



# Governor's Executive Budget

2026-2027

Appropriations Committee Hearings, 2026



Pennsylvania  
Department of Human Services

# DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

*Our mission is to assist Pennsylvanians in leading safe, healthy, and productive lives through equitable, trauma-informed, and outcome-focused services while being an accountable steward of commonwealth resources.*

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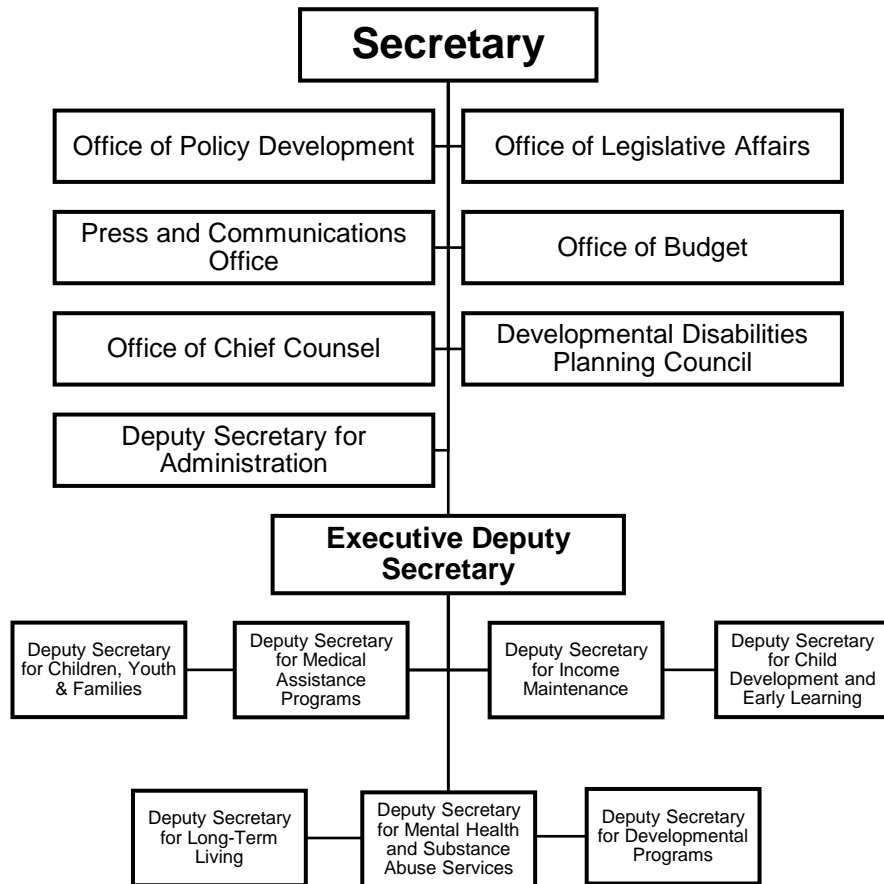
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- **Deputy Secretary for Administration** oversees the bureaus of Financial Operations; Administrative Services; Procurement and Contract Management; Program Integrity; Hearings and Appeals; and Equal Opportunity.
- **Deputy Secretary for Medical Assistance Programs** administers the joint state/federal Medical Assistance (also known as Medicaid) program and the Children's Health Insurance Program (also known as CHIP) that purchases health care for over 3 million Pennsylvania residents.
- **Deputy Secretary for Income Maintenance** is responsible for the oversight of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program; Medical Assistance; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; home heating assistance; family assistance; health services; employment and training services; and child support.
- **Deputy Secretary for Children, Youth and Families** oversees the bureaus of Policy, Programs and Operations; Children and Family Services; Juvenile Justice Services; and Budget and Fiscal Support.
- **Deputy Secretary for Child Development and Early Learning** oversees the bureaus of Subsidized Child Care Services; Certification Services; Early Learning Services; and Early Intervention Services.
- **Deputy Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services** oversees the Office of the Medical Director and the bureaus of Community and Hospital Operations; Policy, Planning and Program Development; Financial Management and Administration; Children's Behavioral Health; and Quality Management and Data Review.
- **Deputy Secretary for Long-Term Living** oversees the bureaus of Coordinated and Integrated Services; Provider and Participant Supports; Quality Assurance and Program Analytics; Human Services Licensing; Policy Development and Communications Management; and Finance.
- **Deputy Secretary for Developmental Programs** oversees the bureaus of Financial Management and Budget; Supports for People with Intellectual Disabilities; Policy and Program Support; and Autism Services.

# DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

2025-2026 Available

2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget

Program Area	State General/ Special	Federal/ Other	Total	State General/ Special	Federal/ Other	Total
<b>Administration:</b>						
General Government Operations	\$148,226	\$160,693	\$308,919	\$163,689	\$147,516	\$311,205
Information Systems	\$102,656	\$260,335	\$362,991	\$109,130	\$264,286	\$373,416
County Administration-Statewide	\$73,471	\$136,914	\$210,385	\$79,232	\$134,634	\$213,866
County Assistance Offices	\$382,374	\$523,717	\$906,091	\$455,709	\$454,254	\$909,963
Child Support Enforcement	\$19,430	\$214,106	\$233,536	\$19,445	\$223,428	\$242,873
New Directions	\$22,584	\$182,567	\$205,151	\$26,706	\$181,759	\$208,465
<b>Subtotal Administration</b>	<b>\$748,741</b>	<b>\$1,478,332</b>	<b>\$2,227,073</b>	<b>\$853,911</b>	<b>\$1,405,877</b>	<b>\$2,259,788</b>
<b>Institutional:</b>						
Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps	\$145,968	\$11,010	\$156,978	\$145,601	\$11,010	\$156,611
Mental Health Services	\$938,613	\$441,124	\$1,379,737	\$1,003,276	\$412,744	\$1,416,020
Intellectual Disabilities-State Centers	\$108,230	\$152,761	\$260,991	\$110,114	\$163,832	\$273,946
<b>Subtotal Institutional</b>	<b>\$1,192,811</b>	<b>\$604,895</b>	<b>\$1,797,706</b>	<b>\$1,258,991</b>	<b>\$587,586</b>	<b>\$1,846,577</b>
<b>Grants and Subsidies:</b>						
Cash Grants	\$20,141	\$643,536	\$663,677	\$24,635	\$624,471	\$649,106
Supplemental Grants - Aged, Blind and Disabled	\$114,136	\$0	\$114,136	\$113,842	\$0	\$113,842
Medical Assistance-Capitation	\$3,792,846	\$19,779,734	\$23,572,580	\$4,358,991	\$20,019,859	\$24,378,850
Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service	\$702,847	\$2,796,167	\$3,499,014	\$731,161	\$2,849,093	\$3,580,254
Payments to Federal Government - Medicare Drug Program	\$1,082,550	\$0	\$1,082,550	\$1,129,538	\$0	\$1,129,538
Medical Assistance-Workers with Disabilities	\$113,931	\$142,725	\$256,656	\$113,524	\$131,888	\$245,412
Medical Assistance-Physician Practice Plans	\$10,571	\$13,324	\$23,895	\$4,000	\$5,392	\$9,392
Hospital-Based Burn Centers	\$4,438	\$5,663	\$10,101	\$4,438	\$5,983	\$10,421
Medical Assistance-Obstetric and Neonatal Services	\$10,682	\$20,456	\$31,138	\$10,682	\$21,443	\$32,125
Medical Assistance-Trauma Centers	\$8,657	\$11,045	\$19,702	\$8,657	\$11,670	\$20,327
Medical Assistance-Academic Medical Centers	\$24,681	\$31,489	\$56,170	\$24,681	\$33,270	\$57,951
Medical Assistance-Transportation	\$68,346	\$97,376	\$165,722	\$70,117	\$93,546	\$163,663
Expanded Medical Services for Women	\$8,263	\$0	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$0	\$8,263
Children's Health Insurance Program	\$96,643	\$379,975	\$476,618	\$104,257	\$401,888	\$506,145
Medical Assistance-Long-Term Living	\$212,657	\$216,833	\$429,490	\$188,464	\$191,030	\$379,494
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	\$6,728,341	\$10,749,959	\$17,478,300	\$7,231,075	\$12,050,821	\$19,281,896
Long-Term Care Managed Care	\$187,500	\$245,736	\$433,236	\$188,826	\$251,092	\$439,918
Intellectual Disabilities-Community Base Program	\$167,181	\$99,527	\$266,708	\$174,981	\$108,726	\$283,707
Intellectual Disabilities-Intermediate Care Facilities	\$173,237	\$316,017	\$489,254	\$178,667	\$318,212	\$496,879
Intellectual Disabilities-Community Waiver Program	\$2,712,580	\$3,213,565	\$5,926,145	\$2,783,366	\$3,415,795	\$6,199,161
Autism Intervention and Services	\$37,406	\$48,774	\$86,180	\$35,311	\$49,843	\$85,154
Behavioral Health Services	\$57,149	\$0	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$0	\$57,149

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(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

2025-2026 Available

2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget

Program Area	State General/ Special	Federal/ Other	Total	State General/ Special	Federal/ Other	Total
Special Pharmaceutical Services	\$450	\$0	\$450	\$400	\$0	\$400
County Child Welfare	\$1,494,733	\$624,275	\$2,119,008	\$1,494,733	\$624,912	\$2,119,645
Community Based Family Centers	\$34,558	\$52,008	\$86,566	\$34,558	\$30,519	\$65,077
Child Care Services	\$298,080	\$710,730	\$1,008,810	\$300,286	\$874,064	\$1,174,350
Child Care Assistance	\$123,255	\$158,962	\$282,217	\$124,876	\$196,169	\$321,045
Child Care Recruitment and Retention	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$0	\$35,000
Nurse Family Partnership	\$13,975	\$3,830	\$17,805	\$13,889	\$3,916	\$17,805
Early Intervention	\$198,430	\$125,823	\$324,253	\$193,217	\$118,374	\$311,591
Domestic Violence	\$23,063	\$11,438	\$34,501	\$23,063	\$11,438	\$34,501
Rape Crisis	\$12,171	\$1,721	\$13,892	\$12,171	\$1,721	\$13,892
Breast Cancer Screening	\$1,828	\$2,000	\$3,828	\$1,828	\$2,000	\$3,828
Human Services Development Fund	\$13,460	\$0	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$0	\$13,460
Legal Services	\$6,661	\$5,049	\$11,710	\$6,661	\$5,049	\$11,710
Homeless Assistance	\$23,496	\$4,633	\$28,129	\$23,496	\$4,183	\$27,679
211 Communications	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Health Program Assistance and Services	\$32,587	\$0	\$32,587	\$0	\$0	\$0
Services for Visually Impaired	\$4,702	\$0	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$0	\$4,702
<b>Subtotal Grants &amp; Subsidies</b>	<b>\$18,641,982</b>	<b>\$40,512,370</b>	<b>\$59,154,352</b>	<b>\$19,827,965</b>	<b>\$42,456,367</b>	<b>\$62,284,332</b>
<b>Total General Funds</b>	<b>\$20,583,534</b>	<b>\$42,595,597</b>	<b>\$63,179,131</b>	<b>\$21,940,867</b>	<b>\$44,449,830</b>	<b>\$66,390,697</b>
<b>Special and Other Funds:</b>						
Lottery Fund						
Medical Assistance - Transportation Services	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	\$454,966	\$0	\$454,966	\$440,000	\$0	\$440,000
Tobacco Settlement Fund						
Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities	\$93,276	\$117,839	\$211,115	\$92,225	\$122,614	\$214,839
Uncompensated Care	\$25,433	\$32,449	\$57,882	\$25,147	\$33,898	\$59,045
Medical Assistance Community HealthChoices	\$132,934	\$0	\$132,934	\$131,402	\$0	\$131,402
Children's Trust Fund						
Children's Programs and Services	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0	\$1,400
<b>Total Special and Other Funds</b>	<b>\$579,075</b>	<b>\$150,288</b>	<b>\$862,297</b>	<b>\$694,174</b>	<b>\$156,512</b>	<b>\$850,686</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,162,609</b>	<b>\$42,745,885</b>	<b>\$64,041,428</b>	<b>\$22,635,041</b>	<b>\$44,606,342</b>	<b>\$67,241,383</b>

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## Funding by Program Area for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 through 2026-2027

*Dollar Amounts in Thousands*

Program Area		2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027
<b>Human Services Support</b>	S	\$249,993	\$251,632	\$273,819
	F	\$371,676	\$410,903	\$401,682
	O	\$10,950	\$10,125	\$10,120
		<b>\$632,619</b>	<b>\$672,660</b>	<b>\$685,621</b>
<b>Medical Assistance and Health Care Delivery</b>	S	\$5,598,320	\$5,924,455	\$6,568,309
	F	\$17,511,210	\$19,131,056	\$19,714,543
	O	\$3,706,841	\$4,146,898	\$3,859,489
	L	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
	T	\$278,617	\$268,997	\$273,884
	<b>\$27,098,988</b>	<b>\$29,475,406</b>	<b>\$30,420,225</b>	
<b>Long-Term Living</b>	S	\$6,205,606	\$7,128,498	\$7,608,365
	F	\$9,407,772	\$10,552,574	\$11,775,081
	O	\$618,802	\$659,954	\$717,862
	L	\$373,966	\$454,966	\$440,000
	T	\$155,890	\$132,934	\$131,402
	<b>\$16,762,036</b>	<b>\$18,928,926</b>	<b>\$20,672,710</b>	
<b>Income Maintenance</b>	S	\$599,887	\$632,136	\$719,569
	F	\$1,678,501	\$1,679,566	\$1,601,314
	O	\$7,540	\$21,274	\$17,232
	<b>\$2,285,928</b>	<b>\$2,332,976</b>	<b>\$2,338,115</b>	
<b>Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services</b>	S	\$1,014,184	\$996,212	\$1,060,825
	F	\$347,315	\$377,389	\$349,009
	O	\$62,193	\$63,735	\$63,735
	<b>\$1,423,692</b>	<b>\$1,437,336</b>	<b>\$1,473,569</b>	
<b>Intellectual Disabilities</b>	S	\$3,039,473	\$3,192,650	\$3,282,439
	F	\$3,608,609	\$3,786,600	\$4,012,364
	O	\$46,111	\$50,028	\$44,044
	<b>\$6,694,193</b>	<b>\$7,029,278</b>	<b>\$7,338,847</b>	
<b>Human Services</b>	S	\$1,756,439	\$1,758,669	\$1,725,715
	F	\$645,692	\$658,593	\$658,558
	O	\$1,681	\$1,533	\$1,755
	C	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>\$2,403,812</b>	<b>\$2,418,795</b>	<b>\$2,386,028</b>	
<b>Child Development</b>	S	\$655,185	\$693,298	\$701,826
	F	\$1,088,802	\$1,049,201	\$1,220,640
	O	\$3,552	\$3,552	\$3,802
	<b>\$1,747,539</b>	<b>\$1,746,051</b>	<b>\$1,926,268</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	S	<b>\$19,119,087</b>	<b>\$20,577,550</b>	<b>\$21,940,867</b>
	F	<b>\$34,659,577</b>	<b>\$37,645,882</b>	<b>\$39,733,191</b>
	O	<b>\$4,457,670</b>	<b>\$4,957,099</b>	<b>\$4,718,039</b>
	L	<b>\$377,966</b>	<b>\$458,966</b>	<b>\$444,000</b>
	T	<b>\$434,507</b>	<b>\$401,931</b>	<b>\$405,286</b>
	<b>\$59,048,807</b>	<b>\$64,041,428</b>	<b>\$67,241,383</b>	

S = General Fund

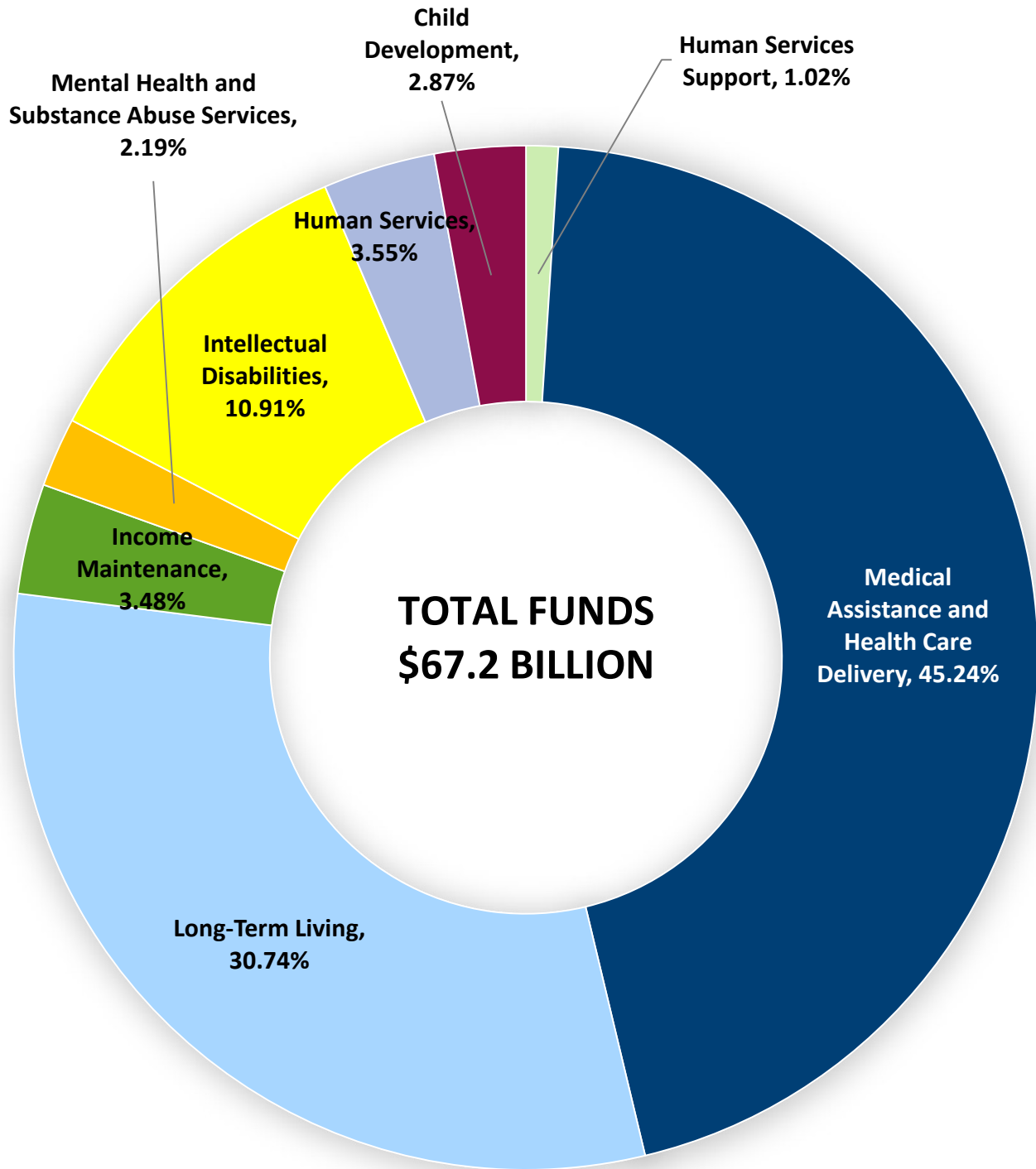
F = Federal funds

O = Other funds (Augmentations plus Other Funds)

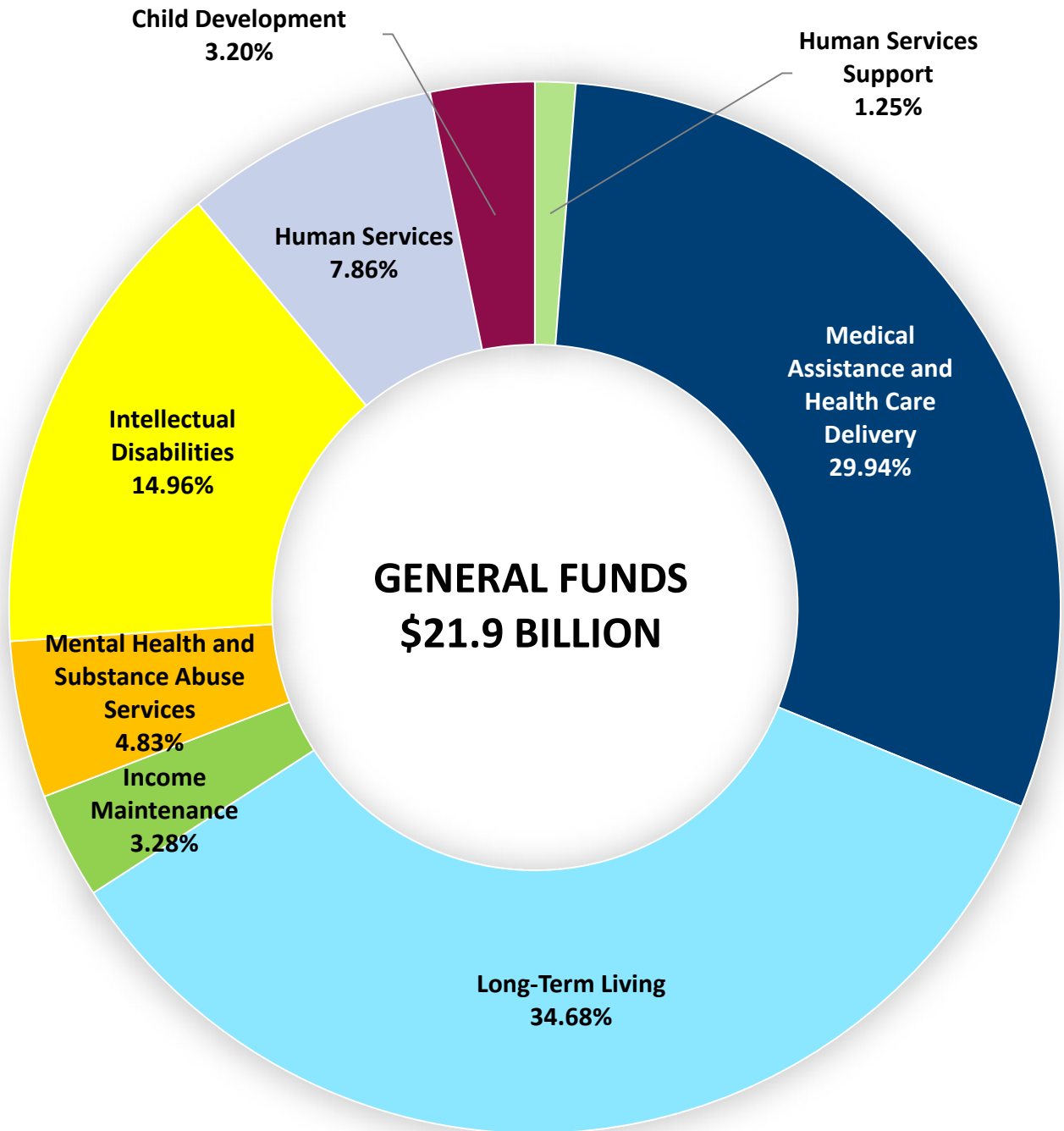
L = Lottery Funds

T = Tobacco Settlement Fund

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
2026-2027 OPERATING BUDGET BY PROGRAM**



**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
2026-2027 OPERATING BUDGET BY PROGRAM**



**Department of Human Services**  
**Management Directive 310.3 (Act 146) Waivers for Fiscal Years prior to 2025-2026**  
*Dollar Amounts in Thousands*

Fund	Year Waived	Amount
<b>General Funds</b>		
General Government Operations	2020	All Balances & Commitments
General Government Operations	2021	All Balances & Commitments
General Government Operations	2022	All Balances & Commitments
General Government Operations	2023	All Balances & Commitments
CCDFBG-Administration (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Developmental Disabilities-Basic Support (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum-Administration (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
General Government Operations	2024	All Balances & Commitments
CCDFBG-Administration (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Developmental Disabilities-Basic Support (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum-Administration (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Disaster Case Management-FEMA (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Information Systems	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Information Systems	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
SNAP-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
TANFBG-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare-Title IV-E-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Support Enforcement-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
CHIP-Information Systems (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
County Administration-Statewide	2021	All Balances & Commitments
County Administration-Statewide	2022	All Balances & Commitments
County Administration-Statewide	2023	All Balances & Commitments
County Administration-Statewide	2024	All Balances & Commitments
County Assistance Offices	2022	All Balances & Commitments

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*Dollar Amounts in Thousands*

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Year Waived</b>	<b>Amount</b>
County Assistance Offices	2023	All Balances & Commitments
County Assistance Offices	2024	All Balances & Commitments
LIHEABG-Administration (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Support Enforcement	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Support Enforcement-Title IV-D (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
New Directions	2024	All Balances & Commitments
TANFBG-New Directions (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
SNAP-New Directions (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Mental Health Services	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Mental Health Services	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Mental Health Services	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Transforming the Crisis Mental Health System (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities-State Centers	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Domestic Violence	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Domestic Violence	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Rape Crisis	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Rape Crisis	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Cash Grants	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Other Federal Support-Cash Grants (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum-Social Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Capitation	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Capitation	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Capitation	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Capitation (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Fee for Service	2021	All Balances & Commitments

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Fund	Year Waived	Amount
Medical Assistance-Fee for Service	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Fee for Service (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Transportation	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Transportation (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Expanded Medical Services for Women	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Expanded Medical Services for Women	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Long-Term Living	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2019	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2020	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2022	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices (F)	2022	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Long-Term Care Managed Care	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities-Community Base Program	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities-Community Base Program	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community ID Services (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Autism Spectrum Disorder Surveillance Program (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities-Community Base Program	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Community ID Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Autism Spectrum Disorder Surveillance Program (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Disability Innovation-Community ID Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities- Community Waiver Program	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Intellectual Disabilities- Community Waiver Program	2023	All Balances & Commitments

**Department of Human Services**  
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*Dollar Amounts in Thousands*

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Year Waived</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Autism Intervention and Services	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Behavioral Health Services	2021	All Balances & Commitments
County Child Welfare	2022	All Balances & Commitments
County Child Welfare	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare Services (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare-Title IV-E (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
TANFBG-Child Welfare (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare Training and Certification (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Children's Justice Act (F)	2023	All Balances & Commitments
County Child Welfare	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare-Title IV-E (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Medical Assistance-Child Welfare (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
TANFBG-Child Welfare (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Welfare Training and Certification (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Title IV-B-Caseworker Visits (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Children's Justice Act (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
MHSBG-Community Mental Health Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Community-Based Family Centers	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Care Services	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Child Care Services	2024	All Balances & Commitments
CCDFBG-Child Care Services (F)	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Child Care Assistance	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Early Intervention	2021	All Balances & Commitments

# Department of Human Services

## Management Directive 310.3 (Act 146) Waivers for Fiscal Years prior to 2025-2026

*Dollar Amounts in Thousands*

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Year Waived</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Early Intervention	2022	All Balances & Commitments
Early Intervention	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Early Intervention	2024	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2017	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2018	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2019	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2020	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2021	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2022	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2023	All Balances & Commitments
Health Program Assistance and Services	2024	All Balances & Commitments
COVID Relief (F)	ALL	All Balances & Commitments

**Department of Human Services  
Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025-2026  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Appropriation Title	Appropriation Amount	Supplemental Request	Revised Appropriation	Run Out Date
<b>General Fund - State:</b>				
Medical Assistance-Capitation	\$3,681,792	\$111,054	\$3,792,846	06/01/26
Medical Assistance-Fee-for-Service	\$694,850	\$7,997	\$702,847	06/22/26
Medical Assistance-Workers with Disabilities	\$110,017	\$3,914	\$113,931	06/01/26
Children's Health Insurance Program	\$95,158	\$1,485	\$96,643	06/01/26
Medical Assistance-Long-Term Living	\$210,740	\$5,787	\$216,527	06/22/26
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	\$9,810,349	\$279,812	\$10,090,161	06/01/26
<b>General Fund - Federal:</b>				
Rural Health Transformation Program Restricted Account-Admin	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	12/29/25
Medical Assistance-Fee-for-Service	\$2,186,416	\$13,573	\$2,199,989	06/22/26
Medical Assistance-Long-Term Living	\$214,471	\$2,056	\$216,527	06/29/26
Medical Assistance-Community HealthChoices	\$9,984,455	\$105,706	\$10,090,161	06/01/26

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

General Government Operations

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds Total</b>	\$136,587	\$148,226	\$163,689
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$139,929	\$151,088	\$137,916
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance-Administration</i>	\$44,023	\$42,639	\$41,327
<i>SNAP -Administration</i>	\$6,600	\$7,223	\$7,321
<i>SSBG-Administration</i>	\$358	\$0	\$0
<i>TANFBG-Administration</i>	\$11,268	\$11,394	\$12,864
<i>CCDFBG-Administration</i>	\$35,294	\$38,850	\$39,128
<i>Child Welfare-Title IV-E-Administration</i>	\$11,136	\$12,624	\$13,009
<i>Child Welfare Services-Administration</i>	\$999	\$1,184	\$999
<i>Community-Based Family Resource and Support-Administration</i>	\$230	\$230	\$0
<i>Developmental Disabilities-Basic Support</i>	\$5,099	\$4,744	\$4,813
<i>Disabled Education-Administration</i>	\$1,000	\$778	\$1,140
<i>Early Head Start Expansion Program</i>	\$14,950	\$14,950	\$2,500
<i>MCH-Administration</i>	\$251	\$247	\$265
<i>MHSBG-Administration</i>	\$1,337	\$1,353	\$1,465
<i>Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum-Administration</i>	\$6,404	\$3,872	\$3,085
<i>Rural Health Transformation Program Restricted Account-Admin</i>	\$0	\$10,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$10,000
<i>IIJA-State Digital Equity</i>	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
<i>Disaster Case Management-FEMA (EA)</i>	\$980	\$0	\$0
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$10,430	\$9,605	\$9,600
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Child Abuse Reviews</i>	\$9,165	\$8,568	\$8,568
<i>Adam Walsh Clearance</i>	\$1,250	\$1,032	\$1,032
<i>Miscellaneous Reimbursements</i>	\$15	\$5	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$286,946</b>	<b>\$308,919</b>	<b>\$311,205</b>

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

<b>State Funds</b>	\$0
<b>Federal Funds</b>	\$10,000
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>	
<i>Rural Health Transformation-Administration</i>	<u>\$10,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$10.000 million for Fiscal year 2025-2026.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: General Government Operations				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$76,141	\$92,876	\$101,097	\$8,221	8.85%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$89,412	\$73,428	\$71,219	(\$2,209)	-3.01%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$8,270	\$8,270	\$8,270	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$173,823</b>	<b>\$174,574</b>	<b>\$180,586</b>	<b>\$6,012</b>	<b>3.44%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$57,751	\$52,746	\$59,917	\$7,171	13.60%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$16,828	\$34,475	\$46,652	\$12,177	35.32%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$2,160	\$1,335	\$1,330	(\$5)	-0.37%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$76,739</b>	<b>\$88,556</b>	<b>\$107,899</b>	<b>\$19,343</b>	<b>21.84%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$265	\$162	\$175	\$13	8.02%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$265</b>	<b>\$162</b>	<b>\$175</b>	<b>\$13</b>	<b>8.02%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$2,430	\$2,442	\$2,500	\$58	2.38%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$19,012	\$5,175	\$5,122	(\$53)	-1.02%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$21,442</b>	<b>\$7,617</b>	<b>\$7,622</b>	<b>\$5</b>	<b>0.07%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$14,677	\$38,010	\$14,923	(\$23,087)	-60.74%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$14,677</b>	<b>\$38,010</b>	<b>\$14,923</b>	<b>(\$23,087)</b>	<b>-60.74%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$136,587	\$148,226	\$163,689	\$15,463	10.43%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$139,929	\$151,088	\$137,916	(\$13,172)	-8.72%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$10,430	\$9,605	\$9,600	(\$5)	-0.05%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$286,946</b>	<b>\$308,919</b>	<b>\$311,205</b>	<b>\$2,286</b>	<b>0.74%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
General Government Operations

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Total Authorized</i>	999	1,060	1,080
<i>Total Filled</i>	976	968	959
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	228	228	230
<i>Filled</i>	201	198	204
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	1,227	1,288	1,310
<i>Filled</i>	1,177	1,166	1,163
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	72.81%	70.22%	67.80%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget authorizes 1,080 positions, consisting of 959 filled, 117 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods and four leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits only. The increase from Fiscal Year 2025-2026 reflects 20 new positions to provide increased resources for Childline.

Federally funded complement authorizes 230 positions, consisting of 204 filled, 25 vacant, and one leave-without-pay positions. The increase from Fiscal Year 2025-2026 reflects two new positions for Rural Health Transformation Administration.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for operating and fixed asset expenses which include administrative and overhead systems that support the operation of programs in the Department. Major provisions include rent of real estate, the Adult Protective Services contract, and human resources funding.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for grant expenses for the Guardianship Grant.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 101; 71 P.S. § 61

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation funds the administrative structure for all programs in the Department. Supported functions include formulation of policies, planning, monitoring, analysis, and evaluation of programs. Disbursements are made based on approved positions and established employee benefits and through invoices for operating expenses and fixed assets.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: General Government Operations			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Provides an increase in the cost to carry forward 959 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, 97 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and four leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits:	\$642	\$133	\$0	\$775
2. Provides for a two percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$880	\$13	\$0	\$893
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$1,965	\$337	\$0	\$2,302
4. Provides a net increase in total employee benefit costs:	\$729	\$149	\$0	\$878
5. Provides for an increase in personnel costs associated with administrative federal appropriations:	\$0	\$23	\$0	\$23
6. Provides for the annualization of the Rural Health Transformation Program:	\$0	\$339	\$0	\$339
7. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,442	(\$1,442)	\$0	\$0
8. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$2,005	(\$2,005)	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Personnel</b>	<b>\$7,663</b>	<b>(\$2,453)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,210</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides an increase in health and safety services related to the Adult Protective Services contract:	\$5,169	\$2,215	\$0	\$7,384
2. Provides an increase for departmental administrative operations in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,177	\$882	(\$5)	\$2,054
3. Provides an increase for centrally distributed charges and Human resources shared services billings:	\$10	\$51	\$0	\$61
4. Provides for the annualization of the Rural Health Transformation Program:	\$0	\$9,661	0	\$9,661
5. Provides an increase in operating costs associated with administrative federal appropriations:	\$0	\$83	\$0	\$83
6. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$715	(\$715)	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>	<b>\$7,071</b>	<b>\$12,177</b>	<b>(\$5)</b>	<b>\$19,243</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
1. Provides an increase for fixed assets in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$13	\$0	\$0	\$13
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides a net increase in grants & subsidies:	\$58	(\$53)	\$0	\$5

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: General Government Operations			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in excess federal spending authority in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	(\$23,087)	\$0	(\$23,087)
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
1. Increasing Staff for Childline				
A. Personnel - Provides 20 new positions for an increase in resources for Childline:	\$558	\$244	\$0	\$802
B. Operating - General operating costs associated with additional 20 positions:	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$100
Subtotal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives	\$658	\$244	\$0	\$902
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	\$8,221	(\$2,209)	\$0	\$6,012
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	\$7,171	\$12,177	(\$5)	\$19,343
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	\$13	\$0	\$0	\$13
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	\$58	(\$53)	\$0	\$5
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	\$0	(\$23,087)	\$0	(\$23,087)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$15,463</u>	<u>(\$13,172)</u>	<u>(\$5)</u>	<u>\$2,286</u>

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The General Government Operations appropriation provides funding for the administrative and overhead systems that support the operation of programs in the Department. The appropriation provides an administrative structure for setting policy, planning, and administration of direct services, state-operated facilities, services provided under contract, grants to counties, subsidies, and vendor reimbursement. The responsibilities of the offices funded in General Government Operations include formulation of policies, overall direction of programs, planning and coordination among program areas, monitoring of programs, analysis of information, evaluation of programs, administrative support, and the licensure of providers. Listed below is a brief description of each office.

### **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

The Office of the Secretary directs and supervises the overall administration of the Department and establishes broad policy and management direction for all programs including OA, OMAP, OCYF, OCDEL, OMHSAS, OIM, OLTL, ODP. In addition, the Office of the Secretary provides supervision and direction over the following functions: Policy; Budget and Finance; Legislative Affairs; Communications; and Chief Counsel.

### **OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

OA administers support functions for each of the program offices within the Department. These support functions include equal opportunity programs; hearings and appeals; financial operations; procurement and contract management; fraud and abuse recoveries; and administrative services. Administrative services include printing; mailroom operations; records management; automotive fleet operations; guardianship program and Pennhurst Advocacy services; facilities and property management; surplus equipment; and emergency planning.

### **OFFICE OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

OMAP assures that comprehensive medical and related services are reimbursed for low-income elderly and disabled recipients and low-income children and their families. This office develops regulations governing provider participation in MA and the Children's Health Insurance Program and monitors providers for compliance with these rules.

The eHealth Partnership is responsible for operating the state's electronic health information exchange, known as the Pennsylvania Patient & Provider Network. This network improves and coordinates patient care by helping health care providers find their patients' medical records in real time.

### **OFFICE OF INCOME MAINTENANCE**

OIM develops policies and regulations which support cash assistance, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In addition, this office determines MA eligibility, supervises statewide child support collections, and manages the operations of local county assistance offices.

## **OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

OMHSAS directs the operation of six state mental hospitals and one restoration center and supervises behavioral health services for county programs. Treatment of the mentally ill is provided through a range of programs including community residential rehabilitation and support services, intensive case management, emergency outpatient and partial hospitalization programs, and short- and long-term inpatient treatment. The office also manages, through county or direct contracts, the Behavioral Health HealthChoices Managed Care Program.

## **OFFICE OF CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

OCYF is responsible for establishing policies and standards for services to children and their families throughout Pennsylvania. OCYF issues regulations governing foster care and adoption services, group homes, part-day services, and 67 county children and youth agencies, and directly operates state facilities for delinquent youth. This office also conducts licensing for county and private children and youth social service agencies.

## **OFFICE OF LONG-TERM LIVING**

OLTL is responsible for the statewide administration of the MA-funded long-term services and supports for older Pennsylvanians and adults with physical disabilities. Major program areas include Community HealthChoices, nursing facilities, home and community-based waiver services, and other programs such as Living Independence for the Elderly program, known nationally as PACE (Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly). In addition, program responsibilities include assessing and improving the quality of services received by participants in various long-term living settings, assisting people who want to transition from nursing facilities back into the community, and monitoring fiscal and regulatory compliance.

## **OFFICE OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT & EARLY LEARNING**

OCDEL promotes opportunities for children and families in Pennsylvania by building systems and providing supports that help ensure access to high-quality early care and educational services. The goal of the office is to create the opportunity for our youngest children to benefit from strong early childhood programs and to create an approach that unifies and recognizes the important contributions of all necessary partners including parents, schools, child care, Early Intervention, Head Start, libraries, and community organizations.

## **OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS**

ODP is responsible for directing the activities of the statewide developmental disabilities system which includes state centers, private intermediate care facilities, community services for people with intellectual disabilities, and community autism services. The office plans and develops programs, regulations, policies, standards and guidelines, and competency-based training for the statewide developmental disabilities system. This office administers federal MA program requirements and ensures compliance with federal and state regulations and policies.

## **FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE APPROPRIATIONS**

### **Developmental Disabilities – Basic Support**

This grant provides federal funds to support programs designed to engage in advocacy, capacity building, and systemic change activities that are consistent with the purpose of the Developmental Disabilities Act. The grant provides for a comprehensive system of community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that enable individuals with developmental disabilities to be productive, integrated, and included in all facets of community life. Funding in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 provides for 11 staff.

### **Child Care Development Fund Block Grant – Administration**

This grant provides funding to support early care and educational services. Personnel funding in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 provides for 188 staff to support licensing and monitoring activities within the childcare program. Information technology funding for the Pennsylvania Enterprise to Link Information for Children Across Networks (PELICAN) system also supports the operation of the child care program serving Pennsylvania children and providers.

### **Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum – Administration**

This appropriation provides funding for the administrative costs associated with assisting refugees who resettle throughout Pennsylvania. Funding in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 provides for 22 staff, located primarily in counties with heavy concentrations of refugees. Operational funding provides mainly for travel expense associated with serving the target population.

### **Mental Health Services Block Grant – Administration**

This grant funds seven mental health program specialist positions which function as behavioral health service planners for OMHSAS. The grant funds the development and coordination of all state planning requirements mandated by the Community Mental Health Block Grant. The positions provide staff support for the State Planning Council and have lead responsibility for continuing development of the annual Behavioral Health State Plan. All grant funded services are required to be tied to the state plan goals.

### **Early Head Start Expansion Program**

This grant provides funding for OCDEL to provide Early Head Start (EHS) Services. The grant funds EHS slots through an evidence-based home visiting service delivery option to pregnant women, infants, and toddlers from low-income families in Lawrence and Lebanon counties. Families receive support with child development and health, safety, and nutrition education. The program strives to build self-sufficiency and parenting abilities.

### **Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program – Administration**

The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program gives pregnant women and families the resources and skills needed to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn. In partnership with the federal Administration for Children and Families, the program funds the development and implementation of evidence-based, voluntary programs that improve maternal and child health, prevent child abuse and neglect, encourage positive parenting, and promote child development and school readiness. This includes four evidenced based home visiting models: SafeCare Augmented, Child First, Family Check-up, Parents as Teachers, Nurse-Family Partnership, and EHS Home Visiting. The Department serves approximately 2,300 families a year with these funds.

### **Rural Health Transformation Program Restricted Account – Administration**

This appropriation provides funding for the administrative costs associated with the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP). Pennsylvania's RHTP is the product of more than two years of statewide collaboration, conversation, and planning to design strategies and opportunities to improve health and strengthen access to care in rural Pennsylvania and was driven by the leaders who come from and are invested in these communities, their residents, and their future. Pennsylvania's plan establishes a rural health framework that emphasizes access, outcomes, workforce development, technology, innovation, and sustainability. RHTP's initiatives focus on technology and infrastructure, workforce, maternal health services, behavioral health services, aging and access, and EMS and transportation.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – ENHANCING CHILDLINE OPERATIONS**

The Department administers ChildLine, a 24/7 hotline available to anyone concerned about the safety or well-being of a child. Anyone can make a report to ChildLine, and anyone who is not a mandated reporter can make a report to ChildLine anonymously. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$658,000 to increase call-taker staffing and provide more training to all workers — which will allow caseworkers more time and resources to effectively triage calls before referring them to the county child welfare agency or other appropriate agency.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Information Systems

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$112,656	\$102,656	\$109,130
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$231,747	\$259,815	\$263,766
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Information Systems</i>	\$137,047	\$156,580	\$159,675
<i>SNAP - Information Systems</i>	\$36,061	\$35,896	\$36,194
<i>TANFBG - Information Systems</i>	\$17,403	\$18,985	\$19,531
<i>Child Welfare - Title IV-E - Information Systems</i>	\$14,837	\$21,554	\$21,580
<i>Child Support Enforcement - Information Systems</i>	\$9,751	\$10,087	\$9,917
<i>CHIP - Information Systems</i>	\$16,648	\$16,713	\$16,869
<b>Other Funds Total</b>			
<i>PELICAN Support -MOU-Early Intervention</i>	<u>\$520</u>	<u>\$520</u>	<u>\$520</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$344,923	\$362,991	\$373,416

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Information Systems				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$103,434	\$99,542	\$105,931	\$6,389	6.42%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$164,119	\$189,626	\$179,625	(\$10,001)	-5.27%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$520	\$520	\$520	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$268,073	\$289,688	\$286,076	(\$3,612)	-1.25%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$9,222	\$3,114	\$3,199	\$85	2.73%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$350	\$2,886	\$2,801	(\$85)	-2.95%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$9,572	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$67,278	\$67,303	\$81,340	\$14,037	20.86%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$67,278	\$67,303	\$81,340	\$14,037	20.86%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$112,656	\$102,656	\$109,130	\$6,474	6.31%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$231,747	\$259,815	\$263,766	\$3,951	1.52%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$520	\$520	\$520	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$344,923	\$362,991	\$373,416	\$10,425	2.87%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Information Systems

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 This appropriation provides funding for the Department's on-going Information Technology (IT) support of the Department's benefit delivery systems, network infrastructure, and enterprise data warehouse. In addition, operating funding provides for on-going operational maintenance and enhancements of specific IT projects, including the Client Information System (CIS), the Home and Community-Based Services Information System (HCSIS), the Pennsylvania Enterprise to Link Information for Children Across Networks (PELICAN), and Child Welfare Information Solution (CWIS).

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. § 101 et seq.; 71 P.S. § 61

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 Disbursements are made based from invoices submitted for operating expenses incurred and fixed assets purchased in the operation of the program.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Information Systems			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides an increase for Shared Service Billing and Departmental software costs:	\$102	\$2,175	\$0	\$2,277
2. Reflects a decrease in contracted staff to gather business requirements and system information:	(\$225)	\$0	\$0	(\$225)
3. Reflects a decrease in moving the infrastructure PA Compute Services (PACS) to the cloud and Electronic Data Center (EDC):	(\$963)	(\$7,803)	\$0	(\$8,766)
4. Provides an increase for contracted staff for House Resolution (HR) 1 related work and compliance for the Client Information System (CIS):	\$2,104	\$5,714	\$0	\$7,818
5. Reflects a decrease in maintenance and modification costs for CIS:	(\$2,000)	\$0	\$0	(\$2,000)
6. Reflects a decrease in costs associated with the Child Welfare Information Solution (CWIS):	(\$2,716)	\$0	\$0	(\$2,716)
7. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$11,619	(\$11,619)	\$0	\$0
8. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$1,532)</u>	<u>\$1,532</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Subtotal Operating	\$6,389	(\$10,001)	\$0	(\$3,612)
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
1. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$85	(\$85)	\$0	\$0
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Provides an increase in excess federal spending authority in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$13,125	\$0	\$13,125
2. Provides an increase in the Department of Insurance's subgrant for Pennsylvania Health Insurance Exchange Authority (PHIEA):	\$0	\$943	\$0	\$943
3. Reflects a decrease in the Department of Labor and Industry's subgrant for Comprehensive Workforce Development System (CWDS):	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$31)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$31)</u>
Subtotal Budgetary Reserve	\$0	\$14,037	\$0	\$14,037
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$6,474</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,951</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$10,425</u></u>

## **INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Information Systems appropriation provides funding for the Department's information technology. The Department's automated systems provide for the determination of eligibility for various human service programs including, but not limited to: MA, cash assistance, Low-Income Heating Energy Assistance (LIHEAP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients and community-based services. Most of the Department's information systems are partially funded by the federal government and must comply with federal guidelines and regulations. These systems are critical in providing benefits to over three million Pennsylvanians.

### **CLIENT INFORMATION SYSTEM**

The function of the Client Information System is to provide automated data processing for multiple departmental eligibility programs including but not limited to: MA, cash assistance, LIHEAP and SNAP recipients. It supports over 6,600 County Assistance Office staff statewide, with a total caseload of over three million eligible recipients. System enhancements are being implemented to transition eligibility and case maintenance business processes which now reside within mainframe technology to open systems technology. The Department has incrementally updated portions of Client Information System to newer, web-enabled, technology-based solutions. The objective behind this strategy is to modernize our technology platform to support a system that can be easily updated to accommodate additional programs and more efficiently allow for changes to business rules, ultimately supporting improved customer service.

In Fiscal Year 2026-2027, the Department will continue focusing on modifying eligibility logic to meet future federal or state policy changes.

### **HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICES INFORMATION SYSTEM/ENTERPRISE CASE MANAGEMENT**

The Home and Community Services Information System (HCSIS) is a centralized, web-enabled, consumer case management system that provides data collection and state-level program management. It also functions as the daily operating system for the County Intellectual Disability and Early Intervention Administrative Entities. Major functional areas within HCSIS include client management, eligibility determination, coordination management, provider management, financial management (including authorization of claims), quality management, and reporting.

Planned HCSIS project activities in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 will focus on maintaining the current system functionality. Due to the outdated technology and functions within the HCSIS system, support of the business functions that currently reside in HCSIS will be moved to an Enterprise Case Management platform for shared use across the Department enterprise.

The Enterprise Case Management system is currently planned to provide case management support for several programs within the Department. The waiver programs, as noted above, will be included in the first phase, second release to move to the platform. Enrollment services for OLTL will also be configured on the new platform. The first release in the first phase was to support appeals processing for the Bureau of Hearings and Appeals and was implemented in 2024. The second release will include case management for OCDEL and is expected to occur in early 2027.

## **CHILD WELFARE INFORMATION SOLUTION**

The Child Welfare Information Solution system supports the ChildLine application and maintains a self-service portal for obtaining child abuse clearances and reporting child abuse. This system also supports data exchanges with the 67 County Children and Youth Agencies and electronic exchanges of reports of children in need of protective services between the Department and counties.

In Fiscal Year 2026-2027, the Department will focus on maintaining the current system functionality. The functionality currently residing in Child Welfare Information Solution system will be moved to Child Welfare Case Management system. The Child Welfare Case Management system is for county and state use to better monitor and support the needs of children within Pennsylvania. This effort will replace the current Child Welfare Information Solution system along with the six systems currently in use across the 67 counties. The new system will allow transparency across counties to track services and allow additional insight to services provided to children and families in need, while reducing the cost of maintaining and supporting multiple systems across the state.

## **PENNSYLVANIA'S ENTERPRISE TO LINK INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN ACROSS NETWORKS**

The Pennsylvania Enterprise to Link Information for Children Across Networks (PELICAN) is an integrated management system that supports Child Care Works (the subsidized child care program), Early Intervention, Early Learning Services (Head Start, Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts, and Keystone STARS programs), Provider Certification, and the Early Learning Network. The system provides on-line information for citizens about quality early learning opportunities and providers. In addition, PELICAN provides Pennsylvania a means to assess and monitor program accountability and integrity across the entire early learning continuum.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
County Administration-Statewide

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$64,501	\$73,471	\$79,232
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$127,994	\$134,245	\$131,965
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Statewide</i>	\$75,708	\$74,176	\$77,555
<i>SNAP - Statewide</i>	\$47,607	\$55,452	\$49,894
<i>TANFBG - Statewide</i>	\$1,072	\$1,072	\$1,072
<i>Children's Health Insurance Administration</i>	\$3,607	\$3,545	\$3,444
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$2,542	\$2,669	\$2,669
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>SNAP Retained Collections</i>	\$1,940	\$2,129	\$2,129
<i>eHealth Fees</i>	\$602	\$540	\$540
<b>Total</b>	\$195,037	\$210,385	\$213,866

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: County Administration-Statewide			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$49,580	\$56,572	\$58,360	\$1,788	3.16%
Federal Funds	\$63,918	\$66,065	\$63,859	(\$2,206)	-3.34%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$113,498</b>	<b>\$122,637</b>	<b>\$122,219</b>	<b>(\$418)</b>	<b>-0.18%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$14,337	\$16,317	\$20,074	\$3,757	23.03%
Federal Funds	\$22,651	\$57,557	\$55,457	(\$2,100)	-3.65%
Other Funds	\$2,542	\$2,669	\$2,669	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$39,530</b>	<b>\$76,543</b>	<b>\$78,200</b>	<b>\$1,657</b>	<b>19.38%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$575	\$575	\$791	\$216	37.57%
Federal Funds	\$32,103	\$4,603	\$4,603	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$32,678</b>	<b>\$5,178</b>	<b>\$5,394</b>	<b>\$216</b>	<b>37.57%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$9	\$7	\$7	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$29</b>	<b>\$27</b>	<b>\$27</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$9,302	\$6,000	\$8,026	\$2,026	33.77%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$9,302</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$8,026</b>	<b>\$2,026</b>	<b>33.77%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$64,501	\$73,471	\$79,232	\$5,761	7.84%
Federal Funds	\$127,994	\$134,245	\$131,965	(\$2,280)	-1.70%
Other Funds	\$2,542	\$2,669	\$2,669	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$195,037</b>	<b>\$210,385</b>	<b>\$213,866</b>	<b>\$3,481</b>	<b>1.65%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
County Administration-Statewide

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$442	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	916	941	941
<i>Filled</i>	867	867	867
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	916	941	941
<i>Filled</i>	867	867	867
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	75.80%	73.87%	72.40%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget reflects a complement of 941 positions consisting of 867 filled, 69 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods and five leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits only.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for operating expenses which includes leases, postage, printing, call centers, and consulting contracts.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for grant expenses which includes Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program outreach.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 403

Article XXIII-A of the Insurance Company Law of 1921 (Act 2015-84); Title XXI of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C.A §§ 1397aa-1397mm

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation funds administrative costs for portions of the Office of Income Maintenance, Office of Medical Assistance Programs, Office of Administration, Office of Long-Term Living, Children's Health Insurance Program and the Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. Disbursements are made on the basis of approved positions, established employee benefits, and invoices submitted for operating expenses and fixed assets.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: County Administration-Statewide			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 867 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, 69 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and five leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits only:	(\$817)	(\$894)	\$0	(\$1,711)
2. Provides for a two percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$663	\$726	\$0	\$1,389
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$474	\$519	\$0	\$993
4. Reflects a decrease in employee benefit costs:	(\$520)	(\$569)	\$0	(\$1,089)
5. Reflects a change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$980)	\$980	\$0	\$0
6. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$2,979	(\$2,979)	\$0	\$0
7. Provides for the impact of the change in the EFMAP rate from 69.24 percent to 70.19 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 69.0700 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 69.9525 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$11)	\$11	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Personnel</b>	<b>\$1,788</b>	<b>(\$2,206)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$418)</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in the operational expenses for for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,488	\$169	\$0	\$1,657
2. Reflects a change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$563	(\$563)	\$0	\$0
3. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of HR 1:	\$1,706	(\$1,706)	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>	<b>\$3,757</b>	<b>(\$2,100)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,657</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in SNAP Outreach grants in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$216	\$0	\$0	\$216
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Provides an increase for excess federal appropriation authority available in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$2,026	\$0	\$2,026
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,761</b>	<b>(\$2,280)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,481</b>

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATION - STATEWIDE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

This appropriation funds certain headquarters and field staff in OIM, OMAP, OLTL, OMHSAS, and OA.

