FORM ACF-202 – TANF CASELOAD REDUCTION REPORT

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Overall Report X Two-parent Report ___ (check one)	Apply the overall credit to the two-parent participation rate? X yes ____ no

PART 1 –Eligibility Changes Made Since FY 2015
(Complete this section for EACH change)

1. Name of eligibility change: Basic Needs and Shelter Disregard
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: August 1, 2021
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy:

   The Reach Up program uses a "basic needs" standard which is tied to the Consumer Price Index to determine financial eligibility for the program. The eligibility limit is the maximum grant available if no income were in the household. If the family has more net income than the maximum grant for their family size and housing situation, they are not eligible for Reach Up. In August 2021 the maximum grant increased, which meant that more families were eligible for Reach Up than previously.

4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change (attach supporting materials to this form):

   For this calculation, we ran a report from our system that gave us the average number per month of eligible cases in FFY25 that would not have been eligible for reach up in 2015 due to their income threshold but were eligible in FFY25 due to the Basic Needs and Housing Disregard increase.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: __28__

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1. Name of eligibility change: Resource Limit Increase
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: May 8, 2018
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy:
   The Reach Up program defines resources as any assets, other than income, that a Reach Up household has available to meet the household's needs. The program evaluates the total equity value of all resources, except items specifically excluded, to establish their combined value for comparison with the resource limitation to determine financial eligibility for the program. The resource limit is the maximum dollar amount of resources available to a household. If the family has more resources than the maximum amount, they are not eligible for Reach Up. In May 2018, the maximum resource limit increased from $2000 to $9000, which meant that more families were eligible for Reach Up than previously.
4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change:
   (attach supporting materials to this form)
   For this calculation, we ran a report from our system that gave us the average number of households per month of eligible cases in FFY25 that would not have been eligible for reach up in 2015 due to their available resources being above the $2000 resource limit but were eligible in FFY25 due to the Resource Limit increasing to $9000.
5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 13

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PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit

Vermont			**Fiscal Year to which credit applies:**		**2026**
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PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit					
Impact of All Changes			Caseload Reduction Calculation		
Basic Needs Disregard	28		FY 2015 TANF Caseload	2,798	
Resource Limit Increase	13		FY 2015 SSP Caseload	550	
			Total FY 2015 Caseload	**3,348**	
			FY 2025 TANF Caseload	1,567	
			FY 2025 SSP Caseload	430	
			Total FY 2025 Caseload	**1,997**	
			Excess MOE Cases in FY 2025	788	
			Adjusted FY 2025 Caseload	**1,209**	
			Caseload Decline	2,139	63.9%
			Decline – Net Impact	2,180	
			Caseload Reduction Credit =		**63.9%**
Net Impact	**41**				

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			Excess MOE Calculation Worksheet		
Caseload Data			**Expenditure Data**		
FY 2015 TANF Caseload	2,798		**Total Expenditures**		
FY 2015 SSP Caseload	550		FY 2025 Total Federal Expenditures		$33,253,153
Total FY 2015 Caseload	**3,348**		FY 2025 Total MOE Expenditures		$63,846,122
FY 2025 TANF Caseload	1,567		**Total Expenditures (Federal + MOE)**		$97,099,275
FY 2025 SSP Caseload	430				
Total FY 2025 Caseload	**1,997**		**Assistance Expenditures**		
			FY 2025 Federal Expenditures on Assistance		$12,962,501
2-Parent Caseload Data			FY 2025 MOE Expenditures on Assistance		$12,539,719
FY 2015 2-p TANF Caseload	192		**Total Expenditures on Assistance (Federal + MOE)**		$25,502,220
FY 2015 2-p SSP Caseload	150		Percentage of Expenditures on Assistance		26.26%
Total FY 2015 Caseload	**342**				
FY 2025 2-p TANF Caseload	173		**Expenditures Per Case**		
FY 2025 2-p SSP Caseload	143		Average Expenditures per Case		$48,623
Total FY 2025 Caseload	**316**		Average Expenditures per Case on Assistance		$12,770
			MOE and Excess MOE		
			Required MOE (80% or 75%)		$25,549,900
			Excess MOE Expenditures		$38,296,222
			Excess MOE Expenditures on Assistance		$10,058,146
Adjusted Caseload Data					
Adjusted FY 2025 Overall Caseload	**1,209**		**Assistance Cases Funded by Excess MOE**		**788**
Adjusted FY 2025 2-parent Caseload	**191**		**2-Parent Assistance Cases Funded by Excess MOE**		**125**

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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 2015.

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