 2007 monthly average												-255	

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Excess MOE Worksheet**

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1	Pennsylvania			Fiscal Year to which credit applies:		2019
2				Date of Completion:		12/1/2018
3	<u>Excess MOE Calculation Worksheet</u>					
4						
5	Caseload Data			Expenditure Data		
6	FY 2005 TANF Caseload	96,635		Total Expenditures		
7	FY 2005 SSP Caseload	0		FY 2018 Total Federal Expenditures		\$484,261,900
8	Total FY 2005 Caseload	96,635		FY 2018 Total MOE Expenditures		\$455,482,924
9	FY 2018 TANF Caseload	47,101		Total Expenditures (Federal + MOE)		\$939,744,824
10	FY 2018 SSP Caseload	0				
11	Total FY 2018 Caseload	47,101		Assistance Expenditures		
12				FY 2018 Federal Expenditures on Assistance		\$148,355,534
13	2-Parent Caseload Data			FY 2018 MOE Expenditures on Assistance		\$18,883,390
14	FY 2005 2-p TANF Caseload	4,545		Total Expenditures on Assistance (Federal + MOE)		\$167,238,924
15	FY 2005 2-p SSP Caseload	0		Percentage of Expenditures on Assistance		17.80%
16	Total FY 2005 Caseload	4,545				
17	FY 2018 2-p TANF Caseload	508		Expenditures Per Case		
18	FY 2018 2-p SSP Caseload	0		Average Expenditures per Case		\$19,952
19	Total FY 2018 Caseload	508		Average Expenditures per Case on Assistance		\$3,551
20						
21				MOE and Excess MOE		
22				Required MOE (80% or 75%)		\$407,126,000
23				Excess MOE Expenditures		\$48,356,924
24				Excess MOE Expenditures on Assistance		\$8,605,698
25	Adjusted Caseload Data					
26	Adjusted FY 2018 Overall Caseload	44,677		Assistance Cases Funded by Excess MOE		2,424
27	Adjusted FY 2018 2-parent Caseload	482		2-Parent Assistance Cases Funded by Excess MOE		26
28						
29						
30						
31						
32						