### **OFFICE OF INCOME MAINTENANCE**

The functions of OIM funded in the County Administration–Statewide appropriation are housed within the Bureau of Program Evaluation, the Bureau of Program Support, the Bureau of Policy, and the Bureau of Operations.

The Bureau of Program Evaluation monitors and evaluates the accuracy of eligibility decisions in County Assistance Offices (CAOs), analyzes problem areas, and prepares plans to correct deficiencies in CAOs performance. The bureau is also responsible for satisfying major state and federal reporting requirements and ensuring accurate quality control and monitoring procedures. In addition, the bureau is responsible for the submission of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) work participation data through the federal TANF Data Report, which includes efforts to ensure maximum hours of participation are recorded to meet the federal work participation requirement.

The Bureau of Program Support provides administrative support to the other bureaus within OIM and serves as the liaison between those bureaus and other Department offices. The bureau is responsible for budget and fiscal analysis, personnel administration, acquisition planning, space and equipment management, contract and grant monitoring, resolution of audits, management of the Electronic Benefits Transfer System, and Electronic Benefits Transfer risk management. The bureau conducts detailed financial monitoring and analyses and produces monthly statistical reports needed to support program administration decisions. The bureau is also responsible for the development, monitoring, and maintenance of OIM's automated information systems.

The Bureau of Policy is responsible for the analysis, interpretation, development, and maintenance of the regulatory base for federal and state-funded public assistance programs. The bureau is responsible for assuring program consistency and monitoring interactive effects among the various OIM programs. The bureau also develops procedures and provides policy clarifications to guide the application of regulations by staff in the CAOs.

The Bureau of Operations is responsible for the management of the CAOs whose staff members work to determine eligibility for programs designed to assist Pennsylvania's most vulnerable citizens. The programs that are managed by the CAOs include TANF Cash Assistance, MA, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and Employment & Training services. The bureau also has the primary responsibility for training new employees through a network of staff development sites as well as CAOs and providing training to all staff in the CAOs and district offices. The bureau operates offices in all 67 counties so that the commonwealth's vulnerable citizens have a place where they can apply for benefits, renew existing benefits, and request supportive services. The bureau also operates a network of customer service centers that are designed to assist clients across the commonwealth over the phone via a toll-free number. The bureau resolves client problems and answers questions received on the telephone hotline, in person, or in letters and electronic mail from clients, legislators, and the public.

## **OFFICE OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

OMAP administers the jointly funded state/federal MA program and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Funded health care services include hospital care and a large array of outpatient services, which are provided through a Fee-for-Service or capitated managed care delivery system. OMAP is responsible for developing and maintaining the policy and regulatory framework that supports the operation of the program; enrolling providers for participation; and reviewing prior authorized service requests for pharmacy, medical, and dental services; establishing rates or fees; reviewing, approving and processing invoices submitted by providers; and contracting with managed care organizations.

The Bureau of Policy, Analysis and Planning has overall administrative and management responsibility for policy development and planning for most MA program initiatives in both the Fee-for-Service and capitated physical health managed care delivery systems. The bureau is responsible for policy-related activities impacting the Commonwealth's Medicaid program including analysis of proposed federal and state statutes and regulations, the development and issuance of administrative policy directives and the formal promulgation of regulations. The bureau is responsible for the development and maintenance of the Medicaid State Plan, and the HealthChoices Medicaid managed care waiver in accordance with federal requirements and state programmatic and budgetary initiatives.

The Bureau of Fee-for-Service Programs is responsible for functions that support the operation of the Fee-for-Service delivery system. Operations include provider enrollment, managing provider relations, responding to billing inquiries, provider credentialing, recipient case management and reviewing prior authorized service requests for pharmacy, inpatient/outpatient medical and dental services. Utilization review activities also include medical review of admissions to hospitals and continued hospital stays.

The Bureau of Managed Care Operations is responsible for the oversight, management, and support of the physical health managed care organizations that provide comprehensive physical health services to recipients. This includes contract procurement and development, as well as operational compliance monitoring. The bureau also provides oversight of the quality management and special needs programs of the managed care organizations. The bureau manages the Independent Enrollment Assistance contract for recipient enrollment in mandatory managed care and the External Quality Review contract. This bureau oversees non-emergency medical transportation services provided through the MA Transportation Program. The bureau also assists in procurement, development, and monitoring of a technical assistance and consultant services contract that serves multiple areas within OMAP.

The Bureau of Data and Claims Management is the gatekeeper for all OMAP information technology initiatives. This bureau is responsible for control and oversight of the state Medicaid Management Information System known as PROMISE, which performs medical, dental, and pharmacy claims adjudication and payment, managed care capitation and encounter processing, as well as all data interfaces to and from contracted Managed Care Organizations. The bureau is also responsible for control and oversight for the MA Provider Incentive Repository System used for the federally funded electronic health record incentive program.

The Bureau of Fiscal Management provides financial management for the capitated managed care delivery system. The bureau also manages the hospital assessments, supplemental hospital payments, the Managed Care Organization assessment, and the federal Qualified Health Center program. The bureau is responsible for inpatient and outpatient Fee-for-Service rate setting and financial management of the MA Transportation Program. The bureau supports the development of the capitation budget and manages OMAP's administrative, operating, and program budgets.

CHIP provides free or low-cost health insurance coverage to uninsured children under the age of 19 whose families earn too much to qualify for MA, but who cannot afford to purchase private insurance. Act 84 of 2015 transferred the administration of CHIP from the Pennsylvania Insurance Department to the Department. The transfer of the program to the Department allows for more coordination of services across programs resulting in a holistic approach to services provided to CHIP members.

The Pennsylvania eHealth Partnership Program is responsible for establishing and operating the state's electronic health information exchange, known in Pennsylvania as the PA Patient & Provider Network. Regional networks, known as health information organizations, are certified by the eHealth Partnership and connect to, the PA Patient & Provider Network. Health care providers, community service organizations and payers, in turn, connect to health information organizations. The eHealth Partnership Program improve patient care by helping member organizations find their patients' medical information in real time, anywhere on the PA Patient & Provider Network. The network also enables better care coordination by alerting patient's care team when their patient encounters the health care system.

### **OFFICE OF LONG-TERM LIVING**

OLTL is responsible for administration of a full continuum of services for older residents and persons with disabilities in the commonwealth, ranging from institutional care to independent living at home with the support of community services. The office works to integrate management of the Commonwealth's long-term living system.

Institutional services are provided to eligible individuals by nursing facilities certified in accordance with established standards to participate in the MA program. Pennsylvanians who are clinically eligible for a nursing facility can also receive services in the community through Community HealthChoices, the OBRA Waiver, or Living Independence for the Elderly.

OLTL is also responsible for developing and implementing policies and procedures for all providers of nursing facility and home and community-based services. This includes overseeing a system that offers a full range of cost-effective, quality services in the most appropriate setting; enrolling and certifying providers for MA participation; ensuring that nursing facilities continue to meet certification requirements established by state and federal regulations; and assuring that payments made to providers for services are allowable, reasonable and promote the delivery of quality services.

### **OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

OMHSAS has primary responsibility for program development, policy, and financial oversight of the delivery of behavioral health services in the commonwealth, which includes mental health treatment services, and supports designated substance use disorder services. OMHSAS oversees the delivery of community mental health services administered by counties under the Pennsylvania Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966 and the Mental Health Procedures Act of 1976. Direct mental health treatment services are also provided through the six state-operated hospitals and one restoration (long-term care) center. OMHSAS also manages, through county or direct contracts, the Behavioral Health HealthChoices Managed Care Program.

The Bureau of Policy and Program Development is responsible for performing a full range of planning and development functions. This includes managed care design and development, service system design and development, policy and program development, state and county planning and human resource development and training functions within the OMHSAS. The bureau also directs the development of new and revised OMHSAS regulations and policies, as well as new and revised nationally recognized service design and integrated behavioral systems models for county mental health systems. Along with other state agencies, OMHSAS directs the development of the Medicaid managed care waivers.

The Children's Behavioral Health Services Bureau is responsible for developing and implementing a comprehensive plan for servicing children and adolescents with behavioral health needs in the commonwealth. Functions include program development, policy development, service monitoring, and working with the OMHSAS Children's Advisory Committee, family and youth advocates, as well as state and local child serving systems.

The Division of Clinical Review and Consultation is responsible for the oversight, management and support of Fee-for-Service programs that provide comprehensive behavioral health services to individuals. This includes prior authorizations for inpatient psychiatric services, inpatient drug and alcohol services, residential treatment for children and behavioral health rehabilitation services for children, and the review of individual cases for billing and eligibility accuracy.

## **OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

OA administers support functions for each of the program offices within the Department. These support functions include equal opportunity programs; hearings and appeals; financial operations; procurement and contract management; fraud and abuse recoveries; and administrative services. This appropriation funds the Bureau of Program Integrity and Third-Party Liability (TPL).

The Bureau of Program Integrity has primary responsibility for monitoring providers, recipients and contracted managed care organizations for fraud, waste and abuse, and for adherence to federal and state program integrity regulations and policies. The bureau's staff review providers' medical and financial records to ensure that MA payments are valid, and the services rendered are medically necessary and appropriate. The bureau manages a Fraud and Abuse Detection System that is used to detect potential fraud, waste and abuse. Depending on the nature of the problem detected, the bureau requests restitution from the provider, requests corrective action, terminates the provider's participation, or in cases of suspected provider fraud, refers the case to the Medicaid Fraud Control Section of the Office of Attorney General. Recipients who are misusing or over-utilizing medical services are placed in the Recipient Restriction Program. Cases of suspected recipient fraud are referred to the Office of Inspector General.

The TPL Division is responsible for ensuring Medicaid is the payer of last resort. TPL maintains the integrity of the TPL data on the Client Information System and coordinates and monitors multiple data exchanges, which result in additions and updates of resource information. The health resources gathered through the exchanges are utilized for all health insurance cost avoidance and recovery activities performed by the division.

The TPL Division is also responsible for recovering cash benefits and MA expenditures against liable third parties, insurers, recipients and probate estates. The claim may be a result of a MA recipient being involved in a personal injury accident, medical malpractice suit, product liability suit, workers compensation claim, or assault. The claim may also be against the probate estate of certain deceased MA recipients. A significant volume of recoveries is performed post payment where other health insurance is identified after Medicaid has paid for the service.

TPL's Health Insurance Premium Payment Program identifies cases in which enrollment of a Medicaid recipient in an employer group health plan is more cost-effective than providing medical services through the MA Program. In addition, TPL collects premiums from MA clients who are required under the MA for Worker's with Disabilities Program to pay for their MA coverage.

Casualty recoveries occur when an MA recipient is injured, and liability is established through legal action, or the recipient received a financial settlement from the liable party. TPL establishes its claim for any MA or cash benefits the recipient received because of the incident and recovers the funds. The estate recovery program enables the Commonwealth to recover from the estate of individuals who were 55 years of age or older at the time nursing facility services or home and community-based services were received.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
County Assistance Offices

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$355,088	\$382,374	\$455,709
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$498,618	\$512,717	\$454,254
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance-County Assistance Offices</i>	\$229,731	\$241,284	\$218,435
<i>SNAP-County Assistance Offices</i>	\$176,047	\$172,978	\$139,357
<i>TANFBG-County Assistance Offices</i>	\$38,472	\$40,685	\$39,825
<i>SSBG-County Assistance Offices</i>	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
<i>LIHEABG-Administration</i>	\$36,368	\$36,368	\$36,368
<i>CHIP-County Assistance Offices</i>	\$15,000	\$18,402	\$17,269
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$0	\$11,000	\$0
<i>FS Bonus Plan-County Assistance Offices</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$11,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$853,706</b>	<b>\$906,091</b>	<b>\$909,963</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: County Assistance Offices				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$311,720	\$328,797	\$384,703	\$55,906	17.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$368,658	\$380,146	\$339,599	(\$40,547)	-10.67%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$11,000	\$0	(\$11,000)	-100.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$680,378</b>	<b>\$719,943</b>	<b>\$724,302</b>	<b>\$4,359</b>	<b>0.61%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$42,369	\$52,578	\$70,007	\$17,429	33.15%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$57,749	\$69,318	\$53,322	(\$15,996)	-23.08%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$100,118</b>	<b>\$121,896</b>	<b>\$123,329</b>	<b>\$1,433</b>	<b>1.18%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$999	\$999	\$999	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$206	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$1,205</b>	<b>\$999</b>	<b>\$999</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$72,005	\$63,253	\$61,333	(\$1,920)	-3.04%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$72,005</b>	<b>\$63,253</b>	<b>\$61,333</b>	<b>(\$1,920)</b>	<b>-3.04%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$355,088	\$382,374	\$455,709	\$73,335	19.18%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$498,618	\$512,717	\$454,254	(\$58,463)	-11.40%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$11,000	\$0	(\$11,000)	-100.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$853,706</b>	<b>\$906,091</b>	<b>\$909,963</b>	<b>\$3,872</b>	<b>0.43%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
County Assistance Offices

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$103	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	6,633	6,632	6,632
<i>Filled</i>	6,043	6,069	6,160
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	6	7	7
<i>Filled</i>	6	7	7
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	6,639	6,639	6,639
<i>Filled</i>	6,049	6,076	6,167
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	82.99%	79.11%	78.30%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget reflects an authorized complement of 6,632 positions. Personnel costs reflect funding for 6,160 filled positions funded for 26.1 pay periods, 384 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and 88 leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits only.

Also reflected are seven federally funded positions assigned to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program. Personnel costs reflect funding for seven filled positions and wage funding for seasonal Energy Assistance Workers (wage not shown in complement above).

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for operating expenses which includes current leases and necessary materials, as well as Domestic Violence and Disability Advocacy training programs.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 401 et seq.  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; 42 U.S.C. §§ 8621-8629

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
This appropriation funds administrative costs for the Department's County Assistance Offices, processing centers, and call centers. Disbursements are made on the basis of approved positions, established employee benefits, and invoices submitted for operating expenses and fixed assets.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: County Assistance Offices			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 6,160 filled positions funded for 26.1 pay periods, 384 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and 88 leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits only:	(\$2,309)	(\$2,717)	\$0	(\$5,026)
2. Provides for a two percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$3,617	\$4,173	\$0	\$7,790
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$3,380	\$3,900	\$0	\$7,280
4. Reflects a decrease in total employee benefits:	(\$2,639)	(\$3,046)	\$0	(\$5,685)
5. Reflects removal of a non-recurring SNAP penalty budgeted for in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	(\$8,753)	\$19,753	(\$11,000)	\$0
6. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$8,417	(\$8,417)	\$0	\$0
7. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$54,193	(\$54,193)	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Personnel	\$55,906	(\$40,547)	(\$11,000)	\$4,359
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in general operational expenses:	\$1,737	\$788	\$0	\$2,525
2. Reflects a decrease for employment verification and related services:	(\$3,059)	(\$3,585)	\$0	(\$6,644)
3. Provides for an increase in the lease and renewal of real estate contracts:	\$1,153	\$1,347	\$0	\$2,500
4. Provides for an increase in printing and postage for program mailings:	\$148	\$171	\$0	\$319
5. Provides for an increase in centrally distributed charges and human resources shared services:	\$1,127	\$1,313	\$0	\$2,440
6. Provides for an increase in Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program cost to carry operations:	\$0	\$293	\$0	\$293
7. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$7,304	(\$7,304)	\$0	\$0
8. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of HR 1:	\$9,019	(\$9,019)	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Operating	\$17,429	(\$15,996)	\$0	\$1,433
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in excess federal spending authority:	\$0	(\$1,920)	\$0	(\$1,920)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$73,335</u>	<u>(\$58,463)</u>	<u>(\$11,000)</u>	<u>\$3,872</u>

## **COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

This appropriation provides funding for the operation of 91 local County Assistance Offices (CAO), the physical location for the public to access both services that support transition to economic self-sufficiency and help with vital human services. The CAOs are responsible for the eligibility determination of applicants and redetermination of eligibility for recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance, State Supplementary Payments, Special Allowances, State Blind Pensions, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Medical Assistance (MA), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and Summer EBT (SUN Bucks) to Pennsylvanians. These benefits are distributed through such means as Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards, managed care plans, paper checks for certain Special Allowances, and vendor payments.

The Income Maintenance Caseworker is responsible for reviewing categorical and financial eligibility requirements and then determining eligibility of applicants and recipients for benefits. They also conduct periodic redeterminations of client cases to ensure clients continue to meet eligibility requirements for the benefits they receive. In addition, caseworkers review new and/or updated information provided by the clients or obtained through various data exchange sources to determine continued eligibility and act on reported change requests for additional benefits and/or supportive services.

The Department initiated the Disability Advocacy Program in July 1985. Income Maintenance Caseworkers identify assistance recipients having serious physical, mental, or emotional disabilities that appear to preclude gainful employment. These individuals are referred to the Social Security Administration for federal Social Security Disability Insurance/Social Security Income benefits. CAO disability advocates assist the individuals with applications/appeals for disability benefits, as needed. Each year, the Disability Advocacy Program helps vulnerable citizens work with the Social Security Administration to obtain benefits while also providing MA benefits. For Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 there were 28,716 Social Security Administration, Disability Advocacy Program referrals completed, with 6,090 approved for Social Security benefits.

In 2025, the CAOs provided access to critical services to approximately 3.72 million Pennsylvanians every month. The overall goal is to deliver quality service in a timely and effective manner, while increasing our customers' ability to achieve economic self-sufficiency. In the past year, OIM continued to improve customer service, increase efficiency, and achieve stronger outcomes for our customers.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Access to Social Services (COMPASS) is an online portal that allows individuals and community organizations to screen for, apply for, and renew a broad range of social services programs. Through COMPASS, clients can create a confidential account in order to monitor their benefits and report changes. COMPASS also allows registered community organizations the ability to access and view applications submitted on behalf of citizens they serve through a community partner dashboard. Each year, an increasing number of individuals and community organizations are utilizing COMPASS' 24-hour online access. During FY 2024-2025, 2.2million applications were submitted through COMPASS, accounting for 66.4% of all applications received.

In addition, the Department operates a mobile app – myCOMPASSPA. This app works in conjunction with the COMPASS platform and offers users functionality that allows the client to report changes, upload documents to their casefile, complete a pre-season LIHEAP application, complete their Semi-Annual Renewal report, and check the status of their benefits. Since its implementation in the fall of 2016, the Department has seen strong app usage, peaking in FY 2023-24. During FY 2024-2025, an average of 38,200 users logged in each day to use the mobile app.

The Customer Service Centers bring an opportunity for more efficient operations and enhanced customer service through a statewide toll-free number. Philadelphia residents have access to a dedicated toll-free number as well. The CSC call volume in FY 2024-2025 was 3.4 million, including 261,146 Spanish

calls. In Philadelphia alone, total call volume in FY 2024-2025 was 1.2 million. The Customer Service Centers maintain an answer rate of over 75%.

Twelve processing centers assisted CAOs in processing work to ensure that benefits are issued in a timely, accurate, and efficient manner. The focus of the processing centers is to process ongoing eligibility determinations in a timely manner and to reduce backlogs in CAOs. The processing centers assist CAOs with unusually high volumes of work, including State-based Exchange applications submitted through the Affordable Care Act website, LIHEAP applications, and benefit recertification.

Helpline and correspondence staff respond to inquiries about public benefits. Inquiries come from applicants, recipients, public and private agency staff, legislative staff, and the general public. Helpline telephone numbers appear in various media including application forms, COMPASS, telephone and internet directories, and on the Department's website. In 2025 the helpline and correspondence staff received 278,565 calls and 29,791 pieces of correspondence. The LIHEAP Helpline received 107,929 calls.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Support Enforcement

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$22,011	\$19,430	\$19,445
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	<b>\$208,078</b>	<b>\$206,501</b>	<b>\$208,865</b>
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Child Support Enforcement - Title IV-D</i>	\$208,078	\$206,501	\$208,865
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	<b>\$4,998</b>	<b>\$7,605</b>	<b>\$14,563</b>
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Title IV-D Incentive Collections</i>	\$3,672	\$6,336	\$13,294
<i>State Retained Support Collections</i>	\$1,326	\$1,269	\$1,269
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$235,087</b>	<b>\$233,536</b>	<b>\$242,873</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Child Support Enforcement			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$2,317	\$2,386	\$2,409	\$23	0.96%
Federal Funds	\$8,990	\$9,261	\$9,349	\$88	0.95%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$11,307</b>	<b>\$11,647</b>	<b>\$11,758</b>	<b>\$111</b>	<b>0.95%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$19,218	\$16,598	\$16,590	(\$8)	-0.05%
Federal Funds	\$36,040	\$32,369	\$33,464	\$1,095	3.38%
Other Funds	\$1,172	\$3,836	\$10,794	\$6,958	181.39%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$56,430</b>	<b>\$52,803</b>	<b>\$60,848</b>	<b>\$8,045</b>	<b>15.24%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$132	\$102	\$102	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$256	\$198	\$198	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$388</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$344	\$344	\$344	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$162,792	\$154,392	\$155,573	\$1,181	0.76%
Other Funds	\$3,826	\$3,769	\$3,769	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$166,962</b>	<b>\$158,505</b>	<b>\$159,686</b>	<b>\$1,181</b>	<b>0.75%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$10,281	\$10,281	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,281</b>	<b>\$10,281</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$22,011	\$19,430	\$19,445	\$15	0.08%
Federal Funds	\$208,078	\$206,501	\$208,865	\$2,364	1.14%
Other Funds	\$4,998	\$7,605	\$14,563	\$6,958	91.49%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$235,087</b>	<b>\$233,536</b>	<b>\$242,873</b>	<b>\$9,337</b>	<b>4.00%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Support Enforcement

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$52	\$1,956	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	95	95	95
<i>Filled</i>	84	87	85
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	95	95	95
<i>Filled</i>	84	87	85
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	80.20%	77.66%	76.70%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget reflects an authorized complement of 95 positions. Personnel costs reflect funding for 85 filled positions salary and benefits for 26.1 pay periods. There are eight vacancies that are funded at nine pay periods and two LWOP positions funded for benefits.

The funding for operating expenses provides for on-going Information Technology (IT) support of Pennsylvania's Child Support Enforcement System (PACSES) and network infrastructure. In addition, operating funding provides for on-going maintenance and specific programmatic needs in the delivery of child support payments as well as programs to encourage timely submission of child support payments.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

23 Pa. C.S. § 4371 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation funds administrative costs associated with the Department's Child Support Enforcement program. Disbursements are made on the basis of approved positions, established employee benefits, and invoices submitted for operating expenses and fixed assets.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Child Support Enforcement			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 85 filled positions salary and benefits for 26.1 pay periods. There are eight vacancies that are funded at nine pay periods and two LWOP positions funded for benefits:	(\$46)	(\$177)	\$0	(\$223)
2. Provides for a 2 percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$27	\$105	\$0	\$132
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$29	\$113	\$0	\$142
4. Provides a net increase in total employee benefit costs:	\$13	\$47	\$0	\$60
Subtotal Personnel	\$23	\$88	\$0	\$111
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides an increase for PACSES operations, maintenance and system enhancements with various contractors:	\$1,903	\$4,746	\$1,850	\$8,499
2. Reflects a decrease for non-recurring PACSES development costs in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$1,097)	(\$2,129)	\$0	(\$3,226)
3. Provides an increase for Child Support Website Redesign:	\$0	\$0	\$5,108	\$5,108
4. Provides an increase for State Collection and Disbursement Unit: Conduent State & Local Solutions:	\$272	\$526	\$0	\$798
5. Reflects a decrease for support contract used as an employment verification system for income:	(\$1,086)	(\$2,048)	\$0	(\$3,134)
Subtotal Operating	(\$8)	\$1,095	\$6,958	\$8,045
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides an increase in federal reimbursement to county Domestic Relations Sections:	\$0	\$1,181	\$0	\$1,181
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a change in Federal budgetary reserve:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Budgetary Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>\$2,364</b>	<b>\$6,958</b>	<b>\$9,337</b>

## **CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

OIM's Bureau of Child Support Enforcement administers the Child Support Enforcement Program for Pennsylvania in accordance with Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. The Child Support Enforcement Program determines paternity when necessary and establishes and enforces child support obligations on behalf of custodial parents and their children, including those who receive cash assistance benefits from the Department. Federal and state law require that court-ordered child support be assigned to the Department up to the amount of assistance paid for custodial parents and their children if they are receiving cash assistance.

The OIM's Bureau of Child Support Enforcement Child Support Enforcement Program is nationally recognized as a leader in program performance and ranks first among the largest states in overall performance outcomes. Pennsylvania's Title IV-D Program exceeds all federal performance standards, which include establishment of paternity and court orders for child support and collection of child support obligations. The program received federal performance bonus incentives of \$30.210 million in Federal Fiscal Year 2023.

The Department administers the Child Support Enforcement Program in all counties through a Cooperative Agreement signed by the County Commissioners and President Judges of the County Courts of Common Pleas. The Domestic Relations Sections (DRS) of the County Courts of Common Pleas manage the Child Support Enforcement Program at the local level. Child support enforcement activities are federally reimbursed at a matching rate of 66 percent. Additionally, incentive bonus payments are received for achievement of positive program outcomes.

Several programs are used to establish child support obligations, including the Voluntary Acknowledgement of Paternity Program, State Parent Locator System, and the Intergovernmental Central Registry. Pennsylvania collected \$1.263 billion from noncustodial parents (NCPs) in Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

### **PENNSYLVANIA CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM (PACSES)**

PACSES is a fully automated statewide child support enforcement system that complies with all state and federal enforcement and collection requirements mandated by the Family Support Act of 1988 and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. PACSES interfaces with state and federal agencies, as well as non-governmental entities, to gather information used to establish and enforce child support obligations. PACSES is used by all 64 Pennsylvania County DRSs to provide Title IV-D child support services. PACSES interfaces with various federal and state data systems providing information to the county DRSs to enhance the collection of child support.

### **STATE COLLECTION AND DISBURSEMENT UNIT**

The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 required that Pennsylvania centrally collect and disburse all child and spousal support payments. The State Collection and Disbursement Unit provides a single point of payment and disbursement for child and spousal support, as well as customer service for all payors and recipients. Pennsylvania enacted legislation in September 2006 to require employers to submit electronically wage-attached child support payments. As of December 2025, 98 percent of child support payments are disbursed electronically to custodial parents and 100 percent of all disbursements are issued within 24 hours. Electronic collections account for 92 percent of the total collected.

### **FATHERHOOD PROGRAMS**

Several fatherhood programs are provided to promote self-sufficiency and personal responsibility among NCPs and enhance the family structure. The Department receives federal Access and Visitation Grant Program funding to increase NCP parenting time. The New Employment Opportunities for

Noncustodial Parents Program helps unemployed and under-employed NCPs obtain and/or retain employment, specifically through job placement and retention initiatives, to increase the frequency of child support payments. The New Employment Opportunities for Noncustodial Parents Program funding totaled \$2.5 million in federal Title IV-D Incentive funds in Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Access and Visitation funding totaled \$0.317 million in federal funds in Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

### **PA CAREERLINK PROGRAM**

PA CareerLink is a job search tool which assists jobseekers in finding family sustaining jobs. In 2025, the Department partnered with the Department of Labor & Industry to utilize PA CareerLink for court ordered work search activities. This partnership helps support multiple child support objectives, such as: improved employment options for NCPs; improved collections for cases associated with unemployed NCPs; and a reduction in the number of days until new employment is found.

Progress attributed to the PA CareerLink Program in Fiscal Year 2024-2025 includes: collections in the amount of \$1.05 million; 833 cases with new employment added; 1,569 cases with PA CareerLink work search orders issued; average of 60 days until new employment was added; and an average of 77 days until the first payment was received.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:  
New Directions**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$23,401	\$22,584	\$26,706
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$180,700	\$182,567	\$181,759
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>TANFBG - New Directions</i>	\$141,048	\$141,650	\$142,150
<i>Medical Assistance - New Directions</i>	\$15,081	\$15,865	\$15,485
<i>SNAP - New Directions</i>	\$23,571	\$23,933	\$23,033
<i>CHIP - New Directions</i>	\$1,000	\$1,119	\$1,091
<b>Other Funds</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$204,101	\$205,151	\$208,465

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: New Directions				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$20,981	\$20,351	\$24,291	\$3,940	19.36%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$22,957	\$25,811	\$21,400	(\$4,411)	-17.09%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$43,938</b>	<b>\$46,162</b>	<b>\$45,691</b>	<b>(\$471)</b>	<b>-1.02%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$951	\$663	\$882	\$219	33.03%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$887	\$1,748	\$1,632	(\$116)	-6.64%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$1,838</b>	<b>\$2,411</b>	<b>\$2,514</b>	<b>\$103</b>	<b>4.27%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$829	\$930	\$893	(\$37)	-3.98%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$130,389	\$128,389	\$128,431	\$42	0.03%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$131,218</b>	<b>\$129,319</b>	<b>\$129,324</b>	<b>\$5</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$640	\$640	\$640	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$640</b>	<b>\$640</b>	<b>\$640</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$26,467	\$26,619	\$30,296	\$3,677	13.81%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$26,467</b>	<b>\$26,619</b>	<b>\$30,296</b>	<b>\$3,677</b>	<b>13.81%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$23,401	\$22,584	\$26,706	\$4,122	18.25%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$180,700	\$182,567	\$181,759	(\$808)	-0.44%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$204,101</b>	<b>\$205,151</b>	<b>\$208,465</b>	<b>\$3,314</b>	<b>1.62%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
New Directions

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$75	\$91	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	368	368	368
<i>Filled</i>	359	357	360
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	368	368	368
<i>Filled</i>	359	357	360
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	81.80%	79.95%	77.55%

**V. Subtotal Personnel**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget reflects 360 filled positions funded for 26.1 pay periods, eight vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and one leave-without-pay (LWOP) position funded for benefits.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for operating expenses which includes current leases and necessary materials, travel, and contracts in support of the Commonwealth Workforce Development System.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for grants and subsidies and non-expenses which provide for a number of employment contracts and inter-agency agreements like the Teen Parent program with the Department of Education and CareerLink with the Department of Labor and Industry.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 201 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 401 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation funds the employment program activities of the County Assistance Offices, job training and educational services funded through the Employment Advancement Retention Network (EARN) and other contracts. The purpose of these activities is to obtain full-time permanent employment for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families recipients, thereby reducing their need for public assistance.

Disbursements are made on the basis of approved positions, established employee benefits and invoices submitted for operating expenses, fixed assets and contracted projects.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: New Directions			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 360 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, eight vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, and one LWOP position funded for benefits:	\$17	(\$724)	\$0	(\$707)
2. Provides for a two percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$14	\$10	\$0	\$24
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$34	\$30	\$0	\$64
4. Provides a net increase in total employee benefit costs:	\$76	\$72	\$0	\$148
5. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,060	(\$1,060)	\$0	\$0
6. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$2,739	(\$2,739)	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Personnel	\$3,940	(\$4,411)	\$0	(\$471)
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Reflects the change in federal participation rates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$165	(\$165)	\$0	\$0
2. Provides an increase for the departmental operations in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$54	\$49	\$0	\$103
Subtotal Operating	\$219	(\$116)	\$0	\$103
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides a net increase in grants & subsidies:	(\$37)	\$42	\$0	\$5
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects an increase in available excess federal spending authority in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$3,677	\$0	\$3,677
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$4,122</u>	<u>(\$808)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$3,314</u>

## **NEW DIRECTIONS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

OIM's New Directions program provides a variety of employment and employment-related services such as job readiness assessments, individualized goal plans, removing barriers to employment, vocational education, skills training, career exploration, job placement services to eligible recipients to prepare for, secure, and retain employment. The New Directions program offers work and educational supports including special allowances, program incentives or participant reimbursements, and access to professionals who are trained and certified to provide social work or counseling services to eligible individuals. New Directions is supplemented by federal funds available through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Job search, job readiness assistance, job placement services, job-related training, and education are provided through County Assistance Offices (CAOs) and over 100 employment and training (E&T) grantees throughout the state. Contractors for New Directions include community, faith-based, profit, non-profit, and local government organizations.

Pennsylvania's E&T programs are designed to help individuals get a head start and succeed with a career. This includes a combination of valuable education, training, and other services that help prepare for General Educational Development (GED) certificate, college, or completion of an apprenticeship. The employment and training programs will support an individual in achieving their personal, educational, and career goals. By the time an individual has completed their employment and training programs they will be prepared with skills that are needed in the workforce and reduce individual needs for TANF benefits.

### **EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT RETENTION NETWORK**

OIM partners with Local Workforce Development Boards and some community-based organizations to maintain a statewide system of Employment Advancement Retention Network (EARN) Centers that provide comprehensive services to TANF and some SNAP recipients. Programs under EARN offer a single point of contact providing work support for the participants in their efforts toward attaining self-sufficiency. Within the EARN Center, a full range of activities focusing on removing barriers to employment, education/training, job placement, and retention services are provided.

EARN programs provide case management services and individualized assessments and goal plans to work with participants to gain the education, skills, and/or training necessary to begin a career pathway. EARN services are also available to recipients of SNAP.

### **COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICES DIRECTED EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES**

CAOs determine whether recipients will be referred to E&T programming or have CAO tracked participation to meet their TANF work requirement. CAOs explain requirements associated with work or work-related activities, hours of participation, reporting rules, special allowance availability, and consequences of non-compliance, including the potential for sanctions. Individuals may be enrolled in CAO-directed activities if: the individual is under 22 years of age and pursuing a high school diploma or GED certificate in a county that does not have an Education Leading to Employment and Career Training provider; or the individual is meeting hourly requirements in unsubsidized employment (including self-employment); or if there is no E&T program available in-person or virtually.

CAOs are also responsible for referring recipients to the voluntary SNAP E&T programs. SNAP E&T serves those receiving SNAP, but not TANF. These "SNAP only" recipients are typically exempt from a work requirement but can volunteer. Volunteers are eligible to participate in a variety of activities, including some (but not all) of the same contracted programs that TANF participants can choose. SNAP E&T participants may also pursue a CAO-directed activity if no contracted program meets their needs.

CAOs are also responsible for determining eligibility for E&T special allowances. Requests for special allowances to support E&T participation are made by the participant themselves or through their E&T program. The CAO determines eligibility based on need, benefit receipt type, verification, deducts the amount from annual/lifetime limits, and requests receipts if necessary; this includes determining eligibility for the use of contracted partners operating cost-savings special allowance programs such as PA WORKWEAR and Travelers Aid. CAOs are also required to process overpayments if special allowance issuances are not used for the intended purpose.

### **EDUCATION LEADING TO EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER TRAINING (ELECT)**

ELECT provides comprehensive support services to help eligible, expectant and parenting youth complete their education and become adults who can maintain self-sufficiency. Program participants are encouraged to remain in school, maintain regular attendance, and obtain a high school diploma or GED certificate. Programs under ELECT are evaluated based on outcomes such as student retention, attendance, academic success, and reduction of repeat pregnancies. The program is jointly overseen with the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

### **WORK READY**

The Work Ready program partners with Pennsylvania Community Action Agencies, Local Workforce Development Boards, and community-based organizations to provide E&T services to Extended TANF recipients, who are among OIM's most vulnerable and hard-to-employ populations. Work Ready is designed to provide program participants with a more-individualized approach that mitigates their unique challenges and substantial barriers that otherwise interfere with full engagement in employment and training activities. The Work Ready program provides Extended TANF recipients with assessments, education, skills training, work activities, and barrier remediation services to promote family economic stability. Work Ready allows recipients to gradually engage in work activities while meeting participation requirements and moving towards self-sufficiency.

### **KEYSTONE EDUCATION YIELDS SUCCESS (KEYS)**

KEYS is a collaborative program with 14 of the 15 state community colleges. The KEYS program is designed to assist TANF and SNAP recipients attending these institutions with the successful completion of their degree or certificate program. KEYS programs provide the support of a counselor and special allowances, where needed, to enable continued program participation. The primary goal of KEYS is to provide the services and support necessary to help students complete their post-secondary education and begin employment that leads to self-sufficiency.

### **SNAP JOB EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING SERVICES (JETS) - FORMERLY SNAP 50/50**

OIM partners with community-based organizations offering rigorous job training, industry-specific credentials, and work experiences to SNAP-only customers in programs known as SNAP JETS partnerships. These programs are unique in that the provider pays 100% of the costs of the program. Those costs are then leveraged by OIM to obtain 50% reimbursement from its federal partner, US Department of Agriculture, Food & Nutrition Services, which is then passed back to the provider. No State funds are currently invested in this program. Some partnerships target specific populations, such as returning citizens, or English as a second language learners.

SNAP JETS is designed to serve a mixture of Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents, who are required to work or participate in E&T to continue receiving SNAP, and non-Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents volunteers. As of January 2025, there are 19 SNAP JETS partners across Pennsylvania. OIM is actively working to broaden this partnership model.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State Funds</b>	\$144,218	\$145,968	\$145,601
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$10,816	\$11,000	\$11,000
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>SSBG-Basic Institutional Programs</i>	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
<i>Food Nutrition Services</i>	\$816	\$1,000	\$1,000
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$3	\$10	\$10
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Institutional Reimbursements</i>	\$3	\$10	\$10
<b>Total</b>	\$155,037	\$156,978	\$156,611

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$70,009	\$80,140	\$79,773	(\$367)	-0.46%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$80,009</b>	<b>\$90,140</b>	<b>\$89,773</b>	<b>(\$367)</b>	<b>-0.41%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$72,357	\$64,068	\$64,068	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$789	\$658	\$658	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$3	\$10	\$10	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$73,149</b>	<b>\$64,736</b>	<b>\$64,736</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$552	\$460	\$460	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$552</b>	<b>\$460</b>	<b>\$460</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$27	\$342	\$342	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$27</b>	<b>\$342</b>	<b>\$342</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$144,218	\$145,968	\$145,601	(\$367)	-0.25%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,816	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$3	\$10	\$10	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$155,037</b>	<b>\$156,978</b>	<b>\$156,611</b>	<b>(\$367)</b>	<b>-0.23%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$18	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	783	783	783
<i>Filled</i>	552	602	594
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	783	783	783
<i>Filled</i>	552	602	594
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	78.07%	76.06%	74.30%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget authorizes 783 positions, consisting of 594 filled, 179 vacant, and 10 leave-without-pay positions.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 341 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 351 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 704.1; 42 Pa.C.S. § 6352(a)

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation provides for personnel and operating costs for Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps. Disbursements are made based on approved positions and established employee benefits and through invoices for operating expenses and fixed assets incurred in the operation of the program.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

Youth Development Institutions and Forestry Camps

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 594 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, 177 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, two unfunded vacant positions, and 10 leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits:	(\$2,062)	\$0	\$0	(\$2,062)
2. Provides for a 2.00 percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$1,017	\$0	\$0	\$1,017
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$967	\$0	\$0	\$967
4. Reflects a decrease in total employee benefits costs:	(\$1,331)	\$0	\$0	(\$1,331)
5. Provides for an increase in other personnel costs:	<u>\$1,042</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,042</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>(\$367)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$367)</u></u>

## **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTIONS AND FORESTRY CAMPS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Youth Development Center/Youth Forestry Camp (YDC/YFC) system provides residential programs for the treatment of Pennsylvania's most troubled delinquent population. The YDC/YFC system is presently comprised of seven facilities located throughout the state. Consistent with the Balanced and Restorative Justice Tenets of Pennsylvania's Juvenile Act, the YDC/YFC system provides juvenile delinquent youth with supervision and care and rehabilitation, while embracing victims' rights, community safety and protection, accountability, and the development of competencies that promote responsibility and productivity. The YDC/YFC programs provide an array of treatment services for residents that are individualized, culturally sensitive, and developmentally appropriate. Consistent with the Master Case Planning System process, services are delivered via individual counseling, family counseling, group counseling, and skill-building services for each resident. Services are also aligned with the principles of effective interventions as outlined in Pennsylvania's Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy.

The Loysville Youth Development Center in Central Pennsylvania (Perry County) provides services for delinquent male juveniles. The facility provides treatment services to address immature, impulsive, and antisocial thoughts/behaviors in addition to emphasizing academic enhancement and employability skills. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 55 by July 2026.

The North Central Secure Treatment Unit is a secure facility for delinquent male and female youth located on the grounds of Danville State Hospital (Montour County). Specialized services include an 11-bed unit for violent/aggressive male youth, two 11-bed high-risk units for male youth, and an 11-bed unit for male youth with mental health challenges. The facility also has programs for female offenders specializing in trauma informed care, drug and alcohol use, and mental health treatment. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 88 by July 2026.

The South Mountain Secure Treatment Unit, located on the grounds of the South Mountain Restoration Center (Franklin County), is a 30-bed secure care residential facility for male youth. Specialized treatment services include two 10-bed units for violent/aggressive youth and a 10-bed unit for sexual behavior treatment needs. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 30 by July 2026.

The North East Secure Treatment Unit is a secure residential treatment facility for male youth in Pittston, Pennsylvania (Luzerne County). The facility offers a wide range of programs and services designed to meet the diverse needs of its residents. The North East Secure Treatment Unit provides services that address all criminogenic domains of the Youth Level of Service/Case Management Inventory ranging from substance abuse, family therapy, cognitive behavioral therapy, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, education, work development and mental health services. The Luzerne Intermediate Unit provides educational services at North East Secure Treatment Unit, giving students the opportunity to obtain credit toward graduation; earn a high school diploma, Pennsylvania High School Diploma or General Equivalency Diploma (GED). The facility's total capacity is projected to be 40 by July 2026.

Youth Forestry Camp No. 3 is a non-secure residential facility located in Trough Creek State Park in south central Pennsylvania (Huntingdon County). The facility has two separate treatment tracks; substance use and general delinquency. The facility addresses a variety of criminogenic risk factors through evidence-based cognitive behavioral treatment, with an emphasis on delinquency, substance use, education, and vocational/job training. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 36 by July 2026.

The Western Secure Treatment Unit is a secure residential treatment facility located in Emlenton, PA (Butler County). The facility is operated by a contracted entity, Rite of Passage, Inc. in partnership with the Bureau of Juvenile Justice Services. The facility utilizes Rite of Passage's Integrated Care Model which incorporates strength-based, trauma-responsive, gender-specific, and relationship-based approaches to work with youth. The Allegheny-Clarion Valley School District serves as the local education agency for Western Secure Treatment Unit, providing educational services to youth. The Allegheny-Clarion Valley school district contracts with the Riverview Intermediate Unit #6 to provide specifically designed instruction

to students as outlined in the Individualized Education Plan. Youth at the facility have the opportunity for year-round education and vocational training. The Western Secure Treatment Unit opened in November 2023 with 12 beds. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 30 by July 2026.

The Southeast Youth Development Center is a secure residential treatment facility located in Collegeville, Pennsylvania (Montgomery County). This facility provides rehabilitative services for adjudicated male youth ages 13-20 years, who need transitional, competency, vocational, and treatment services. Treatment services are geared towards Cognitive Behavior Therapy as well as Trauma-Informed Therapy. The Perkiomen Valley School District serves as the local education agency for the Southeast Youth Development Center, providing educational services and giving students the opportunity to obtain credit toward graduation or earn a high school diploma or General Equivalency Diploma. The Southeast Youth Development Center opened with 10 beds. The facility's total capacity is projected to be 30 by July 2026.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education's (PDE) Bureau of School Support/Division of Planning provides oversight and coordinates educational programming for most of the eligible school-aged youth in the YDC/YFC system, the one exception being the Western Secure Treatment Unit. For Western Secure Treatment Unit, PDE issues a grant to the local school district which operates the academic programming under 24 P.S. § 13-1306, Nonresident Students in Institutions. For the remaining facilities, instruction for eligible school-aged youth is accomplished through PDE contracts with local intermediate units. As part of these contracts, the PDE provides oversight and monitoring to ensure that each students' academic needs are being met. In addition to the basic programming provided, a wide variety of other vocational and career training opportunities are also available. These opportunities include, but are not limited to employability skills, General Equivalency Diploma preparation, educational secondary education preparation, computer skills training, training in a variety of marketable building trades, maintenance, food service management and related certifications, as well as remedial and special education. Youth not of school age or who are determined to be ineligible for instruction through the schools overseen by PDE or the local education agency are provided other opportunities to participate in career, technical training, and/or higher education instruction.

The Pennsylvania Academic and Career/Technical Training Alliance provides on-site technical assistance to its affiliated members and works to support delinquent youth in the areas of academics, job skills training and work-related services throughout the duration of their active involvement within Pennsylvania's Juvenile Justice System. The alliance includes secure and non-secure residential programs, community-based programs, probation offices and partnerships within the aftercare system.

Beginning in FY 2022-2023, the YDC/YFC system entered several contracts to provide secure/residential bed space beyond the capacity available in its existing facilities. The Juvenile Act, 42 Pa.C.S. § 6353(c), provides that if the population of an institution or program in the YDC/YFC system exceeds 110% capacity then intake shall be temporarily closed to that institution or program and equivalent services shall be made available to children in equivalent facilities.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:  
Mental Health Services**

I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State Funds</b>	\$956,535	\$938,613	\$1,003,276
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$347,315	\$377,389	\$349,009
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Mental Health</i>	\$217,000	\$252,748	\$237,588
<i>Medicare Services - State Hospitals</i>	\$17,900	\$14,500	\$14,500
<i>Homeless Mentally Ill</i>	\$2,664	\$2,675	\$3,310
<i>MHSBG - Community Mental Health Services</i>	\$55,829	\$55,829	\$55,829
<i>SSBG - Community Mental Health Services</i>	\$10,366	\$10,366	\$10,366
<i>Suicide Prevention</i>	\$2,265	\$0	\$0
<i>Transforming the Crisis Mental Health System</i>	\$22,855	\$22,855	\$20,000
<i>Mental Health Data Infrastructure</i>	\$225	\$250	\$250
<i>Mental Health-Safe Schools</i>	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
<i>Collaborative Care Model</i>	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500
<i>System of Care Expansion</i>	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$3,000
<i>Youth Suicide Prevention</i>	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
<i>Adolescents and Young Adults at High Risk for Psychosis</i>	\$621	\$621	\$621
<i>Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness (EA)</i>	\$90	\$45	\$45
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$62,193	\$63,735	\$63,735
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>County IGT</i>	\$53,561	\$56,685	\$56,685
<i>Institutional Collections</i>	\$7,032	\$6,100	\$6,210
<i>Institutional Reimbursements</i>	\$1,600	\$950	\$840
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,366,043</b>	<b>\$1,379,737</b>	<b>\$1,416,020</b>

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Mental Health Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$239,584	\$225,215	\$247,539	\$22,324	9.91%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$204,791	\$231,944	\$217,948	(\$13,996)	-6.03%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$6,341	\$6,100	\$6,210	\$110	1.80%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$450,716</b>	<b>\$463,259</b>	<b>\$471,697</b>	<b>\$8,438</b>	<b>1.82%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$111,425	\$108,133	\$121,772	\$13,639	12.61%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$14,608	\$17,450	\$14,000	(\$3,450)	-19.77%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$2,291	\$950	\$840	(\$110)	-11.58%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$128,324</b>	<b>\$126,533</b>	<b>\$136,612</b>	<b>\$10,079</b>	<b>7.97%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,135	\$1,304	\$1,304	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$1,135</b>	<b>\$1,304</b>	<b>\$1,304</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$604,391	\$603,381	\$632,081	\$28,700	4.76%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$114,098	\$107,995	\$97,061	(\$10,934)	-10.12%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$53,561	\$56,685	\$56,685	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$772,050</b>	<b>\$768,061</b>	<b>\$785,827</b>	<b>\$17,766</b>	<b>2.31%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$580	\$580	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$13,818	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$13,818</b>	<b>\$20,580</b>	<b>\$20,580</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$956,535	\$938,613	\$1,003,276	\$64,663	6.89%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$347,315	\$377,389	\$349,009	(\$28,380)	-7.52%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$62,193	\$63,735	\$63,735	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$1,366,043</b>	<b>\$1,379,737</b>	<b>\$1,416,020</b>	<b>\$36,283</b>	<b>2.63%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Mental Health Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$54	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	3,449	3,446	3,446
<i>Filled</i>	3,112	3,196	3,158
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	3,449	3,446	3,446
<i>Filled</i>	3,112	3,196	3,158
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	71.03%	68.77%	67.16%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides funding for complement, operating expenses and fixed assets for State Hospitals as well as community mental health services. The total complement of 3,446 positions consists of 3,158 filled positions, 207 vacant positions, 42 unfunded vacant positions, and 39 leave-without-pay positions.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. §§ 201, 206, 301-317; 62 P.S. § 1401-B et seq.; 50 P.S. §§ 4201(7), 4202, 4507, 4509; 42 Pa.C.S. §6406

**Disbursement Criteria:**

**State Hospitals:**

Disbursements are based on salary, wage and benefit requirements for authorized complement as well as invoices for facility operating expenses and fixed assets.

**Community Mental Health Services:**

Counties receive quarterly advance payments based on individual approved allocations. Allocations are based on prior year funding adjusted to maintain current levels of services, and to implement or expand programs.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Mental Health Services			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in the cost to carry forward 3,158 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, 207 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, 42 unfunded vacant positions, and 39 leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits:	(\$1,938)	\$0	\$0	(\$1,938)
2. Provides for a 2.00 percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$5,633	\$0	\$0	\$5,633
3. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment, and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$4,978	\$0	\$0	\$4,978
4. Reflects a decrease in employee benefit costs:	(\$235)	\$0	\$0	(\$235)
5. Reflects a decrease of \$14.000 million in available Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) funding, due to anticipated reductions in federal DSH allotments:	\$14,000	(\$14,000)	\$0	\$0
6. Provides for an increase in available Federal Homeless Mentally Ill funding:	(\$4)	\$4	\$0	\$0
7. Provides for an increase in institutional collections:	(\$110)	\$0	\$110	\$0
Subtotal Personnel	\$22,324	(\$13,996)	\$110	\$8,438
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in heating fuel, medical/mental/dental, drugs, and food costs:	\$5,476	\$0	\$0	\$5,476
2. Provides for an increase in Human Resources Shared Services:	\$53	\$0	\$0	\$53
3. Reflects a decrease in miscellaneous reimbursements:	\$110	\$0	(\$110)	\$0
4. Provides for an increase in contracted staffing costs due to a new contract, effective February 1, 2026:	\$8,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
5. Reflects a decrease in other Federal grants:	\$0	(\$3,450)	\$0	(\$3,450)
Subtotal Operating	\$13,639	(\$3,450)	(\$110)	\$10,079
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in Federal Medical Assistance grants:	\$0	(\$1,160)	\$0	(\$1,160)
2. Provides for an increase to maintain prior-year expansion of diversion and discharge programs for individuals with mental illness currently in the criminal justice system:	\$7,300	\$0	\$0	\$7,300
3. Provides for an increase to maintain prior-year expansion of community services:	\$3,200	\$0	\$0	\$3,200
4. Reflects a decrease in other Federal grants:	\$0	(\$9,774)	\$0	(\$9,774)

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Mental Health Services			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY (Continued)</b>				
5. Provides for an increase to maintain walk-in behavioral health crisis stabilization centers serving multiple counties:	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$15,500	(\$10,934)	\$0	\$4,566
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Ensuring Pennsylvanians Have Access to Behavioral Health Resources:				
A. Provides funding to provide home and community-based services for 40 individuals currently residing in State Hospitals:	\$3,200	\$0	\$0	\$3,200
B. Provides support to the 988 network to sustain crisis line operations.	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
Subtotal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives	\$13,200	\$0	\$0	\$13,200
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	\$22,324	(\$13,996)	\$110	\$8,438
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	\$13,639	(\$3,450)	(\$110)	\$10,079
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<u>\$28,700</u>	<u>(\$10,934)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$17,766</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$64,663</u>	<u>(\$28,380)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$36,283</u>

## **MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

OMHSAS has the primary responsibility of program development, policy, and financial oversight of the delivery of behavioral health services in Pennsylvania, which includes mental health treatment services and supports designated as substance use services. The primary objective is to support individual movement toward recovery. The Department seeks to ensure there is an integrated approach to both the delivery and financing of behavioral health services. The Department administers community mental health funds and Behavioral Health Services funds for both mental health and substance use services for individuals no longer eligible for MA; and Act 152 funds to provide non-hospital residential substance use services. Direct mental health treatment services are also provided through six state-operated hospitals and one restoration, long-term care, center. The Department oversees the delivery of community mental health services administered by counties under the Pennsylvania Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966 and the Mental Health Procedures Act of 1976.

### **STATE MENTAL HOSPITALS**

There are six state mental hospitals that provide general psychiatric inpatient treatment as well as specialty care for persons who require intensive treatment in a highly structured setting. Two locations, Norristown and Torrance, also provide inpatient forensic services that focus on competency restoration services for individuals charged with crimes but determined to be unable to proceed with the legal proceedings. Additionally, Torrance operates the Sexual Responsibility and Treatment Program that was developed in response to Act 21 of 2003. A seventh facility, South Mountain Restoration Center, provides skilled nursing and intermediate care services for individuals who were formerly residents of mental hospitals and are now in need of nursing care. All the hospitals, including the South Mountain Restoration Center, are certified by Medicaid and Medicare, with an approved combined bed capacity of 1,751. The South Mountain Restoration Center is also certified as a long-term care provider and is licensed by the Department of Health.

