As required by federal regulation, the North Dakota Department of Human Services will submit a plan for the intended use of Social Service Block Grant funds to the Department of Health and Human Services.

The funding allotted to North Dakota through the Social Service Block Grant is estimated to be $3,677,461 for the period beginning Oct. 1, 2019 and ending Sept. 30, 2020.

It is the intent of the North Dakota Department of Human Services to allocate money to the eight regional human service centers to provide counseling services. For details about the intended use of funds, see the Social Service Block Grant Pre-Expenditure Report Federal Fiscal Year 2020.

Any individual or agency wishing to comment on the intended use of these funds or to receive additional information is urged to contact Linda Mertz, Department of Human Services, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250, via mail or e-mail at mailto:immertz@nd.gov.

Comments will be accepted through Sept. 27, 2019. Copies of the final plan can be obtained in mid-September upon request to the above address.