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**The McLeod County Welfare & Social Service Committee is developing the 2016-2017 Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) Biennial Service Agreement (BSA). Citizen participation is invited in the development of this Agreement.**

**The purpose of the Agreement is to provide the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) with information about services and strategies to meet state established outcomes and identify strategies that McLeod County will use to achieve these outcomes, towards the goal of increasing the economic stability of low income families served with consolidated funds.**

**McLeod County will seek to focus on positive outcomes for our participants in addition to meeting required process measures, and consider program strengths and service delivery gaps. The Agreement will give DHS a comprehensive assessment of current efforts, insight into what types of assistance are needed, and, information on new strategies to better serve program participants. We want to ensure that participants are equipped to obtain/sustain gainful employment that will ultimately lead to greater self-sufficiency.**

**Allowable services under the MFIP Consolidated Fund include: MFIP and Diversionary Work Program (DWP) employment services; Family Stabilization Services (FSS); Support services to MFIP/DWP/FSS; Extension services for eligible post 60-month MFIP cases; and Emergency/Crisis Services. Counties have the flexibility to determine levels of funding for MFIP/DWP employment services and to determine effective strategies to address local needs. McLeod County will base decisions on investments that will lead to the greatest improvement in outcomes for families.**

**Eligibility for services under this Fund is limited to pregnant women, families with a minor child, or non-custodial parents of minor children receiving MFIP who are under 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG).**

**Comments and input will be accepted through Monday, October 5, 2015. Approved plans will be effective January 1, 2016. Questions and comments concerning the 2016-2017 MFIP Biennial Service Agreement must be submitted in writing to: McLeod County Welfare & Social Service Committee, 1805 Ford Avenue N., Suite 100, Glencoe, MN 55336.**

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**Sincerely,**

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