The development of integrated services, advances in medications, and the building of a community-based care infrastructure continue to impact the hospitals' patient census. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027, an estimated 2,192 individuals will be served in state hospitals.

### **COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

The Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966 requires county governments to provide an array of community-based mental health services including unified intake, community consultation, education, support for families caring for members with mental disorders, and community residential programs. Community services are targeted to adults with serious mental illnesses and children/adolescents with, or at risk of, serious emotional disturbances. Key provisions of service include recovery-oriented treatment, community care, and support services that enable individuals to return to the community and lead independent and productive lives. Non-residential services include family-based support, peer-to-peer support, outpatient care, partial hospitalization, emergency and crisis intervention, and after care. Community residential services consist of housing support, residential treatment, inpatient care, crisis services, and mobile therapy. Services are administered by single counties, county joinders, or through contracts with private, non-profit organizations. Services are funded with state, federal, and/or county matching funds.

Since its inception, the Community Mental Health Program has dramatically increased its capacity to provide a more unified system of treatment and support services for persons with serious mental illness. As a result, an increasing number of people have been able to experience recovery and lead productive lives in their communities and not be hospitalized for prolonged periods of time. In April 2023, the Department began completing redeterminations for individuals who maintained MA coverage under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. The number of individuals served through Community Mental Health Services may also increase as individuals transition from MA to other medical coverage.

In FY 2012-2013, the Human Services Block Grant (HSBG) program was implemented to provide local governments with increased flexibility to address local needs. As of FY 2025-2026, the HSBG program has a total of 44 counties that were approved by the Department to participate in the HSBG program. Since this is a voluntary program, the number of participating counties may increase or decrease.

### **COMMUNITY HOSPITAL INTEGRATION PROJECTS PROGRAM AND SOUTHEAST INTEGRATION PROJECTS PROGRAM**

Beginning in FY 1991-1992, the Community Hospital Integration Projects Program (CHIPP) linked the county-operated community programs and the state mental hospitals by transferring individuals and resources from the hospital program to the community. This integration program discharges individuals with complex service needs, who no longer need inpatient psychiatric treatment, into integrated community programs from state mental hospitals. The county program develops the community resources and services needed for each person discharged through CHIPP. The CHIPP program is a mechanism for reallocating funds to the community for the development of new alternative community-based treatment services and supports.

The community services that are developed with CHIPP funds are not only available to persons discharged from state mental hospitals, but to other individuals with mental illness who would otherwise need hospitalization. For each CHIPP allocation, it is estimated that an additional four to five individuals with mental illness may be served per year. The program supports community living by creating a community capacity for diversion services to avoid future unnecessary state hospital admissions. The success of these diversion services allows more predictable planning for future state mental hospital use and a reduction in hospital costs.

Counties receiving CHIPP funding have been successful in creating service systems that support people in the community while managing state mental hospital utilization. Involvement of individuals and families in the program design, implementation, and ongoing monitoring has proven critical to the success of the program. State mental hospitals have played a vital role in preparing people for discharge, coordinating with counties during the transition to the community, and assisting counties in managing future hospital use.

The Southeast Integration Projects Program was implemented in the five southeastern counties (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia) in FY 1997-1998. This program originated because of the closure of Haverford State Mental Hospital and the subsequent June 1998 court order to place people who were no longer in need of inpatient psychiatric treatment into community settings. It operates in a manner like the CHIPP program but provides counties with additional funding to increase the capacity to provide more specialized services to persons with a broader range of service needs.

### **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10 percent federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in FY 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the "Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

## **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES – DEDICATING RESOURCES TO ADDRESS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS**

The FY 2026-2027 Governor’s Executive Budget provides \$3.200 million to support the discharge of 40 eligible individuals from state hospitals who can be served in the community through CHIPP.

The federally-designated 3-digit dialing code, 988, is the mental health crisis and suicide prevention hotline. There are fourteen 988 call centers in Pennsylvania. The FY 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$10 million in funding for 988 crisis line operations and capacity building. 988 is the foundation of the crisis continuum designed to help individuals obtain access to treatment and support. This funding will ensure Pennsylvanians have access to trained professionals who can offer support, de-escalate situations, and direct individuals to appropriate care. This funding underscores the Department’s commitment to strengthening the mental health crisis infrastructure and providing timely, accessible, and compassionate care for individuals in their most vulnerable moments.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$114,214	\$108,230	\$110,114
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$123,131	\$135,270	\$146,341
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - State Centers</i>	\$122,948	\$135,023	\$146,094
<i>Medicare Services - State Centers</i>	\$183	\$247	\$247
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$19,558	\$17,491	\$17,491
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Institutional Collections - State Centers</i>	\$5,789	\$5,790	\$5,790
<i>ID/ICF Assessment - State Centers</i>	\$13,769	\$11,701	\$11,701
<b>Total</b>	\$256,903	\$260,991	\$273,946

**NOTE:** The HCBS - Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities restricted account is not included in State Center analysis, more detail is provided in the Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$68,962	\$77,023	\$77,839	\$816	1.06%
Federal Funds	\$83,659	\$94,023	\$99,435	\$5,412	5.76%
Other Funds	\$5,789	\$5,790	\$5,790	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$158,410</b>	<b>\$176,836</b>	<b>\$183,064</b>	<b>\$6,228</b>	<b>3.52%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$45,078	\$30,913	\$31,981	\$1,068	3.45%
Federal Funds	\$26,406	\$33,909	\$41,840	\$7,931	23.39%
Other Funds	\$13,769	\$11,701	\$11,701	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$85,253</b>	<b>\$76,523</b>	<b>\$85,522</b>	<b>\$8,999</b>	<b>11.76%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$174	\$294	\$294	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$66	\$66	\$66	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$240</b>	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$13,000	\$7,272	\$5,000	(\$2,272)	-31.24%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$13,000</b>	<b>\$7,272</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>(\$2,272)</b>	<b>-31.24%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$114,214	\$108,230	\$110,114	\$1,884	1.74%
Federal Funds	\$123,131	\$135,270	\$146,341	\$11,071	8.18%
Other Funds	\$19,558	\$17,491	\$17,491	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$256,903</b>	<b>\$260,991</b>	<b>\$273,946</b>	<b>\$12,955</b>	<b>4.96%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	1,786	1,786	1,786
<i>Filled</i>	1,358	1,369	1,383
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	1,786	1,786	1,786
<i>Filled</i>	1,358	1,369	1,383
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	80.01%	78.26%	76.36%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget authorizes 1,786 positions, consisting of 1,383 filled, 393 vacant, 10 leave-without-pay positions.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206, 443.1 et seq.; MH/ID Act of 1966, 50 P.S. § 4202, 4507; 62 P.S. §§ 301-317; Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Disbursements are made on the basis of approved salary and wage positions and established employee benefits, and through invoices for operating expenses and fixed assets incurred in operating the facilities.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in the cost to carry forward 1,383 filled positions for 26.1 pay periods, 390 vacant positions funded for nine pay periods, three unfunded vacant positions, and 10 leave-without-pay positions funded for benefits:	\$207	\$224	\$0	\$431
2. Provides for the annualization of a January 1, 2026 2.25 percent longevity increment, the impact of a January 1, 2027 2.25 percent longevity increment and the impact of turnover (excludes the effect on employee benefits):	\$872	\$940	\$0	\$1,812
3. Provides for a 2.00 percent general salary increase for union and management employees (salary and wage), effective July 1, 2026:	\$974	\$1,050	\$0	\$2,024
4. Provides for an increase in employee benefit costs:	\$944	\$1,017	\$0	\$1,961
5. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$2,181)	\$2,181	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Personnel	\$816	\$5,412	\$0	\$6,228
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in food, drug, and utility costs:	\$750	\$725	\$0	\$1,475
2. Provides for an increase in medical costs, Human Resources Shared Services, and contracted repairs:	\$2,614	\$2,002	\$0	\$4,616
3. Provides for an increase in contracted staffing costs due to a new contract, effective February 1, 2026:	\$1,452	\$1,930	\$0	\$3,382
4. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring Guaranteed Energy Savings Act (GESAs) program costs:	(\$2,034)	\$0	\$0	(\$2,034)
5. Reflects a non-recurring rollback of expenditures from Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Fiscal Year 2024-2025:	\$1,560	\$0	\$0	\$1,560
6. Provides for the impact of the change in the FMAP rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$985)	\$985	\$0	\$0
7. Net effect of changes and other factors related to Medical Assistance eligible costs:	(\$2,289)	\$2,289	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Operating	\$1,068	\$7,931	\$0	\$8,999

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of a change in excess Federal Medical Assistance appropriation authority:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$2,272)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$2,272)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$1,884</u></u>	<u><u>\$11,071</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$12,955</u></u>

## **INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES - STATE CENTERS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for the continuation of activities associated with the operation of state centers and the property maintenance of closed state centers.

State centers provide 24-hour residential and habilitative services to adults with an intellectual disability. All facilities meet federal Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled (ICF/ID) standards that pertain to health and program services, environment, and safety. Facilities also meet the certification requirements for participation in the Title XIX (Medicaid) program. The primary goal of these state-operated facilities is to provide the services and training needed to support individual development in a person-centered manner.

During FY 2024-2025, state centers provided service to 413 people, which is about 1% of the approximate 61,498 people who received services in the community. As of December 2025, the age range of the residents was between 20 and 89, and the average age was 65. Individuals in the state centers have a wide variation of disabilities, from those who are somewhat independent in their daily living activities to those who need complete assistance. Staff provide programs and services to enhance growth and development.

Historically, state-operated facilities were the primary providers of services to individuals with an intellectual disability. Following national trends, the population of these facilities has decreased steadily since the late 1960s as the availability of supportive services in the community has increased. During the ten-year period from July 1, 2015, to July 1, 2025, the census at the state centers declined 60%, from 1,024 people to 413 people.

The FY 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget assumes the continuation of the ICF/ID provider assessment, which is applied against both public and private providers of ICF/ID services, and totals \$38.3 million for FY 2026-2027. Of the \$38.3 million, \$11.7 million represents the assessment on services provided in the state centers for individuals with intellectual disabilities. The balance of \$26.6 million represents the assessment on private ICF/ID services and is reflected under the Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities appropriation.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

Cash Grants

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State Funds</b>	\$20,141	\$20,141	\$24,635
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$663,111	\$643,536	\$624,471
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>TANFBG - Cash Grants</i>	\$163,447	\$159,588	\$142,407
<i>Other Federal Support - Cash Grants</i>	\$16,520	\$17,095	\$15,211
<i>LIHEABG - Low-Income Families &amp; Individuals</i>	\$271,041	\$231,550	\$231,550
<i>Summer EBT (SUN Bucks)</i>	\$151,800	\$175,000	\$175,000
<i>Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum - Social Services</i>	\$60,303	\$60,303	\$60,303
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	\$683,252	\$663,677	\$649,106

II. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Cash Grants				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$5,770	\$5,770	\$9,926	\$4,156	72.03%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$4,824	\$6,994	\$5,413	(\$1,581)	-22.61%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$10,594</b>	<b>\$12,764</b>	<b>\$15,339</b>	<b>\$2,575</b>	<b>20.17%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$14,371	\$14,371	\$14,709	\$338	2.35%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$484,188	\$488,763	\$485,183	(\$3,580)	-0.73%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$498,559</b>	<b>\$503,134</b>	<b>\$499,892</b>	<b>(\$3,242)</b>	<b>-0.64%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$174,099	\$147,779	\$133,875	(\$13,904)	-9.41%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$174,099</b>	<b>\$147,779</b>	<b>\$133,875</b>	<b>(\$13,904)</b>	<b>-9.41%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$20,141	\$20,141	\$24,635	\$4,494	22.31%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$663,111	\$643,536	\$624,471	(\$19,065)	-2.96%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$683,252</b>	<b>\$663,677</b>	<b>\$649,106</b>	<b>(\$14,571)</b>	<b>-2.20%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:  
Cash Grants**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$126	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget is based on an estimate of the monthly average number of persons receiving Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF) and State Blind Pension (SBP) during the fiscal year at the established allowance levels.

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding is based on final federal allocations in Federal Year 2026-2027. Total grant funding will be net of 15 percent set aside for the weatherization program in the Department of Community and Economic Development and up to ten percent for administrative costs.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes funding for the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (SUN Bucks) program, implemented in 2024, a federally funded benefit that supports eligible low-income households with school-aged children during the summer months when school is not in session.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 403 and 432 for TANF.  
62 P.S. § 501 et seq. for SBP.  
42 U.S.C. § 1762; 7 CFR Part 292; 42 USC §§ 602, 603

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
This appropriation provides direct cash payments, supportive service allowances, and employment and training services to eligible SBP and TANF recipients. Disbursements are made on the basis of allowance schedules.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Cash Grants			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR 1):	\$1,581	(\$1,581)	\$0	\$0
2. Reflects the non-recurring availability of prior year funding for the administration of the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$2,575	\$0	\$0	\$2,575
Subtotal Operating	\$4,156	(\$1,581)	\$0	\$2,575
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease of 1,817 (from 43,454 to 41,637) in the projected monthly average number of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	(\$3,277)	\$0	(\$3,277)
2. Reflects a decrease of four (from 32 to 28) State Blind Pension recipients in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$4)	\$0	\$0	(\$4)
3. Provides for an increase in state funds due to a reduction in Child Support collections in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	\$4	\$0	\$0	\$4
4. Provides for an increase for Operation Warm in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$35	\$0	\$0	\$35
5. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR 1):	\$303	(\$303)	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$338	(\$3,580)	\$0	(\$3,242)
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in excess federal spending authority in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	(\$13,904)	\$0	(\$13,904)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$4,494</u>	<u>(\$19,065)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$14,571)</u>

**Cash Grants**  
**Monthly Average Number of Recipients**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**

\* Actuals

**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>TANF</b>	<b>SBP</b>
July 2025	45,411	45,376 *	35
August	44,687	44,654 *	33
September	44,189	44,156 *	33
October	43,590	43,557 *	33
November	43,457	43,424	33
December	43,324	43,292	32
January 2026	43,191	43,159	32
February	43,059	43,028	31
March	42,928	42,896	31
April	42,796	42,766	31
May	42,666	42,635	30
June	42,535	42,505	30
<b>Monthly Average</b>	<b>43,486</b>	<b>43,454</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Change From FY 2024-2025</b>	<b>(7,696)</b>	<b>(7,690)</b>	<b>(5)</b>
<b>% Change</b>		-17.70%	-17.00%

**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>TANF</b>	<b>SBP</b>
July 2026	42,276	42,246	30
August	42,146	42,117	30
September	42,018	41,988	29
October	42,227	42,198	29
November	42,098	42,069	29
December	41,969	41,941	28
January 2027	41,841	41,813	28
February	41,586	41,558	28
March	41,332	41,304	27
April	41,079	41,052	27
May	40,828	40,802	27
June	40,579	40,553	26
<b>Monthly Average</b>	<b>41,665</b>	<b>41,637</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Change From FY 2025-2026</b>	<b>(1,821)</b>	<b>(1,817)</b>	<b>(4)</b>
<b>% Change</b>		-4.36%	-13.58%

**Cash Grants  
2025-2026 Available**

	<u>Caseload</u>	<u>Avg Pmt</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>						
EBT Contract			\$4,216	\$4,216	\$0	\$8,432
EBT Fraud Mitigation			\$1,509	\$0	\$0	\$1,509
Summer EBT (SUN Bucks) Contract			\$0	\$2,575	\$0	\$2,575
Bad Debt Expense - Pa. State Collection and Disbursement Unit			\$45	\$0	\$0	\$45
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum			\$0	\$203	\$0	\$203
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>			<b>\$5,770</b>	<b>\$6,994</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,764</b>
<b><u>GRANTS &amp; SUBSIDIES</u></b>						
- Regular TANF Payment			\$2,076	\$38,542	\$0	\$40,618
- Work Support Phase Two (State Only)			\$6,500	\$0	\$0	\$6,500
- TANF Payment - (MOE)			\$450	\$0	\$0	\$450
- TANF Diversion			\$0	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500
- Extended TANF100% Federal			\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
- Transitional Cash Assistance Program (\$100 per month)			\$0	\$3,075	\$0	\$3,075
- Work Expense Reimbursement			\$20	\$200	\$0	\$220
SUBTOTAL TANF Payments	43,454	\$150.28	\$9,046	\$69,317	\$0	\$78,363
Support Services			\$482	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,982
State Blind Pension	32	\$86.96	\$33	\$0	\$0	\$33
Refugee Assistance Claims			\$0	\$6,520	\$0	\$6,520
Emergency Shelter			\$250	\$0	\$0	\$250
Medical Assistance Transportation			\$273	\$273	\$0	\$546
Child Support County Payment			\$7,900	\$0	\$0	\$7,900
Child Support Collections			(\$8,792)	\$0	\$0	(\$8,792)
Unreimbursed Assistance Payments (URA-Child Support Collections)			\$250	\$0	\$0	\$250
Support Pass Through			\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Restitution & Reimbursement Collections			(\$1,750)	(\$1,628)	\$0	(\$3,378)
Operation Warm			\$140	\$0	\$0	\$140
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum			\$3	\$15,463	\$0	\$15,466
Afghan Ukrainian Refugees			\$0	\$28,087	\$0	\$28,087
E&T Special Needs - SNAP Support Services			\$536	\$536	\$0	\$1,072
Work Activities Experience - EARN			\$0	\$5,876	\$0	\$5,876
PA Workwear			\$0	\$2,179	\$0	\$2,179
Rapid Rehousing			\$0	\$90	\$0	\$90
Summer EBT Program			\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000
LIHEAP						
- Cash Program (single payment)	292,867	\$395.06	\$0	\$115,700	\$0	\$115,700
- Crisis Program (single payment)	128,222	\$451.17	\$0	\$57,850	\$0	\$57,850
- Heat and Eat Initiative			\$0	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000
Disability Advocacy Program (DAP)			\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
<b>Subtotal Grants &amp; Subsidies</b>			<b>\$14,371</b>	<b>\$488,763</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$503,135</b>
<b><u>FEDERAL SUBGRANT</u></b>						
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum Subgrant			\$0	\$8,550	\$0	\$8,550
<b>Subtotal Federal Subgrant</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,550</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,550</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$20,141</b>	<b>\$504,307</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$524,449</b>
<i>Budgetary Reserve/Excess Appropriation Authority</i>			\$0	\$139,229	\$0	\$139,229
<b>Total Requirement</b>			<b>\$20,141</b>	<b>\$643,536</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$663,678</b>

**Cash Grants**  
**2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**

	<u>Caseload</u>	<u>Avg Pmt</u>	<b>State</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>						
EBT Contract			\$5,797	\$2,635	\$0	\$8,432
EBT Fraud Mitigation			\$1,509	\$0	\$0	\$1,509
Summer EBT (SUN Bucks) Contract			\$2,575	\$2,575	\$0	\$5,150
Bad Debt Expense - Pa. State Collection and Disbursement Unit			\$45	\$0	\$0	\$45
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum			\$0	\$203	\$0	\$203
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>			<b>\$9,926</b>	<b>\$5,413</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,339</b>
<b>GRANTS &amp; SUBSIDIES</b>						
- Regular TANF Payment			\$2,076	\$35,265	\$0	\$37,341
- Work Support Phase Two (State Only)			\$6,500	\$0	\$0	\$6,500
- TANF Payment - (MOE)			\$450	\$0	\$0	\$450
- TANF Diversion			\$0	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500
- Extended TANF100% Federal			\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
- Transitional Cash Assistance Program (\$100 per month)			\$0	\$3,075	\$0	\$3,075
- Work Expense Reimbursement			\$20	\$200	\$0	\$220
SUBTOTAL TANF Payments	41,637	\$150.28	\$9,046	\$66,040	\$0	\$75,086
Support Services			\$482	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,982
State Blind Pension	28	\$86.96	\$29	\$0	\$0	\$29
Refugee Assistance Claims			\$0	\$6,520	\$0	\$6,520
Emergency Shelter			\$250	\$0	\$0	\$250
Medical Assistance Transportation			\$375	\$171	\$0	\$546
Child Support County Payment			\$7,900	\$0	\$0	\$7,900
Child Support Collections			(\$8,789)	\$0	\$0	(\$8,789)
Unreimbursed Assistance Payments (URA-Child Support Collections)			\$250	\$0	\$0	\$250
Support Pass Through			\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
Restitution & Reimbursement Collections			(\$1,750)	(\$1,628)	\$0	(\$3,378)
Operation Warm			\$175	\$0	\$0	\$175
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum			\$3	\$15,463	\$0	\$15,466
Afghan Ukrainian Refugees			\$0	\$28,087	\$0	\$28,087
E&T Special Needs - SNAP Support Services			\$737	\$335	\$0	\$1,072
Work Activities Experience - EARN			\$0	\$5,876	\$0	\$5,876
PA Workwear			\$0	\$2,179	\$0	\$2,179
Rapid Rehousing			\$0	\$90	\$0	\$90
Summer EBT Program			\$0	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000
LIHEAP						
- Cash Program (single payment)	292,867	\$395.06	\$0	\$115,700	\$0	\$115,700
- Crisis Program (single payment)	128,222	\$451.17	\$0	\$57,850	\$0	\$57,850
- Heat and Eat Initiative			\$0	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000
Disability Advocacy Program (DAP)			\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
<b>Subtotal Grants &amp; Subsidies</b>			<b>\$14,709</b>	<b>\$485,183</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$499,892</b>
<b>FEDERAL SUBGRANT</b>						
Refugees and Persons Seeking Asylum Subgrant			\$0	\$8,550	\$0	\$8,550
<b>Subtotal Federal Subgrant</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,550</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,550</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$24,635</b>	<b>\$499,146</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$523,781</b>
<i>Budgetary Reserve/Excess Appropriation Authority</i>			\$0	\$125,325	\$0	\$125,325
<b>Total Requirement</b>			<b>\$24,635</b>	<b>\$624,471</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$649,106</b>

## **CASH GRANTS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Cash Grants appropriation funds direct money payments and supportive services to eligible individuals, enabling them to meet the expenses of everyday living. Cash Grants include Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and the State Blind Pension (SBP). The latter program is completely state-funded, while the TANF program is funded by a federal block grant, which the Department supplements with state funds to meet federally mandated maintenance-of-effort requirements.

The following table shows the monthly average number of persons receiving cash grants by program since Fiscal Year 2023-2024:

	Actual Fiscal Year 2023-2024	Actual Fiscal Year 2024-2025	Estimated Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Estimated Fiscal year 2026-2027
SBP	43	38	32	28
TANF	61,432	51,144	43,454	41,637

Per state rules, all TANF adult recipients are required to participate for an average of at least 20 hours per week in one or more of the following work activities: unsubsidized employment; subsidized private sector employment; subsidized public sector employment; work experience; on-the-job training; job search and job readiness assistance; community service programs; vocational education training; job skills training directly related to employment; education directly related to employment in the case of a recipient who has not received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency; satisfactory attendance at a secondary school or course of study leading to a certificate of general equivalence in the case of a recipient who has not completed secondary school or received such a certificate; or the provision of child care services to an individual who is participating in a community service program.

### **ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER**

The Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) system is mandated by the Federal Food and Nutrition Service to provide debit card access to all Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs (SNAP) and most cash benefits through point-of-sale terminals and automatic teller machines at thousands of locations throughout Pennsylvania. This EBT method of benefit issuance is universally accepted by clients and advocates alike. Services include: a centralized card issuance function augmenting County Assistance Office card production; a call-in Personal Identification Number selection capability; a browser-based system access application for EBT staff, clients, and retailers; and data warehouse functionality. The EBT system has proven to be both an effective and efficient method of delivering benefits while providing improved documentation used for audit controls and fraud detection.

### **SUMMER EBT (SUN BUCKS)**

In 2024, the Department implemented the Summer EBT program in partnership with the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Summer EBT is an optional federal program created by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 and is administered by participating states. Summer EBT provides a benefit, like SNAP, to eligible low-income households with school aged children. The households receive the Summer EBT benefit to help offset the costs of feeding their school age children during the summer months in which the children do not attend school. Unlike SNAP benefits, Summer EBT funds are issued directly to the participating state as an annual grant to administer the program and to cover the benefits issued.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Supplemental Grants - Aged, Blind and Disabled

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$114,745	\$114,136	\$113,842
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$114,745</b>	<b>\$114,136</b>	<b>\$113,842</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Supplemental Grants - Aged, Blind and Disabled				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$4,291	\$4,342	\$4,355	\$13	0.30%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$4,291	\$4,342	\$4,355	\$13	0.30%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$110,454	\$109,794	\$109,487	(\$307)	-0.28%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$110,454	\$109,794	\$109,487	(\$307)	-0.28%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$114,745	\$114,136	\$113,842	(\$294)	-0.26%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$114,745	\$114,136	\$113,842	(\$294)	-0.26%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Supplemental Grants - Aged, Blind and Disabled

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$406	\$1,633	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget is based on monthly projections of the number of persons who will receive supplemental grants in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 multiplied by the Commonwealth's Supplemental Cash payment supporting the basic federal monthly grant payment.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 432

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Payments to recipients are dispersed by the Department for all clients except those in the Domiciliary Care and Personal Care Homes. Those payments are made through the Social Security Administration.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Supplemental Grants - Aged, Blind and Disabled

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Reflects an overall increase in administrative fees for payments issued by the Social Security Administration (SSA) as a part of federal monthly issuance. The actual fees per check are projected to increase from \$15.63 per check to \$15.83 per check, effective October 1, 2026:	<u>\$13</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$13</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease of 929 (from 332,347 to 331,418) in the monthly average number of recipients projected to utilize the program during Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$29)	\$0	\$0	(\$29)
2. Reflects a decrease in supplementary payments to Personal Care Homes and Domiciliary Care Homes during Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$278)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$278)</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	(\$307)	\$0	\$0	(\$307)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>(\$294)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$294)</u></u>

**SUPPLEMENTAL GRANTS AGED, BLIND AND DISABLED  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE BUDGET  
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)**

	2024-2025 Recipients	2025-2026 Recipients	2026-2027 Recipients	Change
July	331,903 *	331,379 *	331,505	126
August	330,577 *	333,160 *	331,313	(1,847)
September	333,183 *	335,097 *	331,120	(3,977)
October	332,008 *	331,392 *	330,736	(656)
November	331,618 *	331,200	330,544	(656)
December	333,679 *	332,856	332,538	(317)
January	331,120 *	332,662	332,152	(510)
February	334,043 *	332,469	331,960	(510)
March	334,620 *	332,276	331,574	(702)
April	336,232 *	332,083	331,382	(702)
May	342,341 *	331,891	331,189	(701)
June	334,313	331,698	330,997	(701)
<b>Average Monthly</b>	<b>333,803</b>	<b>332,347</b>	<b>331,418</b>	<b>(929)</b>

\* Reflects Actuals

Mo. Avg. Recipients	Avg. Pay't.	Mo.		
332,347	\$27.53	12	\$102,289	Base Program Cost
			\$259	Administration Fee \$15.22/check until Oct. 1, 2025
			\$794	Final Administration Fee \$15.63/check after Oct. 1, 2025
2,773	\$200.00	12	\$6,655	Supplementary Payments to PCH's
354	\$200.00	12	\$850	Supplementary Payments to DCH's
			\$3,289	Supplemental Security Income In-House Issuances
			\$114,136	Total Program
			\$114,136	State Enacted
			\$0	Change from Enacted

**SUPPLEMENTAL GRANTS AGED, BLIND AND DISABLED  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE BUDGET  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)**

	2024-2025 Recipients	2025-2026 Recipients	2026-2027 Recipients	Change
July	331,903 *	331,379 *	331,505	126
August	330,577 *	333,160 *	331,313	(1,847)
September	333,183 *	335,097 *	331,120	(3,977)
October	332,008 *	331,392 *	330,736	(656)
November	331,618 *	331,200	330,544	(656)
December	333,679 *	332,856	332,538	(317)
January	331,120 *	332,662	332,152	(510)
February	334,043 *	332,469	331,960	(510)
March	334,620 *	332,276	331,574	(702)
April	336,232 *	332,083	331,382	(702)
May	342,341 *	331,891	331,189	(701)
June	334,313	331,698	330,997	(701)
<b>Average Monthly</b>	<b>333,803</b>	<b>332,347</b>	<b>331,418</b>	<b>(929)</b>

Mo. Avg. Recipients	Avg. Pay't.	Mo.		
331,418	\$27.53	12	\$102,261	Base Program Cost
			\$264	Administration Fee \$15.63/check until Oct. 1, 2026
			\$802	Estimated Administration Fee \$15.83/check after Oct. 1, 2026
2,671	\$200.00	12	\$6,410	Supplementary Payments to PCH's
340	\$200.00	12	\$816	Supplementary Payments to DCH's
			\$3,289	Supplemental Security Income In-House Issuances
			\$113,842	Total Program
			\$114,136	FY 2025-2026 Available
			(\$294)	Change from Available

## SUPPLEMENTAL GRANTS – AGED, BLIND AND DISABLED

### PROGRAM STATEMENT

The Social Security Administration established the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Program in 1974 to provide support to aged, blind, and disabled persons. The federal government administers the SSI program and provides monthly grants of \$994.00 per individual and \$1,491.00 per couple (effective January 1, 2026). Pennsylvania augments these grants by issuing monthly supplementary payments (SSP) of \$22.10 per individual and a maximum of \$33.30 (\$16.65 per person) for couples. For an individual living with someone other than a spouse, and who does not pay a fair share of the household expenses such as food or rent, the maximum SSP is \$25.53 for an individual and \$38.44 for a couple in which both are eligible for SSI (\$19.22 per person).

	Actual Fiscal Year 2023-2024	Actual Fiscal Year 2024-2025	Estimated Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Estimate Fiscal Year 2026-2027
SSI	331,391	333,803	332,347	331,418

The Domiciliary Care Program, administered by the Department of Aging, provides an opportunity for SSI recipients aged 18 and over who have functional limitations, to live in homes approved by a state-certified placement agency as domiciliary care homes. The primary goal is to provide an appropriate level of care for disabled persons whose needs can be met in the community rather than in nursing homes or other institutional care facilities. Act 54 of 2022 increased the monthly state supplemental amount by \$200.00. As of January 2023, the monthly state supplement for this program is \$634.30 for individuals and \$1,347.40 per couple.

The Personal Care Home Supplemental Program provides monthly grants to help meet the cost of personal care services for functionally disabled SSI recipients in personal care homes. The primary goals are to strengthen both informal and formal community support systems and decrease emphasis on the use of nursing homes and institutional care. Act 54 of 2022 increased the monthly state supplement amount by \$200.00. As of January 2023, the monthly SSP for this program is \$639.30 for individuals and \$1,357.40 per couple.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Capitation**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$3,557,219	\$3,792,846 <sup>1</sup>	\$4,358,991
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$14,665,247	\$16,065,198	\$16,575,288
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Capitation</i>	\$14,665,247	\$16,065,198	\$16,575,288
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$3,247,778	\$3,714,536	\$3,444,571
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MCO Assessment</i>	\$1,948,009	\$2,109,989	\$2,135,498
<i>Statewide Hospital Assessment</i>	\$1,295,861	\$1,300,072	\$1,298,332
<i>Ambulance IGT</i>	\$3,908	\$4,475	\$10,741
<i>Joint Underwriting Association</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$300,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$21,470,244	\$23,572,580	\$24,378,850

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

<b>State Funds</b>	\$111,054
<b>Federal Funds</b>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$111,054

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$111.054 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$3,681.792 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Capitation				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$47,203	\$65,348	\$70,838	\$5,490	8.40%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$91,614	\$168,411	\$177,610	\$9,199	5.46%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$138,817</b>	<b>\$233,759</b>	<b>\$248,448</b>	<b>\$14,689</b>	<b>6.28%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$3,510,016	\$3,727,498	\$4,288,153	\$560,655	15.04%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$14,573,633	\$15,239,232	\$16,397,678	\$1,158,446	7.60%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$3,247,778	\$3,714,536	\$3,444,571	(\$269,965)	-7.27%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$21,331,427</b>	<b>\$22,681,266</b>	<b>\$24,130,402</b>	<b>\$1,449,136</b>	<b>6.39%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$657,555	\$0	(\$657,555)	-100.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$657,555</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$657,555)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$3,557,219	\$3,792,846	\$4,358,991	\$566,145	14.93%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$14,665,247	\$16,065,198	\$16,575,288	\$510,090	3.18%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$3,247,778	\$3,714,536	\$3,444,571	(\$269,965)	-7.27%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$21,470,244</b>	<b>\$23,572,580</b>	<b>\$24,378,850</b>	<b>\$806,270</b>	<b>3.42%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Capitation**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$314,929	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 Funding projections are derived from actuarial forecasting models developed on the basis of persons estimated to be eligible for Medical Assistance by recipient aid category and monthly managed care per capita rates adjusted to reflect inflation and/or technical adjustments to reimbursements. Estimates also include impacts of changes in program policies, cash flow adjustments, and contracts.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. § 443.5; 42 CFR Part 438; 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 The capitation Managed Care Organization (MCO) must be a Medical Assistance Program contractor; the recipient of the services must be deemed eligible for Medical Assistance benefits, and must be enrolled in the capitation MCO; and the billed monthly premium must be in accordance with the negotiated rate. Payments are disbursed upon successful completion of pre-payment reviews and availability of funding.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Capitation			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. The Governor's Executive Budget includes \$248.448 million (\$70.838 million in state funds) for the continuation of major contracted services for this appropriation:	\$5,490	\$9,199	\$0	\$14,689
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Physical Health Program				
A. Provides for a projected increase in the average per capita rate from \$587.32 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$613.33 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$234,112	\$494,811	\$0	\$728,923
B. Reflects a projected increase in member months from 27.802 million in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 28.029 million in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$42,829	\$90,522	\$0	\$133,351
2. Behavioral Health Program				
A. Provides for a projected increase in the average per capita rate from \$168.21 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$176.29 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$92,020	\$178,341	\$0	\$270,361
B. Reflects a projected increase in member months from 33.135 million in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 33.431 million in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$16,901	\$32,755	\$0	\$49,656
3. Maternity Care				
A. Provides for a projected increase in the average per capita rate from \$8,184.63 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$8,449.85 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$4,259	\$6,637	\$0	\$10,896
B. Reflects an increase in projected utilization from 40,462 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 41,084 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,990	\$3,101	\$0	\$5,091
<b>Subtotal Physical Health, Behavioral Health and Maternity Care Cost and Utilization</b>	<b>\$392,111</b>	<b>\$806,167</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,198,278</b>

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Capitation			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>4. Other Provider Payments</b>				
A. Reflects a change in Behavioral Health Reinvestment Funds:	(\$2,190)	(\$2,811)	\$0	(\$5,001)
B. Provides for a contractually required increase in the Managed Care Organization (MCO) Pay-for-Performance program funding as a result of more MCOs exceeding Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) performance measures and select Pennsylvania Performance Measures:	\$10,045	\$20,972	\$0	\$31,017
C. Reflects increased high cost risk sharing projections in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$4,252	\$5,262	\$0	\$9,514
D. Provides for the contractually required Medication Adherence Incentive Program:	\$23	\$77	\$0	\$100
E. Reflects an increase in the non-risk sharing arrangement for specific high-cost gene therapies for beneficiaries with hemophilia and beta thalassemia:	\$2,550	\$3,128	\$0	\$5,678
F. Impact of removing rate adjustments made during Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	(\$17,978)	(\$35,588)	\$0	(\$53,566)
<b>Subtotal Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>(\$3,298)</b>	<b>(\$8,960)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$12,258)</b>
<b>5. Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>				
A. Impact of a projected increase in the transfer to the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities program:	(\$824)	(\$997)	\$0	(\$1,821)
B. Reflects the end of ARPA HCBS funding for ongoing programs:	\$17,766	\$0	\$0	\$17,766
C. Reflects a projected decrease in pharmacy rebates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$84,000	\$205,655	\$0	\$289,655
D. Impact of cash flow adjustments relating to the MCO Assessment portion of the delayed capitation payments for Behavioral Health:	\$1,974	\$1,708	\$0	\$3,682
E. Impact of the discontinuation of transfers of payments to MA-Physician Practice Plans, effective July 1, 2026:	\$6,571	\$8,220	\$0	\$14,791

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Capitation			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
F. Provides for the continuation of contracted services for this appropriation:	(\$1,029)	(\$1,029)	\$0	(\$2,058)
G. Impact of a projected increase in MCO Assessment revenue:	(\$25,509)	\$0	\$25,509	\$0
H. Impact of a projected decrease in Statewide Hospital Assessment revenue:	\$1,740	\$0	(\$1,740)	\$0
I. Impact of annualization of the Ambulance Intergovernmental Transfer:	(\$6,266)	\$0	\$6,266	\$0
J. Impact of replacing nonrecurring revenue received from the Joint Underwriting Association settlement:	\$300,000	\$0	(\$300,000)	\$0
K. Impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) (an increase from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026). Full-year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$194,071)	\$194,071	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts	\$184,352	\$407,628	(\$269,965)	\$322,015
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of the excess federal appropriation authority in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	\$0	(\$657,555)	\$0	(\$657,555)
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Minimum Wage Increase				
A. Reflects savings from decreased HealthChoices enrollment related to the change in minimum wage to \$15 per hour effective January 1, 2027:	(\$12,510)	(\$46,389)	\$0	(\$58,899)
Subtotal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives	(\$12,510)	(\$46,389)	\$0	(\$58,899)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>\$5,490</b>	<b>\$9,199</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$14,689</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<b>\$560,655</b>	<b>\$1,158,446</b>	<b>(\$269,965)</b>	<b>\$1,449,136</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$657,555)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$657,555)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$566,145</b>	<b>\$510,090</b>	<b>(\$269,965)</b>	<b>\$806,270</b>

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**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

Month of Payment	Total	Federal	State	Total Enrollment	Average Per Capita
<b><u>PHYSICAL HEALTH</u></b>					
July 2025	\$1,334,909,325	\$899,578,835	\$435,330,490	2,344,310	\$569.43
August	\$1,363,207,608	\$918,551,480	\$444,656,128	2,340,375	\$582.47
September	\$1,356,003,258	\$913,505,322	\$442,497,936	2,328,610	\$582.32
October	\$1,303,929,276	\$886,741,055	\$417,188,221	2,314,828	\$563.29
November	\$1,348,698,501	\$917,041,803	\$431,656,698	2,314,321	\$582.76
December	\$1,304,833,876	\$886,964,743	\$417,869,133	2,303,605	\$566.43
January 2026	\$1,342,453,623	\$912,795,624	\$429,657,999	2,303,605	\$582.76
February	\$1,390,799,608	\$945,668,271	\$445,131,337	2,303,605	\$603.75
March	\$1,392,885,562	\$947,086,606	\$445,798,956	2,307,060	\$603.75
April	\$1,394,975,137	\$948,507,404	\$446,467,733	2,310,521	\$603.75
May	\$1,397,067,732	\$949,930,255	\$447,137,477	2,313,987	\$603.75
June	\$1,399,163,345	\$951,355,158	\$447,808,187	2,317,458	\$603.75
Total Physical Health	\$16,328,926,851	\$11,077,726,556	\$5,251,200,295	27,802,285	\$587.32
<b><u>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</u></b>					
July 2025	\$447,910,799	\$293,438,604	\$154,472,195	2,784,223	\$160.87
August	\$462,633,040	\$302,994,625	\$159,638,415	2,781,233	\$166.34
September	\$461,425,149	\$302,101,570	\$159,323,579	2,773,583	\$166.36
October	\$444,824,128	\$294,070,269	\$150,753,859	2,760,890	\$161.12
November	\$459,938,691	\$304,070,443	\$155,868,248	2,761,574	\$166.55
December	\$443,170,077	\$292,849,453	\$150,320,624	2,747,505	\$161.30
January 2026	\$457,595,506	\$302,521,338	\$155,074,168	2,747,505	\$166.55
February	\$477,784,974	\$315,868,814	\$161,916,160	2,747,505	\$173.90
March	\$478,501,607	\$316,342,588	\$162,159,019	2,751,626	\$173.90
April	\$479,219,283	\$316,817,051	\$162,402,232	2,755,753	\$173.90
May	\$479,938,176	\$317,292,319	\$162,645,857	2,759,887	\$173.90
June	\$480,658,113	\$317,768,277	\$162,889,836	2,764,027	\$173.90
Total Behavioral Health	\$5,573,599,543	\$3,676,135,351	\$1,897,464,192	33,135,311	\$168.21
<b><u>MATERNITY</u></b>					
July 2025	\$23,403,599	\$14,150,435	\$9,253,164	2,924	\$8,003.97
August	\$24,720,287	\$15,014,649	\$9,705,638	3,074	\$8,041.73
September	\$32,252,876	\$19,555,088	\$12,697,788	3,987	\$8,089.51
October	\$26,816,212	\$16,532,007	\$10,284,205	3,292	\$8,145.87
November	\$27,353,840	\$16,863,450	\$10,490,390	3,358	\$8,145.87
December	\$27,899,613	\$16,907,165	\$10,992,448	3,425	\$8,145.87
January 2026	\$28,461,678	\$17,247,777	\$11,213,901	3,494	\$8,145.87
February	\$26,465,939	\$16,038,359	\$10,427,580	3,249	\$8,145.87
March	\$26,995,421	\$16,359,225	\$10,636,196	3,314	\$8,145.87
April	\$28,359,040	\$17,185,578	\$11,173,462	3,380	\$8,390.25
May	\$28,929,577	\$17,531,324	\$11,398,253	3,448	\$8,390.25
June	\$29,508,504	\$17,882,153	\$11,626,351	3,517	\$8,390.25
Total Maternity	\$331,166,586	\$201,267,210	\$129,899,376	40,462	\$8,184.63

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**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	Total	Federal	State
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>			
MCO Pay-for-Performance Program (P4P)	\$186,354,491	\$126,004,387	\$60,350,104
Hospital Quality Incentive Program	\$110,000,000	\$74,298,654	\$35,701,346
Integrated Care Plan Program	\$11,000,000	\$7,368,278	\$3,631,722
IMD Recoupments	(\$804,000)	(\$667,320)	(\$136,680)
High Cost Risk Sharing	\$190,274,994	\$105,238,946	\$85,036,048
Medication Adherence	\$880,000	\$678,328	\$201,672
High Cost Gene Therapy	\$113,560,317	\$62,560,378	\$50,999,939
Inpatient State Directed Payments	\$1,304,806,976	\$876,047,404	\$428,759,572
Outpatient State Directed Payments	\$1,030,200,341	\$713,619,776	\$316,580,565
Physician State Directed Payments	\$65,074,558	\$47,927,412	\$17,147,146
Critical Access State Directed Payment	\$62,543,000	\$44,180,375	\$18,362,625
Children's Hospital State Directed Payments	\$64,945,274	\$44,448,546	\$20,496,728
AMC State Directed Payments	\$297,450,000	\$217,108,755	\$80,341,245
Retro Rate Adjustments (PH)	\$53,566,056	\$35,588,056	\$17,978,000
<b>Total Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$3,489,852,007</b>	<b>\$2,354,401,975</b>	<b>\$1,135,450,032</b>
<b>Total Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$25,723,544,987</b>	<b>\$17,309,531,092</b>	<b>\$8,414,013,895</b>
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>			
EA for Workers with Disabilities (4/25-3/26)	(\$443,881,823)	(\$242,973,822)	(\$200,908,001)
EA for Family Planning Services (4/25-3/26)	\$0	\$29,000,000	(\$29,000,000)
Enhanced HCBS Adjustment	(\$17,766,000)	\$0	(\$17,766,000)
Third Party Liability Recoveries	(\$32,099,294)	(\$17,917,023)	(\$14,182,271)
Pharmacy Rebates	(\$2,444,827,586)	(\$1,735,827,586)	(\$709,000,000)
Quarterly Rebate Offset Amount (QROA)	(\$100,000,000)	(\$100,000,000)	\$0
Transfer to Physician Practice Plans	(\$14,791,223)	(\$8,220,223)	(\$6,571,000)
MCO Assessment (BH)	(\$2,667,344)	(\$1,237,438)	(\$1,429,906)
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$3,056,033,270)</b>	<b>(\$2,077,176,092)</b>	<b>(\$978,857,178)</b>

**Capitation**  
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**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	Total	Federal	State
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>			
External Quality Review	\$2,058,736	\$1,254,756	\$803,980
Contracted Legal Support	\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000
Claims Processing and PROMISe contract costs	\$128,249,846	\$99,079,508	\$29,170,338
Actuarial Contract (PH and BH)	\$21,791,000	\$10,895,500	\$10,895,500
Technical Assistance Contract (PH)	\$9,924,811	\$4,962,406	\$4,962,405
Technical Assistance Contract (BH)	\$3,650,000	\$1,825,000	\$1,825,000
TPL Data Exchange	\$1,800,000	\$900,000	\$900,000
Clinical Consultants	\$4,111,052	\$2,816,430	\$1,294,622
MMIS Modernization	\$31,763,592	\$28,586,081	\$3,177,511
Revenue Maximization	\$4,863,000	\$0	\$4,863,000
COE Learning Network	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$1,200,000
Consumer Education	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
PA Patient & Provider Network	\$8,064,000	\$6,739,200	\$1,324,800
OIM - MA Fast Track Initiative	\$475,000	\$356,250	\$118,750
Analysis Software License	\$140,965	\$70,483	\$70,482
HHS CMS BCI Hub Services	\$14,567,000	\$10,925,250	\$3,641,750
Total Operating	\$233,759,002	\$168,410,864	\$65,348,138
<b><u>GRANTS</u></b>			
Enrollment Assistance Program	\$13,754,435	\$6,877,218	\$6,877,217
Total Grants	\$13,754,435	\$6,877,218	\$6,877,217
Uncommitted Federal	\$657,554,918	\$657,554,918	\$0
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$23,572,580,072</b>	<b>\$16,065,198,000</b>	<b>\$7,507,382,072</b>
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>			
MCO - Assessment	\$2,109,988,742	\$0	\$2,109,988,742
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$1,300,072,067	\$0	\$1,300,072,067
Ambulance IGT	\$4,475,408	\$0	\$4,475,408
Joint Underwriting Association	\$300,000,000	\$0	\$300,000,000
Total Revenue	\$3,714,536,217	\$0	\$3,714,536,217
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$19,858,043,855</b>	<b>\$16,065,198,000</b>	<b>\$3,792,845,855</b>
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount	\$19,746,990,000	\$16,065,198,000	\$3,681,792,000
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$111,053,855)	\$0	(\$111,053,855)

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**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

Month of Payment	Total	Federal	State	Total Enrollment	Average Per Capita
<b><u>PHYSICAL HEALTH</u></b>					
July 2026	\$1,401,261,978	\$952,782,115	\$448,479,863	2,320,934	\$603.75
August	\$1,403,363,628	\$954,211,123	\$449,152,505	2,324,415	\$603.75
September	\$1,405,468,902	\$955,642,595	\$449,826,307	2,327,902	\$603.75
October	\$1,407,577,194	\$969,425,749	\$438,151,445	2,331,394	\$603.75
November	\$1,409,688,505	\$970,879,850	\$438,808,655	2,334,891	\$603.75
December	\$1,411,802,834	\$972,336,029	\$439,466,805	2,338,393	\$603.75
January 2027	\$1,413,920,786	\$973,794,704	\$440,126,082	2,341,901	\$603.75
February	\$1,467,623,309	\$1,010,780,674	\$456,842,635	2,341,901	\$626.68
March	\$1,467,623,309	\$1,010,780,674	\$456,842,635	2,341,901	\$626.68
April	\$1,467,623,309	\$1,010,780,674	\$456,842,635	2,341,901	\$626.68
May	\$1,467,623,309	\$1,010,780,674	\$456,842,635	2,341,901	\$626.68
June	\$1,467,623,309	\$1,010,780,674	\$456,842,635	2,341,901	\$626.68
Total Physical Health	\$17,191,200,372	\$11,802,975,535	\$5,388,224,837	28,029,335	\$613.33
<b><u>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</u></b>					
July 2026	\$481,379,093	\$318,244,925	\$163,134,168	2,768,173	\$173.90
August	\$482,101,117	\$318,722,263	\$163,378,854	2,772,325	\$173.90
September	\$482,824,183	\$319,200,289	\$163,623,894	2,776,483	\$173.90
October	\$483,548,468	\$323,921,621	\$159,626,847	2,780,648	\$173.90
November	\$484,273,795	\$324,407,506	\$159,866,289	2,784,819	\$173.90
December	\$485,000,166	\$324,894,091	\$160,106,075	2,788,996	\$173.90
January 2027	\$485,727,580	\$325,381,374	\$160,346,206	2,793,179	\$173.90
February	\$501,752,357	\$336,116,124	\$165,636,233	2,793,179	\$179.63
March	\$501,752,357	\$336,116,124	\$165,636,233	2,793,179	\$179.63
April	\$501,752,357	\$336,116,124	\$165,636,233	2,793,179	\$179.63
May	\$501,752,357	\$336,116,124	\$165,636,233	2,793,179	\$179.63
June	\$501,752,357	\$336,116,124	\$165,636,233	2,793,179	\$179.63
Total Behavioral Health	\$5,893,616,187	\$3,935,352,689	\$1,958,263,498	33,430,518	\$176.29
<b><u>MATERNITY</u></b>					
July 2026	\$30,095,822	\$18,553,863	\$11,541,959	3,587	\$8,390.25
August	\$28,291,918	\$17,441,769	\$10,850,149	3,372	\$8,390.25
September	\$28,854,065	\$17,788,329	\$11,065,736	3,439	\$8,390.25
October	\$29,432,992	\$18,307,583	\$11,125,409	3,508	\$8,390.25
November	\$30,020,309	\$18,672,899	\$11,347,410	3,578	\$8,390.25
December	\$30,624,407	\$19,048,654	\$11,575,753	3,650	\$8,390.25
January 2027	\$28,786,943	\$17,905,735	\$10,881,208	3,431	\$8,390.25
February	\$29,365,870	\$18,265,832	\$11,100,038	3,500	\$8,390.25
March	\$27,603,918	\$17,169,883	\$10,434,035	3,290	\$8,390.25
April	\$29,002,404	\$18,039,753	\$10,962,651	3,356	\$8,641.96
May	\$27,265,371	\$16,959,303	\$10,306,068	3,155	\$8,641.96
June	\$27,809,815	\$17,297,952	\$10,511,863	3,218	\$8,641.96
Total Maternity	\$347,153,834	\$215,451,555	\$131,702,279	41,084	\$8,449.85

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	Total	Federal	State
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>			
BH Reinvestment Sharing	(\$5,000,000)	(\$2,810,500)	(\$2,189,500)
MCO Pay-for-Performance Program (P4P)	\$217,371,478	\$151,674,781	\$65,696,697
Hospital Quality Incentive Program	\$110,000,000	\$77,000,000	\$33,000,000
Integrated Care Plan Program	\$11,000,000	\$7,368,278	\$3,631,722
IMD Recoupments	(\$804,000)	(\$667,320)	(\$136,680)
High Cost Risk Sharing	\$199,788,744	\$110,682,964	\$89,105,780
Medication Adherence	\$980,000	\$686,000	\$294,000
High Cost Gene Therapy	\$119,238,333	\$68,052,298	\$51,186,035
Inpatient State Directed Payments	\$1,304,806,976	\$876,047,404	\$428,759,572
Outpatient State Directed Payments	\$1,030,200,341	\$713,619,776	\$316,580,565
Physician State Directed Payments	\$65,074,558	\$47,927,412	\$17,147,146
Critical Access State Directed Payment	\$62,543,000	\$44,180,375	\$18,362,625
Children's Hospital State Directed Payments	\$64,945,274	\$44,448,546	\$20,496,728
AMC State Directed Payments	\$297,450,000	\$217,108,755	\$80,341,245
<b>Total Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$3,477,594,704</b>	<b>\$2,355,318,769</b>	<b>\$1,122,275,935</b>
<b>Total Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$26,909,565,097</b>	<b>\$18,309,098,548</b>	<b>\$8,600,466,549</b>
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>			
EA for Workers with Disabilities (4/26-3/27)	(\$445,702,644)	(\$252,887,647)	(\$192,814,997)
EA for Family Planning Services (4/26-3/27)	\$0	\$29,000,000	(\$29,000,000)
Third Party Liability Recoveries	(\$32,099,294)	(\$18,319,870)	(\$13,779,424)
Pharmacy Rebates	(\$2,155,172,414)	(\$1,530,172,414)	(\$625,000,000)
Quarterly Rebate Offset Amount (QROA)	(\$100,000,000)	(\$100,000,000)	\$0
MCO Assessment (BH)	\$1,014,407	\$1,500,623	(\$486,216)
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$2,731,959,945)</b>	<b>(\$1,870,879,308)</b>	<b>(\$861,080,637)</b>

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**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

	Total	Federal	State
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>			
External Quality Review	\$2,090,375	\$1,278,485	\$811,890
Contracted Legal Support	\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000
Claims Processing and PROMISe contract costs	\$136,662,595	\$107,163,382	\$29,499,213
Actuarial Contract (PH and BH)	\$23,007,222	\$11,503,611	\$11,503,611
Technical Assistance Contract (PH)	\$14,200,000	\$7,100,000	\$7,100,000
Technical Assistance Contract (BH)	\$4,250,000	\$2,125,000	\$2,125,000
TPL Data Exchange	\$1,800,000	\$900,000	\$900,000
Clinical Consultants	\$4,578,135	\$3,127,255	\$1,450,880
MMIS Modernization	\$27,402,295	\$24,662,065	\$2,740,230
Revenue Maximization	\$4,863,000	\$0	\$4,863,000
COE Learning Network	\$1,115,105	\$0	\$1,115,105
Consumer Education	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
PA Patient & Provider Network	\$6,527,592	\$4,895,694	\$1,631,898
OIM - MA Fast Track Initiative	\$559,000	\$419,250	\$139,750
Analysis Software License	\$137,212	\$68,606	\$68,606
HHS CMS BCI Hub Services	\$17,155,000	\$12,866,250	\$4,288,750
Resource Centers	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Total Operating	\$248,447,531	\$177,609,598	\$70,837,933
<b><u>GRANTS</u></b>			
Enrollment Assistance Program	\$11,697,199	\$5,848,599	\$5,848,600
Total Grants	\$11,697,199	\$5,848,599	\$5,848,600
<b><u>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</u></b>			
Minimum Wage Increase	(\$58,899,000)	(\$46,389,000)	(\$12,510,000)
Total 2026-2027 Initiatives	(\$58,899,000)	(\$46,389,000)	(\$12,510,000)
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$24,378,850,882</b>	<b>\$16,575,288,437</b>	<b>\$7,803,562,445</b>
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>			
MCO - Assessment	\$2,135,498,259	\$0	\$2,135,498,259
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$1,298,331,962	\$0	\$1,298,331,962
Ambulance IGT	\$10,740,980	\$0	\$10,740,980
Total Revenue	\$3,444,571,201	\$0	\$3,444,571,201
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$20,934,279,681</b>	<b>\$16,575,288,437</b>	<b>\$4,358,991,244</b>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE – CAPITATION**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

HealthChoices is Pennsylvania's comprehensive, mandatory managed care MA program. Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) provide MA benefits and ensure access to necessary health care services and limit waste and abuse through comprehensive management of services to meet the needs of their members. The MCOs provide each recipient with a Primary Care Provider, or "medical home," to promote continuity of medical care and encourage early detection and preventive medicine. HealthChoices serves more than 2.8 million MA consumers across the state.

### **PHYSICAL HEALTH - HEALTHCHOICES**

The Physical Health (PH) managed care program is managed by OMAP. Enrollment in the PH HealthChoices program is mandatory for most MA recipients. The program is administered through grant agreements with MCOs in five distinct zones:

- The PH HealthChoices Southeast Zone (five counties, implemented 1997).
- The PH HealthChoices Southwest Zone (14 counties, implemented 1999).
- The PH HealthChoices Lehigh/Capital Zone (13 counties, implemented 2001).
- The PH HealthChoices Northwest Zone (13 counties, implemented 2012).
- The PH HealthChoices Northeast Zone (22 counties, implemented 2013).

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - HEALTHCHOICES**

The Behavioral Health (BH) managed care program is currently managed by OMHSAS. The BH HealthChoices program has been mandatory for most recipients across the state, beginning in the Southeast Zone in 1997, with statewide expansion completed in 2007. The BH HealthChoices program is provided through contracts with counties that use independent BH MCOs.

- The BH HealthChoices Southeast Zone (five counties, implemented 1997).
- The BH HealthChoices Southwest Zone (9 counties, implemented 1999).
- The BH HealthChoices Lehigh/Capital Zone (10 counties, implemented 2001).
- The BH HealthChoices Northeast Zone (four counties, implemented 2006).
- The BH HealthChoices North/Central Zone (24 counties, implemented 2007).
- The BH HealthChoices North/Central County Option Zone (15 counties, implemented 2007).

### **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional ten percent federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the "Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

## **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes anticipated savings of \$12.510 million after increasing the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. Increasing the minimum wage generates economic activity, increases the purchasing power of Pennsylvania residents, and increases revenue to the Commonwealth. When fully implemented, an expected 60,800 beneficiaries will no longer qualify for MA and many of the children in these families will transition to CHIP.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:  
Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State Funds</b>	\$691,787	\$702,847 <sup>1</sup>	\$731,161
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$2,151,463	\$2,383,989	\$2,454,228
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service</i>	\$2,151,463	\$2,199,989 <sup>2</sup>	\$2,254,228
<i>Rural Health Transformation</i>	\$0	\$184,000 <sup>3</sup>	\$200,000
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$437,131	\$412,178	\$394,865
<b>Other Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Hospital Assessment</i>	\$278,270	\$263,233	\$247,821
<i>Statewide Hospital Assessment</i>	\$140,084	\$127,991	\$126,511
<i>Miscellaneous Outpatient</i>	\$2,506	\$3,180	\$2,500
<i>FQHC Alternate Payment Methodology IGT</i>	\$14,271	\$17,502	\$17,502
<i>Hospital IGT</i>	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
<i>Ambulance IGT</i>	\$0	\$272	\$531
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,280,381</b>	<b>\$3,499,014</b>	<b>\$3,580,254</b>

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

<b>State Funds</b>	\$7,997
<b>Federal Funds</b>	\$10,073
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>	
<i>Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service</i>	\$13,573
<i>Rural Health Transformation</i>	(\$3,500)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,070</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$7.997 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$694.850 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

<sup>2</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$13.573 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$2,186.416 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

<sup>3</sup> Includes a recommended appropriation reduction of \$3.500 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$187.500 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$21,824	\$28,553	\$28,987	\$434	1.52%
Federal Funds	\$41,203	\$62,942	\$65,660	\$2,718	4.32%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$63,027</b>	<b>\$91,495</b>	<b>\$94,647</b>	<b>\$3,152</b>	<b>3.44%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$669,963	\$674,294	\$702,174	\$27,880	4.13%
Federal Funds	\$1,955,414	\$2,168,692	\$2,229,670	\$60,978	2.81%
Other Funds	\$437,131	\$412,178	\$394,865	(\$17,313)	-4.20%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$3,062,508</b>	<b>\$3,255,164</b>	<b>\$3,326,709</b>	<b>\$71,545</b>	<b>2.20%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$154,846	\$150,898	\$157,574	\$6,676	4.42%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$154,846</b>	<b>\$150,898</b>	<b>\$157,574</b>	<b>\$6,676</b>	<b>4.42%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$1,457	\$1,324	(\$133)	-9.13%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,457</b>	<b>\$1,324</b>	<b>(\$133)</b>	<b>-9.13%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$691,787	\$702,847	\$731,161	\$28,314	4.03%
Federal Funds	\$2,151,463	\$2,383,989	\$2,454,228	\$70,239	2.95%
Other Funds	\$437,131	\$412,178	\$394,865	(\$17,313)	-4.20%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$3,280,381</b>	<b>\$3,499,014</b>	<b>\$3,580,254</b>	<b>\$81,240</b>	<b>2.32%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$214	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Funding projections are derived from actuarial forecasting models developed on the basis of persons estimated to be eligible for Medical Assistance by recipient aid category, incidence of service utilization and cost per service by recipient aid category, and adjustments to service unit costs to reflect inflation and/or technical adjustments to reimbursements. Estimates also include impacts of changes in program policies, cash flow adjustments, estimates of refunds, and contracts.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 443.1 (1), (1.1), and (1.4); 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The provider of service must be enrolled in the Medical Assistance program; the recipient of service must be deemed eligible for Medical Assistance benefits; and the service provided must be a covered Medical Assistance benefit. Reimbursement of covered services must be in accordance with promulgated fee schedules and rates of reimbursement. Payments are disbursed upon successful completion of prepayment screens and edits, and availability of funding.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Contracted Services				
A. The Governor's Executive Budget includes \$94.648 million (\$28.987 million in state funds) for the continuation of the major contracts for this appropriation:				
	\$434	\$2,718	\$0	\$3,152
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Utilization/Caseload				
A. Net impact of a projected increase in claims for prescription drugs:				
	\$3,639	\$4,163	\$0	\$7,802
B. Net impact of a projected increase in Medical Assistance (MA) claims:				
	\$7,245	\$37,890	\$0	\$45,135
Subtotal Utilization/Caseload	\$10,884	\$42,053	\$0	\$52,937
2. Other PROMISe Program Expenditures				
A. Impact of non-recurring Fiscal Year 2024-2025 payments made in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:				
	(\$20,695)	(\$34,445)	\$0	(\$55,140)
B. Impact of non-recurring Fiscal Year 2025-2026 legislated payments:				
	(\$14,550)	(\$30,916)	\$0	(\$45,466)
Subtotal Other PROMISe Program Expenditures	(\$35,245)	(\$65,361)	\$0	(\$100,606)
3. Non-PROMISe Program Expenditures				
A. Provides for a projected net increase in monthly Medicare Part A premium payments. The monthly rate is estimated to increase from an average rate of \$513.07 to an average rate of \$542.72; the number of average monthly premiums is expected to increase from 38,216 to 39,035:				
	\$8,365	\$10,568	\$0	\$18,933
B. Provides for a projected net increase in monthly Medicare Part B premium payments. The monthly rate is estimated to increase from an average rate of \$200.46 to an average rate of \$213.59; the number of average monthly premiums is expected to increase from 358,505 to 367,004:				
	\$34,583	\$43,690	\$0	\$78,273
C. Impact of the decrease in the premium for the Medicare Part B payments for Qualifying Individuals who apply for MA under the Healthy Horizons Categorically Needy eligibility requirements:				
	\$0	\$7,484	\$0	\$7,484

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
D. Impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) (an increase from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026). Full-year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(21,545)	\$21,545	\$0	\$0
E. Administrative Cash/Flow Impacts				
1) Impact of a projected net decrease in the transfer of expenditures to the MA for Workers with Disabilities program:	\$457	(\$239)	\$0	\$218
2) Impact of an estimated increase in Health Insurance Premium Payments (HIP):	\$22	\$33	\$0	\$55
3) Reflects the non-recurring rollforward of costs from Fiscal Year 2024-2025 to Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	(\$3,824)	\$0	\$0	(\$3,824)
4) Impact of House Resolution (HR) 1 limiting states to standard FMAP for Emergency Medical Assistance:	\$18,200	(\$18,200)	\$0	\$0
5) Net impact of a change in assessment payments and revenues:	\$15,153	\$0	(\$15,153)	\$0
6) Impact of miscellaneous adjustments:	<u>(\$318)</u>	<u>\$501</u>	<u>(\$2,160)</u>	<u>(\$1,977)</u>
Subtotal Administrative Cash/Flow Impacts	\$29,690	(\$17,905)	(\$17,313)	(\$5,528)
F. Impact of the anticipated decrease in pharmaceutical rebates:	(\$1,652)	(\$1,796)	\$0	(\$3,448)
G. Annualization of the Rural Health Transformation grant:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$16,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$16,000</u>
Subtotal Non-PROMISe Program Expenditures	\$49,441	\$79,586	(\$17,313)	\$111,714
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$25,080	\$56,278	(\$17,313)	\$64,045
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>				
1. Impact of a decrease in the claims related to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Education for reimbursement of Title XIX claims for School Based Health Services for MA eligible children:	\$0	\$6,676	\$0	\$6,676
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a change in the amount related to the Sickle Cell Disease Gene Therapy Model subgrant to the Department of Health:	\$0	(\$133)	\$0	(\$133)

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
<b>1. Improving Health Outcomes for Individuals Leaving Incarceration</b>				
A. Provides MA coverage for up to 90 days pre-release, ensuring access to substance use disorder treatment and intensive case management:	\$900	\$1,800	\$0	\$2,700
<b>2. Improving Health Through Nutrition</b>				
A. Provide medically-tailored meals to specific Medicaid populations with diet-sensitive conditions facing food insecurity:	\$900	\$1,400	\$0	\$2,300
<b>3. Reducing Avoidable Medical Care Through Housing Stability</b>				
A. Provides housing supports to certain individuals with chronic illnesses who have experienced high rates of healthcare utilization:	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$0	\$2,500
Subtotal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives	\$2,800	\$4,700	\$0	\$7,500
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	\$434	\$2,718	\$0	\$3,152
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	\$27,880	\$60,978	(\$17,313)	\$71,545
<b>TOTAL NONEXPENSE</b>	\$0	\$6,676	\$0	\$6,676
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	\$0	(\$133)	\$0	(\$133)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$28,314</u>	<u>\$70,239</u>	<u>(\$17,313)</u>	<u>\$81,240</u>

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<b>PROVIDER TYPE</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Claims</b>	<b>Cost Per Claim</b>
<b><u>INPATIENT PROVIDERS</u></b>					
Acute Care Hospital	\$479,295,833	\$339,395,519	\$139,900,314	35,608	\$13,460.23
Private Psychiatric Hospital	\$10,801,920	\$898,649	\$9,903,271	2,104	\$5,133.90
Inpatient Facility; Medical Rehab Hospital	\$2,955,060	\$2,227,081	\$727,979	226	\$13,052.99
Residential Treatment Facility (JCAHO Certified)	\$349,866	\$195,565	\$154,301	36	\$9,585.85
Inpatient Medical Rehab Unit	\$5,970,233	\$4,569,809	\$1,400,424	343	\$17,381.31
Private Psychiatric Unit	\$8,615,331	\$7,108,669	\$1,506,662	1,844	\$4,672.14
Drug & Alcohol Rehab Unit	\$52,305	\$44,725	\$7,580	15	\$3,441.76
<b>Subtotal Inpatient Providers</b>	<b>\$508,040,548</b>	<b>\$354,440,017</b>	<b>\$153,600,531</b>	<b>40,178</b>	<b>\$12,644.78</b>
<b><u>OUTPATIENT PROVIDERS</u></b>					
Prescription Drugs	\$91,031,647	\$52,249,459	\$38,782,188	835,763	\$108.92
Public Schools	\$150,897,848	\$150,897,848	\$0	1,833,343	\$82.31
Inpatient Facility	\$30,968,771	\$21,872,439	\$9,096,332	706,136	\$43.86
Ambulatory Surgical Center	\$511,145	\$260,109	\$251,036	1,368	\$373.64
Home Health	\$5,643,026	\$3,207,226	\$2,435,800	17,202	\$328.04
Hospice	\$1,036,972	\$579,949	\$457,023	3,407	\$304.37
Clinic	\$15,779,621	\$9,868,517	\$5,911,104	85,421	\$184.73
Mental Health/Substance Abuse	\$2,224,036	\$1,257,990	\$966,046	23,797	\$93.46
Pharmacy Non-Drug	\$6,937,529	\$3,890,030	\$3,047,499	125,414	\$55.32
DME/Medical Supplies	\$5,670,395	\$3,232,046	\$2,438,349	117,183	\$48.39
Transportation	\$14,687,817	\$10,683,777	\$4,004,040	44,512	\$329.97
Dentist	\$7,007,258	\$3,941,319	\$3,065,939	80,854	\$86.67
Laboratory	\$3,774,551	\$2,587,521	\$1,187,030	139,100	\$27.14
Renal Dialysis Center	\$5,312,783	\$4,051,919	\$1,260,864	60,460	\$87.87
Physician	\$52,330,271	\$36,198,649	\$16,131,622	869,890	\$60.16
Medically Fragile Foster Care	\$2,741,311	\$1,530,927	\$1,210,384	13,260	\$206.74
Miscellaneous Providers	\$2,276,781	\$1,301,359	\$975,422	100,137	\$22.74
<b>Subtotal Outpatient Providers</b>	<b>\$398,831,762</b>	<b>\$307,611,084</b>	<b>\$91,220,678</b>	<b>5,057,247</b>	<b>\$78.86</b>
<b>Total Fee-For-Service Providers</b>	<b>\$906,872,310</b>	<b>\$662,051,101</b>	<b>\$244,821,209</b>		
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>		
HCPCs Coding Changes	\$4,429,583	\$2,472,482	\$1,957,101		
FQHC Wraparound/Cost Settlements	\$50,829,007	\$31,513,984	\$19,315,023		
Inpatient Indirect Medical Education	\$184,718,018	\$124,167,452	\$60,550,566		
Outpatient Indirect Medical Education	\$77,185,816	\$51,884,306	\$25,301,510		
High Medical Assistance Children's Supplemental	\$57,604,406	\$42,327,718	\$15,276,688		
FFS Inpatient Supplemental	\$10,295,594	\$7,565,202	\$2,730,392		
Disproportionate Share Payments (Statewide)	\$73,994,308	\$41,301,773	\$32,692,535		
Inpatient DSH Adjustment	\$5,966,198	\$3,344,651	\$2,621,547		
Enhanced DSH Payment	\$25,647,895	\$14,378,210	\$11,269,685		
Sole and Community Hospital DSH	\$57,023,770	\$31,967,525	\$25,056,245		
Outpatient Supplemental (Statewide)	\$57,748,821	\$43,704,308	\$14,044,513		
Med Ed/Passthroughs	\$82,885,935	\$46,264,857	\$36,621,078		
Medical Education Payment	\$34,345,749	\$23,626,441	\$10,719,308		
Rehabilitation Adjustment	\$19,795,009	\$14,545,373	\$5,249,636		
MA Dependency Payment	\$36,543,930	\$26,852,480	\$9,691,450		
High Medical Assistance GME Payment	\$22,957,750	\$15,432,200	\$7,525,550		
Community Access Fund (CAF) Payments	\$30,589,288	\$17,070,129	\$13,519,160		
Graduate Medical Education to Train Psychiatrists	\$500,000	\$280,300	\$219,700		
MA Reliant	\$1,800,000	\$1,322,640	\$477,360		
UPMC Altoona (former CAF)	\$793,355	\$444,755	\$348,600		
Temple Access to Care Payment	\$16,640,874	\$9,328,874	\$7,312,000		
Mercy Catholic Access to Care Payment	\$1,657,646	\$929,276	\$728,370		
Lancaster Cleft Palate	\$921,711	\$516,711	\$405,000		
Community Psychiatry Fellowship	\$182,066	\$102,066	\$80,000		
Wills Eye	\$14,985,117	\$11,011,064	\$3,974,053		
Temple Inpatient Supplemental	\$103,095,413	\$75,001,913	\$28,093,500		
Temple Outpatient Supplemental	\$15,000,000	\$11,418,000	\$3,582,000		
Temple - Chestnut Hill	\$17,569,002	\$12,781,449	\$4,787,553		
St. Christopher Supplemental	\$50,105,275	\$36,817,356	\$13,287,919		
Riddle	\$14,678,899	\$10,678,899	\$4,000,000		
Mercy - Fitzgerald	\$7,339,450	\$5,339,450	\$2,000,000		
Children's Institute of Pittsburgh	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000		
Excelsa Westmoreland	\$4,587,156	\$3,337,156	\$1,250,000		
The Family Practice and Counseling Network	\$3,669,725	\$2,669,725	\$1,000,000		
St. Luke's	\$7,339,450	\$5,339,450	\$2,000,000		
Wyoming Valley BH	\$1,834,862	\$1,334,862	\$500,000		
Rural Hospital Supplemental	\$36,697,248	\$26,697,248	\$10,000,000		
Increase to Temple Access to Care (FY 24-25)	\$29,356,119	\$16,457,040	\$12,899,079		
Temple Outpatient Supplemental (FY 24-25)	\$23,000,000	\$16,454,200	\$6,545,800		
UPMC Mercy (FY 24-25)	\$2,783,344	\$1,533,344	\$1,250,000		
Health Enterprise Zone (HEZ)	\$6,742,437	\$0	\$6,742,437		
<b>Total Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$1,196,840,226</b>	<b>\$788,214,868</b>	<b>\$408,625,358</b>		

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	Total	Federal	State	Avg Monthly Eligibles	Avg \$ Per Eligible Per Month
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>					
Medicare Part A Premium Payments	\$235,288,086	\$131,331,927	\$103,956,159	38,216	\$513.07
Medicare Part B Buy-In	\$862,384,285	\$481,361,348	\$381,022,937	358,505	\$200.46
Medicare Part B Buy-In - Special MA Eligibility Provisions	\$70,387,089	\$70,387,089	\$0		
HIPP Premium Payments	\$53,089,002	\$31,853,401	\$21,235,601		
Expenditures Transferred to MA for Workers with Disabilities (4/25-3/26)	(\$15,346,737)	(\$8,344,695)	(\$7,002,042)		
Claim of Federal Funds for recipients in IMDs	\$0	\$4,755,743	(\$4,755,743)		
Project Access - Department of Education Administrative MOU					
- Subgrant reimbursement for LEA's of costs	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0		
- Medical Assistance Expenditure Adjustment (Project Access/PDE)	\$0	\$15,000,000	(\$15,000,000)		
Select Plan for Women Family Planning Council Grants	\$4,562,000	\$0	\$4,562,000		
Act 152/D & A Treatment Services (Grant & Subsidies Item)	\$13,254,000	\$0	\$13,254,000		
Act 22 Inmate Reimbursement (Corrections MOU)	(\$13,326,263)	\$0	(\$13,326,263)		
Carryforward of FY 2024-2025 Expenditures	\$3,824,106	\$0	\$3,824,106		
Sickle Cell Disease Gene Therapy Model (Subgrant to DOH)	\$1,456,400	\$1,456,400	\$0		
<b>Total Administrative Cash/Flow Impacts</b>	<b>\$1,235,571,968</b>	<b>\$747,801,213</b>	<b>\$487,770,755</b>		
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>					
School-Based Access Program Operational Costs	\$2,035,845	\$2,035,845	\$0		
Claims Processing and PROMISe Contract Costs	\$32,577,807	\$25,438,005	\$7,139,802		
MMIS Procurement	\$10,935,301	\$9,831,333	\$1,103,968		
Technical Assistance Contract	\$1,499,245	\$749,623	\$749,623		
Clinical Consultant	\$19,597,676	\$13,659,853	\$5,937,823		
InterQual Criteria	\$310,390	\$155,195	\$155,195		
Legal Support/Rate Setting	\$670,447	\$335,224	\$335,224		
Medical Review Team/SSI/Disability Advocacy Program (DAP)	\$3,666,667	\$1,833,334	\$1,833,334		
Revenue Maximization	\$4,564,200	\$0	\$4,564,200		
Legal Services	\$925,000	\$0	\$925,000		
Medicare Eligibility Identification	\$700,000	\$350,000	\$350,000		
Preferred Drug List	\$3,837,350	\$2,878,013	\$959,338		
TPL Data Exchange	\$1,400,000	\$700,000	\$700,000		
Health Policy Research Grants	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000		
Enrollment Revalidation Support	\$79,310	\$39,655	\$39,655		
DSH/FQHC Audits and Litigation	\$1,350,000	\$675,000	\$675,000		
Medicaid RMTS	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000		
OMAP Technology Assessment	\$42,200	\$21,100	\$21,100		
Hospital Cost Settlement Audit Review	\$110,000	\$0	\$110,000		
Fingerprinting	\$2,895	\$1,448	\$1,448		
PA Patient & Provider Network (P3N)	\$1,915,200	\$1,600,560	\$314,640		
Pharmacy Actuarial Services	\$2,225,700	\$1,112,850	\$1,112,850		
Innovation Support	\$200,236	\$100,118	\$100,118		
Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers (PCCRC)	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000		
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$91,495,469</b>	<b>\$62,942,153</b>	<b>\$28,553,316</b>		
<b><u>MANDATED FEDERAL/OTHER REQUIREMENTS</u></b>					
Third Party Liability Recoveries	(\$67,407,841)	(\$37,625,372)	(\$29,782,469)		
Provider/Medical Support Recoveries	(\$3,732,323)	(\$2,083,289)	(\$1,649,034)		
Refunds	(\$9,201,583)	(\$920,158)	(\$8,281,425)		
Pharmaceutical Company Rebates	(\$35,425,032)	(\$20,391,989)	(\$15,033,043)		
<b>Total Mandated Federal/Other Requirements</b>	<b>(\$115,766,779)</b>	<b>(\$61,020,808)</b>	<b>(\$54,745,971)</b>		
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$3,315,013,194</b>	<b>\$2,199,988,527</b>	<b>\$1,115,024,667</b>		
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>					
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$127,991,321	\$0	\$127,991,321		
Hospital Assessment (Philadelphia)	\$263,232,726	\$0	\$263,232,726		
FQHC Alternate Payment Methodology Intergovernmental Transfer	\$17,502,000	\$0	\$17,502,000		
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$3,179,966	\$0	\$3,179,966		
Ambulance IGT	\$271,924	\$0	\$271,924		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$412,177,937</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$412,177,937</b>		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$2,902,835,258</b>	<b>\$2,199,988,527</b>	<b>\$702,846,730</b>		
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$2,186,416,000	\$694,850,000		
Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$13,572,527)	(\$7,996,730)		
Rural Health Transformation		\$184,000,000			
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$187,500,000			
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$3,500,000			

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<b>PROVIDER TYPE</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Claims</b>	<b>Cost Per Claim</b>
<b><u>INPATIENT PROVIDERS</u></b>					
Acute Care Hospital	\$517,005,261	\$372,878,468	\$144,126,793	36,457	\$14,181.36
Private Psychiatric Hospital	\$9,986,645	\$832,140	\$9,154,505	1,989	\$5,021.01
Inpatient Facility; Medical Rehab Hospital	\$2,645,891	\$2,052,608	\$593,283	195	\$13,586.27
Residential Treatment Facility (JCAHO Certified)	\$326,043	\$186,086	\$139,957	36	\$9,168.91
Inpatient Medical Rehab Unit	\$6,314,160	\$4,979,607	\$1,334,553	349	\$18,084.16
Private Psychiatric Unit	\$9,386,888	\$7,774,221	\$1,612,667	1,958	\$4,793.00
Drug & Alcohol Rehab Unit	\$58,776	\$51,221	\$7,555	21	\$2,790.31
<b>Subtotal Inpatient Providers</b>	<b>\$545,723,664</b>	<b>\$388,754,351</b>	<b>\$156,969,313</b>	<b>41,005</b>	<b>\$13,308.83</b>
<b><u>OUTPATIENT PROVIDERS</u></b>					
Prescription Drugs	\$98,833,136	\$57,655,094	\$41,178,042	845,324	\$116.92
Public Schools	\$157,574,367	\$157,574,367	\$0	2,736,106	\$57.59
Inpatient Facility	\$33,516,630	\$24,463,496	\$9,053,134	718,946	\$46.62
Ambulatory Surgical Center	\$534,879	\$331,530	\$203,349	1,357	\$394.16
Home Health	\$5,271,036	\$3,089,984	\$2,181,052	13,518	\$389.93
Hospice	\$1,146,995	\$758,324	\$388,671	3,866	\$296.69
Clinic	\$15,486,815	\$10,184,644	\$5,302,171	85,679	\$180.75
Mental Health/Substance Abuse	\$2,334,283	\$1,345,617	\$988,666	25,012	\$93.33
Pharmacy Non-Drug	\$6,840,963	\$3,927,780	\$2,913,183	124,058	\$55.14
DME/Medical Supplies	\$5,536,452	\$3,297,615	\$2,238,837	115,357	\$47.99
Transportation	\$15,082,596	\$11,082,813	\$3,999,783	41,388	\$364.42
Dentist	\$7,019,737	\$4,067,875	\$2,951,862	83,187	\$84.39
Laboratory	\$4,172,667	\$2,968,397	\$1,204,270	154,493	\$27.01
Renal Dialysis Center	\$4,752,149	\$3,715,142	\$1,037,007	53,006	\$89.65
Physician	\$57,323,475	\$40,634,215	\$16,689,260	857,917	\$66.82
Medically Fragile Foster Care	\$3,006,752	\$1,716,032	\$1,290,720	18,107	\$166.05
Miscellaneous Providers	\$2,327,844	\$1,373,747	\$954,097	88,488	\$26.31
<b>Subtotal Outpatient Providers</b>	<b>\$420,760,776</b>	<b>\$328,186,672</b>	<b>\$92,574,104</b>	<b>5,965,809</b>	<b>\$70.53</b>
<b>Total Fee-For-Service Providers</b>	<b>\$966,484,440</b>	<b>\$716,941,023</b>	<b>\$249,543,417</b>		
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>		
HCPCS Coding Changes	\$4,429,583	\$2,528,074	\$1,901,509		
FQHC Wraparound/Cost Settlements	\$50,829,007	\$31,513,984	\$19,315,023		
Inpatient Indirect Medical Education	\$184,718,018	\$124,167,452	\$60,550,566		
Outpatient Indirect Medical Education	\$77,185,816	\$51,884,306	\$25,301,510		
High Medical Assistance Children's Supplemental	\$57,604,406	\$42,327,718	\$15,276,688		
FFS Inpatient Supplemental	\$10,295,594	\$7,565,202	\$2,730,392		
Disproportionate Share Payments (Statewide)	\$73,994,308	\$42,230,401	\$31,763,907		
Inpatient DSH Adjustment	\$5,966,198	\$3,425,194	\$2,541,004		
Enhanced DSH Payment	\$25,647,895	\$14,724,457	\$10,923,438		
Sole and Community Hospital DSH	\$57,023,770	\$32,737,346	\$24,286,424		
Outpatient Supplemental (Statewide)	\$57,748,821	\$43,704,308	\$14,044,513		
Med Ed/Passthroughs	\$82,885,935	\$47,305,075	\$35,580,860		
Medical Education Payment	\$34,345,749	\$23,626,441	\$10,719,308		
Rehabilitation Adjustment	\$19,795,009	\$14,545,373	\$5,249,636		
MA Dependency Payment	\$36,543,930	\$26,852,480	\$9,691,450		
High Medical Assistance GME Payment	\$22,957,750	\$15,432,200	\$7,525,550		
Community Access Fund (CAF) Payments	\$30,589,288	\$17,070,129	\$13,519,160		
Graduate Medical Education to Train Psychiatrists	\$500,000	\$287,050	\$212,950		
MA Reliant	\$1,800,000	\$1,322,640	\$477,360		
UPMC Altoona (former CAF)	\$818,502	\$469,902	\$348,600		
Temple Access to Care Payment	\$17,168,349	\$9,856,349	\$7,312,000		
Mercy Catholic Access to Care Payment	\$1,657,646	\$951,655	\$705,991		
Lancaster Cleft Palate	\$950,927	\$545,927	\$405,000		
Community Psychiatry Fellowship	\$187,838	\$107,838	\$80,000		
Wills Eye	\$6,463,424	\$4,749,324	\$1,714,100		
Temple Inpatient Supplemental	\$95,095,413	\$69,181,913	\$25,913,500		
Temple Outpatient Supplemental	\$23,000,000	\$17,507,600	\$5,492,400		
Temple - Chestnut Hill	\$17,569,002	\$12,781,449	\$4,787,553		
St. Christopher Supplemental	\$53,046,403	\$38,978,497	\$14,067,906		
Rural Hospital Supplemental	\$36,697,248	\$26,697,248	\$10,000,000		
Health Enterprise Zone (HEZ)	\$6,742,437	\$0	\$6,742,437		
<b>Total Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$1,094,258,266</b>	<b>\$725,077,532</b>	<b>\$369,180,735</b>		

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	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Avg Monthly Eligibles</b>	<b>Avg \$ Per Eligible Per Month</b>
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>					
Medicare Part A Premium Payments	\$254,221,363	\$145,090,487	\$109,130,876	39,035	\$542.72
Medicare Part B Buy-In	\$940,656,395	\$536,856,121	\$403,800,274	367,004	\$213.59
Medicare Part B Buy-In - Special MA Eligibility Provisions	\$77,871,141	\$77,871,141	\$0		
HIPP Premium Payments	\$53,143,463	\$31,886,078	\$21,257,385		
Expenditures Transferred to MA for Workers with Disabilities (4/26-3/27)	(\$15,128,532)	(\$8,583,792)	(\$6,544,740)		
Claim of Federal Funds for recipients in IMDs	\$0	\$4,803,664	(\$4,803,664)		
Project Access - Department of Education Administrative MOU					
- Subgrant reimbursement for LEA's of costs	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0		
- Medical Assistance Expenditure Adjustment (Project Access/PDE)	\$0	\$15,000,000	(\$15,000,000)		
Select Plan for Women Family Planning Council Grants	\$4,562,000	\$0	\$4,562,000		
Act 152/D & A Treatment Services (Grant & Subsidies Item)	\$13,254,000	\$0	\$13,254,000		
Act 22 Inmate Reimbursement (Corrections MOU)	(\$13,326,263)	\$0	(\$13,326,263)		
HR1 Impact	\$0	(\$18,200,000)	\$18,200,000		
Sickle Cell Disease Gene Therapy Model (Subgrant to DOH)	\$1,323,200	\$1,323,200	\$0		
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>\$1,336,576,767</b>	<b>\$806,046,899</b>	<b>\$530,529,868</b>		
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>					
School-Based Access Program Operational Costs	\$3,187,039	\$3,187,039	\$0		
Claims Processing and PROMISE Contract Costs	\$34,299,907	\$27,109,590	\$7,190,317		
MMIS Procurement	\$10,033,800	\$9,030,420	\$1,003,380		
Technical Assistance Contract	\$1,499,245	\$749,623	\$749,623		
Clinical Consultant	\$23,452,240	\$16,246,457	\$7,205,783		
Legal Support/Rate Setting	\$670,447	\$335,224	\$335,224		
Medical Review Team/SSI/Disability Advocacy Program (DAP)	\$3,666,667	\$1,833,334	\$1,833,334		
Revenue Maximization	\$4,564,200	\$0	\$4,564,200		
Legal Services	\$700,000	\$0	\$700,000		
Medicare Eligibility Identification	\$700,000	\$350,000	\$350,000		
Preferred Drug List	\$2,376,041	\$1,782,031	\$594,010		
TPL Data Exchange	\$1,400,000	\$700,000	\$700,000		
Health Policy Research Grants	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000		
Enrollment Revalidation Support	\$79,310	\$39,655	\$39,655		
DSH/FQHC Audits and Litigation	\$934,525	\$467,263	\$467,263		
Medicaid RMTS	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000		
OMAP Technology Assessment	\$42,667	\$21,334	\$21,334		
Hospital Cost Settlement Audit Review	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000		
Fingerprinting	\$2,895	\$1,448	\$1,448		
PA Patient & Provider Network (P3N)	\$1,550,303	\$1,162,727	\$387,576		
Pharmacy Actuarial Services	\$2,225,700	\$1,112,850	\$1,112,850		
Innovation Support	\$213,000	\$106,500	\$106,500		
Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers (PCCRC)	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000		
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$94,647,986</b>	<b>\$65,660,492</b>	<b>\$28,987,494</b>		
<b><u>MANDATED FEDERAL/OTHER REQUIREMENTS</u></b>					
Third Party Liability Recoveries	(\$67,407,841)	(\$38,471,340)	(\$28,936,501)		
Provider/Medical Support Recoveries	(\$3,732,323)	(\$2,130,130)	(\$1,602,193)		
Refunds	(\$9,201,583)	(\$920,158)	(\$8,281,425)		
Pharmaceutical Company Rebates	(\$38,872,909)	(\$22,676,785)	(\$16,196,124)		
<b>Total Mandated Federal/Other Requirements</b>	<b>(\$119,214,656)</b>	<b>(\$64,198,413)</b>	<b>(\$55,016,243)</b>		
<b><u>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</u></b>					
Improving Health Outcomes for Individuals Leaving Incarceration	\$2,700,000	\$1,800,000	\$900,000		
Improving Health Through Nutrition	\$2,300,000	\$1,400,000	\$900,000		
Reducing Avoidable Medical Care Through Housing Stability	\$2,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,000,000		
<b>Total Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives</b>	<b>\$7,500,000</b>	<b>\$4,700,000</b>	<b>\$2,800,000</b>		
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$3,380,252,803</b>	<b>\$2,254,227,533</b>	<b>\$1,126,025,270</b>		
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>					
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$126,510,854	\$0	\$126,510,854		
Hospital Assessment (Philadelphia)	\$247,820,542	\$0	\$247,820,542		
FQHC Alternate Payment Methodology Intergovernmental Transfer	\$17,502,000	\$0	\$17,502,000		
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000		
Ambulance IGT	\$531,316	\$0	\$531,316		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$394,864,712</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$394,864,712</b>		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$2,985,388,091</b>	<b>\$2,254,227,533</b>	<b>\$731,160,558</b>		
Rural Health Transformation		\$200,000,000			

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE – FEE-FOR-SERVICE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

This appropriation funds all services provided to MA recipients, including primary health care, preventive services, and essential care in an inpatient and outpatient setting when the recipient is not covered in managed care. The MA program covers a wide array of service providers including physicians, acute care hospitals, pharmacies, dentists, psychiatric and rehabilitation units of acute care hospitals, outpatient departments and clinics, private psychiatric hospitals, rehabilitation hospitals, residential treatment facilities, certified registered nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives, independent medical clinics, federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics, drug and alcohol hospitals, psychiatric hospitals and family planning clinics, home health agencies, and medical and equipment suppliers.

### **DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE AND HOSPITAL SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS**

For acute care general hospitals, rehabilitation facilities, and psychiatric hospitals, eligibility for disproportionate share payments is based on the minimum federal requirements. This appropriation funds several disproportionate share payment programs, and for each of the programs, hospitals must additionally meet the eligibility criteria approved by the CMS on the relevant State Plan page. The appropriation also funds additional hospital supplemental payments as approved by CMS. The supplemental payments are not required to meet the federal disproportionate share requirements as approved by CMS. Federal matching funds are available for these programs.

### **ACUTE CARE GENERAL HOSPITAL PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM / STATEWIDE QUALITY CARE ASSESSMENT**

Within the Fee-for-Service program, the Department pays for inpatient hospital services provided by acute care general hospitals using a prospective payment system utilizing All Patients Refined Diagnosis Related Group (APR-DRG) software. The calculation of hospital-specific APR-DRG base rates is based upon a statewide average cost which is adjusted to account for a hospital's regional labor costs, teaching status, capital, and MA patient levels. The prospective payment rate for each recipient discharged from the hospital is established by multiplying the relative value of the APR-DRG into which the patient has been classified by the hospital-specific payment rate. Special payment provisions for transfers, readmissions, high-cost outliers, low-cost outliers, and services in non-distinct part psychiatric and drug and alcohol units may also apply.

The Department received CMS approval of the State Plan Amendments which authorized the Statewide Quality Care Assessment for general acute care, children's, and rehabilitation hospitals. The revenue that is generated from the Statewide Quality Care Assessment, along with the related federal matching funds, has enabled the Department to update and improve its inpatient and outpatient hospital reimbursement system. The current assessment percentage for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 is 4.36% of a covered hospital's Net Inpatient Revenue and 2.20% of a covered hospital's Net Outpatient Revenue.

### **PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT**

The Philadelphia Hospital Assessment is a local health care related provider assessment that is imposed by the City of Philadelphia on general acute care hospitals located within the City of Philadelphia. This assessment was initially authorized by CMS in 2009. The assessment rate is 2.0% of a hospital's net inpatient revenue for children's MA hospitals and 3.90% for all other MA hospitals. A portion of the revenue from the assessment is used to fund payments designed to recognize the higher cost of teaching hospitals in the City of Philadelphia and to support children's and cancer hospitals and hospitals located in counties that have a significant percentage of the population enrolled in the MA program. The funds generated from the assessment are used to support the MA program.

## **RURAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM**

Pennsylvania's Rural Health Transformation Plan (RHTP) is the product of more than two years of statewide collaboration, conversation, and planning to design strategies and opportunities to improve health and strengthen access to care in rural Pennsylvania and was driven by the leaders who come from and are invested in these communities, their residents, and their future. Pennsylvania's plan establishes a rural health framework that emphasizes access, outcomes, workforce development, technology, innovation, and sustainability. RHTP's initiatives focus on technology and infrastructure, workforce, maternal health services, behavioral health services, aging and access, and EMS and transportation. CMS awarded the Commonwealth \$193 million in federal funding provided by H.R. 1 for the first year of its approved five-year RHTP.

## **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10% federal match on HCBS which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in FY 2021-2022, the Department received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the "Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

## **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS LEAVING INCARCERATION**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes \$0.900 million as part of the Investments in Health approved under the Department's federal Medicaid demonstration waiver to provide services for reentrants transitioning out of state correctional institutions back into their communities. Historically, gaps in healthcare coverage have contributed to high rates of overdose, recidivism, and poor health outcomes among individuals leaving correctional facilities. Under this initiative, Pennsylvania will provide MA coverage for up to 90 days pre-release, ensuring access to substance use disorder treatment and intensive case management. This investment reflects the Commonwealth's commitment to reducing recidivism, improving public safety, fostering successful reentry by connecting individuals to essential healthcare services from day one.

## **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – IMPROVING HEALTH THROUGH NUTRITION**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes \$0.900 million as part of the Investments in Health approved under the Department's federal Medicaid demonstration waiver to implement a Food is Medicine pilot program. The Food is Medicine pilot program would provide medically-tailored meals to specific Medicaid populations with diet-sensitive conditions such as congestive heart failure facing food insecurity. Providing access to healthy foods has been shown to reduce hospital admissions by half for individuals with chronic conditions.

## **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – REDUCING AVOIDABLE MEDICAL CARE THROUGH HOUSING STABILITY**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes \$1.000 million as part of the Investments in Health approved under the Department's federal Medicaid demonstration waiver to implement a pilot program that would provide housing supports to certain individuals with chronic illnesses, such as serious mental illness and substance use disorder, who have experienced high rates of healthcare utilization. Having stable housing makes it easier to find and use preventative health care and decreases costly hospital-based care. These services will focus on beneficiaries with chronic conditions where health outcomes are greatly impacted by improved consistency of care and medication access.

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(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Payment to Federal Govt. - Medicare Drug Program
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<b>I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA</b>		<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2025-2026</b>		<b>2026-2027</b>
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Available</u>		<u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds		\$1,015,496	\$1,082,550 <sup>1</sup>		\$1,129,538
Federal Funds		\$0	\$0		\$0
Other Funds		<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>		<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,015,496</b>	<b>\$1,082,550</b>		<b>\$1,129,538</b>
<b>IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)</b>					
State Funds			(\$16,711)		
Federal Funds			<u>\$0</u>		
<b>Total</b>			<b>(\$16,711)</b>		
<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended appropriation reduction of \$16.711 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$1,099.261 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.					

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Payment to Federal Govt. - Medicare Drug Program			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$1,015,496	\$1,082,550	\$1,129,538	\$46,988	4.34%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$1,015,496</b>	<b>\$1,082,550</b>	<b>\$1,129,538</b>	<b>\$46,988</b>	<b>4.34%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$1,015,496	\$1,082,550	\$1,129,538	\$46,988	4.34%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$1,015,496</b>	<b>\$1,082,550</b>	<b>\$1,129,538</b>	<b>\$46,988</b>	<b>4.34%</b>

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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$1	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The recommended appropriation is based on the projected number of individuals per month who are dually-eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare multiplied by the state share of the state specific per capita, per month expenditure for covered drugs for dual-eligible persons.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA, Pub.L. 108-173); 42 U.S.C. § 1396u-5(c)

**Disbursement Criteria:**

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 created the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit effective, January 1, 2006. The federal government is requiring states to help fund this federal program.

This payment is made monthly to the federal government to reduce the Part D costs. The state payment for each month is the product of the state's per capita expenditure (PCE), the phase down percentage and the number of dual-eligibles who are enrolled in the Part D program. The PCE is based on historical state specific Medicaid data increased for growth in prescription drug spending nationally and adjusted for the state's Federal Medical Assistance Percentage. The phase down percentage was set at 90 percent in Calendar Year 2006 and decreased annually by 1.67 percent until the phase down reached 75 percent in Calendar Year 2015. The federal government annually notifies the states of their PCE for the forthcoming year.

<b>VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES</b> (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Payment to Federal Govt. - Medicare Drug Program			
	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the increase in the average per capita payment from \$228.27 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$233.88 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$27,093</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$27,093</u>
2. Impact of the increase in utilization from projected average monthly eligibles of 395,208 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 402,471 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$19,895</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$19,895</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$46,988</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$46,988</u></u>

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Service Month		Dual eligibles	Per Capita	Premium Payment	Payment Month
May-25	actual	420,777	\$225.62	\$94,937,190	Jul-25
Jun-25	actual	389,075	\$228.08	\$88,739,456	Jul-25
Jul-25	actual	390,076	\$228.13	\$88,987,058	Aug-25
Aug-25	actual	390,848	\$228.15	\$89,170,473	Sep-25
Sep-25	actual	391,812	\$228.15	\$89,392,002	Oct-25
Oct-25	actual	393,146	\$223.33	\$87,800,345	Nov-25
Nov-25	actual	390,989	\$223.29	\$87,305,486	Dec-25
Dec-25	actual	392,816	\$223.29	\$87,713,187	Jan-26
Jan-26	projected	394,493	\$232.80	\$91,836,450	Feb-26
Feb-26	projected	395,322	\$232.80	\$92,029,233	Mar-26
Mar-26	projected	396,152	\$232.80	\$92,222,563	Apr-26
Apr-26	projected	396,985	\$232.80	\$92,416,441	May-26
Total Program Requirement		4,742,491	\$228.27	\$1,082,549,885	
<b>Total FY 25-26 Program Requirement</b>				<b>\$1,082,549,885</b>	
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount				\$1,099,261,300	
Surplus/(Deficit)				\$16,711,415	

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Service Month		Dual eligibles	Per Capita	Premium Payment	Payment Month
May-26	projected	397,820	\$232.80	\$92,610,870	Jul-26
Jun-26	projected	398,658	\$232.80	\$92,805,852	Jul-26
Jul-26	projected	399,498	\$232.80	\$93,001,387	Aug-26
Aug-26	projected	400,340	\$232.80	\$93,197,478	Sep-26
Sep-26	projected	401,185	\$232.80	\$93,394,127	Oct-26
Oct-26	projected	402,032	\$225.64	\$90,715,862	Nov-26
Nov-26	projected	402,881	\$225.64	\$90,907,555	Dec-26
Dec-26	projected	403,733	\$225.64	\$91,099,795	Jan-27
Jan-27	projected	404,588	\$241.33	\$97,640,459	Feb-27
Feb-27	projected	405,444	\$241.33	\$97,847,240	Mar-27
Mar-27	projected	406,304	\$241.33	\$98,054,609	Apr-27
Apr-27	projected	407,165	\$241.33	\$98,262,571	May-27
Total FY 26-27 Program Requirement		4,829,647	\$233.88	\$1,129,537,804	

## **PAYMENT TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT - MEDICARE DRUG PROGRAM**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA, Public Law 108-173) created the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit, effective January 1, 2006. A number of Part D beneficiaries are dually eligible, meaning eligible for both Medicare and MA. Prior to implementation of Part D, dually eligible persons in Pennsylvania had their drug benefit covered by MA. When Part D was developed, a provision in the MMA, Public Law 108-173 required states to continue making payments for prescription drug coverage for dually eligible individuals and provide direct coverage of drugs excluded from coverage under Medicare Part D but covered under MA.

The state payment is made monthly and was designed to reflect 90% of the estimated state savings to MA for calendar year 2006. This percentage was phased down by 1.67% annually until reaching 75% in 2015. CMS worked with states to collect historical prescription drug payment data to develop a state-specific Per Capita Expenditure. Annually, the Per Capita Expenditure is adjusted for growth in national per capita drug spending and adjusted for the annual change in the state-specific Federal MA Percentage, to reflect the state share of the per capita costs. CMS notifies the states annually of the Per Capita Expenditure for the forthcoming calendar year. Pennsylvania's monthly Part D payment is the product of the Per Capita Expenditure, the phase-down percentage and the number of dually eligible individuals in the month for which the payment is being made.

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BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Medical Assistance - Workers with Disabilities

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds Total</b>	\$196,684	\$207,207	\$205,749
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MA-Workers With Disabilities (General Fund)</i>	\$97,949	\$113,931 <sup>1</sup>	\$113,524
<i>MA-Workers With Disabilities (EA) (Tobacco Settlement Fund)</i>	\$98,735	\$93,276	\$92,225
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$229,417	\$260,564	\$254,502
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MA-Workers With Disabilities (General Fund)</i>	\$109,482	\$142,725	\$131,888
<i>MA-Workers With Disabilities (EA) (Tobacco Settlement Fund)</i>	\$119,935	\$117,839	\$122,614
<b>Total</b>	\$426,101	\$467,771	\$460,251

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

<b>State Funds Total</b>	\$3,914
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>	
<i>MA-Workers With Disabilities (General Fund)</i>	\$3,914
<b>Federal Funds</b>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$3,914

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$3.914 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$110.017 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Workers with Disabilities				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change	
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OPERATING</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$196,684	\$207,207	\$205,749	(\$1,458)	-0.70%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$229,417	\$245,062	\$254,502	\$9,440	3.85%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$426,101</b>	<b>\$452,269</b>	<b>\$460,251</b>	<b>\$7,982</b>	<b>1.76%</b>	
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$15,502	\$0	(\$15,502)	-100.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$15,502</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$15,502)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>	
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>Other</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$196,684	\$207,207	\$205,749	(\$1,458)	-0.70%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$229,417	\$260,564	\$254,502	(\$6,062)	-2.33%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$426,101</b>	<b>\$467,771</b>	<b>\$460,251</b>	<b>(\$7,520)</b>	<b>-1.61%</b>	

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Workers with Disabilities**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$934	\$1	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 Estimated expenditures are based on projected enrollees in the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities (MAWD) program, average Medical Assistance payments per enrollee and estimated co-payments.  
 The MAWD program is funded with both the Tobacco Settlement Fund and the General Fund.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 35 P.S. §§ 5701.1501-1503; The Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-170)  
 (General Fund)  
 35 P.S. § 5701.1501 et seq.; The Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-170)  
 (Tobacco Settlement Fund)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 The provider of service must be enrolled in the Medical Assistance program and the service must be a covered Medical Assistance benefit. The recipient of the service must be deemed eligible to receive Medical Assistance benefits under the MAWD Program.

Individuals deemed eligible under the criteria specified in Act 77 may buy into the Medicaid program by paying a monthly premium based on five percent of their monthly income after allowable deductions.

Provider payments are initially made from the Medical Assistance Program. Periodically, expenditures are identified for services rendered to recipients of the MAWD program, and expenditures are then transferred from the Medical Assistance Program to the Medical Services for Workers with Disabilities appropriations.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Workers with Disabilities			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Impact of decreased premium payments for the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities (MAWD) program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$57	\$42	\$0	\$99
2. Provides for a projected increase of \$25.78 in the Medical Assistance Program monthly service cost per enrollee in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$4,402	\$5,504	\$0	\$9,906
3. Impact of a projected decrease of 213 average monthly enrollees in the MAWD program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$1,349)	(\$1,706)	\$0	(\$3,055)
4. Impact of a projected increase in the MAWD Workers with Job Success category:	\$1,032	\$0	\$0	\$1,032
5. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$5,600)	\$5,600	\$0	\$0
6. Impact of a decrease in the Tobacco Settlement Fund allocation for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,051	(\$4,775)	\$0	(\$3,724)
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	(\$407)	\$4,665	\$0	\$4,258
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of excess federal appropriation authority in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	\$0	(\$15,502)	\$0	(\$15,502)
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	(\$407)	\$4,665	\$0	\$4,258
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	\$0	(\$15,502)	\$0	(\$15,502)
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	(\$407)	(\$10,837)	\$0	(\$11,244)
<b>TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Change in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tobacco Settlement Fund allocation:	(\$1,051)	\$4,775	\$0	\$3,724
<b>TOTAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND</b>	(\$1,051)	\$4,775	\$0	\$3,724
<b>TOTAL</b>	(\$1,458)	(\$6,062)	\$0	(\$7,520)

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE BUDGET  
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Enrollees</b>	<b>Cost Per Enrollee</b>
July 2025	\$39,480,935	\$21,675,004	\$17,805,931	33,114	\$1,192.27
August	\$39,555,552	\$21,714,763	\$17,840,790	32,764	\$1,207.29
September	\$38,097,055	\$21,270,035	\$16,827,020	32,319	\$1,178.78
October	\$38,787,452	\$21,661,705	\$17,125,748	32,130	\$1,207.20
November	\$38,344,709	\$21,496,044	\$16,848,665	32,152	\$1,192.60
December	\$38,223,198	\$21,427,925	\$16,795,273	31,986	\$1,194.98
January 2026	\$38,299,644	\$21,470,781	\$16,828,864	31,986	\$1,197.37
February	\$38,376,244	\$21,513,722	\$16,862,522	31,986	\$1,199.77
March	\$38,452,996	\$21,556,750	\$16,896,247	31,986	\$1,202.17
April	\$38,529,902	\$21,599,863	\$16,930,039	31,986	\$1,204.57
May	\$38,606,962	\$21,643,063	\$16,963,899	31,986	\$1,206.98
June	\$38,684,176	\$21,686,349	\$16,997,827	31,986	\$1,209.39
Premiums	\$463,438,827 (\$24,486,040)	\$258,716,003 (\$13,654,292)	\$204,722,824 (\$10,831,749)	32,199	\$1,199.45
Workers with Job Success	\$13,315,953	\$0	\$13,315,953		
Total Requirements	\$452,268,740	\$245,061,712	\$207,207,028		
Uncommitted	\$15,502,477	\$15,502,477	\$0		
Fiscal Year 2025-26 Tobacco Funds	\$211,115,000	\$117,839,000	\$93,276,000		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$142,725,189</b>	<b>\$113,931,028</b>		
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$142,725,189	\$110,017,154		
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$0	(\$3,913,874)		

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE BUDGET  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Enrollees</b>	<b>Cost Per Enrollee</b>
July 2026	\$38,761,544	\$21,729,722	\$17,031,823	31,986	\$1,211.81
August	\$38,839,067	\$21,773,181	\$17,065,886	31,986	\$1,214.24
September	\$38,916,746	\$21,816,728	\$17,100,018	31,986	\$1,216.66
October	\$38,994,579	\$22,386,788	\$16,607,791	31,986	\$1,219.10
November	\$39,072,568	\$22,431,561	\$16,641,007	31,986	\$1,221.54
December	\$39,150,713	\$22,476,425	\$16,674,289	31,986	\$1,223.98
January 2027	\$39,229,015	\$22,521,377	\$16,707,637	31,986	\$1,226.43
February	\$39,307,473	\$22,566,420	\$16,741,053	31,986	\$1,228.88
March	\$39,386,088	\$22,611,553	\$16,774,535	31,986	\$1,231.34
April	\$39,464,860	\$22,656,776	\$16,808,084	31,986	\$1,233.80
May	\$39,543,790	\$22,702,090	\$16,841,700	31,986	\$1,236.27
June	\$39,622,877	\$22,747,494	\$16,875,383	31,986	\$1,238.74
Premiums	\$470,289,320 (\$24,387,089)	\$268,420,114 (\$13,918,321)	\$201,869,206 (\$10,468,768)	31,986	\$1,225.23
Workers with Job Success	\$14,348,177	\$0	\$14,348,177		
Total Requirements	\$460,250,408	\$254,501,793	\$205,748,615		
Fiscal Year 2026-27 Tobacco Funds	\$214,839,000	\$122,614,000	\$92,225,000		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$131,887,793</b>	<b>\$113,523,615</b>		

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-170) gave states the option of providing MA benefits to workers with disabilities who have higher income and resources than current MA standards. Pennsylvania exercised this option through the passage of Act 77 of 2001, also known as the Tobacco Settlement Act. This Act provided the state share of funds necessary to implement the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities (MAWD) program in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania further expanded MAWD effective December 28, 2021, with the passage of Act 2021-69 of July 1, 2021 (P.L. 374) which created the new Workers with Job Success eligibility group.

The MAWD program consists of three eligibility groups: workers with a disability, workers with a medically improved disability, and Workers with Job Success. Individuals enrolled in these groups receive the Pennsylvania ACCESS card and receive full MA benefits. Individuals are enrolled in the Physical Health HealthChoices program, except for those who also receive Medicare. Dual eligible individuals are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare and obtain Medicaid services through the Community HealthChoices program. Most prescriptions for Medicare/Medicaid recipients are covered by the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.

To qualify for the workers with a disability group, an individual must be at least age 16, but less than age 65, be disabled according to the Social Security Administration's or the Medical Review Team's disability review criteria, be employed and receiving compensation (no minimum monthly hours or earnings required), with countable monthly income (after allowable deductions) equal to or less than 250 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines (FPIG) and have countable resources equal to or less than \$10,000.

To qualify for the workers with a medically improved disability group, in addition to having been a member of the previous group, an individual must be employed at least 40 hours per month and earning at least the minimum wage, have a medically improved disability that no longer qualifies under Social Security Administration's or Medical Review Team's disability review criteria, and meet the same age, resource, and income requirements of the workers with a disability group.

To qualify for the Workers with Job Success group, an individual must have been enrolled in one of the other MAWD groups for the past 12 consecutive months, be employed and receiving compensation (no minimum monthly hours or earnings required), meet the age and disability requirements of the workers with a disability or workers with a medically improved disability group, have countable resources equal to or less than \$10,000, and have countable income that is over 250% of the FPIG but is less than or equal to 600% of the FPIG. Once enrolled in the Workers with Job Success group, an individual can accumulate more than \$10,000 in resources and remain eligible for this group.

Individuals enrolled in the workers with a disability or workers with a medically improved disability groups are required to pay a monthly premium that is 5% of their countable income. Individuals enrolled in the Workers with Job Success group will pay a monthly premium that is 7.5% of their countable monthly income if their countable income is between 250% and 450% FPIG. However, if the individual's countable income is above 450% FPIG and their annual adjusted gross income reported on their federal 1040 tax form is at or more than \$75,000 compounded with Social Security cost-of-living adjustments since 2000 (\$148,869.80 in 2026), the individual is responsible to pay a full cost monthly premium of \$1,151.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

**Medical Assistance - Physician Practice Plans**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$10,571	\$10,571	\$4,000
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$12,812	\$13,324	\$5,392
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Physician Practice Plans</i>	\$12,812	\$13,324	\$5,392
<b>Other Funds</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$23,383	\$23,895	\$9,392

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Physician Practice Plans			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$10,571	\$10,571	\$4,000	(\$6,571)	-62.16%
Federal Funds	\$12,812	\$13,324	\$5,392	(\$7,932)	-59.53%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$23,383</b>	<b>\$23,895</b>	<b>\$9,392</b>	<b>(\$14,503)</b>	<b>-60.69%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$10,571	\$10,571	\$4,000	(\$6,571)	-62.16%
Federal Funds	\$12,812	\$13,324	\$5,392	(\$7,932)	-59.53%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$23,383</b>	<b>\$23,895</b>	<b>\$9,392</b>	<b>(\$14,503)</b>	<b>-60.69%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Physician Practice Plans**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	<b>\$4,329</b>	<b>\$2,441</b>	<b>\$0</b>

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget assumes a decrease of \$6.571 million in state funds relating to the shift in physician plan payments to the Medical Assistance- Capitation appropriation effective July 1, 2026.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 443.5

**Disbursement Criteria:**

The recommended appropriation provides for payments to university-affiliated physician practice plans to assure the continuation of the critical services they provide to the Medical Assistance population.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

Medical Assistance - Physician Practice Plans

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$288	\$0	\$288
2. Impact of the shift in physician practice plan payments to the Medical Assistance-Capitation appropriation effective July 1, 2026:	<u>(\$6,571)</u>	<u>(\$8,220)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$14,791)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>(\$6,571)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$7,932)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$14,503)</u></u>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - PHYSICIAN PRACTICE PLANS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Department provides enhanced funding to certain physician practice plans to help ensure the critical services they provide to MA clients will continue. State funding is coupled with matching federal dollars to allow the physician practice plans to earn additional funds.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> MA - Hospital-Based Burn Centers
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$4,438	\$4,438	\$4,438
Federal Funds Total	\$5,444	\$5,663	\$5,983
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - Hospital-Based Burn Centers</i>	\$5,444	\$5,663	\$5,983
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$9,882	\$10,101	\$10,421

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: MA - Hospital-Based Burn Centers				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$4,438	\$4,438	\$4,438	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$5,444	\$5,663	\$5,983	\$320	5.65%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$9,882	\$10,101	\$10,421	\$320	3.17%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$4,438	\$4,438	\$4,438	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$5,444	\$5,663	\$5,983	\$320	5.65%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$9,882	\$10,101	\$10,421	\$320	3.17%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**MA - Hospital-Based Burn Centers**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$1	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

Effective December 31, 2006, the Department implemented a disproportionate share payment program for qualifying Medical Assistance (MA) enrolled burn centers to assure readily available and coordinated burn care to the MA population.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 443.1; 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(13)

**Disbursement Criteria:**

To qualify for payment the burn center must be recognized by the American Burn Association and participate in the Burn Center Verification Program or be certified and accredited as a Level I or Level II Trauma Center with a minimum of 70 annual burn care admissions in calendar year 2005.

Fifty percent of the annual available funding is allocated equally among the qualifying burn centers. The remaining fifty percent is allocated on the basis of each center's percentage of MA and uninsured burn cases and patient days compared to the statewide number of MA and uninsured burn cases and days for all qualified burn centers.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:****MA - Hospital-Based Burn Centers**

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$320</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$320</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$320</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$320</u></u>

## **HOSPITAL-BASED BURN CENTERS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Effective December 31, 2006, the Department implemented a Disproportionate Share Payment program for certain qualifying MA enrolled acute care general hospital burn centers to ensure readily available and coordinated burn care of the highest quality for the MA population.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Medical Assistance - Critical Access Hospitals
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$7,944	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds Total	\$23,414	\$0	\$0
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Critical Access Hospitals</i>	\$23,414	\$0	\$0
Other Funds Total	\$1,600	\$0	\$0
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Statewide Hospital Assessment</i>	<u>\$1,600</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,958</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Critical Access Hospitals				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$7,944	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$23,414	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$1,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$32,958	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$7,944	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$23,414	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$1,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$32,958	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Critical Access Hospitals**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$609	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Effective in Fiscal Year 2008-2009, the Department implemented a disproportionate share payment program for qualifying Medical Assistance (MA) enrolled acute care hospitals designated as Critical Access Hospitals or qualifying rural hospitals, to ensure available, quality care to MA recipients in rural areas of the Commonwealth.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 443.1; 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(13)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Hospitals that meet Medicare's definition for "critical access" hospitals are eligible to receive up to 101 percent of their allowable MA costs. The critical access payment covers services provided to eligible MA recipients and is paid after consideration of all other MA payments. Any remaining program funds are distributed to qualifying rural hospitals that meet the criteria specified in the State Plan.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Medical Assistance - Critical Access Hospitals

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Critical Access Hospital payments transitioned to a State-Directed Payment in the Medical Assistance-Capitation appropriation effective January 1, 2025:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

From April 1, 2009 to December 31, 2024, the Department issued payments to hospitals that met Medicare's definition for "critical access" hospitals through this appropriation. Beginning January 1, 2025, payments to critical access hospitals are made as part of a federally approved state-directed payment included in the Medical Assistance-Capitation program. The payment covers services provided to eligible MA recipients to ensure quality care is available for recipients in rural areas of Pennsylvania.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**MA - Obstetric and Neonatal Services**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$10,682	\$10,682	\$10,682
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$16,785	\$17,456	\$18,443
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Obstetric and Neonatal Services</i>	\$16,785	\$17,456	\$18,443
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Statewide Hospital Assessment</i>	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,467</b>	<b>\$31,138</b>	<b>\$32,125</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: MA - Obstetric and Neonatal Services			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$10,682	\$10,682	\$10,682	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$16,785	\$17,456	\$18,443	\$987	5.65%
Other Funds	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$30,467</b>	<b>\$31,138</b>	<b>\$32,125</b>	<b>\$987</b>	<b>3.17%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$10,682	\$10,682	\$10,682	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$16,785	\$17,456	\$18,443	\$987	5.65%
Other Funds	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$30,467</b>	<b>\$31,138</b>	<b>\$32,125</b>	<b>\$987</b>	<b>3.17%</b>

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> <b>MA - Obstetric and Neonatal Services</b>
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$415	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Effective in Fiscal Year 2007-2008, the Department implemented a disproportionate share payment program for qualifying Medical Assistance (MA) enrolled acute care hospitals that provide obstetrical and neonatal care services. This payment ensures the availability of quality care to low income pregnant women and children.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 443.1(1) and (1.6)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
This appropriation was created to provide financial assistance to qualifying hospitals to assure access to quality obstetric and neonatal health care services for MA recipients. In order to receive payment, MA enrolled acute care hospitals must meet the detailed criteria for rural and non-rural hospitals as specified in the Medicaid State Plan. Fifteen percent of the annual available funding is allocated to qualifying rural hospitals and the remaining 85 percent is allocated to qualifying non-rural hospitals. The methods for disbursement of these allocations is detailed in the State Plan.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

MA - Obstetric and Neonatal Services

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$987</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$987</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$987</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$987</u></u>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - OBSTETRIC AND NEONATAL SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Effective April 1, 2008, the Department implemented payments to qualified obstetric and neonatal providers. Payments are for certain qualifying hospitals that provide obstetrical and neonatal intensive care services to MA recipients. To receive the payments, hospitals must meet specific eligibility criteria.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Medical Assistance - Trauma Centers
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$8,657	\$8,657	\$8,657
Federal Funds Total	\$10,620	\$11,045	\$11,670
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance -Trauma Centers</i>	\$10,620	\$11,045	\$11,670
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$19,277	\$19,702	\$20,327

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Trauma Centers				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$8,657	\$8,657	\$8,657	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,620	\$11,045	\$11,670	\$625	5.66%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$19,277	\$19,702	\$20,327	\$625	3.17%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$8,657	\$8,657	\$8,657	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,620	\$11,045	\$11,670	\$625	5.66%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$19,277	\$19,702	\$20,327	\$625	3.17%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Medical Assistance - Trauma Centers

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$51	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

Request is based on continued state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 enacted level.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(13); 35 Pa.C.S. §§ 8103-8107.6

**Disbursement Criteria:**

The Department will allocate 90 percent of the available funding to hospitals accredited as Level I and Level II Trauma Centers using data provided by the Trauma Systems Foundation.

The Department will allocate any funds undistributed to Level I, Level II and Level III Trauma Centers to hospitals accredited as Level IV Trauma Centers.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

Medical Assistance - Trauma Centers

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$625</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$625</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$625</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$625</u></u>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - TRAUMA CENTERS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Trauma Systems Stabilization Act (Act 15 of 2004) established a program to ensure readily available and coordinated trauma care of the highest quality to the citizens of Pennsylvania. Act 84 of 2010 made a number of technical changes in the Human Services Code and codified the Pennsylvania Act 15 of 2004. Act 84 of 2010 revised the definition of "Trauma Center" to allow out-of-state hospitals with trauma centers to qualify for trauma stabilization funds and modified the criteria for Level III Trauma Centers. Act 84 of 2010 did not make any changes to the methodology for the distribution of funds and requires that hospitals commit to spending the funds on Trauma Services and provide the Department with a report reflecting expenditures. Act 54 of 2019 expanded eligibility to include Level IV Trauma Centers located in a rural county and established the distribution methodology for distributing funds to Level IV Trauma Centers.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Medical Assistance - Academic Medical Centers
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$24,682	\$24,681	\$24,681
Federal Funds Total	\$30,277	\$31,489	\$33,270
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>MA - Academic Medical Centers</i>	\$30,277	\$31,489	\$33,270
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$54,959	\$56,170	\$57,951

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Academic Medical Centers				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$24,682	\$24,681	\$24,681	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$30,277	\$31,489	\$33,270	\$1,781	5.66%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$54,959	\$56,170	\$57,951	\$1,781	3.17%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$24,682	\$24,681	\$24,681	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$30,277	\$31,489	\$33,270	\$1,781	5.66%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$54,959	\$56,170	\$57,951	\$1,781	3.17%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Medical Assistance - Academic Medical Centers**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$1	\$1	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding for medical education payments to qualified hospitals at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 state funding level of \$24.681 million.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 201(2)

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation provides for payments to certain academic medical centers to assure the continuation of the critical services they provide to the Medical Assistance (MA) population. These payments are intended to offset the MA share of the medical education costs incurred by these hospitals to assure the continued availability of professional medical services to the MA population.

Payments are based on Fiscal Year 2002-2003 MA cost report data with 47.2 percent of funding distributed to a large hospital with 750 set up and staffed beds; and 26.4 percent distributed to each other qualifying hospital.

<b>VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES</b> (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> <b>Medical Assistance - Academic Medical Centers</b>			
	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,781</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,781</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,781</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,781</u></u>

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE – ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Effective July 1, 2005, the Department implemented payments to certain academic medical centers to ensure the critical services they provide to the MA population can continue. These payments also help to offset the MA share of the medical education costs incurred by these hospitals to ensure the continued availability of professional medical services for the MA population.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Medical Assistance - Transportation

I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$68,532	\$72,346	\$74,117
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MA - Transportation (General Fund)</i>	\$64,532	\$68,346	\$70,117
<i>MA - Transportation Services (Lottery Fund)</i>	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$102,364	\$97,376	\$93,546
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Transportation</i>	\$102,364	\$97,376	\$93,546
<b>Other Funds</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$170,896	\$169,722	\$167,663

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Transportation			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$350	\$150	(\$200)	-57.14%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$350	\$150	(\$200)	-57.14%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$700</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>(\$400)</b>	<b>-57.14%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$68,532	\$71,996	\$73,967	\$1,971	2.74%
Federal Funds	\$102,364	\$90,492	\$93,396	\$2,904	3.21%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$170,896</b>	<b>\$162,488</b>	<b>\$167,363</b>	<b>\$4,875</b>	<b>3.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$6,534	\$0	(\$6,534)	-100.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,534</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$6,534)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$68,532	\$72,346	\$74,117	\$1,771	2.45%
Federal Funds	\$102,364	\$97,376	\$93,546	(\$3,830)	-3.93%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$170,896</b>	<b>\$169,722</b>	<b>\$167,663</b>	<b>(\$2,059)</b>	<b>-1.21%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Medical Assistance - Transportation

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$5,686	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Funding projections are derived from county trip statistics, contracted rates, and county adjustments based on service utilization.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(4); 42 CFR § 431.53

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
County allocations are based on actual county prior year expenditures. The Department contracts with Logisticare Solutions, LLC to coordinate the Medical Assistance - Transportation Program (MATP) for Philadelphia county based on a per individual rate. Due to updates to the State Plan that allow counties to elect to use brokers to coordinate the MATP, the Department contracts with York County Transportation (Rabbit Transit) to coordinate the MATP for Adams, Columbia, Cumberland, Franklin, Indiana, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Snyder, Union and York counties based on a per trip rate developed from historical costs. The Department also contracts with the South Central Transit Authority (SCTA) to coordinate the MATP for Berks and Lancaster counties.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Transportation			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in Find My Ride mileage reimbursement:	<u>(\$200)</u>	<u>(\$200)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$400)</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for an increase of 156,365 trips in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$2,436	\$2,439	\$0	\$4,875
2. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$465)</u>	<u>\$465</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$1,971	\$2,904	\$0	\$4,875
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of excess federal appropriation authority in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$6,534)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$6,534)</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<u>(\$200)</u>	<u>(\$200)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$400)</u>
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<u>\$1,971</u>	<u>\$2,904</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$4,875</u>
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$6,534)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$6,534)</u>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<u><u>\$1,771</u></u>	<u><u>(\$3,830)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$2,059)</u></u>
<b>LOTTERY FUND</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Maintains Lottery Fund at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$4.000 million:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL LOTTERY FUND</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$1,771</u></u>	<u><u>(\$3,830)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$2,059)</u></u>

**Medical Assistance - Transportation**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	Total	Federal	State	Services	Clients	Cost per Service
Counties	\$92,183,528	\$46,091,764	\$46,091,764	2,858,933	59,244	\$39.44
Philadelphia Contract	\$53,160,529	\$35,828,251	\$17,332,278	1,906,000	8,865	\$17.21
Direct Contracts	\$17,143,915	\$8,571,958	\$8,571,958	447,231	8,868	\$58.26
<b>Total Program Requirements</b>	<b>\$162,487,972</b>	<b>\$90,491,973</b>	<b>\$71,996,000</b>	<b>5,212,164</b>	<b>76,977</b>	
Find My Ride Mileage Reimbursement	\$700,000	\$350,000	\$350,000			
Uncommitted	\$6,534,027	\$6,534,027	\$0			
Transfer to Lottery Fund	(\$4,000,000)	\$0	(\$4,000,000)			
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$165,721,999</b>	<b>\$97,376,000</b>	<b>\$68,346,000</b>			
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount	\$165,722,000	\$97,376,000	\$68,346,000			
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	\$0	\$0			

**Medical Assistance - Transportation**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

	Total	Federal	State	Services	Clients	Cost per Service
Counties	\$94,949,034	\$47,474,517	\$47,474,517	2,944,701	61,021	\$39.44
Philadelphia Contract	\$54,755,345	\$37,092,233	\$17,663,112	1,963,180	9,131	\$17.21
Direct Contracts	\$17,658,232	\$8,829,116	\$8,829,116	460,648	9,134	\$58.26
<b>Total Program Requirements</b>	<b>\$167,362,611</b>	<b>\$93,395,866</b>	<b>\$73,966,745</b>	<b>5,368,529</b>	<b>79,286</b>	
Find My Ride Mileage Reimbursement	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000			
Transfer to Lottery Fund	(\$4,000,000)	\$0	(\$4,000,000)			
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$163,662,611</b>	<b>\$93,545,866</b>	<b>\$70,116,745</b>			

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - TRANSPORTATION**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Federal regulations require that the State Medicaid Agency ensure that non-emergency medical transportation is available for eligible MA recipients to and from MA covered services rendered by MA enrolled medical providers. The Department carries out this mandate by providing such services through the Medical Assistance Transportation Program. Emergency medical transportation services are funded separately through the MA Fee-for-Service and Capitation appropriations.

The Medical Assistance Transportation Program operates in every county by either the county government, sub-contracted entities of county government, local transit agencies, or a transportation brokerage agency. In Fiscal Year 2025-2026, funds were allocated to 53 county grantees who either provide services directly or contract with a local human services or transit agency, two transit agencies via direct vendor agreements (funded on a per trip rate basis) who provide services in 13 counties, and one broker (funded on a "per member per month" fee basis) who provides services in one county.

Lottery funding continues to be available in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 to offset Medical Assistance Transportation Program costs for seniors 65 years and older utilizing PennDOT's Senior Shared Ride Program.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Expanded Medical Services for Women
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$8,263
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Expanded Medical Services for Women				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$8,263	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$8,263</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Expanded Medical Services for Women

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding for Expanded Medical Services for Women at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 state funding level of \$8.263 million.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. §§ 201, 206

**Disbursement Criteria:**

The Department's State funds are allocated to provide social and education services to broaden health care access, amplify awareness, and cultivate well-informed decision-making for women, pregnant women, and new mothers.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Expanded Medical Services for Women

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at Fiscal Year 2025-2026 funding levels:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **EXPANDED MEDICAL SERVICES FOR WOMEN**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Women's Services Program is designed to provide vital services to women across Pennsylvania, with a strong commitment to inclusivity, accessibility, and culturally relevant healthcare. Services include prenatal care and postpartum supports; early detection and prevention of health conditions; parenting education programming; menstrual and reproductive health education and products as needed; sexually-transmitted infection testing and care or referrals; and referrals for assistance with other physical and behavioral health care needs. Services are available to women, pregnant women and new mothers, regardless of background, identity, or income.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

Children's Health Insurance Program

I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$96,100	\$96,643 <sup>1</sup>	\$104,257
Federal Funds Total	\$352,572	\$332,061	\$354,105
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Children's Health Insurance Program</i>	\$352,572	\$332,061	\$354,105
Other Funds Total	\$48,062	\$47,914	\$47,783
Other Fund Sources Itemized			
<i>MCO Assessment</i>	\$17,132	\$17,184	\$17,053
<i>Vision Services Donations</i>	\$200	\$0	\$0
<i>Children's Health Insurance Program</i>	<u>\$30,730</u>	<u>\$30,730</u>	<u>\$30,730</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$496,734</b>	<b>\$476,618</b>	<b>\$506,145</b>
<b>IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)</b>			
State Funds		\$1,485	
Federal Funds		<u>\$0</u>	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,485</b>	
 <sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$1.485 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$95.158 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.			

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Children's Health Insurance Program				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$2,096	\$5,192	\$5,254	\$62	1.19%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$6,728	\$11,594	\$12,230	\$636	5.49%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$8,824</b>	<b>\$16,786</b>	<b>\$17,484</b>	<b>\$698</b>	<b>4.16%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$94,004	\$91,451	\$99,003	\$7,552	8.26%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$345,844	\$311,301	\$341,875	\$30,574	9.82%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$48,062	\$47,914	\$47,783	(\$131)	-0.27%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$487,910</b>	<b>\$450,666</b>	<b>\$488,661</b>	<b>\$37,995</b>	<b>8.43%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$9,166	\$0	(\$9,166)	-100.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,166</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$9,166)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$96,100	\$96,643	\$104,257	\$7,614	7.88%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$352,572	\$332,061	\$354,105	\$22,044	6.64%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$48,062	\$47,914	\$47,783	(\$131)	-0.27%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$496,734</b>	<b>\$476,618</b>	<b>\$506,145</b>	<b>\$29,527</b>	<b>6.20%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Children's Health Insurance Program

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$30,513	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

Funding projections are derived from actuarial forecasting models developed on the basis of persons estimated to be eligible for the three components of coverage for children and teens up to age 19. The free component covers individuals in families with a net income no greater than 208 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). The second, low-cost component covers children in families with a net income greater than 208 percent but not greater than 314 percent of the FPL. The third component covers children in households with a net family income greater than 314 percent, in which the families pay the entire monthly premium.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

Article XXIII-A of the Insurance Company Law of 1921 (Act 2015-84); Title XXI of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C.A. §§ 1397aa-1397mm

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation funds the claims operations of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), which is administered by contracted insurance companies to provide Managed Care coverage to children. Disbursements are made based on invoices submitted for operating expenses and benefit claims to contractors.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Children's Health Insurance Program			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in operating expenditures in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP):	\$146	\$552	\$0	\$698
2. Provides for the impact of the change in the Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (EFMAP) rate from 69.24 percent to 70.19 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 69.0700 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 69.9525 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$84)	\$84	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Operating	\$62	\$636	\$0	\$698
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Monthly Payments for the Free Component:				
A. Provides for an increase of 409 children during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from 98,067 to 98,476:	\$425	\$950	\$0	\$1,375
B. Provides for an increase in the average monthly cost per user of \$12.38, from \$280.35 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$292.73 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$4,541	\$10,146	\$0	\$14,687
2. Monthly Subsidized Payments for Children from 208 to 262 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines (FPIG):				
A. Provides for an increase of 1,570 children during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from 33,818 to 35,388:	\$1,136	\$2,538	\$0	\$3,674
B. Provides for an increase in the average monthly cost per user of \$11.16, from \$194.93 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$206.09 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,469	\$3,262	\$0	\$4,731
3. Monthly Subsidized Payments for Children from 262 to 288 percent of the FPIG:				
A. Provides for an increase of 724 children during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from 10,932 to 11,656:	\$451	\$1,008	\$0	\$1,459
B. Provides for an increase in the average monthly cost per user of \$9.47, from \$168.03 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$177.50 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$410	\$911	\$0	\$1,321
4. Monthly Subsidized Payments for Children from 288 to 314 percent of the FPIG:				
A. Provides for an increase of 567 children during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from 9,127 to 9,694:	\$325	\$726	\$0	\$1,051
B. Provides for an increase in the average monthly cost per user of \$9.44, from \$154.32 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$163.76 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$339	\$752	\$0	\$1,091

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Children's Health Insurance Program			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
5. Provides for the impact of the change in the EFMAP rate from 69.24 percent to 70.19 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 69.0700 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 69.9525 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$4,221)	\$4,221	\$0	\$0
6. Impact of the decrease in Vision Services Provider payments:	(\$15)	\$15	\$0	\$0
7. Impact of the increase in Independent Enrollment Broker payments:	\$532	\$1,268	\$0	\$1,800
8. Impact of a decrease in MCO Assessment revenue:	\$131	\$0	(\$131)	\$0
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	<u>\$5,523</u>	<u>\$25,797</u>	<u>(\$131)</u>	<u>\$31,189</u>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of excess federal appropriation authority in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$9,166)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$9,166)</u>
Subtotal Budgetary Reserve	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$9,166)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$9,166)</u>
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Minimum Wage Increase				
A. Reflects transfer of children from Medicaid to CHIP related to the change in minimum wage to \$15.00 an hour, effective January 1, 2027:	<u>\$2,029</u>	<u>\$4,777</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$6,806</u>
Subtotal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives	<u>\$2,029</u>	<u>\$4,777</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$6,806</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>\$62</b>	<b>\$636</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$698</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<b>\$7,552</b>	<b>\$30,574</b>	<b>(\$131)</b>	<b>\$37,995</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>(\$9,166)</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>(\$9,166)</b></u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u><b>\$7,614</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>\$22,044</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>(\$131)</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>\$29,527</b></u></u>

**Children's Health Insurance Program**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

<b>Free Component</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2025	\$26,553,652	\$18,205,184	\$8,348,468	100,032	\$265.45
August	\$27,297,650	\$18,715,269	\$8,582,381	98,800	\$276.29
September	\$27,170,178	\$18,627,874	\$8,542,304	98,358	\$276.24
October	\$27,075,455	\$18,747,045	\$8,328,410	98,111	\$275.97
November	\$26,969,652	\$18,673,787	\$8,295,865	97,413	\$276.86
December	\$26,991,332	\$18,688,798	\$8,302,534	97,491	\$276.86
January 2026	\$27,013,029	\$18,703,821	\$8,309,208	97,570	\$276.86
February	\$28,116,133	\$19,467,610	\$8,648,523	97,648	\$287.93
March	\$28,138,734	\$19,483,259	\$8,655,475	97,727	\$287.93
April	\$28,161,353	\$19,498,921	\$8,662,432	97,805	\$287.93
May	\$28,183,991	\$19,514,595	\$8,669,396	97,884	\$287.93
June	\$28,206,646	\$19,530,282	\$8,676,364	97,962	\$287.93
<b>Subtotal Free Component</b>	<b>\$329,877,805</b>	<b>\$227,856,445</b>	<b>\$102,021,360</b>	<b>98,067</b>	<b>\$280.35</b>

<b>Subsidized - 208-262%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2025	\$5,756,241	\$3,946,479	\$1,809,762	33,252	\$173.11
August	\$6,111,837	\$4,190,275	\$1,921,562	34,046	\$179.52
September	\$6,404,991	\$4,391,262	\$2,013,729	33,241	\$192.68
October	\$6,528,262	\$4,520,169	\$2,008,093	33,375	\$195.60
November	\$6,531,426	\$4,522,359	\$2,009,067	33,510	\$194.91
December	\$6,557,815	\$4,540,631	\$2,017,184	33,645	\$194.91
January 2026	\$6,584,310	\$4,558,976	\$2,025,334	33,781	\$194.91
February	\$6,875,349	\$4,760,492	\$2,114,857	33,918	\$202.71
March	\$6,903,128	\$4,779,726	\$2,123,402	34,055	\$202.71
April	\$6,931,018	\$4,799,037	\$2,131,981	34,192	\$202.71
May	\$6,959,021	\$4,818,426	\$2,140,595	34,331	\$202.70
June	\$6,987,138	\$4,837,894	\$2,149,244	34,469	\$202.71
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 208-262%</b>	<b>\$79,130,536</b>	<b>\$54,665,726</b>	<b>\$24,464,810</b>	<b>33,818</b>	<b>\$194.93</b>

<b>Subsidized - 262-288%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2025	\$1,611,463	\$1,104,819	\$506,644	10,685	\$150.82
August	\$1,702,836	\$1,167,464	\$535,372	10,923	\$155.89
September	\$1,764,961	\$1,210,057	\$554,904	10,684	\$165.20
October	\$1,803,922	\$1,249,036	\$554,886	10,744	\$167.90
November	\$1,813,690	\$1,255,799	\$557,891	10,804	\$167.87
December	\$1,823,891	\$1,262,862	\$561,029	10,865	\$167.87
January 2026	\$1,834,148	\$1,269,964	\$564,184	10,926	\$167.87
February	\$1,918,243	\$1,328,191	\$590,052	10,987	\$174.59
March	\$1,929,031	\$1,335,661	\$593,370	11,049	\$174.59
April	\$1,939,880	\$1,343,173	\$596,707	11,111	\$174.59
May	\$1,950,790	\$1,350,727	\$600,063	11,174	\$174.58
June	\$1,961,762	\$1,358,324	\$603,438	11,237	\$174.58
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 262-288%</b>	<b>\$22,054,617</b>	<b>\$15,236,077</b>	<b>\$6,818,540</b>	<b>10,932</b>	<b>\$168.03</b>

<b>Subsidized - 288-314%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2025	\$1,202,842	\$824,668	\$378,174	8,816	\$136.44
August	\$1,269,862	\$870,617	\$399,245	9,081	\$139.84
September	\$1,350,515	\$925,913	\$424,602	8,953	\$150.84
October	\$1,391,759	\$963,654	\$428,105	8,999	\$154.66
November	\$1,400,854	\$969,951	\$430,903	9,045	\$154.88
December	\$1,408,043	\$974,929	\$433,114	9,091	\$154.88
January 2026	\$1,415,269	\$979,932	\$435,337	9,138	\$154.88
February	\$1,479,433	\$1,024,359	\$455,074	9,185	\$161.07
March	\$1,487,025	\$1,029,616	\$457,409	9,232	\$161.07
April	\$1,494,656	\$1,034,900	\$459,756	9,279	\$161.08
May	\$1,502,326	\$1,040,211	\$462,115	9,327	\$161.07
June	\$1,510,036	\$1,045,549	\$464,487	9,375	\$161.07
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 288-314%</b>	<b>\$16,912,620</b>	<b>\$11,684,299</b>	<b>\$5,228,321</b>	<b>9,127</b>	<b>\$154.32</b>

**Total Premium Payments** **\$447,975,578**      **\$309,442,547**      **\$138,533,031**

**Children's Health Insurance Program**  
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<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>
Vision Services	\$1,690,000	\$1,167,283	\$522,717
Independent Enrollment Broker	\$1,000,000	\$690,700	\$309,300
<b>Total Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$450,665,578</b>	<b>\$311,300,530</b>	<b>\$139,365,048</b>
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>			
Actuarial Contract	\$3,500,000	\$2,417,450	\$1,082,550
External Quality Review Organization	\$290,000	\$200,303	\$89,697
Outreach	\$3,175,000	\$2,192,973	\$982,027
PROMISe Maintenance	\$2,000,000	\$1,381,400	\$618,600
MMIS Transition	\$7,321,000	\$5,056,615	\$2,264,385
Health Policy Research	\$500,000	\$345,350	\$154,650
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$16,786,000</b>	<b>\$11,594,091</b>	<b>\$5,191,909</b>
Uncommitted	\$9,166,379	\$9,166,379	\$0
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$476,617,957</b>	<b>\$332,061,000</b>	<b>\$144,556,957</b>
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>			
MCO Assessment	\$17,183,715	\$0	\$17,183,715
Cigarette Tax	\$30,730,000	\$0	\$30,730,000
Total Revenue	\$47,913,715	\$0	\$47,913,715
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$428,704,242</b>	<b>\$332,061,000</b>	<b>\$96,643,242</b>
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$332,061,000	\$95,158,000
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$0	(\$1,485,242)

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**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

<b>Free Component</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2026	\$28,229,320	\$19,545,981	\$8,683,339	98,041	\$287.93
August	\$28,252,012	\$19,561,693	\$8,690,319	98,120	\$287.93
September	\$28,274,723	\$19,577,418	\$8,697,305	98,199	\$287.93
October	\$28,297,451	\$19,861,981	\$8,435,470	98,278	\$287.93
November	\$28,320,198	\$19,877,947	\$8,442,251	98,357	\$287.93
December	\$28,342,963	\$19,893,926	\$8,449,037	98,436	\$287.93
January 2027	\$28,365,747	\$19,909,918	\$8,455,829	98,515	\$287.93
February	\$29,524,090	\$20,722,959	\$8,801,131	98,594	\$299.45
March	\$29,547,823	\$20,739,617	\$8,808,206	98,673	\$299.45
April	\$29,571,575	\$20,756,288	\$8,815,287	98,753	\$299.45
May	\$29,595,346	\$20,772,973	\$8,822,373	98,832	\$299.45
June	\$29,619,136	\$20,789,672	\$8,829,464	98,912	\$299.45
<b>Subtotal Free Component</b>	<b>\$345,940,384</b>	<b>\$242,010,373</b>	<b>\$103,930,011</b>	<b>98,476</b>	<b>\$292.73</b>

<b>Subsidized - 208-262%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2026	\$7,015,368	\$4,857,441	\$2,157,927	34,609	\$202.70
August	\$7,043,712	\$4,877,066	\$2,166,646	34,748	\$202.71
September	\$7,072,170	\$4,896,771	\$2,175,399	34,889	\$202.70
October	\$7,100,744	\$4,984,012	\$2,116,732	35,030	\$202.70
November	\$7,129,433	\$5,004,149	\$2,125,284	35,171	\$202.71
December	\$7,158,238	\$5,024,367	\$2,133,871	35,313	\$202.71
January 2027	\$7,187,159	\$5,044,667	\$2,142,492	35,456	\$202.71
February	\$7,504,845	\$5,267,651	\$2,237,194	35,599	\$210.82
March	\$7,535,167	\$5,288,934	\$2,246,233	35,743	\$210.82
April	\$7,565,611	\$5,310,302	\$2,255,309	35,888	\$210.81
May	\$7,596,178	\$5,331,757	\$2,264,421	36,033	\$210.81
June	\$7,626,869	\$5,353,299	\$2,273,570	36,178	\$210.82
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 208-262%</b>	<b>\$87,535,494</b>	<b>\$61,240,416</b>	<b>\$26,295,078</b>	<b>35,388</b>	<b>\$206.09</b>

<b>Subsidized - 262-288%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2026	\$1,972,795	\$1,365,963	\$606,832	11,300	\$174.58
August	\$1,983,890	\$1,373,645	\$610,245	11,363	\$174.59
September	\$1,995,048	\$1,381,371	\$613,677	11,427	\$174.59
October	\$2,006,269	\$1,408,200	\$598,069	11,492	\$174.58
November	\$2,017,552	\$1,416,120	\$601,432	11,556	\$174.59
December	\$2,028,899	\$1,424,084	\$604,815	11,621	\$174.59
January 2027	\$2,040,310	\$1,432,094	\$608,216	11,686	\$174.59
February	\$2,133,857	\$1,497,754	\$636,103	11,752	\$181.57
March	\$2,145,858	\$1,506,178	\$639,680	11,818	\$181.58
April	\$2,157,926	\$1,514,648	\$643,278	11,885	\$181.57
May	\$2,170,063	\$1,523,167	\$646,896	11,952	\$181.56
June	\$2,182,268	\$1,531,734	\$650,534	12,019	\$181.57
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 262-288%</b>	<b>\$24,834,735</b>	<b>\$17,374,958</b>	<b>\$7,459,777</b>	<b>11,656</b>	<b>\$177.50</b>

<b>Subsidized - 288-314%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>Average Per Capita</b>
July 2026	\$1,517,785	\$1,050,914	\$466,871	9,423	\$161.07
August	\$1,525,574	\$1,056,307	\$469,267	9,471	\$161.08
September	\$1,533,403	\$1,061,728	\$471,675	9,520	\$161.07
October	\$1,541,272	\$1,081,819	\$459,453	9,569	\$161.07
November	\$1,549,181	\$1,087,370	\$461,811	9,618	\$161.07
December	\$1,557,131	\$1,092,950	\$464,181	9,667	\$161.08
January 2027	\$1,565,122	\$1,098,559	\$466,563	9,717	\$161.07
February	\$1,636,080	\$1,148,365	\$487,715	9,767	\$167.51
March	\$1,644,476	\$1,154,258	\$490,218	9,817	\$167.51
April	\$1,652,915	\$1,160,181	\$492,734	9,867	\$167.52
May	\$1,661,397	\$1,166,135	\$495,262	9,918	\$167.51
June	\$1,669,923	\$1,172,119	\$497,804	9,969	\$167.51
<b>Subtotal Subsidized - 288-314%</b>	<b>\$19,054,259</b>	<b>\$13,330,705</b>	<b>\$5,723,554</b>	<b>9,694</b>	<b>\$163.76</b>

<b>Total Premium Payments</b>	<b>\$477,364,872</b>	<b>\$333,956,452</b>	<b>\$143,408,420</b>		
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**Children's Health Insurance Program  
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Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

<u><b>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</b></u>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>
Vision Services	\$1,690,000	\$1,182,197	\$507,803
Independent Enrollment Broker	\$2,800,000	\$1,958,670	\$841,330
<b>Total Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$481,854,872</b>	<b>\$337,097,319</b>	<b>\$144,757,553</b>
<u><b>OPERATING</b></u>			
Actuarial Contract	\$3,500,000	\$2,448,338	\$1,051,662
External Quality Review Organization	\$290,000	\$202,862	\$87,138
Outreach	\$3,175,000	\$2,220,992	\$954,008
PROMISe Maintenance	\$2,000,000	\$1,399,050	\$600,950
MMIS Transition	\$8,019,000	\$5,609,491	\$2,409,509
Health Policy Research	\$500,000	\$349,763	\$150,237
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$17,484,000</b>	<b>\$12,230,496</b>	<b>\$5,253,504</b>
<u><b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b></u>			
Minimum Wage Increase	\$6,806,000	\$4,777,000	\$2,029,000
<b>Total Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Initiatives</b>	<b>\$6,806,000</b>	<b>\$4,777,000</b>	<b>\$2,029,000</b>
 <b>Total Program Cost</b>	 <b>\$506,144,872</b>	 <b>\$354,104,815</b>	 <b>\$152,040,057</b>
<u><b>REVENUE</b></u>			
MCO Assessment	\$17,052,635	\$0	\$17,052,635
Cigarette Tax	\$30,730,000	\$0	\$30,730,000
Total Revenue	\$47,782,635	\$0	\$47,782,635
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>	<b>\$458,362,237</b>	<b>\$354,104,815</b>	<b>\$104,257,422</b>

## **CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Pennsylvania's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is acknowledged as a national model, receiving specific recognition in the federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997 as one of only three child health insurance programs that met congressional specifications. In early 2007, Pennsylvania received approval from the federal government to expand eligibility for CHIP as part of the "Cover All Kids" initiative, and in March 2007 the new eligibility guidelines were implemented. Effective April 2023 CHIP eligibility was merged into the MA eligibility systems. Families who apply for healthcare are screened for both MA and CHIP eligibility.

In Fiscal Year 2026-2027, CHIP anticipates enrolling a monthly average of 189,265 children, an increase of approximately 17,206 children over Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

### **PROGRAM COMPONENTS**

CHIP has three components that cover children and teens up to age 19 with identical, comprehensive benefits. Children, age 6-18, with household income under 133% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPIG) are eligible for MA. Children, age 1-5, with household income under 157% of the FPIG are eligible for MA. Children, under age 1, with household income under 215% of the FPIG are eligible for MA.

- The free component covers children in families with a net household income from 133% to 208% of FPIG. Federal Financial Participation is received toward the cost of this coverage. There are no premiums, and no co-payments collected for enrollees in this group.
- The low-cost component covers children in families with a net income greater than 208% to 314% of the FPIG. Federal Financial Participation is received toward the cost of this low-cost coverage. The parent or guardian is required to pay a modest monthly premium on a sliding scale based upon household income and is responsible for modest co-payments on certain services and prescriptions. Enrollment in low-cost CHIP is divided into three increments with progressively increasing premiums.
- The full-cost component covers children in households with a net family income greater than 314% of the FPIG. These families pay the entire monthly premium, as negotiated by the state. There is no state or federal financial participation. This expanded group pays an average of approximately \$280 per child per month for the premium. Comparable insurance must either be unavailable or unaffordable for a child to qualify.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$2.029 million to account for more children being served in CHIP after increasing the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. Increasing the minimum wage generates economic activity, increases the purchasing power of Pennsylvania residents, and increases revenue to the Commonwealth. When fully implemented, approximately 18,300 children who were previously eligible for MA will transition to CHIP.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
State Funds	\$197,496	\$212,657 <sup>1</sup>	\$188,464
Federal Funds Total	\$526,256	\$216,527	\$190,724
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>MA - Long-Term Living</i>	\$194,250	\$216,527 <sup>2</sup>	\$190,724
<i>COVID - SFR Long-Term Living Programs-Beneficiary</i>	\$332,006	\$0	\$0
Other Funds Total	\$290	\$306	\$306
Other Fund Sources Itemized			
<i>Attendant Care Patient Fees</i>	\$239	\$255	\$255
<i>Attendant Care Parking Fines</i>	\$51	\$51	\$51
Total	\$724,042	\$429,490	\$379,494

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

State Funds	\$5,787
Federal Funds	\$2,056
Federal Sources Itemized	
<i>MA - Long-Term Living</i>	\$2,056
Total	\$7,843

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$5.787 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$206.870 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

<sup>2</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$2.056 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$214.471 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$197,496	\$212,657	\$188,464	(\$24,193)	-11.38%
Federal Funds	\$526,256	\$216,527	\$190,724	(\$25,803)	-11.92%
Other Funds	\$290	\$306	\$306	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$724,042</b>	<b>\$429,490</b>	<b>\$379,494</b>	<b>(\$49,996)</b>	<b>-11.64%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$197,496	\$212,657	\$188,464	(\$24,193)	-11.38%
Federal Funds	\$526,256	\$216,527	\$190,724	(\$25,803)	-11.92%
Other Funds	\$290	\$306	\$306	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$724,042</b>	<b>\$429,490</b>	<b>\$379,494</b>	<b>(\$49,996)</b>	<b>-11.64%</b>

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> <b>Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living</b>
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2023</u>	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>2025-2026 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 Funding projections are derived from forecasting models developed on the basis of facilities certified for participation in the Medical Assistance Program, their Medical Assistance case-mix index, projected estimates of patient pay funds and adjustments in net operating costs to reflect changes in resident care cost, and other resident related care and administrative expenses. Capital costs are also included as a component of nursing home payments.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. § 443.1(5) and (6), and (7)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 The service provider must be enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program, the service recipient must be deemed eligible for Medical Assistance benefits and the service provided must be a covered Medical Assistance benefit. Reimbursement of covered services must be in accordance with promulgated fee schedules/rates of reimbursement. Payments are disbursed upon successful completion of prepayment screens and edits and availability of funding.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
<b>1. Provider Payments</b>				
A. Reflects a decrease in average cost of care during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from \$192.38 per day to \$191.32 per day:	(441)	(1,548)	\$0	(\$1,989)
B. Reflects an increase of 70,049 days of care during Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from 1,816,525 to 1,886,574:	\$5,860	\$7,441	\$0	\$13,301
Subtotal Provider Payments	\$5,419	\$5,893	\$0	\$11,312
<b>2. Other Provider Payments</b>				
A. Reflects the non-recurring Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Medical Assistance (MA) Day One Incentive Payments to nonpublic facilities who maintain an overall occupancy rate of at least eighty-five percent and an MA occupancy rate of at least sixty-five percent:	(\$21,000)	(\$26,792)	\$0	(\$47,792)
B. Reflects the non-recurring additional Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Supplemental Ventilator Care and Tracheostomy Care payments:	(\$750)	(\$957)	\$0	(\$1,707)
C. Reflects the non-recurring Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Access to Nursing Care payments to qualified nonpublic nursing facilities:	(\$8,500)	(\$10,845)	\$0	(\$19,345)
D. Annualization of the Participant-Directed Direct Care Worker Rate increase:	\$998	\$1,248	\$0	\$2,246
Subtotal Other Provider Payments	(\$29,252)	(\$37,346)	\$0	(\$66,598)
<b>3. Other Long-Term Living Services</b>				
A. Provides for a change in OBRA Waiver recipients entering the program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,357	\$1,714	\$0	\$3,071
B. Provides for a change in Act 150 Waiver recipients entering the program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$2,691	\$0	\$0	\$2,691
C. Impact of the projected increase in gross adjustments and cost settlements:	\$114	\$145	\$0	\$259
Subtotal Other Long-Term Living Services	\$4,162	\$1,859	\$0	\$6,021
<b>4. Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>				
A. Impact of the projected increase in refunds:	(\$323)	(\$408)	\$0	(\$731)
B. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.05 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$4,199)	\$4,199	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts	(\$4,522)	\$3,791	\$0	(\$731)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$24,193)</b>	<b>(\$25,803)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$49,996)</b>

**Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

<b><u>LONG-TERM LIVING FACILITIES</u></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Leave and Facility Days</b>	<b>Hospital Days</b>	<b>Cost Per Day</b>
July 2025	\$28,065,419	\$15,527,182	\$12,538,237	137,059	1,558	\$204.00
August	\$13,918,482	\$7,764,617	\$6,153,865	128,263	1,026	\$108.23
September	\$43,616,913	\$24,114,315	\$19,502,598	172,019	1,462	\$252.84
October	\$25,633,127	\$14,543,428	\$11,089,699	132,332	1,133	\$193.15
November	\$26,377,361	\$14,787,149	\$11,590,212	137,404	1,408	\$191.32
December	\$32,971,701	\$18,483,936	\$14,487,765	171,755	1,760	\$191.32
January 2026	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
February	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
March	\$33,960,852	\$19,038,454	\$14,922,398	176,908	1,813	\$191.32
April	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
May	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
June	\$33,960,852	\$19,038,454	\$14,922,398	176,908	1,813	\$191.32
<b>Subtotal Long-Term Living Facilities Expenditures</b>	<b>\$347,179,435</b>	<b>\$194,220,587</b>	<b>\$152,958,848</b>	<b>1,798,752</b>	<b>17,773</b>	<b>\$192.38</b>
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>						
MDOI - MA Day One Incentive Payments - Non Public	\$47,792,445	\$26,792,445	\$21,000,000			
Supplemental Ventilator and Tracheostomy Care Payments	\$1,706,873	\$956,873	\$750,000			
Access to Nursing Care	\$19,344,560	\$10,844,560	\$8,500,000			
Access to Vent/Trach Care	\$13,600,000	\$0	\$13,600,000			
Direct-Care Worker Participant-Directed Rate Increase	\$2,246,245	\$1,259,245	\$987,000			
<b>Subtotal Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$84,690,123</b>	<b>\$39,853,123</b>	<b>\$44,837,000</b>			
<b><u>OTHER LONG-TERM LIVING SERVICES</u></b>						
OBRA Waiver Services	\$33,081,870	\$18,465,473	\$14,616,397			
Act 150 Under 60 Services	\$29,055,962	\$0	\$29,055,962			
Gross Adjustments/Cost Settlements	\$8,653,468	\$4,830,149	\$3,823,319			
<b>Subtotal Other Long-Term Living Services</b>	<b>\$70,791,300</b>	<b>\$23,295,622</b>	<b>\$47,495,678</b>			
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>						
Refunds	(\$73,171,287)	(\$40,842,383)	(\$32,328,904)			
Civil Monetary Penalty Fund (CMP)	(\$500,000)	\$0	(\$500,000)			
Pennsylvania Long-Term Grant Program (CMP)	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000			
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$73,171,287)</b>	<b>(\$40,842,383)</b>	<b>(\$32,328,904)</b>			
<b>Total Program Cost</b>		<b>\$216,526,949</b>	<b>\$212,962,622</b>			
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>						
Parking Fines	\$51,000	\$0	\$51,000			
Patient Fees	\$255,000	\$0	\$255,000			
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$306,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$306,000</b>			
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$216,526,949</b>	<b>\$212,656,622</b>			
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Appropriation Amount		<b>\$214,471,000</b>	<b>\$206,870,000</b>			
Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$2,055,949)	(\$5,786,622)			

**Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living**  
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**Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

<b><u>LONG-TERM LIVING FACILITIES</u></b>	Total	Federal	State	Leave and Facility Days	Hospital Days	Cost Per Day
July 2026	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
August	\$33,960,852	\$19,038,454	\$14,922,398	176,908	1,813	\$191.32
September	\$27,168,682	\$15,230,763	\$11,937,919	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
October	\$27,168,682	\$15,597,540	\$11,571,142	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
November	\$33,960,852	\$19,496,925	\$14,463,927	176,908	1,813	\$191.32
December	\$27,168,682	\$15,597,540	\$11,571,142	141,526	1,450	\$191.32
January 2027	\$27,983,742	\$16,065,466	\$11,918,276	145,772	1,494	\$191.32
February	\$27,983,742	\$16,065,466	\$11,918,276	145,772	1,494	\$191.32
March	\$34,979,678	\$20,081,833	\$14,897,845	182,215	1,867	\$191.32
April	\$27,983,742	\$16,065,466	\$11,918,276	145,772	1,494	\$191.32
May	\$34,979,678	\$20,081,833	\$14,897,845	182,215	1,867	\$191.32
June	\$27,983,742	\$16,065,466	\$11,918,276	145,772	1,494	\$191.32
<b>Subtotal Long-Term Living Facilities Expenditures</b>	<b>\$358,490,756</b>	<b>\$204,617,515</b>	<b>\$153,873,241</b>	<b>1,867,438</b>	<b>19,136</b>	<b>\$191.32</b>
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>						
Access to Vent/Trach Care	\$13,600,000	\$0	\$13,600,000			
Direct-Care Worker Participant-Directed Rate Increase	\$4,492,490	\$2,563,976	\$1,928,514			
<b>Subtotal Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$18,092,490</b>	<b>\$2,563,976</b>	<b>\$15,528,514</b>			
<b><u>OTHER LONG-TERM LIVING SERVICES</u></b>						
OBRA Waiver Services	\$36,153,367	\$20,633,630	\$15,519,737			
Act 150 Under 60 Services	\$31,746,707	\$0	\$31,746,707			
Gross Adjustments/Cost Settlements	\$8,913,072	\$5,086,913	\$3,826,159			
<b>Subtotal Other Long-Term Living Services</b>	<b>\$76,813,146</b>	<b>\$25,720,543</b>	<b>\$51,092,603</b>			
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>						
Refunds	(\$73,903,000)	(\$42,178,290)	(\$31,724,710)			
Civil Monetary Penalty Fund (CMP)	(\$500,000)	\$0	(\$500,000)			
Pennsylvania Long-Term Grant Program (CMP)	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000			
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$73,903,000)</b>	<b>(\$42,178,290)</b>	<b>(\$31,724,710)</b>			
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$379,493,392</b>	<b>\$190,723,744</b>	<b>\$188,769,648</b>			
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>						
Parking Fines	\$51,000	\$0	\$51,000			
Patient Fees	\$255,000	\$0	\$255,000			
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$306,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$306,000</b>			
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$190,723,744</b>	<b>\$188,463,648</b>			

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - LONG-TERM LIVING**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Long-Term Living appropriation provides for care to individuals needing nursing facility services. Recipients are assessed to determine if they are both medically and financially eligible for MA nursing facility benefits before, they can have MA payments made for nursing facility services. As the number of people needing long-term care services has grown, the need to realign both the supply of services and the funding that supports them has become increasingly evident.

### **NURSING FACILITY SERVICES**

Nursing facilities provide care to recipients whose medical needs do not require acute hospital care but need a more intense level of care or supervision than provided in a non-nursing facility setting. As of January 23, 2026, there were 656 licensed county and general nursing facilities with approximately 82,762 beds in Pennsylvania. Of these, 592 facilities and approximately 78,582 beds were certified to participate in the MA Program, representing 94.9 percent of the beds in the state. Nursing facilities providing services to MA-eligible individuals who have not completed their enrollment in the Community HealthChoices managed care program are paid for these services through a case-mix prospective payment system. The case-mix prospective payment system recognizes net operating and capital costs and is based on the resources needed to meet the facilities' residents' care requirements.

Nursing facility cost reports are audited to ensure that the costs incurred by nursing facilities are reasonable, appropriate, and allowable prior to developing payment rates. The Department uses a Utilization Management Review process to ensure rates paid to nursing facilities are based on correct Minimum Data Set information and that overpayments are avoided. The Utilization Management Review activities include monitoring facility Minimum Data Set submissions, performing reviews of nursing facility billing processes, and providing technical assistance for nursing facility staff.

The MA Participation Review Process objectively analyzes and determines the demand for additional MA-certified nursing facility beds, assuring compliance with federal requirements to safeguard against unnecessary utilization of Medicaid services. For providers to receive approval for MA participation of new bed construction, they must successfully demonstrate demand for additional nursing facility beds in their geographical area. A Preadmission Screening Resident Review of all nursing facility residents with other related conditions is completed to determine if those persons who meet the other related conditions diagnoses require nursing facility care and specialized services. Other related conditions include physical, sensory, or neurological disabilities which manifested before age 22 and are likely to continue indefinitely.

### **OBRA WAIVER**

The OBRA Waiver is provided to individuals who have a severe developmental physical disability requiring an Intermediate Care Facility/Other Related Conditions level of care and need a high level of habilitation services to avoid institutionalization.

### **ACT 150 ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM**

The Act 150 Attendant Care Program is intended to help individuals with physical disabilities live independently in their homes and in the community. To be eligible for the program, an individual aged 18-59 must have a physical disability, be mentally alert and able to direct their own services and need assistance with activities of daily living. The program aids with bathing, dressing, meal preparation, mobility, housekeeping, and other self-care and daily living functions. This program is for individuals who meet the level of care requirement but fail to financially qualify for Medicaid.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:  
Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$6,355,848	\$7,316,241	\$7,802,477
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (General Fund)</i>	\$5,825,992	\$6,728,341 <sup>1</sup>	\$7,231,075
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (Tobacco Settlement Fund)</i>	\$155,890	\$132,934	\$131,402
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (Lottery Fund)</i>	\$373,966	\$454,966	\$440,000
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$8,657,495	\$10,090,311	\$11,333,265
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (General Fund)</i>	\$8,657,445	\$10,090,161 <sup>2</sup>	\$11,333,265
<i>MA - Elder Justice Act - Adult Protective Services (General Fund)</i>	\$50	\$150	\$0
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$618,512	\$659,648	\$717,556
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Nursing Home Assessments</i>	\$380,000	\$412,282	\$462,282
<i>County Intergovernmental Transfer</i>	\$114,618	\$116,292	\$121,736
<i>MCO Assessment</i>	\$57,689	\$63,919	\$63,712
<i>Statewide Hospital Assessment</i>	\$65,213	\$63,821	\$62,008
<i>Ambulance Intergovernmental Transfer</i>	\$992	\$3,334	\$7,818
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$15,631,855</u>	<u>\$18,066,200</u>	<u>\$19,853,298</u>

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

<b>State Funds</b>	\$279,812
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>	
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (General Fund)</i>	\$279,812
<b>Federal Funds</b>	\$105,706
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>	
<i>MA - Community HealthChoices (General Fund)</i>	<u>\$105,706</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$385,518</u>

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$279.812 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$6,448,529 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

<sup>2</sup> Includes a recommended supplemental appropriation of \$105.706 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$9,984,455 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$22,055	\$23,523	\$25,673	\$2,150	9.14%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$18,152	\$21,895	\$23,895	\$2,000	9.13%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$40,207</b>	<b>\$45,418</b>	<b>\$49,568</b>	<b>\$4,150</b>	<b>9.14%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$6,333,793	\$7,292,718	\$7,776,804	\$484,086	6.64%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$8,639,343	\$10,068,416	\$11,309,370	\$1,240,954	12.33%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$618,512	\$659,648	\$717,556	\$57,908	8.78%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$15,591,648</b>	<b>\$18,020,782</b>	<b>\$19,803,730</b>	<b>\$1,782,948</b>	<b>9.89%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$6,355,848	\$7,316,241	\$7,802,477	\$486,236	6.65%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$8,657,495	\$10,090,311	\$11,333,265	\$1,242,954	12.32%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$618,512	\$659,648	\$717,556	\$57,908	8.78%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$15,631,855</b>	<b>\$18,066,200</b>	<b>\$19,853,298</b>	<b>\$1,787,098</b>	<b>9.89%</b>

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 Estimated expenditures are based on the projected number of member months and the average cost per member per month for individuals in the Community HealthChoices program.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. § 443.5; 42 U.S.C. § 1396n(b); 42 CFR Part 438 and Part 441

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 The Community HealthChoices Managed Care Organization (MCO) must be a Medical Assistance Program contractor; the recipient of the services must be deemed eligible for Medical Assistance benefits, and must be enrolled with a Community HealthChoices MCO; and the billed monthly premium must be in accordance with the negotiated rate.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. The Governor's Executive Budget includes \$49.569 million (\$25.673 million in state funds) for the continuation of the major contracts for this appropriation:	\$2,150	\$2,150	\$0	\$4,300
2. Impact of a non-recurring Elder Justice Act-Adult Protective Services subgrant:	\$0	(\$150)	\$0	(\$150)
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>	<b>\$2,150</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,150</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
<b>1. Provider Payments</b>				
A. Provides for an increase in the per member per month cost from \$3,806.56 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$4,053.23 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$530,439	\$665,929	\$0	\$1,196,368
B. Provides for an increase in member months from 4,715,756 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 4,850,028 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$225,722	\$285,395	\$0	\$511,117
<b>Subtotal Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$756,161</b>	<b>\$951,324</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,707,485</b>
<b>2. Other Provider Payments</b>				
A. Provides for the continuation of the Nursing Facility Quality Incentive payment:	(\$119)	\$143	\$0	\$24
B. Provides for the continuation of the MCO Pay-for-Performance Program:	\$36,964	\$46,224	\$0	\$83,188
<b>Subtotal Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$36,845</b>	<b>\$46,367</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$83,212</b>
<b>3. Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>				
A. Impact of the projected increase in the transfer of expenditures to the Medical Assistance for Workers with Disabilities program:	\$761	(\$335)	\$0	\$426
B. Provides for a projected increase in pharmacy rebates in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 due to increased drug costs and utilization:	(\$1,124)	(\$2,751)	\$0	(\$3,875)
C. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$248,499)	\$248,499	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$248,862)</b>	<b>\$245,413</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$3,449)</b>

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>4. Grant Payments</b>				
A. Impact of a decrease in the estimated Grant payments:	(\$2,150)	(\$2,150)	\$0	(\$4,300)
Subtotal Grant Payments	(\$2,150)	(\$2,150)	\$0	(\$4,300)
<b>5. Revenue</b>				
A. Provides for an increase in the Nursing Home Assessment:	(\$50,000)	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
B. Provides for an increase in the County Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT):	(\$5,444)	\$0	\$5,444	\$0
C. Impact of the decrease in the MCO Assessment:	\$207	\$0	(\$207)	\$0
D. Impact of the decrease in the Statewide Hospital Assessment:	\$1,813	\$0	(\$1,813)	\$0
E. Provides for an increase in the Ambulance IGT:	(\$4,484)	\$0	\$4,484	\$0
Subtotal Revenue	(\$57,908)	\$0	\$57,908	\$0
<b>6. Special Funds</b>				
A. Impact of the change in available Tobacco Settlement Funds:	\$14,966	\$0	\$0	\$14,966
B. Impact of the change in available Lottery Funds:	\$1,532	\$0	\$0	\$1,532
Subtotal Special Funds	\$16,498	\$0	\$0	\$16,498
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>\$2,150</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,150</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<b>\$500,584</b>	<b>\$1,240,954</b>	<b>\$57,908</b>	<b>\$1,799,446</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$502,734</b>	<b>\$1,242,954</b>	<b>\$57,908</b>	<b>\$1,803,596</b>
<b>TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
A. Change in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tobacco Settlement Fund allocation:	(\$14,966)	\$0	\$0	(\$14,966)
<b>TOTAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND</b>	<b>(\$14,966)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$14,966)</b>

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>LOTTERY FUND</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
A. Change in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Lottery Fund allocation:	<u>(\$1,532)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$1,532)</u>
<b>TOTAL LOTTERY FUND</b>	<u>(\$1,532)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$1,532)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$486,236</u>	<u>\$1,242,954</u>	<u>\$57,908</u>	<u>\$1,787,098</u>

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Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	Total	Federal	State	Member Months	Per Member Per Month
<b><u>COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES</u></b>					
July 2025	\$1,389,560,697	\$765,803,376	\$623,757,320	387,298	\$3,587.83
August	\$1,447,037,725	\$797,437,054	\$649,600,671	388,963	\$3,720.25
September	\$1,452,573,819	\$800,481,982	\$652,091,838	389,461	\$3,729.70
October	\$1,420,105,878	\$796,347,308	\$623,758,570	390,683	\$3,634.93
November	\$1,477,959,535	\$828,757,748	\$649,201,787	392,655	\$3,764.01
December	\$1,430,397,032	\$802,083,261	\$628,313,772	391,843	\$3,650.43
January 2026	\$1,482,907,581	\$831,521,949	\$651,385,632	393,548	\$3,768.05
February	\$1,577,669,288	\$884,441,403	\$693,227,885	394,452	\$3,999.65
March	\$1,544,247,046	\$865,704,894	\$678,542,152	395,357	\$3,905.96
April	\$1,584,903,268	\$888,496,772	\$696,406,496	396,261	\$3,999.65
May	\$1,551,311,581	\$869,665,272	\$681,646,309	397,165	\$3,905.96
June	\$1,592,137,247	\$892,552,141	\$699,585,106	398,070	\$3,999.65
Subtotal Community HealthChoices	\$17,950,810,698	\$10,023,293,161	\$7,927,517,537	4,715,756	\$3,806.56
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>		
NF Quality Incentive Payment	\$14,975,930	\$8,265,885	\$6,710,045		
MCO Pay-for-Performance Program (P4P)	\$66,812,500	\$37,502,555	\$29,309,945		
Total Other Provider Payments	\$81,788,430	\$45,768,440	\$36,019,990		
<b>TOTAL PROVIDER PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$18,032,599,128</b>	<b>\$10,069,061,601</b>	<b>\$7,963,537,527</b>		
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>					
EA for Workers with Disabilities (4/25-3/26)	(\$21,301,226)	(\$11,509,204)	(\$9,792,022)		
Pharmacy Rebates	(\$77,491,151)	(\$42,665,367)	(\$34,825,784)		
Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts	(\$98,792,377)	(\$54,174,571)	(\$44,617,806)		
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>					
Actuarial Contract	\$6,700,000	\$3,350,000	\$3,350,000		
Complex Case Management	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$250,000		
Claims Processing and PROMISE Contract Costs	\$1,500,000	\$1,125,000	\$375,000		
Enterprise Incident Management System	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000		
External Quality Review Organization	\$650,000	\$325,000	\$325,000		
Information Technology	\$5,589,875	\$4,866,488	\$723,387		
interRAi Software and Training Support	\$500,000	\$375,000	\$125,000		
Legal Support	\$443,000	\$0	\$443,000		
NIS/Case-Mix Reimbursement System Services	\$3,500,000	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000		
Professional Consulting	\$7,163,000	\$2,054,000	\$5,109,000		
Professional Staffing	\$14,500,000	\$7,250,000	\$7,250,000		
Provider Services	\$2,040,000	\$375,000	\$1,665,000		
Revenue Maximization	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000		
TruCare Case Management	\$33,000	\$25,000	\$8,000		
Total Operating Expenditures	\$45,268,875	\$21,745,488	\$23,523,387		
<b><u>GRANTS</u></b>					
Aging Well Inc.	\$38,000,000	\$28,500,000	\$9,500,000		
Center for Independent Living	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000		
Enrollment	\$34,442,328	\$17,221,164	\$17,221,164		
Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0		
Money Follows the Person	\$7,656,980	\$7,656,980	\$0		
Nursing Home Transition	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000		
Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network	\$825,000	\$0	\$825,000		
Public Partnership LLC	\$2,900,000	\$0	\$2,900,000		
Total Grant Payments	\$86,974,308	\$53,528,144	\$33,446,164		
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$18,066,049,934</b>	<b>\$10,090,160,662</b>	<b>\$7,975,889,272</b>		
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>					
Nursing Home Assessment	\$412,281,711	\$0	\$412,281,711		
Intergovernmental Transfer	\$116,292,402	\$0	\$116,292,402		
MCO Assessment	\$63,918,849	\$0	\$63,918,849		
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$63,820,986	\$0	\$63,820,986		
Ambulance IGT	\$3,334,469	\$0	\$3,334,469		
Total Revenue	\$659,648,417	\$0	\$659,648,417		
<b><u>SPECIAL FUNDS</u></b>					
Transfer Expenditures to Lottery Fund	\$454,966,000	\$0	\$454,966,000		
Transfer Expenditures to Tobacco Settlement Fund	\$132,934,000	\$0	\$132,934,000		
Total Special Funds	\$587,900,000	\$0	\$587,900,000		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$10,090,160,662</b>	<b>\$6,728,340,855</b>		
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$9,984,455,000	\$6,448,529,000		
Surplus/(Deficit)		(\$105,705,662)	(\$279,811,855)		
Elder Justice Act-Adult Protective Services		\$150,000			
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation Amount		\$150,000			
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$0			

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Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

<u>COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES</u>	Total	Federal	State	Member Months	Per Member Per Month
July 2026	\$1,558,509,125	\$873,700,215	\$684,808,910	399,008	\$3,905.96
August	\$1,562,174,402	\$875,754,970	\$686,419,432	399,946	\$3,905.96
September	\$1,603,396,817	\$898,864,256	\$704,532,561	400,885	\$3,999.65
October	\$1,569,504,957	\$901,052,796	\$668,452,161	401,823	\$3,905.96
November	\$1,573,170,234	\$903,157,031	\$670,013,203	402,761	\$3,905.96
December	\$1,614,656,388	\$926,974,232	\$687,682,156	403,700	\$3,999.65
January 2027	\$1,580,500,790	\$907,365,504	\$673,135,286	404,638	\$3,905.96
February	\$1,695,057,690	\$973,132,619	\$721,925,071	405,577	\$4,179.38
March	\$1,698,979,537	\$975,384,152	\$723,595,385	406,515	\$4,179.38
April	\$1,743,745,988	\$1,001,084,572	\$742,661,416	407,453	\$4,279.62
May	\$1,706,823,231	\$979,887,217	\$726,936,014	408,392	\$4,179.38
June	\$1,751,777,815	\$1,005,695,644	\$746,082,171	409,330	\$4,279.62
<b>Subtotal Community HealthChoices</b>	<b>\$19,658,296,974</b>	<b>\$11,222,053,208</b>	<b>\$8,436,243,766</b>	<b>4,850,028</b>	<b>\$4,053.23</b>
<b><u>OTHER PROVIDER PAYMENTS</u></b>					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>		
NF Quality Incentive Payment	\$15,000,000	\$8,611,500	\$6,388,500		
MCO Pay-for-Performance Program (P4P)	\$150,000,000	\$85,608,750	\$64,391,250		
<b>Total Other Provider Payments</b>	<b>\$165,000,000</b>	<b>\$94,220,250</b>	<b>\$70,779,750</b>		
<b>TOTAL PROVIDER PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$19,823,296,974</b>	<b>\$11,316,273,458</b>	<b>\$8,507,023,516</b>		
<b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE/CASH FLOW IMPACTS</u></b>					
EA for Workers with Disabilities (4/26-3/27)	(\$20,875,264)	(\$11,844,436)	(\$9,030,828)		
Pharmacy Rebates	(\$81,365,709)	(\$46,437,444)	(\$34,928,265)		
<b>Total Administrative/Cash Flow Impacts</b>	<b>(\$102,240,973)</b>	<b>(\$58,281,880)</b>	<b>(\$43,959,093)</b>		
<b><u>OPERATING</u></b>					
Actuarial Contract	\$6,700,000	\$3,350,000	\$3,350,000		
Complex Case Management	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$250,000		
Claims Processing and PROMISe Contract Costs	\$1,500,000	\$1,125,000	\$375,000		
Enterprise Incident Management System	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000		
External Quality Review Organization	\$650,000	\$325,000	\$325,000		
Information Technology	\$5,589,875	\$4,866,488	\$723,387		
interRAi Software and Training Support	\$500,000	\$375,000	\$125,000		
Legal Support	\$443,000	\$0	\$443,000		
NIS/Case-Mix Reimbursement System Services	\$3,500,000	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000		
Professional Consulting	\$7,163,000	\$2,054,000	\$5,109,000		
Professional Staffing	\$18,800,000	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000		
Provider Services	\$2,040,000	\$375,000	\$1,665,000		
Revenue Maximization	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000		
TruCare Case Management	\$33,000	\$25,000	\$8,000		
<b>Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$49,568,875</b>	<b>\$23,895,488</b>	<b>\$25,673,387</b>		
<b><u>GRANTS</u></b>					
Aging Well Inc.	\$38,000,000	\$28,500,000	\$9,500,000		
Center for Independent Living	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000		
Enrollment	\$30,142,328	\$15,071,164	\$15,071,164		
Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0		
Money Follows the Person	\$7,656,980	\$7,656,980	\$0		
Nursing Home Transition	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000		
Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network	\$825,000	\$0	\$825,000		
Public Partnership LLC	\$2,900,000	\$0	\$2,900,000		
<b>Total Grant Payments</b>	<b>\$82,674,308</b>	<b>\$51,378,144</b>	<b>\$31,296,164</b>		
<b>Total Program Cost</b>	<b>\$19,853,299,184</b>	<b>\$11,333,265,210</b>	<b>\$8,520,033,974</b>		
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>					
Nursing Home Assessment	\$462,281,711	\$0	\$462,281,711		
Intergovernmental Transfer	\$121,736,324	\$0	\$121,736,324		
MCO Assessment	\$63,712,307	\$0	\$63,712,307		
Statewide Hospital Assessment	\$62,008,157	\$0	\$62,008,157		
Ambulance IGT	\$7,818,321	\$0	\$7,818,321		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$717,556,820</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$717,556,820</b>		
<b><u>SPECIAL FUNDS</u></b>					
Transfer Expenditures to Lottery Fund	\$440,000,000	\$0	\$440,000,000		
Transfer Expenditures to Tobacco Settlement Fund	\$131,402,000	\$0	\$131,402,000		
<b>Total Special Funds</b>	<b>\$571,402,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$571,402,000</b>		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$11,333,265,210</b>	<b>\$7,231,075,154</b>		

## COMMUNITY HEALTHCHOICES

### PROGRAM STATEMENT

This appropriation funds a managed long-term care program for older Pennsylvanians and adults aged 21 and older with physical disabilities. The program ensures that one entity is responsible for coordinating the physical health and long-term services and supports (LTSS) needs of participants to improve care coordination and health outcomes while allowing more individuals to live in their community and increase budget predictability. Community HealthChoices (CHC) was implemented statewide effective January 1, 2020. The benefits of this program include the following:

- **Enhanced opportunities for community-based living.** CHC will improve person-centered service planning and, as more community-based living options become available, the ability to honor participant preferences to live and work in the community. Performance incentives built into the program's quality oversight and payment policies will stimulate a wider and deeper array of Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) options.
- **Strengthened coordination of LTSS and health care, including all Medicare and Medicaid services for dual eligible individuals.** Better coordination of Medicare and Medicaid health services and LTSS will make the system easier to use and will result in better quality of life, health, safety, and well-being for participants. CHC – Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) will also coordinate with Behavioral Health (BH) MCOs to strengthen behavioral health services for participants.
- **Enhanced quality and accountability.** CHC-MCOs will be accountable for participant outcomes, including the overall health and long-term support for the whole person. Quality of life and quality of care will be measured and published, giving participants the information they need to make informed decisions.
- **Advanced program innovation.** Greater creativity and innovation in the program will help to increase community housing options, enhance the LTSS direct care workforce, expand the use of technology, and expand employment among participants who have employment goals.
- **Increased efficiency and effectiveness.** The program will increase the efficiency of health care and LTSS by reducing preventable admissions to hospitals, emergency departments, nursing facilities, and other high-cost services and by increasing the use of health promotion, primary care, and HCBS.

More than 396,000 individuals are enrolled in CHC. CHC-MCOs are accountable for most MA-covered services, where Medicare is not the primary payer. These include preventive services, primary and acute care, LTSS (HCBS and nursing facilities), prescription drugs, and dental services. Participants who have MA and Medicare coverage (dual-eligible participants) have the option to have their MA and Medicare services coordinated by the same MCO.

This program builds on Pennsylvania's past success in implementing the country's most extensive network of Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly and Living Independence for the Elderly (LIFE), which will continue to be an option for eligible persons. It also builds on Pennsylvania's experience with Physical HealthChoices, a statewide managed care delivery system for children and adults. Behavioral health services will continue to be provided through BH-MCOs. CHC-MCOs and BH-MCOs will be required to coordinate services for individuals who participate in both programs.

## **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10% federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the “Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Long-Term Care Managed Care

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$182,118	\$187,500 <sup>1</sup>	\$188,826
Federal Funds Total	\$224,021	\$245,736	\$251,092
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - Long-Term Care Managed Care</i>	<u>\$224,021</u>	<u>\$245,736</u>	<u>\$251,092</u>
Total	\$406,139	\$433,236	\$439,918

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

State Funds	(\$6,988)
Federal Funds	<u>\$0</u>
Total	(\$6,988)

<sup>1</sup> Includes a recommended appropriation reduction of \$6.988 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$194.488 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Long-Term Care Managed Care				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$182,118	\$187,500	\$188,826	\$1,326	0.71%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$224,021	\$236,918	\$251,092	\$14,174	5.98%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$406,139	\$424,418	\$439,918	\$15,500	3.65%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$8,818	\$0	(\$8,818)	-100.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$8,818	\$0	(\$8,818)	-100.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$182,118	\$187,500	\$188,826	\$1,326	0.71%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$224,021	\$245,736	\$251,092	\$5,356	2.18%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$406,139	\$433,236	\$439,918	\$6,682	1.54%

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Long-Term Care Managed Care

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$1,187	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 Estimated expenditures are based on the projected number of recipients in the Living Independence for the Elderly (LIFE) program, the length of care for those recipients and the average cost per month of their services.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. §§ 443.5; 42 U.S.C. §§ 1395eee and 1396u-4; 42 CFR Part 460 for the LIFE Program

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 The provider of service must be enrolled in the Medical Assistance program and the service must be a covered Medical Assistance benefit. The recipient of the service must be deemed eligible to receive Medical Assistance benefits and the reimbursement of the covered services must be in accordance with promulgated fee schedules/ rates of reimbursement established for the service.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Long-Term Care Managed Care

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for a change in utilization of members entering the program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 which includes normal growth and expansion:	\$6,853	\$8,647	\$0	\$15,500
2. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$5,527)</u>	<u>\$5,527</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$1,326	\$14,174	\$0	\$15,500
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of excess federal appropriation authority in Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$8,818)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$8,818)</u>
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	\$1,326	\$14,174	\$0	\$15,500
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	\$0	(\$8,818)	\$0	(\$8,818)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$1,326</u>	<u>\$5,356</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$6,682</u>

**Long-Term Care Managed Care  
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Total Member Months</b>	<b>Per Member Per Month</b>
JULY 2025	\$35,094,024	\$19,328,950	\$15,765,074	8,158	\$4,301.79
AUGUST	\$35,421,621	\$19,521,653	\$15,899,968	8,193	\$4,323.40
SEPTEMBER	\$35,410,642	\$19,509,691	\$15,900,951	8,223	\$4,306.29
OCTOBER	\$33,916,548	\$19,017,425	\$14,899,123	7,926	\$4,279.15
NOVEMBER	\$35,120,813	\$19,696,368	\$15,424,445	8,168	\$4,299.81
DECEMBER	\$35,312,977	\$19,796,455	\$15,516,522	8,193	\$4,310.14
JANUARY 2026	\$35,420,731	\$19,856,862	\$15,563,869	8,218	\$4,310.14
FEBRUARY	\$35,528,484	\$19,917,268	\$15,611,216	8,243	\$4,310.14
MARCH	\$35,636,238	\$19,977,675	\$15,658,563	8,268	\$4,310.14
APRIL	\$35,743,991	\$20,038,081	\$15,705,910	8,293	\$4,310.14
MAY	\$35,851,745	\$20,098,488	\$15,753,257	8,318	\$4,310.14
JUNE	\$35,959,498	\$20,158,895	\$15,800,603	8,343	\$4,310.14
<b>Total PROMISe Expenditures</b>	<b>\$424,417,312</b>	<b>\$236,917,811</b>	<b>\$187,499,501</b>	<b>98,544</b>	<b>\$4,306.88</b>
Uncommitted	\$8,818,189	\$8,818,189	\$0		
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b>\$245,736,000</b>	<b>\$187,499,501</b>		
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Appropriation Amount		\$245,736,000	\$194,488,000		
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$0	\$6,988,499		

**Long-Term Care Managed Care  
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Fiscal Year 2026-2027**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Total Member Months</b>	<b>Per Member Per Month</b>
JULY 2026	\$36,067,252	\$20,219,301	\$15,847,951	8,368	\$4,310.14
AUGUST	\$36,175,005	\$20,279,708	\$15,895,297	8,393	\$4,310.14
SEPTEMBER	\$36,282,759	\$20,340,115	\$15,942,644	8,418	\$4,310.14
OCTOBER	\$36,390,512	\$20,891,793	\$15,498,719	8,443	\$4,310.14
NOVEMBER	\$36,498,266	\$20,953,655	\$15,544,611	8,468	\$4,310.14
DECEMBER	\$36,606,019	\$21,015,516	\$15,590,503	8,493	\$4,310.14
JANUARY 2027	\$36,713,773	\$21,077,377	\$15,636,396	8,518	\$4,310.14
FEBRUARY	\$36,821,526	\$21,139,238	\$15,682,288	8,543	\$4,310.14
MARCH	\$36,929,280	\$21,201,100	\$15,728,180	8,568	\$4,310.14
APRIL	\$37,037,033	\$21,262,961	\$15,774,072	8,593	\$4,310.14
MAY	\$37,144,787	\$21,324,822	\$15,819,965	8,618	\$4,310.14
JUNE	\$37,252,540	\$21,386,683	\$15,865,857	8,643	\$4,310.14
<b>Total PROMISe Expenditures</b>	<b>\$439,918,752</b>	<b>\$251,092,269</b>	<b>\$188,826,483</b>	<b>102,066</b>	<b>\$4,310.14</b>
<b>Total General Fund Requirement</b>		<b><u>\$251,092,269</u></b>	<b><u>\$188,826,483</u></b>		

## **LONG-TERM CARE MANAGED CARE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Long-Term Care Managed Care program appropriation provides comprehensive care and integrated care management for acute, behavioral health, and long-term services and supports to the elderly in Pennsylvania. The program in Pennsylvania is referred to as Living Independence for the Elderly (LIFE), formerly known as the Long-Term Care Capitated Assistance Program and nationally known as the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly. Participants are assessed to determine if they are both medically and financially eligible for MA nursing facility benefits and to determine if they can be safely served in the community before they can enroll in LIFE.

As the number of Pennsylvanians needing both home and community-based services and nursing facilities is increasing, the need to realign the supply of services and funding has become increasingly evident. The goal of the LIFE program is to offer individuals a choice in where they receive long-term living services, while providing high-quality care in a clinically appropriate and cost-effective environment. The following are key components of rebalancing: assist and transition nursing facility residents wishing to leave a facility-based care setting in returning to their home or community, align the supply of nursing facility beds with demand, ensure participants currently enrolled or who qualify for long-term living services meet the defined eligibility criteria, and ensure that resources are optimized to serve the maximum number of consumers with high-quality care.

OLTL will continue to provide nursing facility alternatives to enable MA recipients to obtain services in the least restrictive environment. These alternatives are designed to strengthen both informal and formal community support systems and to attempt to decrease the emphasis on the use of nursing facility services by providing access to home and community-based services.

The LIFE program is uniquely designed to provide elderly participants aged 55 and older, who would otherwise have few alternatives to nursing facility placement, a comprehensive array of services administered through an interdisciplinary care team. The LIFE program supports the ongoing community residence of the participants. Service integration through an interdisciplinary care team, along with funding integration through Medicare and Medicaid, allows the care team to directly manage delivery of services and funds. The LIFE program uses person-centered plans of care, in which the member has an active role in planning services. There are 18 providers operating 57 centers across 54 counties. An estimated 8,007 participants will receive services in Fiscal Year 2026-2027. In addition, the Department intends to expand LIFE services into all remaining unserved counties in Pennsylvania over the next several years.

### **LIFE COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES**

Pennsylvanians overwhelmingly state that they would prefer to receive long-term services and supports in a home and community-based setting rather than an institutional setting. Toward that end, a significant investment has been made in the LIFE program, greatly expanding the number of people who can be served in their home. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget proposes to provide home and community-based services to an additional 180 older Pennsylvanians through the LIFE program.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

Intellectual Disabilities - Community Base Program

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$160,108	\$167,181	\$174,981
Federal Funds Total	\$102,336	\$99,527	\$108,726
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance - Community ID Services</i>	\$93,008	\$92,434	\$101,683
<i>Autism Spectrum Disorder Surveillance Program</i>	\$450	\$450	\$448
<i>SSBG - Community ID Services</i>	\$7,451	\$5,651	\$5,651
<i>Disability Innovation-Community ID Services (EA)</i>	\$1,427	\$992	\$944
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$262,444</b>	<b>\$266,708</b>	<b>\$283,707</b>

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - Community Base Program			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$9,164	\$11,994	\$14,096	\$2,102	17.53%
Federal Funds	\$17,605	\$30,568	\$24,173	(\$6,395)	-20.92%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$26,769</b>	<b>\$42,562</b>	<b>\$38,269</b>	<b>(\$4,293)</b>	<b>-10.09%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$73	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$73	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$146</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$150,871	\$155,187	\$160,885	\$5,698	3.67%
Federal Funds	\$63,970	\$61,359	\$64,553	\$3,194	5.21%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$214,841</b>	<b>\$216,546</b>	<b>\$225,438</b>	<b>\$8,892</b>	<b>4.11%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$20,688	\$7,600	\$20,000	\$12,400	163.16%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$20,688</b>	<b>\$7,600</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$12,400</b>	<b>163.16%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$160,108	\$167,181	\$174,981	\$7,800	4.67%
Federal Funds	\$102,336	\$99,527	\$108,726	\$9,199	9.24%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$262,444</b>	<b>\$266,708</b>	<b>\$283,707</b>	<b>\$16,999</b>	<b>6.37%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - Community Base Program

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$2,059	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for maintenance of the current program.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; MH/ID Act of 1966, 50 P.S. §§ 4201(7), 4509; Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 441.1 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 1401-B et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Disbursements are based on allocations developed by the Department and are advanced on a quarterly basis to administrative entities. Payments for Medicaid eligible supports coordination are based on invoices submitted by providers through the Provider Reimbursement and Operations Management Information System (PROMISE). Additionally, services provided under the terms of various administrative contracts are reimbursed as invoices are submitted to the Department and approved for payment.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - Community Base Program			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring American Rescue Plan Act home and community-based services (HCBS) funded operating contracts:	\$0	(\$12,038)	\$0	(\$12,038)
2. Provides for an increase in contracted staffing costs due to a new contract, effective February 1, 2026:	\$1,083	\$1,104	\$0	\$2,187
3. Provides for an increase in other operating contracts:	<u>\$1,019</u>	<u>\$4,539</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,558</u>
Subtotal Operating	\$2,102	(\$6,395)	\$0	(\$4,293)
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in Targeted Service Management:	\$634	\$801	\$0	\$1,435
2. Provides for an increase in Base Maintenance:	\$294	\$0	\$0	\$294
3. Provides for an increase in county administration:	\$16	\$16	\$0	\$32
4. Provides for an increase in Human Services Block Grant:	\$16	\$815	\$0	\$831
5. Reflects a decrease in available carryover funds in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$4,109	\$0	\$0	\$4,109
6. Provides for an increase in administration for waiver growth:	\$332	\$332	\$0	\$664
7. Provides for the annualization of Selective Contracting:	\$675	\$852	\$0	\$1,527
8. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$378)</u>	<u>\$378</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$5,698	\$3,194	\$0	\$8,892
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Change in excess Federal Medical Assistance appropriation authority:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$12,400</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$12,400</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$7,800</u></u>	<u><u>\$9,199</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$16,999</u></u>

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	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026			FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027		
	Total	State	Federal	Total	State	Federal
<b>COMMUNITY BASE SERVICES (NON-BLOCK GRANT):</b>						
Maintenance	\$37,160	\$37,160	\$0	\$37,454	\$37,454	\$0
SSBG	\$1,683	\$0	\$1,683	\$1,683	\$0	\$1,683
Pennhurst	\$39	\$39	\$0	\$39	\$39	\$0
Targeted Case Management (Supports Coordination)	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$0	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$0
TSM	\$28,708	\$12,684	\$16,024	\$30,143	\$12,940	\$17,203
Money Follows Person:						
Dual Diagnosis	\$80	\$0	\$80	\$80	\$0	\$80
START Model	\$3,365	\$0	\$3,365	\$3,365	\$0	\$3,365
County Administration	\$26,866	\$13,433	\$13,433	\$26,898	\$13,449	\$13,449
<b>TOTAL NON-BLOCK GRANT</b>	<b>\$99,764</b>	<b>\$65,179</b>	<b>\$34,585</b>	<b>\$101,525</b>	<b>\$65,745</b>	<b>\$35,780</b>
<b>COMMUNITY BASE SERVICES (BLOCK GRANT):</b>						
Human Services Block Grant	\$119,423	\$96,617	\$22,806	\$120,254	\$96,633	\$23,621
SSBG	\$3,968	\$0	\$3,968	\$3,968	\$0	\$3,968
<b>TOTAL BLOCK GRANT</b>	<b>\$123,391</b>	<b>\$96,617</b>	<b>\$26,774</b>	<b>\$124,222</b>	<b>\$96,633</b>	<b>\$27,589</b>
Operating	\$30,524	\$11,994	\$18,530	\$38,269	\$14,096	\$24,173
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>\$30,524</b>	<b>\$11,994</b>	<b>\$18,530</b>	<b>\$38,269</b>	<b>\$14,096</b>	<b>\$24,173</b>
Fixed Assets	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Increase to Admin for Waiver Growth	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$664	\$332	\$332
Selective Contracting	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,527	\$675	\$852
HCBS - Transfer to HCBS Funds	(\$23,206)	(\$23,206)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
County Intake & Eligibility Staff (HCBS)	\$6,292	\$3,146	\$3,146	\$0	\$0	\$0
Family Supports (HCBS)	\$3,275	\$3,275	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electronic Health Records (HCBS)	\$8,183	\$8,183	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers	\$1,776	\$943	\$833	\$0	\$0	\$0
Performance-Based Contracting (HCBS)	\$5,800	\$2,900	\$2,900	\$0	\$0	\$0
Technology Accelerator Resources (HCBS)	\$6,450	\$3,225	\$3,225	\$0	\$0	\$0
Technology - Enhance Support Coordination (HCBS)	\$1,734	\$767	\$967	\$0	\$0	\$0
Staff Training (HCBS)	\$1,734	\$767	\$967	\$0	\$0	\$0
Budgetary Reserve	\$7,600	\$0	\$7,600	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
<b>TOTAL BELOW THE LINE ADJUSTMENTS</b>	<b>\$19,638</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$19,638</b>	<b>\$22,191</b>	<b>\$1,007</b>	<b>\$21,184</b>
<b>TOTAL ID - COMMUNITY BASE PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$273,317</b>	<b>\$173,790</b>	<b>\$99,527</b>	<b>\$286,207</b>	<b>\$177,481</b>	<b>\$108,726</b>
			Fed - MA			\$92,434
			Fed - Disability Innovation			\$992
			Fed - SSBG			\$5,651
			Fed - Autism Surveillance Program			\$450
						\$99,527
						\$108,726
Carryover / State	\$6,609	\$6,609	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REQUIREMENT</b>	<b>\$266,708</b>	<b>\$167,181</b>	<b>\$99,527</b>	<b>\$283,707</b>	<b>\$174,981</b>	<b>\$108,726</b>

## **INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES - COMMUNITY BASE PROGRAM**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Mental Health and Intellectual Disability (ID) Act of 1966 mandated the availability of community services for citizens with an ID and their families. The statute created county administered community programs in Pennsylvania for individuals with an ID.

In 1966, all services were provided in state institutions which cared for over 13,000 people with an ID. During Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025, 413 people received services in state centers while 61,498 people received services in the community. This change has followed the national trend to provide community services as an alternative to institutional care. Changes in federal and state laws, as well as new funding initiatives, have created education programs, family support services, employment training, and home and community-based services for people with disabilities. These trends are built on the recognized values of family relationships and participation in community life.

The ID - Community Base Program provides funding for services to individuals of all ages with ID or autism, who are not eligible for the ID/Autism Community Waiver Program, and to Medicaid-eligible individuals not yet enrolled in the Waiver program. 23,889 people received Community Base Program services in FY 2024-2025. Some of the services provided include supports coordination, family aide, family respite care, education training, recreational therapy and recreation/leisure time activities, vocational therapy, dental hygienic services, employment training, and home modifications. The services available for individuals enrolled in the Community Base Program are comparable to the services received by individuals enrolled in the Waivers.

To assure that people with ID/Autism receive the best physical and behavioral health services, there are eight Health Care Quality Units that together serve all counties in the commonwealth. The Health Care Quality Units serve as the entities responsible for the overall health status of individuals (Waiver and non-Waiver) receiving services in the county/joinder programs. The physical and behavioral health knowledge and competencies of service providers and supports coordinators, other county personnel, families, consumers, and community medical providers are enhanced through training and technical assistance on physical and behavioral health-related issues as identified by the Health Care Quality Units through monitoring.

The Independent Monitoring for Quality process measures the quality of supports and services within the intellectual disabilities/autism system using nationally recognized methods. The Independent Monitoring for Quality surveys are administered under contract with individual County/Joinder Mental Health/IID programs. As part of the Independent Monitoring for Quality process, independent monitoring teams, which are free of conflict of interest, conduct interviews with individuals (Waiver and non-Waiver) receiving services and families, and report back to the County/Joinder Mental Health/ID program for purposes of continuous quality improvement. The Independent Monitoring for Quality information is entered directly into the Home and Community Services (HCBS) Information System by independent monitoring programs with assurance that the information remains confidential and secure. The Independent Monitoring for Quality monitoring fulfills the federal requirement to have a quality management program for Medicaid waivers.

ODP's Quality Assessment and Improvement process is designed to follow an individual's experience through the system, measure progress toward implementation of "Everyday Lives, Values in Action," gather data to manage system performance, and to use that data to manage the service delivery system. Additionally, the assessment is to be used to demonstrate Administrative Entity outcomes in the operating agreement, collect data for Waiver performance measures, and verify that providers comply with regulations and their provider agreement. Through the Quality Assessment and Improvement process, all Administrative Entities, Supports Coordination Entities and providers of ODP services are assessed over a three-year cycle.

In FY 2012-2013, a Human Services Block Grant (HSBG) program was implemented to provide local governments with increased flexibility to address local needs. Beginning in FY 2017-2018 the HSBG program was expanded to allow all counties statewide to request participation in the program on a voluntary basis. Currently, a total of 44 counties have submitted applications that were subsequently approved by the Department and are participating in the HSBG program.

#### **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10 percent federal match on HCBS which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in FY 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the “Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
State Funds	\$179,855	\$173,237 <sup>1</sup>	\$178,667
Federal Funds Total	\$279,531	\$289,464	\$291,659
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - ID/ICF</i>	\$279,531	\$289,464	\$291,659
Other Funds Total	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$26,553
Other Fund Sources Itemized			
<i>ID Assessment - ID/ICF</i>	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$26,553
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$485,939</b>	<b>\$489,254</b>	<b>\$496,879</b>

**IA. REQUESTED SUPPLEMENTALS (Included above)**

State Funds	(\$11,837) <sup>1</sup>
Federal Funds	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$11,837)</b>

<sup>1</sup> Reflects a recommended appropriation reduction of \$11.837 million. Act 1-A of 2025 provided \$185.074 million for this appropriation in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$179,855	\$173,237	\$178,667	\$5,430	3.13%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$263,278	\$252,168	\$272,519	\$20,351	8.07%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$469,686	\$451,958	\$477,739	\$25,781	5.70%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$16,253	\$37,296	\$19,140	(\$18,156)	-48.68%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$16,253	\$37,296	\$19,140	(\$18,156)	-48.68%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$179,855	\$173,237	\$178,667	\$5,430	3.13%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$279,531	\$289,464	\$291,659	\$2,195	0.76%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$26,553	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$485,939	\$489,254	\$496,879	\$7,625	1.56%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$13,052	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The recommended appropriation provides for ongoing facility costs in Fiscal Year 2026-2027, changes in patient income, settlement of Hearings and Appeals cases, cost settlements, additional funding for waivers of interim rates and an assessment on Intellectual Disabilities/Intermediate Care Facilities services.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
MH/ID Act 1966, 50 P.S. § 4101 et seq.; Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 443.1(2)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Providers are paid via established rates per 55 PA Code Chapter 1181, Subchapter C, Section 1181.336. The total projected operating cost is established by rolling forward prior year costs. The waiver of the standard interim rate methodology, as defined in Section 1181.351, allows for exceptions to be made when the standard methodology is not appropriate or adequate. The approved funding level is then divided by 98 percent of estimated medical assistance days to establish the interim per diem rate by which the provider may invoice. Reimbursement is limited to allowable costs and is further limited by the total projected operating cost or budget level. Differences between the payment made via the interim per diem rate and actual, allowable, audited costs are reconciled at the time of final cost settlement.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for the impact of waivers of interim per diem rates based on historical data. Chapter 6211 regulations require the review and approval of appropriately documented requests for additional funding based on program costs:	\$7,645	\$9,993	\$0	\$17,638
2. Reflects an increase for the phased-in transfer of beds to the Intellectual Disabilities-Community Waiver Program as a result of planned conversions:	(\$880)	(\$1,112)	\$0	(\$1,992)
3. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring hearings and appeals:	(\$4,418)	(\$5,582)	\$0	(\$10,000)
4. Reflects a non-recurring rollback of expenditures from Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Fiscal Year 2024-2025:	\$9,013	\$11,122	\$0	\$20,135
5. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$5,930)</u>	<u>\$5,930</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$5,430	\$20,351	\$0	\$25,781
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Impact of a change in excess Federal Medical Assistance appropriation authority:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$18,156)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$18,156)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$5,430</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,195</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$7,625</u></u>

**Intellectual Disabilities - Intermediate Care Facilities  
Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)**

	Fiscal Year 2025-2026				Fiscal Year 2026-2027					
	Unduplicated Users	State	Federal	Other	Total	Unduplicated Users	State	Federal	Other	Total
<b>Current Facilities</b>	1,660	\$162,090	\$238,323	\$26,553	\$426,966	1,668	\$167,486	\$258,196	\$26,553	\$452,235
<b>ID-ICF Conversions</b>	(3)	(\$223)	(\$281)	\$0	(\$504)	(10)	(\$1,071)	(\$1,425)	\$0	(\$2,496)
<b>Waivers of Interim Per Diems</b>										
Fiscal Year 2024-2025		\$13,756	\$16,875	\$0	\$30,631		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fiscal Year 2025-2026		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$10,106	\$12,894	\$0	\$23,000
Hearings & Appeals		\$6,627	\$8,373	\$0	\$15,000		\$2,146	\$2,854	\$0	\$5,000
Rollback to Fiscal Year 2024-2025		(\$9,013)	(\$11,122)	\$0	(\$20,135)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>SUBTOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>		<b>\$173,237</b>	<b>\$252,168</b>	<b>\$26,553</b>	<b>\$451,958</b>		<b>\$178,667</b>	<b>\$272,519</b>	<b>\$26,553</b>	<b>\$477,739</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>		\$0	\$37,296	\$0	\$37,296		\$0	\$19,140	\$0	\$19,140
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$173,237</b>	<b>\$289,464</b>	<b>\$26,553</b>	<b>\$489,254</b>		<b>\$178,667</b>	<b>\$291,659</b>	<b>\$26,553</b>	<b>\$496,879</b>

<b>Act 1A 2025</b>	\$185,074	\$289,464	\$26,553	\$501,091
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	\$11,837	\$0	\$0	\$11,837

## **INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES - INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Non-state operated (private) Intermediate Care Facilities for the Intellectually Disabled (ICF/ID) provide residential and habilitation services to persons with an intellectual disability under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid). Participating facilities are required to meet federal standards for licensure and certification related to program services, health, environment, and safety of the persons served. The primary goal of these facilities is to develop each individual's ability to function more independently.

In Pennsylvania, private ICF/ID serve a diverse population providing a range of habilitative and health services to individuals with an intellectual disability. There are 144 certified facilities varying in size; 121 facilities are homes serving four to eight people, while 23 facilities serve more than eight people (with the largest serving 110 people). For Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027, it is anticipated that approximately 1,559 individuals will be served in private ICF/ID.

The on-going conversion of private ICF/ID programs to the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver program will affect a shift in services from a "medical" model, on which the private ICF/ID program is predominantly based, to a less restrictive and more community-oriented model under the Community Intellectual Disability/Autism Waiver program. Services under the Waiver are enhanced through an individual support plan designed to meet a person's unique needs and preferences.

The FY 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget assumes the continuation of the ICF/ID provider assessment, which is applied against both public and private providers of ICF/ID services, and totals \$38.3 million for FY 2026-2027. Of the \$38.3 million, \$26.6 million represents the assessment on services provided in private ICF/ID and the balance of \$11.7 million is reflected under the Intellectual Disabilities - State Centers appropriation.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**

Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State Funds Total</b>	\$2,552,157	\$2,712,580	\$2,783,366
<b>State Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Intellectual Disabilities-Community Waiver Program</i>	\$2,552,157	\$2,706,596	\$2,783,366
<i>Transfer to HCBS-Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities</i>	\$0	\$5,984	\$0
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$3,056,097	\$3,213,565	\$3,415,795
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance-Community ID Waiver Program</i>	\$3,056,097	\$3,213,565	\$3,415,795
<b>Other Funds</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	\$5,608,254	\$5,926,145	\$6,199,161

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$2,552,157	\$2,706,596	\$2,783,366	\$76,770	2.84%
Federal Funds	\$2,917,348	\$3,128,966	\$3,364,232	\$235,266	7.52%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$5,469,505</b>	<b>\$5,835,562</b>	<b>\$6,147,598</b>	<b>\$312,036</b>	<b>5.35%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$5,984	\$0	(\$5,984)	-100.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,984</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$5,984)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$138,749	\$84,599	\$51,563	(\$33,036)	-39.05%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$138,749</b>	<b>\$84,599</b>	<b>\$51,563</b>	<b>(\$33,036)</b>	<b>-39.05%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$2,552,157	\$2,712,580	\$2,783,366	\$70,786	2.61%
Federal Funds	\$3,056,097	\$3,213,565	\$3,415,795	\$202,230	6.29%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$5,608,254</b>	<b>\$5,926,145</b>	<b>\$6,199,161</b>	<b>\$273,016</b>	<b>4.61%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$44,923	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for maintenance of the current program.

Act 54 of 2022 established a restricted augmentation account in the General Fund. This account provides increased funding for Home and Community Based Services for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 441.1 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Disbursements are based on invoices for Waiver services rendered that providers submit for payment through the Provider Reimbursement and Operations Management Information System (PROMISe).

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides annualized funding for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 transfer of individuals from the Private Intermediate Care Facility/Intellectually Disabled program to the Waiver program:	\$936	\$1,056	\$0	\$1,992
2. Provides funding to expand the number of individuals participating in the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) programs:				
A. Provides six-month funding for the placement of 400 individuals into the Consolidated Waiver:	\$20,886	\$23,797	\$0	\$44,683
B. Provides six-month funding for the placement of 850 individuals into the Community Living Waiver:	\$9,203	\$12,406	\$0	\$21,609
Subtotal	\$30,089	\$36,203	\$0	\$66,292
3. Provides funding for on-going residential service costs, maintenance of services, including changes in utilization:	\$92,295	\$111,712	\$0	\$204,007
4. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$73,657)	\$73,657	\$0	\$0
5. Provides for an increase in provider appeals:	\$20,713	\$26,169	\$0	\$46,882
6. Provides for the annualization of Selective Contracting:	\$2,901	\$3,665	\$0	\$6,566
7. Reflects the transition of program costs in excess of available HCBS funding to State general funds:	\$3,493	\$0	\$0	\$3,493
8. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring American Rescue Plan Act HCBS funded grant projects:	\$0	(\$17,196)	\$0	(\$17,196)
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$76,770	\$235,266	\$0	\$312,036
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Change in excess Federal Medical Assistance appropriation authority:	\$0	(\$33,036)	\$0	(\$33,036)
<b>TRANSFER TO HCBS-INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES</b>				
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring funding for the Transfer to HCBS-Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities fund in accordance with Act 54 of 2022:	(\$5,984)	\$0	\$0	(\$5,984)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$70,786</b>	<b>\$202,230</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$273,016</b>



## **INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES – COMMUNITY WAIVER PROGRAM**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966 mandated the availability of community services for citizens with an intellectual disability (ID) and their families. The statute created county administered community programs in Pennsylvania for individuals with an ID.

In 1966, all services were provided in state institutions which cared for over 13,000 people with an ID. During Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025, 413 people received services in state centers while 61,498 people received services in the community. This change has followed the national trend to provide community services as an alternative to institutional care. Changes in federal and state laws, as well as new funding initiatives, have created education programs, family support services, employment training, and home and community-based services (HCBS) for people with disabilities. These trends are built on the recognized values of family relationships and participation in community life.

The Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services is authorized, under Section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act, to waive certain Medicaid statutory requirements. These waivers allow Pennsylvania to provide HCBS as an alternative to institutional care for eligible individuals of all ages with an ID or autism and, as of 2022, eligible children under age 22 with a developmental disability due to a medically complex condition.

The first HCBS Waiver for individuals with an ID in Pennsylvania began in the Philadelphia area in 1983. This was followed by two additional waivers that covered other areas of the state. In 1987, the three earlier waivers were combined into the statewide Consolidated Waiver. The Person/Family Directed Supports Waiver began in 1999 and the Community Living Waiver, which targets individuals in the emergency waiting list category living in private homes, began on January 1, 2018. These three waivers are fee-for-service programs which are administered by ODP and county administrative entities. Priority for participant enrollment is established through the Prioritization of Urgency of Need for Services process and is available statewide.

Examples of services available through the community waiver program include community residential programs provided in licensed or unlicensed homes across Pennsylvania, as well as the options of life-sharing and supported living. In life-sharing, one or two people receive services in a licensed or unlicensed family home. Through supported living services, individuals receive services to live in their own home in the community and to acquire, maintain or improve skills necessary to live more independently and be more productive and participatory in community life. Additional eligible services include: community participation support; in-home and community support; respite; transportation; accessibility adaptations; homemaker/chore; assistive technology; specialized therapies (physical, occupational, speech/language, and orientation/visual/mobility), shift nursing; behavioral supports; education support; small group employment; supported employment; supports coordination; advanced supported employment; benefits counseling; communications specialist; consultative nutritional services; family/caregiver training and support; housing transition and tenancy sustaining services; and additional therapy services.

During FY 2024-2025; 20,104 individuals received Consolidated Waiver services, 12,411 individuals received Person/Family Directed Services Waiver services, and 8,973 individuals received Community Living Waiver services.

Within the current Community Waiver Program systems' capacity; all individuals with an ID, developmental disability due to a medically complex condition, or autism, who are eligible for services, will receive Targeted Supports Management.

## **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10% federal match on HCBS which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in FY 2021-2022, the Department received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the “Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Autism Intervention and Services

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
State Funds	\$33,139	\$37,406	\$35,311
Federal Funds Total	\$47,514	\$48,774	\$49,843
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - Autism Intervention Services</i>	\$47,514	\$48,774	\$49,843
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,653</b>	<b>\$86,180</b>	<b>\$85,154</b>

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Autism Intervention and Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$33,139	\$37,406	\$35,311	(\$2,095)	-5.60%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$41,253	\$43,774	\$44,843	\$1,069	2.44%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$74,392</b>	<b>\$81,180</b>	<b>\$80,154</b>	<b>(\$1,026)</b>	<b>-1.26%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$6,261	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$6,261</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Excess Federal</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$33,139	\$37,406	\$35,311	(\$2,095)	-5.60%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$47,514	\$48,774	\$49,843	\$1,069	2.19%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$80,653</b>	<b>\$86,180</b>	<b>\$85,154</b>	<b>(\$1,026)</b>	<b>-1.19%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Autism Intervention and Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for maintenance of the current program. Funding requirements are projected utilizing actual monthly paid claims data from the Provider Reimbursement and Operations Management Information System (PROMISE).

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 201

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Disbursements are based on invoices for Waiver services rendered that providers submit for payment through PROMISE. Disbursements for the Adult Community Autism Program are made to the provider on a monthly basis based on the number of individuals enrolled on the first day of each month.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Autism Intervention and Services			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides increased funding for the on-going maintenance costs of individuals receiving home and community-based services (HCBS) through the Adult Autism Waiver (AAW):	\$422	\$488	\$0	\$910
2. Provides increased funding for the on-going maintenance costs of individuals receiving medical and autism services through the Adult Community Autism Program:	\$294	\$337	\$0	\$631
3. Provides increased funding for room and board costs in the AAW program associated with changes in utilization:	\$22	\$0	\$0	\$22
4. Provides increased funding for Autism Services, Education, Resources, and Training Collaboratives grants:	\$88	\$88	\$0	\$176
5. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$921)	\$921	\$0	\$0
6. Reflects the impact of non-recurring Fiscal Year 2025-2026 legislative additions:				
A. Wellspan (formerly Philhaven):	(\$600)	(\$765)	\$0	(\$1,365)
B. University of Pittsburgh:	(\$300)	\$0	\$0	(\$300)
C. St. Joseph's University:	(\$300)	\$0	\$0	(\$300)
D. Citizens Acting Together Can Help:	(\$200)	\$0	\$0	(\$200)
E. The Janus School:	(\$600)	\$0	\$0	(\$600)
Subtotal	<u>(\$2,000)</u>	<u>(\$765)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$2,765)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>(\$2,095)</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,069</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$1,026)</u></u>

**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**Appropriation: Autism Intervention and Services**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**ON-GOING PROGRAM COSTS**

Adult Autism Waiver (AAW)	\$25,797	\$32,457	\$58,254
AAW Residential Room and Board	\$970	\$0	\$970
Adult Community Autism Program (ACAP)	\$6,428	\$8,341	\$14,769
<b>Total - On-Going Program Costs</b>	<b>\$33,195</b>	<b>\$40,798</b>	<b>\$73,993</b>

**SPECIAL INITIATIVES**

Autism Services, Education, Resources, and Training (ASERT) Collaboratives	\$2,211	\$2,211	\$4,422
Wellspring (formerly Philhaven)	\$600	\$765	\$1,365
University of Pittsburgh	\$300	\$0	\$300
St. Joseph's University	\$300	\$0	\$300
Citizens Acting Together Can Help	\$200	\$0	\$200
The Janus School	\$600	\$0	\$600
<b>Total - Special Initiatives</b>	<b>\$4,211</b>	<b>\$2,976</b>	<b>\$7,187</b>

Budgetary Reserve

**GRAND TOTAL**

Act 1A of 2025

Surplus/(Deficit)

Fiscal Year 2025-2026		
State	Federal	Total
\$25,797	\$32,457	\$58,254
\$970	\$0	\$970
\$6,428	\$8,341	\$14,769
<b>\$33,195</b>	<b>\$40,798</b>	<b>\$73,993</b>
\$2,211	\$2,211	\$4,422
\$600	\$765	\$1,365
\$300	\$0	\$300
\$300	\$0	\$300
\$200	\$0	\$200
\$600	\$0	\$600
<b>\$4,211</b>	<b>\$2,976</b>	<b>\$7,187</b>
\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>\$37,406</b>	<b>\$48,774</b>	<b>\$86,180</b>

Fiscal Year 2026-2027		
State	Federal	Total
\$25,409	\$33,755	\$59,164
\$992	\$0	\$992
\$6,611	\$8,789	\$15,400
<b>\$33,012</b>	<b>\$42,544</b>	<b>\$75,556</b>
\$2,299	\$2,299	\$4,598
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0
\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>\$2,299</b>	<b>\$2,299</b>	<b>\$4,598</b>
\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>\$35,311</b>	<b>\$49,843</b>	<b>\$85,154</b>

<b>\$37,406</b>	<b>\$48,774</b>
<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Average Monthly Recipients  
Average Annual Cost Per Individual  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

Adult Autism Waiver	722	\$82
Adult Community Autism Program	195	\$76
<b>Total</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>\$79</b>

Average Monthly Recipients  
Average Annual Cost Per Individual  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

730	\$82
195	\$79
925	\$81

## **AUTISM INTERVENTION AND SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), commonly referred to as autism, is a developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication, and behavioral challenges. The need for adult autism services is demonstrated by the rapidly growing numbers of Pennsylvanians living with autism. According to the Pennsylvania Autism Census, there were more than 55,000 people on the autism spectrum receiving services in Pennsylvania in 2011, an increase of over 180 percent from 2005. According to the 2020 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data on the national prevalence of ASDs, there are an estimated 361,475 Pennsylvanians who may meet criteria for an ASD diagnosis, including an estimated 287,734 adults. It is important to note that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention national prevalence estimate is based upon record reviews of 8-year-old children. An adult prevalence is not currently collected.

The results of the Pennsylvania Autism Needs Assessment show that 85 percent of individuals with autism also have another diagnosis such as an intellectual disability, physical health challenges, or mental health issues. Individuals with autism and their families need a range of services to live as independently as possible, participate in their communities, and enrich their quality of life.

The Autism Services, Education, Resources, and Training (ASERT) Collaborative, established in 2009, serves as Pennsylvania's primary resource for individuals with autism and their families. The purpose of the ASERT Collaborative is to improve access to quality services and interventions, provide information and support to families, train professionals in best practices, and facilitate program development. The ASERT Collaborative supports the Department's efforts to continually improve the quality of programs and connect existing resources to address regional gaps in effective services and supports, serves as a valuable resource to staff and provider networks supporting program participants, and collects and analyzes information about autism services and programs to help inform change.

Pennsylvania has emerged as a national leader in developing autism policy and services. At the forefront has been the development of two innovative service delivery models designed specifically for adults with a diagnosis of ASD: the Adult Autism Waiver and the Adult Community Autism Program. These programs are outcome-based and have been designed to assist participants in gaining the greatest level of independence possible, encouraging involvement in community life, improving social skills, and providing support to caregivers. These two programs are uniquely different from other Pennsylvania direct service models in that they are specifically designed to meet the needs of people with autism and are administered at the state level. Service providers under the programs are required to complete autism-specific training and to demonstrate competency.

The Department received approval from the CMS to begin administering services through the Adult Autism Waiver, effective July 1, 2008. The Adult Autism Waiver is a fee-for-service Home and Community-Based Services program which is administered at the state level. Priority for enrollment is given to individuals not receiving ongoing services. It is available statewide and has the current capacity to support 743 adults with autism.

The Department received approval from CMS in January 2009 to begin administering services through the Adult Autism Waiver and the Adult Community Autism Program. The Adult Autism Waiver and the Adult Community Autism Program is a managed care model with one rate paid per person per month to one provider for integrated physical health, behavioral health, and community services. The program is currently available in Lancaster, Cumberland, Dauphin, and Chester counties and has the capacity to support 200 individuals.

## **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10% federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Department received approval from the CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the “Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Behavioral Health Services

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$57,149
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Behavioral Health Services			
		2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$57,149</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Behavioral Health Services
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$55	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 These county programs provide alternative substance abuse and mental health services to avert more costly psychiatric inpatient and hospital detoxification for individuals who do not have insurance that covers services needed and cannot obtain Medical Assistance benefits.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 62 P.S. §§ 201, 206, 443.1, 443.3, 443.5

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 Quarterly payments are disbursed to county mental health programs and single county authorities based upon an approved allocation plan. The allocation plan is finalized following a review of annual expenditure reports.

<b>VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES</b> (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Behavioral Health Services
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	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$57.149 million:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

The following table provides a comparison of fiscal year state funding for the Behavioral Health Services appropriation by program component:

	Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available	Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budgeted	2026-2027 vs. 2025-2026
Mental Health	\$17,247	\$17,247	\$17,247	\$0
Drug and Alcohol	\$39,902	\$39,902	\$39,902	\$0
<b>Total State Funds</b>	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$57,149	\$0

## **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Department provides funding for drug and alcohol treatment services, as well as mental health treatment services, through the Behavioral Health Services appropriation. This appropriation was created in response to Act 35 of 1996, which revised eligibility criteria for General Assistance Medically Needy Only benefits under the MA Program and led to approximately 18,800 individuals in need of drug and alcohol treatment services or mental health treatment services losing General Assistance Medically Needy Only eligibility. The Behavioral Health Services appropriation ensured that these non-Medical Assistance eligible individuals continued to receive necessary mental health and drug and alcohol treatment services.

In Fiscal Year 2012-2013, a Human Services Block Grant program was implemented to provide local governments with increased flexibility to address local needs. As of Fiscal Year 2025-2026, the Human Services Block Grant program has a total of 44 counties that were approved by the Department to participate in the Human Services Block Grant program. Since this is a voluntary program, the number of participating counties may increase or decrease.

### **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10 percent federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in FY 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the "Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
 BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Special Pharmaceutical Services**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted
State Funds	\$500	\$450	\$400
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$450</b>	<b>\$400</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Special Pharmaceutical Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$16	\$15	\$15	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$16	\$15	\$15	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$484	\$435	\$385	(\$50)	-11.49%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$484	\$435	\$385	(\$50)	-11.49%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$500	\$450	\$400	(\$50)	-11.11%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$500	\$450	\$400	(\$50)	-11.11%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Special Pharmaceutical Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$177	\$308	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Governor's Executive Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 recommends funding based on projected levels of utilization, pharmaceutical costs, mandatory manufacturer rebates, and additional third party liability recoveries.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 201; 72 P.S. §§ 3761-702-3761-709

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The provider of a service must be enrolled in the Medical Assistance program; the service recipient must be deemed eligible for Special Pharmaceutical Services and not eligible for the Medical Assistance program; and the service provided must be a covered Special Pharmaceutical Services Program benefit. The claims processing functions for the Special Pharmaceutical Services Program, which include provider enrollment, on-line claims processing, and provider remittance, are performed by a contractor under the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly (PACE) Program.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Special Pharmaceutical Services

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in provider payments for Baseline Formulary drugs in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$50)	\$0	\$0	(\$50)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$50)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$50)</u>

The following table provides a comparison of fiscal year state funding for the Special Pharmaceutical Services appropriation by program component:

	<u>Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budgeted</u>	<u>2026-2027 vs. 2025-2026</u>
Total Baseline Formulary	\$411	\$371	\$321	(\$50)
Pharmaceutical Rebates	(\$2)	(\$2)	(\$2)	\$0
Third Party Liability Refunds	(\$13)	(\$14)	(\$14)	\$0
Medicare Part D Premiums	\$88	\$80	\$80	\$0
Total Current Program	<u>\$484</u>	<u>\$435</u>	<u>\$385</u>	<u>(\$50)</u>
Regular Claims Processing	\$15	\$14	\$14	\$0
Ad Hoc Reporting Services	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$0
Total Operating	<u>\$16</u>	<u>\$15</u>	<u>\$15</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Program Requirement	<u>\$500</u>	<u>\$450</u>	<u>\$400</u>	<u>(\$50)</u>

## **SPECIAL PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Special Pharmaceutical Services program for mental health is administered by the Department and provides payment for specific atypical antipsychotic medications for eligible participants with behavioral health needs.

The Special Pharmaceutical Services program is for individuals residing in the community who are not eligible for pharmaceutical coverage under the MA Program. The income limit for an individual is \$35,000 with an increase of \$2,893 for each additional family member. In 2025, a total of 2,153 claims were paid supporting 527 enrollees in Pennsylvania.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
County Child Welfare

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$1,494,733	\$1,494,733	\$1,494,733
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$610,718	\$623,485	\$623,900
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Child Welfare Services</i>	\$41,326	\$41,599	\$41,611
<i>Child Welfare - Title IV-E</i>	\$456,921	\$468,581	\$468,984
<i>Medical Assistance - Child Welfare</i>	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$3,828
<i>TANFBG - Child Welfare</i>	\$58,508	\$58,508	\$58,508
<i>SSBG - Child Welfare</i>	\$12,021	\$12,021	\$12,021
<i>Child Welfare Training and Certification</i>	\$22,700	\$23,534	\$23,534
<i>Community-Based Family Resource and Support</i>	\$344	\$344	\$344
<i>Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment</i>	\$12,515	\$12,515	\$12,515
<i>Title IV-B - Caseworker Visits</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
<i>Children's Justice Act</i>	\$1,555	\$1,555	\$1,555
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$953	\$790	\$1,012
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Birth Certificate - Mandated Reporter Training</i>	\$953	\$790	\$1,012
<b>Total</b>	\$2,106,404	\$2,119,008	\$2,119,645

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: County Child Welfare				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$21,298	\$62,398	\$79,978	\$17,580	28.17%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$36,690	\$62,626	\$77,958	\$15,332	24.48%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$57,988</b>	<b>\$125,024</b>	<b>\$157,936</b>	<b>\$32,912</b>	<b>26.32%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,473,435	\$1,432,335	\$1,414,755	(\$17,580)	-1.23%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$568,498	\$555,331	\$540,071	(\$15,260)	-2.75%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$953	\$790	\$1,012	\$222	28.10%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$2,042,886</b>	<b>\$1,988,456</b>	<b>\$1,955,838</b>	<b>(\$32,618)</b>	<b>-1.64%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total NonExpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$5,530	\$5,528	\$5,871	\$343	6.20%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$5,530</b>	<b>\$5,528</b>	<b>\$5,871</b>	<b>\$343</b>	<b>6.20%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,494,733	\$1,494,733	\$1,494,733	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$610,718	\$623,485	\$623,900	\$415	0.07%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$953	\$790	\$1,012	\$222	28.10%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$2,106,404</b>	<b>\$2,119,008</b>	<b>\$2,119,645</b>	<b>\$637</b>	<b>0.03%</b>

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> County Child Welfare
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides state and federal funding for operating expenses and grants that support the county-administered social services program for children and youth in each of the Commonwealth's 67 counties.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. § 704.1 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**

Program allocations are developed based on Act 30 of 1991. Child Welfare needs-based budgets are submitted by counties and reviewed and approved by the Department. Funds are also disbursed to counties for special grants and for other child welfare-related costs.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: County Child Welfare			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total
<b>OPERATING</b>				
1. Provides for an increase of \$17.580 million in state funding and \$15.332 million in federal funding for operating over the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 funding level of \$125.024 million (\$62.398 million in state funds), primarily due to a shift in funding for Statewide Adoptions and Permanency Network (SWAN) from Grant and Subsidy to Operating:	\$17,580	\$15,332	\$0	\$32,912
Subtotal Operating	\$17,580	\$15,332	\$0	\$32,912
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in funding associated with the needs-based budget requirements mandated by Act 30 of 1991:	\$65,230	\$0	\$0	\$65,230
2. Net change in timing of expenditures:	(\$67,333)	\$0	\$0	(\$67,333)
3. Provides for an increase in Youth Development Center billings (County Share):	(\$12,652)	\$0	\$0	(\$12,652)
4. Provides for an increase in state funding for the Independent Living grant:	\$3,002	\$0	\$0	\$3,002
5. Reflects a decrease in state funding for the Information Technology grant:	(\$1,045)	\$0	\$0	(\$1,045)
6. Provides for an increase in state funding for the Evidence-Based Practices grant:	\$2,744	\$0	\$0	\$2,744
7. Reflects a decrease in state funding for the Pennsylvania Promising Practices grant:	(\$1,959)	\$0	\$0	(\$1,959)
8. Provides for an increase in state funding for the Housing Initiatives grant:	\$1,558	\$0	\$0	\$1,558
9. Provides for an increase in state funding for the Truancy grant for expansion of intervention services:	\$2,607	\$0	\$0	\$2,607
10. Reflects a shift in funding for SWAN from Grant and Subsidy to Operating:	(\$9,732)	(\$14,928)	\$0	(\$24,660)
11. Provides for an increase in federal funding for the Kinship Caregiver Navigator Program:	\$0	\$12	\$0	\$12
12. Reflects a decrease in federal funding for the Community Based Family Resource and Support grant:	\$0	(\$344)	\$0	(\$344)
13. Provides for an increase in funding for Act 28 of 2014 Mandated Reporter Training:	\$0	\$0	\$222	\$222
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	(\$17,580)	(\$15,260)	\$222	(\$32,618)

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 County Child Welfare

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Net impact of changes in excess federal spending authority in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$343</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$343</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$415</u></u>	<u><u>\$222</u></u>	<u><u>\$637</u></u>

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**County Child Welfare Model**  
**(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

State Funds - Appropriation 1026600000	FY 2024-2025 Actual	FY 2025-2026 Available	FY 2026-2027 Governor's Recommended	FY 2026-2027 vs FY 2025-2026
<b>Tentative Needs-Based Allocations</b>				
Needs-Based	\$1,343,269	\$1,462,079	\$1,527,309	\$65,230
One-time use of prior year funds	(\$121,957)	(\$239,610)	(\$47,300)	\$192,310
Roll Forward FY 2027-2028	\$0	\$0	(\$259,643)	(\$259,643)
Subtotal	<u>\$1,221,312</u>	<u>\$1,222,469</u>	<u>\$1,220,366</u>	<u>(\$2,103)</u>
Less Interim YDC/YFC Billings (County Share)	(\$25,938)	(\$38,214)	(\$50,866)	(\$12,652)
<b>County Child Welfare Grants:</b>				
Independent Living	\$50,993	\$49,448	\$52,450	\$3,002
Information Technology	\$37,511	\$39,276	\$38,231	(\$1,045)
Evidence-Based Practices	\$71,005	\$70,977	\$73,721	\$2,744
Pennsylvania Promising Practices	\$7,660	\$10,356	\$8,397	(\$1,959)
Housing Initiatives	\$22,607	\$26,239	\$27,797	\$1,558
Truancy	\$37,898	\$40,400	\$43,007	\$2,607
SWAN - Counties	\$27,097	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal County Child Welfare Grants	<u>\$254,771</u>	<u>\$236,696</u>	<u>\$243,603</u>	<u>\$6,907</u>
<b>Grants:</b>				
SWAN	\$20,140	\$10,184	\$452	(\$9,732)
Administrative Offices - PA Courts	\$900	\$0	\$0	\$0
Kinship Caregiver Navigator Program	\$750	\$900	\$900	\$0
Child Abuse Prevention Education	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$0
Subtotal Grants	<u>\$22,090</u>	<u>\$11,384</u>	<u>\$1,652</u>	<u>(\$9,732)</u>
<b>Operating:</b>				
Training - Child Welfare Training (CWT) and Child Welfare Education for Baccalaureates/Child Welfare Education for Leaders (CWEB/CWEL)	\$8,068	\$10,770	\$11,085	\$315
Media/PR	\$2,500	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$250
Data Analysis/Child and Family Services Review	\$1,050	\$1,069	\$1,100	\$31
Title IV-E Compliance	\$5,897	\$3,327	\$6,251	\$2,924
Mandated Reporter Training	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
Child Abuse Research & Technical Assistance	\$2,000	\$2,952	\$2,750	(\$202)
CW-MH Consultant	\$0	\$717	\$1,500	\$783
SWAN- Operating	\$0	\$12,035	\$26,540	\$14,505
SWAN- Needs Based	\$0	\$25,755	\$24,729	(\$1,026)
Administrative Offices - PA Courts	\$0	\$740	\$740	\$0
Civil Service Billings	\$1,033	\$1,033	\$1,033	\$0
Subtotal Operating	<u>\$21,298</u>	<u>\$62,398</u>	<u>\$79,978</u>	<u>\$17,580</u>
Act 28 of 2014 Mandated Reporter Training	\$953	\$790	\$1,012	\$222
Stable Housing Interventions in Facilitated Teams (SHIFT)	\$1,200	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL STATE FUNDS</b>	<u>\$1,494,733</u>	<u>\$1,494,733</u>	<u>\$1,494,733</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	<u>\$610,718</u>	<u>\$623,485</u>	<u>\$623,900</u>	<u>\$415</u>
<b>TOTAL AUGMENTATIONS</b>	<u>\$953</u>	<u>\$790</u>	<u>\$1,012</u>	<u>\$222</u>
<b>TOTAL COUNTY CHILD WELFARE</b>	<u>\$2,106,404</u>	<u>\$2,119,008</u>	<u>\$2,119,645</u>	<u>\$637</u>

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**  
**County Child Welfare Model (Federal funds)**  
**(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b><u>Detail Listing of Federal Funds:</u></b>	<b>FY 2024-2025</b>	<b>FY 2025-2026</b>	<b>FY 2026-2027</b>	<b>FY 2026-2027</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Available</b>	<b>Governor's</b>	<b>vs</b>
			<b>Recommended</b>	<b>FY 2025-2026</b>
<b><u>Child Welfare Services - Title IV-B (70155)</u></b>				
<b><u>Operating:</u></b>				
Child Welfare Resource Center (CWRC)	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Statewide Adoption and Permanency Network (SWAN) -				
Operating	\$0	\$2,100	\$3,853	\$1,753
Media/PR	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$0
Total Operating	\$2,200	\$4,300	\$6,053	\$1,753
<b><u>Grants:</u></b>				
Needs-Based requirements	\$9,106	\$10,201	\$10,201	\$0
SWAN - Grants	\$4,000	\$1,900	\$147	(\$1,753)
Kinship Caregiver Navigator Program	\$1,000	\$178	\$190	\$12
Safe Haven	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$0
Family First	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
Total Grants	\$39,126	\$37,299	\$35,558	(\$1,741)
Total	\$41,326	\$41,599	\$41,611	\$12
<b><u>Child Welfare - Title IV-E (70157)</u></b>				
<b><u>Operating:</u></b>				
IV-E Compliance Review	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,350	\$350
Media/PR	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$0
Data Analysis/Child Family Service Review	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,053	\$53
SWAN - Operating	\$0	\$23,000	\$36,175	\$13,175
Adoption Incentive	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Total Operating	\$8,250	\$31,250	\$44,828	\$13,578
<b><u>Grants:</u></b>				
Needs-Based	\$370,900	\$382,889	\$382,889	\$0
IV-E Prevention	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
Independent Living Grant	\$5,835	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
Independent Living Educational Vouchers	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
Information Technology Grants	\$11,936	\$12,469	\$12,469	\$0
SWAN - Counties	\$17,500	\$12,973	\$0	(\$12,973)
SWAN - Grants	\$20,000	\$500	\$298	(\$202)
Juvenile Probation Administrative Claiming	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Total Grants	\$443,671	\$432,331	\$419,156	(\$13,175)
Budgetary Reserve	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Total	\$456,921	\$468,581	\$468,984	\$403
<b><u>SSBG - Child Welfare (Title XX) Needs-Based (70159)</u></b>	\$12,021	\$12,021	\$12,021	\$0
<b><u>Medical Assistance - Child Welfare Needs-Based (70169)</u></b>	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$0
<b><u>Child Welfare Training &amp; Certification (70171)</u></b>				
<b><u>Operating:</u></b>				
Child Welfare Resource Center (CWRC)	\$22,700	\$23,534	\$23,534	\$0
<b><u>TANFBG - Child Welfare Needs-Based (70197)</u></b>	\$58,508	\$58,508	\$58,508	\$0
<b><u>Community-Based Family Resource and Support (70204)</u></b>				
<b><u>Grants:</u></b>				
Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)	\$344	\$344	\$0	(\$344)
Total Grants	\$344	\$344	\$0	(\$344)
Budgetary Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$344	\$344
Total	\$344	\$344	\$344	\$0

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
County Child Welfare Model (Federal funds)  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b><u>Detail Listing of Federal Funds:</u></b>	<b>FY 2024-2025 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2025-2026 Available</b>	<b>FY 2026-2027 Governor's Recommended</b>	<b>FY 2026-2027 vs FY 2025-2026</b>
<b><u>Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (70707)</u></b>				
<b><u>Operating:</u></b>				
Child Welfare Resource Center (CWRC)	\$515	\$515	\$515	\$0
Mandated Reporter	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Total Operating	\$2,515	\$2,515	\$2,515	\$0
<b><u>Grants:</u></b>				
Plans of Safe Care	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
County Support	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Total Grants	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
Total	\$12,515	\$12,515	\$12,515	\$0
<b><u>Title IV-B - Caseworker Visits (70718)</u></b>	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
<b><u>Children's Justice Act (70977)</u></b>				
<b><u>Operating:</u></b>				
Child Welfare Resource Center (CWRC)	\$1,025	\$1,027	\$1,028	\$1
<b><u>Budgetary Reserve:</u></b>				
Nonexpense PCCD	\$530	\$528	\$527	(\$1)
Total	\$1,555	\$1,555	\$1,555	\$0
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$36,690	\$62,626	\$77,958	\$15,332
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$5,530	\$5,528	\$5,871	\$343
<b>Total Grants</b>	\$568,498	\$555,331	\$540,071	(\$15,260)
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	\$610,718	\$623,485	\$623,900	\$415

## COUNTY CHILD WELFARE

### PROGRAM STATEMENT

The County Child Welfare appropriation provides state and federal funds to support the county-administered social services program for children and youth across Pennsylvania, as required in the County Code and the Human Services Code. Services are provided to dependent and delinquent children, as well as those needing prevention and/or intervention services, and their families. Eligibility for service is based on each child's need for service as determined by the county Children and Youth Agency or the Juvenile Probation Office. While services are provided without regard to income, the county children and youth agencies may establish fee scales based on a family's ability to pay. Services are provided to children in their own homes and, if necessary, in out-of-home placements.

Federal funds for child welfare services are available through Title IV-E, Title XX, Title XIX, and Title IV-B of the Social Security Act. In addition, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds are used to support these services.

- Title IV-E provides funding for children in placement, for independent living services, for adoption subsidies for eligible children, for permanent legal custodianship subsidies for eligible children, for certain evidence-based programs when the child/youth meet criteria established under the Family First Prevention Services Act and certain administrative and training costs.
- Title XX funds are used for preventing or remedying neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children.
- Title XIX funds are used for administrative activities related to MA eligibility.
- Title IV-B provides funds to states to establish and strengthen in-home services.
- TANF funds are used to prevent or remedy neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children.

Services provided by county children and youth programs under these appropriations include, but are not limited to adoption assistance, subsidized permanent legal custodianship, emergency and planned temporary placement, child protective services, general protective services, and other services ordered by the court. Costs of these services are paid with federal, state, and county funds.

The Department provides reimbursement for expenditures that the county incurs serving children and youth. Based on the type of services delivered, varying levels of state reimbursement are provided. Adoption services are reimbursed at 100%; Emergency Shelter services are reimbursed at 90%; foster family care, adoption subsidies, permanent legal custodianship subsidies, community-based placement, and in-home services are reimbursed at 80%; institutional placement services, other than detention services, are reimbursed at 60%; administrative activities of county children and youth agencies are reimbursed at 60%; and detention costs are reimbursed at 50%. Act 30 of 1991 requires that the Department submit, to the Governor, its determination of the statewide child welfare funding needs based on a review of the needs-based plan and budgets submitted by counties.

The Department provides incentives through higher state reimbursement for the following child welfare grants:

- Evidence-Based Practices: These grants provide proven outcomes for the improvement of safety, permanency, and well-being of children. These practices have, and continue to play, a crucial role in keeping children safely in their own homes.
- Pennsylvania Promising Practices: These time limited grants, while not yet supported by evidence, provide meaningful outcomes.

- Housing Grants: These grants provide funding to assist with securing housing and averting evictions/utility shut offs, which are a useful means in maintaining family unity while the family may be in crisis. Children should not be removed from their family based solely on lack of adequate housing and the availability of these funds to assist and supplement other housing funds that have been used to that end. Maintaining family stability through these grants is cost effective when compared with the costs of out-of-home placement.
- Truancy Grants: These grants provide funding to support services to the family to identify the causes of poor school attendance.

The MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families program provides funds for family preservation, family support, family reunification, adoption promotion, and support services. Pennsylvania's five-year Child and Family Services Plan identifies goals and benchmarks to promote the safety, permanency, and well-being of children and families. Funding facilitates programs that serve children and families funded under Title IV-B, which include, but are not limited to, family preservation, family support, and services through the Child Welfare Resource Center. To improve the Department's success in achieving permanence for children in placement who cannot be reunited with their birth families and to assure the well-being of children in foster care, the Department is continuing the Statewide Adoption and Permanency Network (SWAN) and the Youth Independent Living Program.

Many children awaiting adoption have special needs that make it difficult to find adoptive homes. The SWAN Program was established to place children with special needs in permanent homes. The SWAN program serves children in the custody of a county children and youth agency that may or may not have a goal of adoption to help them achieve permanency, whether that permanency is reunification, adoption, permanent legal custodianship or placement with a fit and willing relative. Funds are provided in the Governor's Executive Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 to provide family recruitment services, adoptive placement services, post-adoption services, legal services, and adoption training.

Pennsylvania's Independent Living Services Program is a state-supervised, county-administered grant program funded with state and federal Title IV-E Chafee Foster Care Independence Program monies. Counties are expected to request and receive grant funding to support youth discharged from placement, up to age 23, in a wide variety of areas designed to support a successful transition to adulthood. Activities and programs are grouped into service areas: life skills training, housing, support, employment, education and training, prevention and wellness, and post-secondary education/supports. A portion of the funding may be made available to provide room and board for youth discharged from placement after age 18. As a result of the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999, Pennsylvania implemented a grant program for youth who have transitioned from foster care which offers vouchers for education and training, including postsecondary training and education, to assist them in leading independent and productive lives.

In Fiscal Year 2026-27, a portion of federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act funds are being distributed to county children and youth agencies to develop a coordinated, multi-system approach to improve child protective services that is grounded in early identification and intervention of substance affected infants and strengthens families by ensuring support and access to services for substance use disorders and other needs.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Community-Based Family Centers**

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$34,558	\$34,558	\$34,558
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$49,821	\$52,008	\$30,519
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Family Preservation - Family Centers</i>	\$2,691	\$2,691	\$2,691
<i>Family Resource &amp; Support - Family Centers</i>	\$3,039	\$3,039	\$3,269
<i>Title IV-B - Family Centers</i>	\$5,871	\$5,871	\$5,871
<i>MCH - Early Childhood Home Visiting</i>	\$16,330	\$16,330	\$18,358
<i>Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems</i>	\$330	\$330	\$330
<i>Preschool Development Grant (EA)</i>	\$21,560	\$23,747	\$0
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$84,379	\$86,566	\$65,077

**II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT**  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Community-Based Family Centers

	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$34,558	\$34,558	\$34,558	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$49,811	\$51,998	\$30,509	(\$21,489)	-41.33%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$84,369</b>	<b>\$86,556</b>	<b>\$65,067</b>	<b>(\$21,489)</b>	<b>-24.83%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$34,558	\$34,558	\$34,558	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$49,821	\$52,008	\$30,519	(\$21,489)	-41.32%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$84,379</b>	<b>\$86,566</b>	<b>\$65,077</b>	<b>(\$21,489)</b>	<b>-24.82%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Community-Based Family Centers

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$3,527	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level and reflects a decrease in federal funding.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Funds are expended through contracts with service providers.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Community-Based Family Centers			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in Family Resource and Support-Family Centers:	\$0	\$230	\$0	\$230
2. Provides for an increase in Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting:	\$0	\$2,028	\$0	\$2,028
3. No funding is requested for the Preschool Development Grant (EA) in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	(\$23,747)	\$0	(\$23,747)
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$0	(\$21,489)	\$0	(\$21,489)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$21,489)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$21,489)</u>

## **COMMUNITY-BASED FAMILY CENTERS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

This appropriation supports the implementation of evidence-based home visiting services to support vulnerable and at-risk pregnant and parenting families across Pennsylvania. There are 27 Community-Based Family Centers serving 36 counties. Evidence-based home visiting provides comprehensive services designed and shown to improve maternal and child health outcomes, prevent child abuse and neglect, and promote child development and school readiness. Funds support the development and local implementation of evidence-based, voluntary home visiting programs that strengthen families by providing positive parenting resources and skill development needed to raise children who are physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and ready to learn. Evidence-based home visiting services are provided by models currently recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration as evidence-based. All Family Centers deliver the Parents as Teachers Evidence-based home visiting program except for one Family Center that delivers Early Head Start.

All Community-Based Family Centers provide evidence-based home visiting to support families in their community and are also designed to offer a variety of community services to assist families in improving their ability to successfully raise their children. Community-Based Family Centers allow families to choose from a variety of services including positive parenting support and education programs, health care information, assistance in accessing health care services, child development activities and screenings, toy and resource libraries, and comprehensive information about services available in the community. Community-Based Family Center services are provided on-site to families, in their homes, or through a referral to other agencies in the community. Each Community-Based Family Center requires community planning, collaboration, and commitment from key community members including parents, local government representatives, educators, health providers, and social service directors. This collaboration ensures that the community's strengths, needs, and priorities are represented in the services provided by the Community-Based Family Center.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Services

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$298,080	\$298,080	\$300,286
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$653,033	\$710,730	\$873,814
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>CCDFBG-Child Care Services</i>	\$621,551	\$517,128	\$483,685
<i>TANF-Child Care Services</i>	\$0	\$162,120	\$358,647
<i>SSBG-Child Care Services</i>	\$30,977	\$30,977	\$30,977
<i>Head Start Collaboration Project</i>	\$505	\$505	\$505
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$0	\$0	\$250
<i>Early Head Start Revenue</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$951,113	\$1,008,810	\$1,174,350

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Child Care Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$86	\$86	\$86	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$86	\$86	\$86	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$298,080	\$298,080	\$300,286	\$2,206	0.74%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$616,476	\$682,580	\$709,591	\$27,011	3.96%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$914,556	\$980,660	\$1,010,127	\$29,467	3.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$36,471	\$28,064	\$164,137	\$136,073	484.87%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$36,471	\$28,064	\$164,137	\$136,073	484.87%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$298,080	\$298,080	\$300,286	\$2,206	0.74%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$653,033	\$710,730	\$873,814	\$163,084	22.95%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$951,113	\$1,008,810	\$1,174,350	\$165,540	16.41%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$24,622	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
 <i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
 <i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Budget information is projected on actual monthly data provided by the Pennsylvania's Enterprise to Link Information for Children Across Networks (PELICAN) system. PELICAN data is reflected in the Low Income - Child Care Services.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on the next page.

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**Disbursement Criteria:**  
These funds are expended through contracts with service providers. Payments to contractors are based on a fee-for-service unit cost for child care services.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Child Care Services			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Net Impact of change for the Low Income Child Care Service average monthly cost per slot from \$928.16 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$949.49 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$20,328	\$0	\$20,328
2. Provides for an increase in the Low Income Child Care Service average monthly consumers from 80,218 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 80,786 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$6,101	\$0	\$6,101
3. Provides for an increase Administrative Support for Early Learning Resource Center:	\$0	\$582	\$0	\$582
4. Provides for an increase in Early Head Start:	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$0	\$27,011	\$250	\$27,261
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in excess federal spending authority:	\$0	\$136,073	\$0	\$136,073
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Increase Minimum Wage				
A. Provides for increased service costs due to an increase in the minimum wage to \$15 per hour:	\$2,206	\$0	\$0	\$2,206
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	\$2,206	\$27,011	\$250	\$29,467
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	\$0	\$136,073	\$0	\$136,073
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$2,206</u>	<u>\$163,084</u>	<u>\$250</u>	<u>\$165,540</u>

**Child Care Services**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available**

	TOTAL	STATE	SSBG	CCDFBG-Child Care	TANF	Headstart	Augmentation
<b>Early Learning Resource Centers</b>							
Low Income Child Care (80,006 authorized)	\$ 840,810,000	\$ 246,249,000	\$ 30,977,000	\$ 401,464,000	\$ 162,120,000	\$ -	\$ -
Administrative Support	\$ 52,648,000	\$ 9,897,000	\$ -	\$ 42,751,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contracted Slots	\$ 14,700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STARS Grants Awards/Quality Initiatives	\$ 12,646,000	\$ 10,024,000	\$ -	\$ 2,622,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Subtotal Consumers:</b>	<b>\$ 920,804,000</b>	<b>\$ 266,170,000</b>	<b>\$ 30,977,000</b>	<b>\$ 461,537,000</b>	<b>\$ 162,120,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Early Keys to Quality - PA Key</b>							
PA Key Contract	\$ 21,468,000	\$ 6,522,000	\$ -	\$ 14,721,000	\$ -	\$ 225,000	\$ -
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>							
Professional Development Organization	\$ 13,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Operations - Care Check</b>	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Early Head Start</b>	\$ 388,000	\$ 388,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Child Care Extended Exit Eligibility</b>	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$ 28,064,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,784,000	\$ -	\$ 280,000	\$ -
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,008,810,000</b>	<b>\$ 298,080,000</b>	<b>\$ 30,977,000</b>	<b>\$ 517,128,000</b>	<b>\$ 162,120,000</b>	<b>\$ 505,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**Child Care Services**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**

	TOTAL	STATE	SSBG	CCDFBG-Child Care	TANF	Headstart	Augmentation
<b>Early Learning Resource Centers</b>							
Low Income Child Care (80,006 authorized)	\$ 867,239,000	\$ 246,249,000	\$ 30,977,000	\$ 231,366,000	\$ 358,647,000	\$ -	\$ -
Administrative Support	\$ 53,230,000	\$ 9,897,000	\$ -	\$ 43,333,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contracted Slots	\$ 14,700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
STARS Grants Awards/Quality Initiatives	\$ 12,646,000	\$ 10,024,000	\$ -	\$ 2,622,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Subtotal Consumers:</b>	<b>\$ 947,815,000</b>	<b>\$ 266,170,000</b>	<b>\$ 30,977,000</b>	<b>\$ 292,021,000</b>	<b>\$ 358,647,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Early Keys to Quality - PA Key</b>							
PA Key Contract	\$ 21,468,000	\$ 6,522,000	\$ -	\$ 14,721,000	\$ -	\$ 225,000	\$ -
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>							
Professional Development Organization	\$ 13,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Operations - Care Check</b>	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Early Head Start</b>	\$ 638,000	\$ 388,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000
<b>Child Care Extended Exit Eligibility</b>	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>FY 26-27 Initiative: Increase in Minimum Wage</b>	\$ 2,206,000	\$ 2,206,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$ 164,137,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 163,857,000	\$ -	\$ 280,000	\$ -
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,174,350,000</b>	<b>\$ 300,286,000</b>	<b>\$ 30,977,000</b>	<b>\$ 483,685,000</b>	<b>\$ 358,647,000</b>	<b>\$ 505,000</b>	<b>\$ 250,000</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Low Income - Child Care Services**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2024	\$76,793,500	\$72,665,988	\$4,127,512	81,725	\$939.66
AUGUST	\$75,513,560	\$71,386,048	\$4,127,512	84,206	\$896.77
SEPTEMBER	\$61,382,654	\$57,255,142	\$4,127,512	79,230	\$774.74
OCTOBER	\$65,833,194	\$61,677,470	\$4,155,723	78,385	\$839.87
NOVEMBER	\$59,689,824	\$55,534,101	\$4,155,723	77,896	\$766.28
DECEMBER	\$62,955,842	\$58,800,119	\$4,155,723	77,939	\$807.76
JANUARY 2025	\$72,896,803	\$68,741,080	\$4,155,723	78,600	\$927.44
FEBRUARY	\$64,088,280	\$59,932,557	\$4,155,723	78,822	\$813.08
MARCH	\$68,767,437	\$64,611,714	\$4,155,723	79,846	\$861.25
APRIL	\$74,479,268	\$70,323,544	\$4,155,723	80,396	\$926.41
MAY	\$75,345,956	\$71,190,233	\$4,155,723	80,679	\$933.90
JUNE	\$74,140,531	\$69,984,807	\$4,155,723	86,553	\$856.59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$831,886,848</b>	<b>\$782,102,803</b>	<b>\$49,784,045</b>	<b>964,277</b>	<b>\$862.71</b>
Average	\$69,323,904	\$65,175,234	\$4,148,670	80,356	\$862.71
Service					\$811.08
Family Support Services					\$51.63

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2025	\$90,207,626	\$85,528,662	\$4,678,965	84,211	\$1,071.21
AUGUST	\$82,965,978	\$78,263,613	\$4,702,365	86,971	\$953.95
SEPTEMBER	\$74,119,578	\$69,417,213	\$4,702,365	81,758	\$906.57
OCTOBER	\$71,318,748	\$67,163,025	\$4,155,723	78,328	\$910.51
NOVEMBER	\$71,318,748	\$67,163,025	\$4,155,723	78,328	\$910.51
DECEMBER	\$71,359,721	\$67,162,998	\$4,196,723	78,373	\$910.51
JANUARY 2026	\$71,359,721	\$67,162,998	\$4,196,723	78,373	\$910.51
FEBRUARY	\$71,418,904	\$67,167,181	\$4,251,723	78,438	\$910.51
MARCH	\$71,418,904	\$67,167,181	\$4,251,723	78,438	\$910.51
APRIL	\$71,496,298	\$67,169,575	\$4,326,723	78,523	\$910.51
MAY	\$71,496,298	\$67,169,575	\$4,326,723	78,523	\$910.51
JUNE	\$74,977,266	\$70,274,902	\$4,702,365	82,347	\$910.51
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$893,457,793</b>	<b>\$840,809,948</b>	<b>\$52,647,845</b>	<b>962,614</b>	<b>\$928.16</b>
Average	\$74,454,816	\$70,067,496	\$4,387,320	80,218	\$928.16
Service					\$873.47
Family Support Services					\$54.69

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2026	\$78,187,268	\$73,751,435	\$4,435,833	82,347	\$949.49
AUGUST	\$78,187,268	\$73,751,435	\$4,435,833	82,347	\$949.49
SEPTEMBER	\$78,187,268	\$73,751,435	\$4,435,833	82,347	\$949.49
OCTOBER	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
NOVEMBER	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
DECEMBER	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
JANUARY 2027	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
FEBRUARY	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
MARCH	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
APRIL	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
MAY	\$75,964,984	\$71,529,151	\$4,435,833	80,006	\$949.49
JUNE	\$78,187,268	\$73,751,435	\$4,435,833	82,347	\$949.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$920,468,940</b>	<b>\$867,238,944</b>	<b>\$53,229,996</b>	<b>969,434</b>	<b>\$949.49</b>
Average	\$76,705,745	\$72,269,912	\$4,435,833	80,786	\$949.49
Service					\$894.58
Family Support Services					\$54.91

## **CHILD CARE SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Child Care Services appropriation helps support Child Care Works, Pennsylvania's subsidized child care program, and Pennsylvania's continuous quality rating improvement system, Keystone Standards, Training/Professional Development, Assistance, Resources, and Supports (Keystone STARS).

To be eligible for a low-income child care subsidy, the parent(s) must meet the minimum work requirement and the family's annual income must fall within the program's income guidelines for eligibility which are currently 200% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines at entry into the program. Each family is assigned a weekly co-payment based on the family's size and income. Co-payments provide low-income working families an affordable way to contribute to the cost of their children's care.

Local agencies comprised of county governments and non-profit organizations administer Child Care Works. They receive a combination of federal and state funds to pay child care providers for services rendered to eligible families along with administrative funds to conduct their daily tasks such as eligibility determination, wait list management, case management, resource and referral, provider payments and provider management, funds management, and other associated family and provider services.

Pennsylvania's response to the national research on early care and education and to the federal quality earmark requirements is the Keystone STARS program, a comprehensive early learning quality improvement initiative. Early care and education programs participating in Keystone STARS at higher levels provide the kind of quality environments that research has shown relates to improved child outcomes.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE TO \$15 PER HOUR**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$2.206 million to increase the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. Increasing the minimum wage generates economic activity, increases the purchasing power of Pennsylvania residents, and increases revenue to the Commonwealth.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Assistance

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$123,255	\$123,255	\$124,876
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$267,976	\$156,810	\$194,017
<i>TANFBG-Child Care Assistance</i>	\$193,885	\$100,501	\$108,835
<i>CCDFBG-Child Care Assistance</i>	\$71,406	\$53,416	\$82,102
<i>SNAP-Child Care Assistance</i>	\$2,685	\$2,893	\$3,080
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$2,152
<i>Early Childhood Education Revenue - PKC Pelican Expansion</i>	<u>\$2,152</u>	<u>\$2,152</u>	<u>\$2,152</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$393,383	\$282,217	\$321,045

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Child Care Assistance				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$3,930	\$3,930	\$3,930	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$6,082</b>	<b>\$6,082</b>	<b>\$6,082</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$119,325	\$119,325	\$120,946	\$1,621	1.36%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$78,760	\$89,000	\$99,184	\$10,184	11.44%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$198,085</b>	<b>\$208,325</b>	<b>\$220,130</b>	<b>\$11,805</b>	<b>5.67%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$189,216	\$67,810	\$94,833	\$27,023	39.85%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$189,216</b>	<b>\$67,810</b>	<b>\$94,833</b>	<b>\$27,023</b>	<b>39.85%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$123,255	\$123,255	\$124,876	\$1,621	1.32%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$267,976	\$156,810	\$194,017	\$37,207	23.73%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$2,152	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$393,383</b>	<b>\$282,217</b>	<b>\$321,045</b>	<b>\$38,828</b>	<b>13.76%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Assistance

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$4,509	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Budget information is projected on actual monthly data provided by the Pennsylvania's Enterprise to Link Information for Children Across Networks (PELICAN) system. PELICAN data is reflected in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Former Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program eligible program consumers.

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**Disbursement Criteria:**  
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VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Child Care Assistance			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Net Impact of change in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program average monthly service cost per consumer from \$949.43 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$996.68 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$2,492	(\$1)	\$0	\$2,491
2. Provides for an increase in the TANF program average monthly number of consumers from 4,336 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 4,383 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$527	\$0	\$0	\$527
3. Provides for an increase in the Former Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) average monthly cost from \$997.85 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$1,027.98 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$1,679)	\$6,210	\$0	\$4,531
4. Provides for an increase in the Former TANF program average monthly number of consumers from 12,908 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 13,188 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$1,145)	\$4,234	\$0	\$3,089
5. Provides for an increase in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) average monthly service cost per consumer from \$964.15 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$993.44 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$67	\$66	\$0	\$133
6. Provides for an increase in SNAP average monthly number of consumers for services from 377 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 380 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$17	\$18	\$0	\$35
7. Reflects a drop in federal reimbursement from 50 percent to 25 percent for SNAP, resulting from enactment of House Resolution (HR) 1:	\$850	(\$850)	\$0	\$0
8. Provides for an increase in Early Learning Resource Centers (ELRC) administrative costs in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	\$504	\$0	\$504
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	\$1,129	\$10,181	\$0	\$11,310
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Provides for an increase in excess federal spending authority:	\$0	\$27,023	\$0	\$27,023
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Increase Minimum Wage				
A. Provides for increased service costs due to an increase in the minimum wage to \$15 per hour:	\$492	\$3	\$0	\$495
<b>TOTAL GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>	<u>\$1,621</u>	<u>\$10,184</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$11,805</u>
<b>TOTAL BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$27,023</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$27,023</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$1,621</u>	<u>\$37,207</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$38,828</u>

**Child Care Assistance**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available**

	TOTAL	STATE	CCDFBG	TANFBG	SNAP	ECE Revenue
<b>Early Learning Resource Centers</b>						
TANF Eligible	\$ 46,133,000	\$ 24,153,000	\$ -	\$ 21,980,000	\$ -	\$ -
Former TANF Eligible	\$ 137,885,000	\$ 92,989,000	\$ 16,307,000	\$ 28,589,000	\$ -	\$ -
SNAP Eligible	\$ 4,223,000	\$ 2,111,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,112,000	\$ -
Admin Costs	\$ 20,084,000	\$ 72,000	\$ 16,673,000	\$ 3,267,000	\$ 72,000	\$ -
<b>Subtotal ELRC</b>	<b>\$ 208,325,000</b>	<b>\$ 119,325,000</b>	<b>\$ 32,980,000</b>	<b>\$ 53,836,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,184,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>I/T Support</b>						
PELICAN Early Learning Network Support	\$ 3,930,000	\$ 3,930,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PELICAN Support from PDE	\$ 2,152,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,152,000
<b>Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 67,810,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 20,436,000</b>	<b>\$ 46,665,000</b>	<b>\$ 709,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$ 282,217,000</b>	<b>\$ 123,255,000</b>	<b>\$ 53,416,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,501,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,893,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,152,000</b>

	Average Monthly Consumers	Average Monthly Cost/Consumer
TANF Child Care	4,336	\$ 949
Former TANF Child Care	12,908	\$ 998
SNAP Child Care	377	\$ 964
<b>Total CCA Consumers</b>	<b>17,621</b>	<b>\$ 985</b>

## Child Care Assistance

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget

	TOTAL	STATE	CCDFBG	TANFBG	SNAP	ECE Revenue
<b>Early Learning Resource Centers</b>						
TANF Eligible	\$ 49,151,000	\$ 27,171,000	\$ -	\$ 21,980,000	\$ -	\$ -
Former TANF Eligible	\$ 145,505,000	\$ 90,165,000	\$ 21,156,000	\$ 34,184,000	\$ -	\$ -
SNAP Eligible	\$ 4,391,000	\$ 3,019,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,372,000	\$ -
Admin Costs	\$ 20,588,000	\$ 99,000	\$ 17,174,000	\$ 3,270,000	\$ 45,000	\$ -
<b>Subtotal ELRC</b>	<b>\$ 219,635,000</b>	<b>\$ 120,454,000</b>	<b>\$ 38,330,000</b>	<b>\$ 59,434,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,417,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>I/T Support</b>						
PELICAN Early Learning Network Support	\$ 3,930,000	\$ 3,930,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PELICAN Support from PDE	\$ 2,152,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,152,000
<b>FY 26-27 Initiative: Increase in Minimum Wage</b>						
TANF Eligible	\$ 121,000	\$ 121,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Former TANF Eligible	\$ 364,000	\$ 364,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SNAP Eligible	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ -
<b>Subtotal FY 26-27 Initiatives</b>	<b>\$ 495,000</b>	<b>\$ 492,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 94,833,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 43,772,000</b>	<b>\$ 49,401,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,660,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Program Total</b>	<b>\$ 321,045,000</b>	<b>\$ 124,876,000</b>	<b>\$ 82,102,000</b>	<b>\$ 108,835,000</b>	<b>\$ 3,080,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,152,000</b>

	Average Monthly Consumers	Average Monthly Cost/Consumer
TANF Child Care	4,383	\$ 997
Former TANF Child Care	13,188	\$ 1,028
SNAP Child Care	380	\$ 993
<b>Total CCA Consumers</b>	<b>17,951</b>	<b>\$ 1,020</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Former TANF Eligible - Child Care Assistance**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2024	\$14,535,988	\$13,190,268	\$1,345,720	14,320	\$1,015.08
AUGUST	\$14,052,743	\$12,707,023	\$1,345,720	14,452	\$972.37
SEPTEMBER	\$11,599,418	\$10,253,698	\$1,345,720	13,628	\$851.15
OCTOBER	\$11,829,902	\$10,484,182	\$1,345,720	13,286	\$890.40
NOVEMBER	\$10,655,466	\$9,309,746	\$1,345,720	13,038	\$817.26
DECEMBER	\$11,178,199	\$9,832,479	\$1,345,720	13,020	\$858.54
JANUARY 2025	\$12,791,952	\$11,446,232	\$1,345,720	12,915	\$990.47
FEBRUARY	\$11,243,246	\$9,897,526	\$1,345,720	12,828	\$876.46
MARCH	\$12,013,073	\$10,667,353	\$1,345,720	12,749	\$942.28
APRIL	\$12,570,311	\$11,224,591	\$1,345,720	12,656	\$993.23
MAY	\$12,561,698	\$11,215,978	\$1,345,720	12,461	\$1,008.08
JUNE	\$12,562,071	\$11,216,351	\$1,345,720	12,859	\$976.91
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$147,594,069</b>	<b>\$131,445,428</b>	<b>\$16,148,641</b>	<b>158,212</b>	<b>\$932.89</b>
Average	\$12,299,506	\$10,953,786	\$1,345,720	13,184	\$932.89
Service					\$830.82
Family Support Services					\$102.07

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2025	\$14,198,640	\$12,809,184	\$1,389,456	12,516	\$1,134.44
AUGUST	\$13,003,086	\$11,613,630	\$1,389,456	12,684	\$1,025.16
SEPTEMBER	\$11,318,474	\$9,929,018	\$1,389,456	11,985	\$944.39
OCTOBER	\$12,790,931	\$11,401,475	\$1,389,456	12,975	\$985.83
NOVEMBER	\$12,790,931	\$11,401,475	\$1,389,456	12,975	\$985.83
DECEMBER	\$12,790,931	\$11,401,475	\$1,389,456	12,975	\$985.83
JANUARY 2026	\$12,887,542	\$11,498,086	\$1,389,456	13,073	\$985.83
FEBRUARY	\$12,887,542	\$11,498,086	\$1,389,456	13,073	\$985.83
MARCH	\$12,887,542	\$11,498,086	\$1,389,456	13,073	\$985.83
APRIL	\$13,000,913	\$11,611,457	\$1,389,456	13,188	\$985.83
MAY	\$13,000,913	\$11,611,457	\$1,389,456	13,188	\$985.83
JUNE	\$13,000,913	\$11,611,457	\$1,389,456	13,188	\$985.83
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$154,558,357</b>	<b>\$137,884,885</b>	<b>\$16,673,472</b>	<b>154,891</b>	<b>\$997.85</b>
Average	\$12,879,863	\$11,490,407	\$1,389,456	12,908	\$997.85
Service					\$890.21
Family Support Services					\$107.65

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>
JULY 2026	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
AUGUST	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
SEPTEMBER	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
OCTOBER	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
NOVEMBER	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
DECEMBER	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
JANUARY 2027	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
FEBRUARY	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
MARCH	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
APRIL	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
MAY	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
JUNE	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$162,678,730</b>	<b>\$145,505,050</b>	<b>\$17,173,680</b>	<b>158,251</b>	<b>\$1,027.98</b>
Average	\$13,556,561	\$12,125,421	\$1,431,140	13,188	\$1,027.98
Service					\$919.46
Family Support Services					\$108.52

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TANF Eligible - Child Care Assistance**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2024	\$4,642,942	\$4,377,584	\$265,359	4,878	\$951.81	
AUGUST	\$4,500,297	\$4,234,939	\$265,359	4,843	\$929.24	
SEPTEMBER	\$3,774,954	\$3,509,596	\$265,359	4,833	\$781.08	
OCTOBER	\$3,971,985	\$3,706,627	\$265,359	4,766	\$833.40	
NOVEMBER	\$3,703,664	\$3,438,305	\$265,359	4,593	\$806.37	
DECEMBER	\$3,934,263	\$3,668,904	\$265,359	4,364	\$901.53	
JANUARY 2025	\$3,998,564	\$3,733,206	\$265,359	4,378	\$913.33	
FEBRUARY	\$3,406,389	\$3,141,031	\$265,358	4,025	\$846.31	
MARCH	\$3,612,395	\$3,347,037	\$265,359	4,085	\$884.31	
APRIL	\$3,722,568	\$3,457,209	\$265,358	4,035	\$922.57	
MAY	\$3,738,923	\$3,473,565	\$265,359	4,048	\$941.91	
JUNE	\$3,977,049	\$3,711,691	\$265,358	4,061	\$941.91	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$46,983,995</b>	<b>\$43,799,693</b>	<b>\$3,184,303</b>	<b>\$52,910</b>	<b>\$888.00</b>	
	Average	\$3,915,333	\$3,649,974	\$265,359	4,409	\$888.00
Service					\$827.82	
Family Support Services					\$60.18	

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2025	\$4,567,525	\$4,295,928	\$271,597	4,444	\$1,027.80	
AUGUST	\$4,183,955	\$3,913,231	\$270,724	4,367	\$958.08	
SEPTEMBER	\$3,940,186	\$3,667,717	\$272,469	4,214	\$935.02	
OCTOBER	\$4,029,471	\$3,757,002	\$272,469	4,282	\$941.09	
NOVEMBER	\$4,029,471	\$3,757,002	\$272,469	4,282	\$941.09	
DECEMBER	\$4,029,471	\$3,757,002	\$272,469	4,282	\$941.09	
JANUARY 2026	\$4,082,172	\$3,809,703	\$272,469	4,338	\$941.09	
FEBRUARY	\$4,082,172	\$3,809,703	\$272,469	4,338	\$941.09	
MARCH	\$4,082,172	\$3,809,703	\$272,469	4,338	\$941.09	
APRIL	\$4,124,521	\$3,852,052	\$272,469	4,383	\$941.09	
MAY	\$4,124,521	\$3,852,052	\$272,469	4,383	\$941.09	
JUNE	\$4,124,521	\$3,852,052	\$272,469	4,383	\$941.09	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$49,400,156</b>	<b>\$46,133,145</b>	<b>\$3,267,010</b>	<b>\$52,032</b>	<b>\$949.43</b>	
	Average	\$4,116,680	\$3,844,429	\$272,251	4,336	\$949.43
Service					\$886.64	
Family Support Services					\$62.79	

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2026	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
AUGUST	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
SEPTEMBER	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
OCTOBER	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
NOVEMBER	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
DECEMBER	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
JANUARY 2027	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
FEBRUARY	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
MARCH	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
APRIL	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
MAY	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
JUNE	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$52,421,126</b>	<b>\$49,151,499</b>	<b>\$3,269,627</b>	<b>\$52,596</b>	<b>\$996.68</b>	
	Average	\$4,368,427	\$4,095,958	\$272,469	4,383	\$996.68
Service					\$934.52	
Family Support Services					\$62.17	

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SNAP Eligible - Child Care Assistance**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2024	\$342,928	\$330,918	\$12,010	345	\$993.99	
AUGUST	\$318,710	\$306,700	\$12,010	357	\$892.75	
SEPTEMBER	\$291,009	\$278,999	\$12,010	358	\$812.87	
OCTOBER	\$303,538	\$291,528	\$12,010	362	\$838.50	
NOVEMBER	\$311,079	\$299,069	\$12,010	340	\$914.94	
DECEMBER	\$332,268	\$320,258	\$12,010	337	\$985.96	
JANUARY 2025	\$341,252	\$329,242	\$12,010	322	\$1,059.79	
FEBRUARY	\$257,424	\$245,414	\$12,010	312	\$825.08	
MARCH	\$257,919	\$245,909	\$12,010	327	\$788.74	
APRIL	\$317,546	\$305,536	\$12,010	334	\$950.74	
MAY	\$156,872	\$144,862	\$12,010	165	\$950.74	
JUNE	\$156,872	\$144,862	\$12,010	165	\$950.74	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,387,417</b>	<b>\$3,243,297</b>	<b>\$144,120</b>	<b>3,724</b>	<b>\$909.62</b>	
	Average	\$282,285	\$270,275	\$12,010	310	\$909.62
Service					\$870.92	
Family Support Services					\$38.70	

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2025	\$396,708	\$384,698	\$12,010	364	\$1,089.86	
AUGUST	\$349,885	\$337,875	\$12,010	377	\$928.08	
SEPTEMBER	\$346,288	\$334,278	\$12,010	371	\$933.39	
OCTOBER	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
NOVEMBER	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
DECEMBER	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
JANUARY 2026	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
FEBRUARY	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
MARCH	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
APRIL	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
MAY	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
JUNE	\$363,751	\$351,741	\$12,010	380	\$958.08	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,366,640</b>	<b>\$4,222,520</b>	<b>\$144,120</b>	<b>4,529</b>	<b>\$964.15</b>	
	Average	\$363,887	\$351,877	\$12,010	377	\$964.15
Service					\$932.33	
Family Support Services					\$31.82	

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>FSS/Admin</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per Slot</b>	
JULY 2026	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
AUGUST	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
SEPTEMBER	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
OCTOBER	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
NOVEMBER	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
DECEMBER	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
JANUARY 2027	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
FEBRUARY	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
MARCH	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
APRIL	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
MAY	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
JUNE	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,535,048</b>	<b>\$4,390,928</b>	<b>\$144,120</b>	<b>4,565</b>	<b>\$993.44</b>	
	Average	\$377,921	\$365,911	\$12,010	380	\$993.44
Service					\$961.87	
Family Support Services					\$31.57	

## **CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Child Care Assistance appropriation helps support Child Care Works, Pennsylvania's subsidized child care program. Child care subsidies are provided to families in approved employment and training activities that receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), working families that have transitioned off TANF (former TANF) and families that participate in unpaid employment and training activities through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Quality child care programs aid Pennsylvania's efforts to reach and maintain the 50% federal work participation rate for TANF clients. These programs also promote and support the development of vulnerable and at-risk children and help them prepare for school and life success.

Local agencies comprised of county governments and non-profit organizations administer Child Care Works. They receive a combination of federal and state funds to pay child care providers for services rendered to eligible families along with administrative funds to conduct their daily tasks such as eligibility determination, waiting list management, case management, resource and referral, provider payments and provider management, funds management, and other associated family and provider services.

Research has demonstrated the benefits of child care subsidies and stresses the importance of this program to families receiving benefits. When families are not able to access child care assistance they may go into debt, return to TANF benefits, choose lower quality and less stable child care, or face difficult choices in their household budgets. Studies have shown that receiving a subsidy for child care promotes longer employment durations among women, regardless of marital status or educational attainment. Studies have also found that single mothers of young children and former TANF recipients who received child care assistance were more likely to still be employed after two years.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE TO \$15 PER HOUR**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$0.492 million to increase the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. Increasing the minimum wage generates economic activity, increases the purchasing power of Pennsylvania residents, and increases revenue to the Commonwealth.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Recruitment and Retention

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$25,000	\$35,000
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Child Care Recruitment and Retention				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change	
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OPERATING</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$10,000	40.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>40.00%</b>	
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>						
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>						
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OTHER</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$25,000	\$35,000	\$10,000	40.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>40.00%</b>	

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Child Care Recruitment and Retention

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$35.000 million to support recruitment and retention of teachers in licensed child care facilities participating in Child Care Works.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
Article I-H.1 of the Fiscal Code (Act 45 of 2025)

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
This appropriation provides payments to licensed child care providers to support teacher recruitment and retention.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Child Care Recruitment and Retention

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Expand Child Care Workforce				
A. Provides funding to licensed child care facilities for teacher recruitment and retention:	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$10,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$10,000</u></u>

## **CHILD CARE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION**

The Child Care Recruitment and Retention appropriation provides funding to stabilize the child care workforce through recruitment and retention grants. These grants provide a financial benefit for child care professionals, ensuring they are better equipped and supported in providing high-quality child care. The funding is available, via application, to licensed child care facilities participating in Child Care Works, Pennsylvania's subsidized child care program. This funding helps ensure that Pennsylvania children have access to safe, nurturing environments that foster development, while also promoting the wellbeing and sustainability of the child care profession.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – EXPAND CHILD CARE WORKFORCE**

The FY 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget includes \$10 million to raise the recruitment and retention grants available to eligible child care professionals from \$450 to \$630. This investment is a crucial step to preserving child care so that other Pennsylvanians can work.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Nurse Family Partnership

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$14,042	\$13,975	\$13,889
Federal Funds Total	\$3,763	\$3,830	\$3,916
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - Nurse Family Partnership</i>	\$3,763	\$3,830	\$3,916
Other Funds Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$17,805	\$17,805	\$17,805

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Nurse Family Partnership				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$14,042	\$13,975	\$13,889	(\$86)	-0.62%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$3,763	\$3,830	\$3,916	\$86	2.25%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$17,805	\$17,805	\$17,805	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$14,042	\$13,975	\$13,889	(\$86)	-0.62%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$3,763	\$3,830	\$3,916	\$86	2.25%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$17,805	\$17,805	\$17,805	\$0	0.00%

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Nurse Family Partnership
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$713	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

Derivation of Request:  
Budget information for state funding is based on estimated program needs. Federal data for Medical Assistance is provided by the Provider Reimbursement and Operations Management Information System (PROMISe).  
Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

Legislative Citations:  
62 P.S. § 201(2)

Disbursement Criteria:  
Quarterly payments are expended through contracts with service providers.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Nurse Family Partnership			
	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1 Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>(\$86)</u>	<u>\$86</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>(\$86)</u></u>	<u><u>\$86</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Nurse-Family Partnership is an evidence-based home visitation program designed to provide low-income, first-time mothers the supports necessary to improve maternal and child health outcomes. Early in her pregnancy each mother served by Nurse-Family Partnership is partnered with a specially educated bachelor level nurse and receives ongoing home visits that continue until the child's second birthday. Home visits by Nurse-Family Partnership nurses promote the physical, cognitive and emotional development of children and support mothers and their families through the provision of instructive positive parenting and life skills education to help ensure success.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Early Intervention

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$185,250	\$198,430	\$193,217
Federal Funds Total	\$114,209	\$125,823	\$118,374
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Medical Assistance-Early Intervention</i>	\$89,311	\$108,518	\$101,069
<i>Education for Children with Disabilities-Early Intervention</i>	\$24,898	\$17,305	\$17,305
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$299,459</b>	<b>\$324,253</b>	<b>\$311,591</b>

For details on the impacts of Home and Community-Based Services Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 see pages 349-354.

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Early Intervention			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$2,220	\$2,220	\$2,220	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$1,253	\$1,253	\$1,253	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$3,473</b>	<b>\$3,473</b>	<b>\$3,473</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$183,030	\$196,210	\$190,997	(\$5,213)	-2.66%
Federal Funds	\$92,939	\$104,760	\$114,670	\$9,910	9.46%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$275,969</b>	<b>\$300,970</b>	<b>\$305,667</b>	<b>\$4,697</b>	<b>1.56%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$20,017	\$19,810	\$2,451	(\$17,359)	-87.63%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$20,017</b>	<b>\$19,810</b>	<b>\$2,451</b>	<b>(\$17,359)</b>	<b>-87.63%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$185,250	\$198,430	\$193,217	(\$5,213)	-2.63%
Federal Funds	\$114,209	\$125,823	\$118,374	(\$7,449)	-5.92%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$299,459</b>	<b>\$324,253</b>	<b>\$311,591</b>	<b>(\$12,662)</b>	<b>-3.90%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Early Intervention

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
Budget information is projected on actual monthly data provided by the Provider Reimbursement and Operations Management Information System (PROMISe). PROMISe data is reflected in the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program, and the Infant, Toddlers, and Families (ITF) Medicaid Waiver Program.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; Early Intervention Services System Act of 1990, 11 P.S. § 875-101 et seq.  
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. § 1400-1482; 42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Disbursements are made based on allocations developed by the Office of Child Development and Early Learning. Counties receive quarterly advance payments based on their individual allocations in accordance with the Early Intervention Services System Act of 1990. The allocations are based on the prior year's program and special needs identified by counties during a rebudget process. Counties also receive funding for new or expanded programs or to annualize programs initiated in the prior year.

EPSDT and ITF Waiver providers submit invoices for payment of eligible services rendered through PROMISe.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Early Intervention			
	State \$	Federal \$	Other \$	Total \$
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in Maintenance and Service and Coordination to reflect historic spending levels in the program. Not displayed is the one-time use of excess prior year carryover funds totaling \$7.774 million in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$7,774)	(\$1)	\$0	(\$7,775)
2. Provides for an increase in the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) program average monthly cost per user from \$597.74 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$640.47 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$1,891	\$2,390	\$0	\$4,281
3. Provides for an increase in the EPSDT program average monthly number of consumers from 16,416 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 16,973 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$3,720	\$4,699	\$0	\$8,419
4. Provides for an increase in the Infant, Toddlers, and Families (ITF) Waiver program average monthly cost per user from \$426.05 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to \$456.34 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$182	\$229	\$0	\$411
5. Provides for an increase in the ITF Waiver program average monthly number of consumers from 1,183 in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 1,258 in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$190	\$240	\$0	\$430
6. Provides for an increase in available carryover funds in 2026-2027:	(\$1,730)	\$0	\$0	(\$1,730)
7. Provides for annualization of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 rate increase to providers:	\$0	\$661	\$0	\$661
8. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$1,692)	\$1,692	\$0	\$0
Subtotal Grant & Subsidy	(\$5,213)	\$9,910	\$0	\$4,697
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in excess federal spending authority available in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	\$0	(\$17,359)	\$0	(\$17,359)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$5,213)</u>	<u>(\$7,449)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$12,662)</u>

**Early Intervention**  
**Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available**

	TOTAL	STATE	MA Early Intervention	Ed for Children w/Disabilities
<b>CARRY FORWARD BUDGET:</b>				
County Maintenance and Coordination	\$ 108,216,000	\$ 92,164,000	\$ -	\$ 16,052,000
Service and Coordination	\$ 25,769,000	\$ 25,769,000	\$ -	\$ -
Other Costs	\$ 3,360,000	\$ 3,360,000	\$ -	\$ -
Maintenance Total	<u>\$ 137,345,000</u>	<u>\$ 121,293,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,052,000</u>
Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT)	\$ 117,749,000	\$ 52,006,000	\$ 65,743,000	\$ -
On-Going County EI Administration	\$ 6,926,000	\$ 6,926,000	\$ -	\$ -
Infant, Toddlers & Families Medicaid Waiver Program	\$ 6,048,000	\$ 2,671,000	\$ 3,377,000	\$ -
County Medicaid Admin	\$ 13,908,000	\$ 6,954,000	\$ 6,954,000	\$ -
County Training	\$ 630,000	\$ 630,000	\$ -	\$ -
<b>SUBTOTAL CARRYFORWARD</b>	<u>\$ 282,606,000</u>	<u>\$ 190,480,000</u>	<u>\$ 76,074,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,052,000</u>
Tuscarora Intermediate Unit 11 Contract (Oper)	\$ 3,473,000	\$ 2,220,000	\$ -	\$ 1,253,000
Carryforward (Estimate)	\$ (4,270,000)	\$ (4,270,000)	\$ -	\$ -
FY 25-26 Initiative: Rate Increase to EI Providers	\$ 22,634,000	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 12,634,000	\$ -
Budgetary Reserve	\$ 19,810,000	\$ -	\$ 19,810,000	\$ -
<b>Program Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 324,253,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 198,430,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 108,518,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,305,000</u></u>

**Early Intervention**  
**Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget**

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>MA Early Intervention</u>	<u>Ed for Children w/Disabilities</u>
<b>CARRY FORWARD BUDGET:</b>				
County Maintenance and Coordination <sup>1</sup>	\$ 98,370,000	\$ 82,318,000	\$ -	\$ 16,052,000
Service and Coordination	\$ 27,840,000	\$ 27,840,000	\$ -	\$ -
Other Costs	\$ 3,360,000	\$ 3,360,000	\$ -	\$ -
Maintenance Total	<u>\$ 129,570,000</u>	<u>\$ 113,518,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,052,000</u>
Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT)	\$ 130,449,000	\$ 56,011,000	\$ 74,438,000	\$ -
On-Going County EI Administration	\$ 6,926,000	\$ 6,926,000	\$ -	\$ -
Infant, Toddlers & Families Medicaid Waiver Program	\$ 6,889,000	\$ 2,958,000	\$ 3,931,000	\$ -
County Medicaid Admin	\$ 13,908,000	\$ 6,954,000	\$ 6,954,000	\$ -
County Training	\$ 630,000	\$ 630,000	\$ -	\$ -
<b>SUBTOTAL CARRYFORWARD</b>	<u>\$ 288,372,000</u>	<u>\$ 186,997,000</u>	<u>\$ 85,323,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,052,000</u>
Tuscarora Intermediate Unit 11 Contract (Oper)	\$ 3,473,000	\$ 2,220,000	\$ -	\$ 1,253,000
Carryforward (Estimate)	\$ (6,000,000)	\$ (6,000,000)	\$ -	\$ -
FY 25-26 Initiative: Rate Increase to EI Providers	\$ 23,295,000	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 13,295,000	\$ -
Budgetary Reserve	\$ 2,451,000	\$ -	\$ 2,451,000	\$ -
<b>Program Total</b>	<u><u>\$ 311,591,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 193,217,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 101,069,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,305,000</u></u>

<sup>1</sup> Not displayed is the use of one-time excess prior year carryover funds totaling \$7.774 million in Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2024	\$10,597,285	\$5,735,319	\$4,861,966	17,533	\$604.42
AUGUST	\$8,643,038	\$4,677,672	\$3,965,366	15,770	\$548.07
SEPTEMBER	\$10,213,718	\$5,527,459	\$4,686,259	16,722	\$610.80
OCTOBER	\$8,336,797	\$4,592,638	\$3,744,159	15,888	\$524.72
NOVEMBER	\$9,330,354	\$5,139,952	\$4,190,402	15,978	\$583.95
DECEMBER	\$9,460,017	\$5,211,405	\$4,248,611	16,303	\$580.26
JANUARY 2025	\$7,618,002	\$4,196,657	\$3,421,345	15,032	\$506.79
FEBRUARY	\$8,314,485	\$4,580,331	\$3,734,154	15,148	\$548.88
MARCH	\$10,697,851	\$5,893,315	\$4,804,536	16,886	\$633.53
APRIL	\$8,542,661	\$4,706,023	\$3,836,638	15,178	\$562.83
MAY	\$9,235,537	\$5,087,729	\$4,147,808	16,323	\$565.80
JUNE	\$10,663,632	\$5,874,463	\$4,789,169	16,895	\$631.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$111,653,377</b>	<b>\$61,222,962</b>	<b>\$50,430,415</b>	<b>193,656</b>	<b>\$6,901.22</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$9,304,448</b>	<b>\$5,101,914</b>	<b>\$4,202,535</b>	<b>16,138</b>	<b>\$576.56</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2025	\$8,709,040	\$4,797,700	\$3,911,341	16,121	\$540.23
AUGUST	\$8,788,080	\$4,841,154	\$3,946,926	16,082	\$546.45
SEPTEMBER	\$10,017,999	\$5,518,781	\$4,499,218	16,443	\$609.26
OCTOBER	\$8,382,707	\$4,699,305	\$3,683,401	15,051	\$556.95
NOVEMBER	\$9,619,124	\$5,392,481	\$4,226,643	16,324	\$589.26
DECEMBER	\$10,701,759	\$5,999,406	\$4,702,353	16,324	\$655.58
JANUARY 2026	\$9,825,366	\$5,508,100	\$4,317,266	16,674	\$589.26
FEBRUARY	\$9,825,366	\$5,508,100	\$4,317,266	16,674	\$589.26
MARCH	\$10,931,213	\$6,128,038	\$4,803,175	16,674	\$655.58
APRIL	\$9,943,219	\$5,574,168	\$4,369,051	16,874	\$589.26
MAY	\$9,943,219	\$5,574,168	\$4,369,051	16,874	\$589.26
JUNE	\$11,062,330	\$6,201,542	\$4,860,788	16,874	\$655.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$117,749,423</b>	<b>\$65,742,944</b>	<b>\$52,006,479</b>	<b>196,989</b>	<b>\$7,165.96</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$9,812,452</b>	<b>\$5,478,579</b>	<b>\$4,333,873</b>	<b>16,416</b>	<b>\$597.74</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2026	\$11,583,867	\$6,493,916	\$5,089,951	16,973	\$682.49
AUGUST	\$10,361,397	\$5,808,599	\$4,552,798	16,973	\$610.46
SEPTEMBER	\$11,583,867	\$6,493,916	\$5,089,951	16,973	\$682.49
OCTOBER	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
NOVEMBER	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
DECEMBER	\$11,583,867	\$6,650,298	\$4,933,569	16,973	\$682.49
JANUARY 2027	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
FEBRUARY	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
MARCH	\$11,583,867	\$6,650,298	\$4,933,569	16,973	\$682.49
APRIL	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
MAY	\$10,361,397	\$5,948,478	\$4,412,919	16,973	\$610.46
JUNE	\$11,583,867	\$6,650,298	\$4,933,569	16,973	\$682.49
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$130,449,113</b>	<b>\$74,438,193</b>	<b>\$56,010,920</b>	<b>203,676</b>	<b>\$7,685.68</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$10,870,759</b>	<b>\$6,203,183</b>	<b>\$4,667,577</b>	<b>16,973</b>	<b>\$640.47</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget  
Infant, Toddlers, and Families Waiver**

**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2024	\$585,132	\$316,675	\$268,456	1,295	\$451.84
AUGUST	\$460,887	\$249,434	\$211,453	1,175	\$392.24
SEPTEMBER	\$538,485	\$291,430	\$247,055	1,197	\$449.86
OCTOBER	\$438,339	\$241,491	\$196,848	1,134	\$386.54
NOVEMBER	\$474,176	\$261,234	\$212,942	1,152	\$411.61
DECEMBER	\$471,160	\$259,573	\$211,587	1,133	\$415.85
JANUARY 2025	\$402,719	\$221,866	\$180,852	1,080	\$372.89
FEBRUARY	\$419,770	\$231,261	\$188,510	1,070	\$392.31
MARCH	\$510,131	\$281,042	\$229,089	1,151	\$443.21
APRIL	\$406,946	\$224,196	\$182,750	1,081	\$376.45
MAY	\$437,737	\$241,159	\$196,578	1,123	\$389.79
JUNE	\$539,416	\$297,176	\$242,240	1,187	\$454.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,684,897</b>	<b>\$3,116,537</b>	<b>\$2,568,361</b>	<b>13,778</b>	<b>\$4,937.04</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$473,741</b>	<b>\$259,711</b>	<b>\$214,030</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>\$412.67</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2025	\$459,310	\$253,044	\$206,266	1,165	\$394.26
AUGUST	\$449,903	\$247,862	\$202,041	1,124	\$400.27
SEPTEMBER	\$508,616	\$280,208	\$228,408	1,180	\$431.03
OCTOBER	\$453,650	\$254,310	\$199,340	1,115	\$406.86
NOVEMBER	\$488,234	\$273,704	\$214,530	1,169	\$417.62
DECEMBER	\$541,741	\$303,700	\$238,041	1,169	\$463.39
JANUARY 2026	\$498,674	\$279,557	\$219,117	1,194	\$417.62
FEBRUARY	\$498,674	\$279,557	\$219,117	1,194	\$417.62
MARCH	\$553,326	\$310,194	\$243,132	1,194	\$463.39
APRIL	\$513,291	\$287,751	\$225,540	1,229	\$417.62
MAY	\$513,291	\$287,751	\$225,540	1,229	\$417.62
JUNE	\$569,544	\$319,286	\$250,258	1,229	\$463.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,048,254</b>	<b>\$3,376,924</b>	<b>\$2,671,330</b>	<b>14,192</b>	<b>\$5,110.69</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$504,021</b>	<b>\$281,410</b>	<b>\$222,611</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>\$426.05</b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONSUMER SERVICE COSTS**

	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Federal \$</b>	<b>State \$</b>	<b>Users</b>	<b>Total \$ Per User</b>
JULY 2026	\$608,334	\$341,032	\$267,302	1,258	\$483.57
AUGUST	\$549,602	\$308,107	\$241,495	1,258	\$436.89
SEPTEMBER	\$608,334	\$341,032	\$267,302	1,258	\$483.57
OCTOBER	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
NOVEMBER	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
DECEMBER	\$608,334	\$349,245	\$259,089	1,258	\$483.57
JANUARY 2027	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
FEBRUARY	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
MARCH	\$608,334	\$349,245	\$259,089	1,258	\$483.57
APRIL	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
MAY	\$549,602	\$315,527	\$234,075	1,258	\$436.89
JUNE	\$608,334	\$349,245	\$259,089	1,258	\$483.57
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,888,887</b>	<b>\$3,931,068</b>	<b>\$2,957,819</b>	<b>15,096</b>	<b>\$5,476.06</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$574,074</b>	<b>\$327,589</b>	<b>\$246,485</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>\$456.34</b>

## **EARLY INTERVENTION**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Pennsylvania Infant Toddler Early Intervention service system ensures supports and services are available for children from birth to age three with developmental delays and disabilities. Early Intervention (EI) programs are provided in close collaboration with the family to address the developmental, physical, communication, cognitive, social, and adaptive needs of eligible children. EI is administered at a local level through 48 county or joinder operated programs.

Children who may need EI receive a screening and comprehensive developmental evaluation to determine if they are eligible. The evaluation also provides information about the family's priorities for the child, important developmental needs, and family routines. The evaluation is followed by the development of an Individualized Family Service Plan, which identifies important goals and describes the services and strategies needed to meet them. The family is a key member of the evaluation and planning process.

Children receiving EI may be provided special instruction, developmental therapies, and other services, and are provided to support children in their natural environments, such as the home, childcare, or other community locations. All EI services are intended to address the child's individual needs, promote family independence, build on the child's and family's strengths, and help families create enhanced learning opportunities within their daily routines.

Children exposed to certain risks including lead exposure; treatment in a neonatal intensive care unit; low birth weight; prenatal substance exposure, including alcohol; serious abuse or neglect; and homelessness are eligible for tracking and periodic developmental screening to ensure that EI services are provided in a timely fashion, should developmental delays emerge.

State statute requires two to four percent of state funds be used for professional development and technical assistance. To help meet this requirement, a portion of state funding is distributed to the statewide professional development system, EI Technical Assistance, which provides statewide training and technical assistance at the direction of OCDEL. The remainder of the identified training funding is allocated to the local county programs to permit them to meet local personnel training and program technical assistance needs directly.

EI services and supports are funded in part by state general funds. Counties are required to contribute a ten percent match on state funding in EI. Federal Medicaid funds support the EI program through the Infant, Toddlers, and Families Waiver and Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment. Federal funds allocated through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act augment the EI program as well

### **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional ten percent federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. Additional detail on the initiatives funded, in full or part, with this funding is detailed in the "Home & Community-Based Services Under The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" section toward the end of this document. All spending under this provision will be completed by June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Domestic Violence

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Available</u>	<u>2025-2026 Budgeted</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State Funds</b>	\$22,593	\$23,063	\$23,063
<b>Federal Funds Total</b>	\$10,705	\$10,705	\$10,705
<b>Federal Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Family Violence Prevention Services</i>	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
<i>SSBG - Domestic Violence Programs</i>	\$5,705	\$5,705	\$5,705
<b>Other Funds Total</b>	\$725	\$733	\$733
<b>Other Fund Sources Itemized</b>			
<i>Marriage Law Fees</i>	\$725	\$733	\$733
<b>Total</b>	\$34,023	\$34,501	\$34,501

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Domestic Violence				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$22,593	\$23,063	\$23,063	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,705	\$10,705	\$10,705	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$725	\$733	\$733	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$34,023	\$34,501	\$34,501	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$22,593	\$23,063	\$23,063	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$10,705	\$10,705	\$10,705	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$725	\$733	\$733	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$34,023	\$34,501	\$34,501	\$0	0.00%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Domestic Violence

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$308	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-27 Governor's Executive Budget maintains the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 funding levels.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; 71 P.S. § 611.13

**Disbursement Criteria:**

These funds are distributed to various subcontractors across the state based on population, need for service or increased service demand, and types of services offered. An Independent Review Panel makes recommendations on local provider allocations; however, the Department makes final allocation decisions.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Domestic Violence

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-27 Governor's Executive Budget maintains the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 funding levels:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Domestic violence services are provided to domestic violence victims and their children. The Department has a grant with the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence, which sub-grants with 59 local domestic violence programs, serving all 67 counties.

Domestic violence programs provide emergency crisis intervention services to people in abusive situations. These emergency services include free, confidential counseling for the survivor and temporary shelter for the survivor and the survivor's family. After the emergency has eased, local domestic violence programs provide ongoing supportive counseling and referral to other community services. Local programs provide prevention and community education services to identify people needing assistance, reduce the incidence, and lessen the risk of domestic violence in the community at large. All services are provided without consideration of the client's family income.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for domestic violence services for approximately 56,250 clients (victims, children, and significant others), including approximately 125,000 days of shelter and an estimated 175,000 hours of counseling.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Rape Crisis

I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$11,921	\$12,171	\$12,171
Federal Funds Total	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$1,721
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>SSBG - Rape Crisis</i>	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$1,721
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,642</b>	<b>\$13,892</b>	<b>\$13,892</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Rape Crisis				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$11,921	\$12,171	\$12,171	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$13,642	\$13,892	\$13,892	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$11,921	\$12,171	\$12,171	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$13,642	\$13,892	\$13,892	\$0	0.00%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Rape Crisis

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$99	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$12.171 million. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains federal Social Services Block Grant funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$1.721 million for ongoing program support.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; 71 P.S. § 611.13.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The Department contracts with an administrative agency, Respect Together, which in turn contracts with local nonprofit centers to serve clients in communities statewide. These funds are distributed to various subcontractors across the state based on population, need for service or increased service demand, and types of services offered. An Independent Review Panel makes recommendations on local provider allocations, however, the Department makes final allocation decisions.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Rape Crisis			
	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state and federal funding for Rape Crisis at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 levels of \$12.171 million and \$1.721 million, respectively:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **RAPE CRISIS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

Rape crisis services are provided to victims of sexual harassment, abuse, and assault, the survivor's family, friends, partners, and spouses who need a variety of emergency crisis intervention services and ongoing support in dealing with emotional and physical trauma resulting from sexual violence. The Department has a grant with the Respect Together (formerly known as Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape), who sub-grants with 47 local nonprofit rape crisis centers covering all 67 counties. Rape crisis centers provide a continuum of direct services that include a 24-hour hotline, free and confidential crisis counseling, information and referrals to other services, and accompaniment through the medical and criminal justice systems. Rape crisis programs also provide services to their communities at-large through the provision of prevention education activities to schools, organizations, and other public groups. Training is also provided to a broad scope of professionals to enhance their responsiveness to victims of sexual harassment, abuse, and assault and their significant others.

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for rape crisis services for approximately 25,000 victims of sexual violence and their significant others, including approximately 150,000 hours of service from Respect Together sub-grantees.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Breast Cancer Screening

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$1,828	\$1,828	\$1,828
Federal Funds Total	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>SSBG - Family Planning</i>	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,828</b>	<b>\$3,828</b>	<b>\$3,828</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Breast Cancer Screening				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,828	\$1,828	\$1,828	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$1,828	\$1,828	\$1,828	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$3,828	\$0	0.00%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Breast Cancer Screening

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 funding level of \$1.828 million which includes \$0.511 million in state funds to continue the funding of specialized education and outreach services provided by the Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition. Funding for the Title XX Family Planning program is maintained at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 appropriation level of \$2.000 million.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(aa)

**Disbursement Criteria:**

The allocation of Breast Cancer Screening funds is based on the percentage distribution of Title XX Family Planning funds. Based on an agreement between the Department of Human Services and the Family Planning Councils, county allocations for Family Planning Services are determined using each of the four Family Planning Council's proportional share of the overall population receiving services.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:****Breast Cancer Screening**

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state and federal funding for Breast Cancer Screening at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 levels of \$1.828 million and \$2.000 million, respectively:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **BREAST CANCER SCREENING**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

A variety of health care services are provided through grants with four private, nonprofit corporations called Family Planning Councils, who sub-grant with approximately 250 clinic sites. The grants are integrated with OMAP and the Department of Health - Bureau of Family Health. This integration of service prevents duplication and ensures Pennsylvania provides the greatest number of quality services possible for its investment.

Breast cancer is the leading type of cancer for women in Pennsylvania. In Pennsylvania, cancer is the second leading cause of death. This program educates women about the importance of routine screening, such as mammograms, and leads to early detection that reduces the mortality rate. It is focused on low-income women who do not usually see a clinician for medical care other than for family planning services. The program provides mammograms and echograms to low-income women who are not eligible to participate in the MA program and are not covered by private health insurance but are at increased risk of developing breast cancer due to family, economic, or health factors.

During Fiscal Year 2024-2025, 33,720 women with incomes less than 185% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines were screened for breast cancer through this program. It is anticipated that the number of individuals receiving Breast Cancer Screening services in Fiscal Years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 will be 45,000.

Family planning services address contraceptive and health screening needs through the provision of educational, medical, and social services. Family planning enables individuals to determine family size, determine intervals between children, and to prevent unplanned pregnancies. Free family planning services are provided to individuals whose family income is at or below 215% of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Human Services Development Fund

<b>I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>2024-2025 Actual</b>	<b>2025-2026 Available</b>	<b>2026-2027 Budgeted</b>
State Funds	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$13,460
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Human Services Development Fund			
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OTHER</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$13,460	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$13,460</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Human Services Development Fund

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$5	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$13.460 million for the Human Services Development Fund (HSDF).

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206, 3101 et seq.; 62 P.S. § 1401-B et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The HSDF payments are disbursed to counties quarterly as advance payments. Each quarterly payment represents 25 percent of the counties' annual HSDF allocation. Each county submits an annual expenditure report at the end of the fiscal year so that the Department of Human Services has a record on file of how the quarterly payments were expended.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

Human Services Development Fund

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding for the Human Services Development Fund at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$13.460 million for payments to the counties:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT FUND**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Human Services Development Fund (HSDF) is a powerful tool for Pennsylvania county governments to combat isolation, poverty, and dependence among their neediest populations. Created under the HSDF Act (Act 78 of 1994); funding is allocated annually to each county to provide a wide range of social services. Human services plans, approved annually by the Department, describe individual HSDF-funded programs and human services available in each county. However, county governments have ultimate discretion over which services will be available and the amount of HSDF funding each will receive. This local control is one of the hallmarks of the HSDF program that allows counties to focus human service funding where it is most needed and adapt funding to meet unforeseen changes in human service needs.

The HSDF funding can be used to extend services, enhance services or reach multi-system clients within seven categories of human service populations for which counties are responsible by statute. The populations served by these categorical county-based programs are as follows: low-income adults; the aged and aging; dependent and delinquent children and youth; individuals with substance use disorder; individuals experiencing homelessness; individuals experiencing mental health challenges; and individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Specialized services empower local officials, communities, and human service planners to develop unique services designed to address purely local needs. Specialized services enable individuals to remain or become integrated members of their families as well as vital participants in their communities. For example, case management programs based in schools or satellite locations provide critical support and guidance to families where they live and parenting training helps lower-income single parents experiencing the unique challenges of living in economically depressed rural communities.

Certain supports within the adult generic services category are frequently needed by clients in other categories of need. The ten adult services categories are as follows: Adult Day Care, Adult Placement, Chore/Home Support, Counseling, Employment, Homemaker, Centralized Information and Referral, Life Skills Education, Service Planning/Case Management, and Transportation Services. The HSDF improves the cost efficiency of county contracting operations for purchasing these services by permitting the negotiation of only one contract with a service provider instead of the multiple individual contracts normally used.

Use of the HSDF for service coordination must conform to Act 78 of 1994. These activities are limited to "Planning and management activities designed to improve the effectiveness of county human services." Examples of appropriate service coordination activities include the following: the coordination of a needs assessment process to identify gaps or duplications in service, the provision of overhead costs for human services committees or councils which serve in an advisory capacity, and central recruitment and training of volunteers assigned to social services agencies.

In Fiscal Year 2012-2013, the Human Services Block Grant program was implemented to provide local governments with increased flexibility to address local needs. As of Fiscal Year 2025-2026, the Human Services Block Grant program has a total of 44 counties that were approved by the Department to participate in the Human Services Block Grant program. Since this is a voluntary program, the number of participating counties may increase or decrease.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Legal Services

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$6,661	\$6,661	\$6,661
Federal Funds Total	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$5,049
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>SSBG - Legal Services</i>	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$5,049
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,710</b>	<b>\$11,710</b>	<b>\$11,710</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Legal Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$6,661	\$6,661	\$6,661	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$6,661	\$6,661	\$6,661	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$11,710	\$0	0.00%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Legal Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$6.661 million. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains federal Social Services Block Grant funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$5.049 million of ongoing program support.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 201, 206.

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
Funds are distributed to 13 local legal service providers. Funding distributions are based on a formula which includes the factors of poverty population, local monies available, and special institutional populations. Funds are expended through a contract with the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network (PLAN).

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Legal Services

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state and federal funding for Legal Services at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 levels of \$6.661 million and \$5.049 million, respectively:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **LEGAL SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

This statewide program established in 1973 provides civil legal assistance to low-income individuals and families. The selected Applicant shall utilize lawyers and paralegals under attorney supervision to resolve or prevent the civil legal problems of an eligible individual or eligible individuals sharing the same legal problem or circumstances.

These services have historically been provided by the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc., utilizing 13 local and/or specialized legal service providers which included seven independent regional and six specialty programs. The PA Utility Project, one of the six specialty projects, is housed within Regional Housing Legal Services but received funding directly from the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc.

Services are provided to resolve the civil legal problems of persons with a family income of less than 125 percent of the federal poverty level. Emergency legal services are provided without consideration of family income to victims of abuse who need immediate protective services. Lawyers and their aides provide consultation, advice, assessment, negotiation, and representation to eligible clients. It is anticipated that the number of clients receiving Legal Services in Fiscal Years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 will be approximately 16,500. Services provided through the statewide contractor do not include legal assistance regarding political activities or representation in criminal matters.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Homeless Assistance

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$23,496	\$23,496	\$23,496
Federal Funds Total	\$4,683	\$4,633	\$4,183
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>SSBG - Homeless Services</i>	\$4,183	\$4,183	\$4,183
<i>COVID-Emergency Rental Assistance Program</i>	\$500	\$450	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$28,179	\$28,129	\$27,679

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Homeless Assistance				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change	
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OPERATING</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>						
State Funds	\$23,496	\$23,496	\$23,496	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$4,683	\$4,633	\$4,183	(\$450)	-9.71%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$28,179</b>	<b>\$28,129</b>	<b>\$27,679</b>	<b>(\$450)</b>	<b>-1.60%</b>	
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OTHER</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>						
State Funds	\$23,496	\$23,496	\$23,496	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$4,683	\$4,633	\$4,183	(\$450)	-9.71%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$28,179</b>	<b>\$28,129</b>	<b>\$27,679</b>	<b>(\$450)</b>	<b>-1.60%</b>	

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Homeless Assistance

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	3	3	0
<i>Filled</i>	1	1	0
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	0	0	0
<i>Filled</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	3	3	0
<i>Filled</i>	1	1	0
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	<b>65.94%</b>	<b>60.67%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funds at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$23.496 million. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains federal Social Services Block Grant (Title XX) funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$4.183 million. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget reflects a decrease of \$0.450 million in non-recurring federal COVID - Emergency Rental Assistance funding.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

62 P.S. §§ 201, 206; 62 P.S. § 1401-B et seq.

**Disbursement Criteria:**

Grants awarded to counties are based on proposals reviewed and approved by the Department. The Homeless Assistance Program includes case management, rental assistance, bridge housing, emergency shelter assistance, and innovative supportive housing services. The Department funds services for all 67 counties in the Commonwealth.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**

Homeless Assistance

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in non-recurring COVID-Emergency Rental Assistance Program Personnel Funds from Fiscal Year 2025-2026:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$450)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$450)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$450)</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>(\$450)</u></u>

## **HOMELESS ASSISTANCE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Homeless Assistance Program makes available a continuum of services to individuals and families experiencing and/or at risk of homelessness. These funds are provided to county governments. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 a total of 61,039 clients received services for Case Management, Rental Assistance, Bridge Housing, Emergency Shelter Assistance, and Innovative Supportive Housing services. In FYs 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 an estimated 61,000 clients are expected to receive services.

### **CASE MANAGEMENT**

This component is designed to provide a series of coordinated activities to determine, with the client, what services are needed to prevent the recurrence of homelessness and to coordinate their timely provision by administering agency and community resources. In FY 2024-2025 a total of 21,010 clients were served.

### **RENTAL ASSISTANCE**

This component aids in the form of payments for rent, utilities, mortgage arrearages, and security deposits for individuals and families experiencing and/or near homelessness. It is designed to prevent homelessness by intervening when eviction is imminent and to expedite the movement of people out of shelters and into available housing. In FY 2024-2025 a total of 6,601 clients were served in the Rental Assistance component.

### **BRIDGE HOUSING**

Realizing that emergency shelter is not the answer to homelessness, Bridge Housing helps homeless individuals and families experiencing homelessness to attain the most independent, self-sufficient life situation possible by providing temporary housing and case management. In FY 2024-2025 a total of 879 clients were served in the Bridge Housing component.

### **EMERGENCY SHELTER ASSISTANCE**

This component provides funds for congregate shelter, shelter supplies, and individual shelter services. The target groups are individuals and families who are in immediate need of shelter. In FY 2024-2025 a total of 9,877 clients were served in the Emergency Shelter Assistance component.

### **INNOVATIVE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES**

This component allows counties the flexibility to design innovative supportive housing services that address unique county needs that may not be met within conventional Homeless Assistance Program service components. An example of this is the establishment of a clothes closet, making clothing available to assist those clients who need appropriate attire for a scheduled job interview. In FY 2024-2025 a total of 2,712 clients were served in Innovative Supportive Housing Services.

### **HUMAN SERVICES BLOCK GRANT**

In FY 2012-2013, a Human Services Block Grant program was implemented to provide local governments with increased flexibility to address local needs. Beginning in FY 2017-2018 the Human Services Block Grant program was expanded to allow all counties statewide to request participation in the program on a voluntary basis. Currently, a total of 44 counties are participating in the Human Services Block Grant program.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
211 Communications

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$750	\$750	\$1,000
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)			APPROPRIATION: 211 Communications		
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
State Funds	\$750	\$750	\$1,000	\$250	33.33%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>33.33%</b>
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>					
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
State Funds	\$750	\$750	\$1,000	\$250	33.33%
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>33.33%</b>

**APPROPRIATION:**  
211 Communications

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Total Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Total Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides for an increase of \$.250 million over the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. § 403.1

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The 211 Communications appropriation provides challenge grants to communities which do not have fully operational 2-1-1 service so that 100% of the state's population is covered with phone access 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, with access to resource data specific to their county.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 211 Communications

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVES</b>				
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
<b>1. Expand 211 Communications</b>				
<b>A. Provides for an increase in 211 Communications in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:</b>				
	<u>\$250</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$250</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$250</u></u>

## **211 COMMUNICATIONS**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The 211 Communications appropriation provides grants to communities which do not have fully operational 211 service, to ensure 100% of the state's population is covered with 24-hour phone access, seven days per week, and are able to access resource data specific to their county.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 INITIATIVE – CONNECTING PENNSYLVANIANS TO SERVICES**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget provides \$250,000 to increase resources to connect Pennsylvanians to critical services.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
 BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Health Program Assistance and Services
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I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$32,827	\$32,587	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$32,827	\$32,587	\$0

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Health Program Assistance and Services				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change	
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OPERATING</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$32,827	\$32,587	\$0	(\$32,587)	-100.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$32,827</b>	<b>\$32,587</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$32,587)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>	
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OTHER FEDERAL</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>						
<i>State Funds</i>	\$32,827	\$32,587	\$0	(\$32,587)	-100.00%	
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$32,827</b>	<b>\$32,587</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$32,587)</b>	<b>-100.00%</b>	

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Health Program Assistance and Services

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Total Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Total Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
No funding is requested for the Health Program Assistance and Services program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 443.1

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The Health Program Assistance and Services appropriation provides funding to coordinate a variety of specialized medical services for commonwealth patients and to support specialty care programs.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Health Program Assistance and Services

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects the elimination of the Health Program Assistance and Services in the Department of Human Services:	<u>(\$32,587)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$32,587)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$32,587)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$32,587)</u>

## **HEALTH PROGRAM ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Health Program Assistance and Services appropriation provides funding to coordinate a variety of specialized services for Pennsylvanians and to support specialty care programs. No funding is requested for this program in Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Services for the Visually Impaired

I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$4,702
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)		APPROPRIATION: Services for the Visually Impaired				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change	
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>OPERATING</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>						
State Funds	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>EXCESS FEDERAL</b>						
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>						
State Funds	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$4,702	\$0	0.00%	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
Other Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$4,702</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Services for the Visually Impaired

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Total Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Total Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$4.702 million.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
62 P.S. §§ 443.1

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
The Services for the Visually Impaired appropriation provides funding for grants to support the visually impaired, including a grant to the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind (PAB). The PAB is the nation's only statewide private non-profit organization providing services for people who are blind or visually impaired, as well as prevention of blindness programs to the general population. The PAB assists people who have an adverse visual impairment to obtain the skills and tools they need to lead productive, independent lives.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Services for the Visually Impaired

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains state funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$4.702 million:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## **SERVICES FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Services for the Visually Impaired appropriation provides funding for grants to support the visually impaired. Grantees assist people who have an adverse visual impairment to obtain the skills and tools they need to lead productive, independent lives. Services include instruction in daily living activities, orientation and mobility instruction, summer instructional programs for children, counseling and case management, access to technology instruction, low vision examinations, in-home supportive services, and adjustment to blindness support groups.

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Tobacco Settlement Fund Uncompensated Care
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**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	<u>2024-2025</u> Actual	<u>2025-2026</u> Available	<u>2026-2027</u> Budgeted
State Funds	\$26,922	\$25,433	\$25,147
Federal Funds Total	\$33,025	\$32,449	\$33,898
Federal Sources Itemized			
<i>Medical Assistance - Uncompensated Care (EA)</i>	\$33,025	\$32,449	\$33,898
Other Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$59,947</b>	<b>\$57,882</b>	<b>\$59,045</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Tobacco Settlement Fund Uncompensated Care				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$26,922	\$25,433	\$25,147	(\$286)	-1.12%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$33,025	\$32,449	\$33,898	\$1,449	4.47%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$59,947	\$57,882	\$59,045	\$1,163	2.01%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$26,922	\$25,433	\$25,147	(\$286)	-1.12%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$33,025	\$32,449	\$33,898	\$1,449	4.47%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$59,947	\$57,882	\$59,045	\$1,163	2.01%

**APPROPRIATION:**  
**Tobacco Settlement Fund**  
**Uncompensated Care**

III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026 Estimated</u>
State Funds	\$120	\$268	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	<u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>12/31/2025</u>	<u>2026-2027 Budgeted</u>
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**

The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget recommends that \$25.147 million be allocated from the Tobacco Settlement Fund for payments under the Uncompensated Care Payment Program.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**

35 P.S. §§ 5701.1101-1108

**Disbursement Criteria:**

This appropriation provides for annual payments to qualifying hospitals for a portion of the hospitals' uncompensated costs for services provided to uninsured individuals. It also provides for payment of qualifying extraordinary expenses for services rendered to uninsured patients. Disbursement is administered by the Office of Medical Assistance Programs. Of the total appropriation, 85 percent is allocated for uncompensated care and 15 percent is allocated for extraordinary expenses.

Hospitals must have a plan in place to treat the uninsured. Eligibility for payment is based on criteria specified in Act 77. Qualifying hospitals receive a pro rata share of the uncompensated care allocation based on the methodology specified in the Act. For a hospital to receive payment for extraordinary expenses, specified criteria must be met as outlined in the Act. Although a hospital may qualify for both the uncompensated care payment and the extraordinary expense payment, they are required to choose which payment they wish to receive.

VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Tobacco Settlement Fund Uncompensated Care			
	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. Reflects a decrease in available Uncompensated Care funds in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	(\$286)	\$0	\$0	(\$286)
2. Provides for the impact of the change in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate from 56.06 percent to 57.41 percent, effective October 1, 2026. The state fiscal year blended rate increases from 55.8175 percent in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 57.0725 percent in Fiscal Year 2026-2027:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,449</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,449</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>(\$286)</u>	<u>\$1,449</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,163</u>

## **TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND - UNCOMPENSATED CARE**

### **PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Tobacco Settlement Act of 2001 (Act 77) established the Uncompensated Care program to provide funding to hospitals in Pennsylvania for the cost of care provided to uninsured patients or those who are unable to pay for services rendered by the hospital. The payments are made annually to qualified acute, psychiatric, and rehabilitative care hospitals.

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(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

**APPROPRIATION:**  
Children's Trust Fund

**I. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA**

	2024-2025 <u>Actual</u>	2025-2026 <u>Available</u>	2026-2027 <u>Budgeted</u>
State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds Total	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
Other Fund Sources Itemized			
<i>Children's Trust Fund (EA)</i>	<u>\$1,400</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,400</b>	<b>\$1,400</b>	<b>\$1,400</b>

II. DETAIL BY MAJOR OBJECT (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	APPROPRIATION: Children's Trust Fund				
	2024-2025 Actual	2025-2026 Available	2026-2027 Budgeted	Change Budgeted vs. Available	Percent Change
<b>PERSONNEL</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Personnel</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OPERATING</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$5	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$5	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$1,395	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Grant &amp; Subsidy</b>	\$1,395	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0	0.00%
<b>NONEXPENSE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Nonexpense</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>BUDGETARY RESERVE</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Budgetary Reserve</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>UNCOMMITTED</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Uncommitted</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>OTHER</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Other</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
<i>State Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
<i>Other Funds</i>	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0	0.00%
<b>Total Funds</b>	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0	0.00%

<b>APPROPRIATION:</b> Children's Trust Fund
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III. HISTORY OF LAPSES (\$ Amounts in Thousands)	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026 Estimated
State Funds	\$289	\$599	\$0

IV. COMPLEMENT INFORMATION	12/31/2024	12/31/2025	2026-2027 Budgeted
<b>State/Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Federally Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other Funded</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			
<i>Authorized</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Filled</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Benefit Rate</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**V. DERIVATION OF REQUEST / LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS / DISBURSEMENT CRITERIA**

**Derivation of Request:**  
 The Children's Trust Fund request is derived from the anticipated expenditures needed in relation to the available Children's Trust Fund revenue from marriage/divorce surcharges, Children's Trust Fund donations, and interest.

Details for the appropriation request are outlined in Section VI entitled "Explanation of Changes" on subsequent pages.

**Legislative Citations:**  
 11 P.S. §§ 2231-2238

**Disbursement Criteria:**  
 Disbursements are made based on grant applications approved by the Office of Child Development and Early Learning to establish community-based children's programs and services for child abuse and neglect prevention.

**VI. EXPLANATION OF CHANGES**  
 (\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**APPROPRIATION:**  
 Children's Trust Fund

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>GRANT &amp; SUBSIDY</b>				
1. The Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Governor's Executive Budget maintains Grant & Subsidy funding at the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 level of \$1.400 million:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

## CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND

### PROGRAM STATEMENT

Pennsylvania's Children's Trust Fund (CTF) was established by Act 151 of 1988. The CTF operates under the administration of the CTF Board of Directors and is supported by OCDEL. Its mission is to prevent child abuse and neglect in Pennsylvania. To do this the CTF Board awards three-year grants to community-based primary and secondary child abuse and neglect prevention programs that are evidence-based/informed or promising practices to support and strengthen families. Funds for the CTF are generated from a \$10 surcharge on all Pennsylvania applications for marriage licenses and divorce complaints. Funds are also generated by donations to the CTF through Pennsylvania state tax returns. Income taxpayers can contribute all or a portion of their Pennsylvania tax refund to the CTF. Act 112 of 2022 added the option for Pennsylvanians electronically renewing their driver's license, state identification, or vehicle registration to donate \$5 dollars to the CTF. The CTF funding is kept in an interest-bearing account. All interest is reinvested in the CTF program.

The CTF also supports the Strengthening Families Protective Factors approach in Pennsylvania. Research indicates when child and family service programs incorporate a strength-based approach that builds on assets and protective factors known to strengthen families and promote resiliency, the likelihood of child abuse and neglect are reduced. Ongoing research conducted by the Center for the Study of Social Policy has shown that the presence and prominence of five protective factors in families reduces the likelihood of child abuse and neglect and contributes to positive outcomes for young children and their families.

Strengthening Families Protective Factors include:

- **Parental Resilience** – parents maintain a positive attitude and can cope with, creatively solve, and bounce back from all types of challenges.
- **Social Connections** – parents have a network of friends, family members, and other community agencies and organizations that provide positive emotional support and assistance.
- **Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development** – parents understand what to expect at different stages of child development, effective parenting skills, and ways of finding help with specific developmental and behavioral concerns.
- **Concrete Supports in Times of Need** – parents have access to formal and informal services and support from social and community networks in times of crisis.
- **Social and Emotional Competence of Children** – parents work with children to help them learn to interact positively with others, communicate their emotions and feel good about themselves.

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**HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021  
(\$ Amounts in Thousands)**

<b><u>TOTAL HCBS INITIATIVES</u></b>	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2025-2026</b>	<b>2026-2027</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Available</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Medical Assistance - Capitation	\$15,039	\$34,970	\$45,665	\$43,727	\$68,169	\$45,719
Medical Assistance - Transportation	\$0	\$2,720	\$0	\$6,970	\$0	\$0
Early Intervention	\$0	\$1,751	\$2,549	\$4,276	\$4,170	\$4,170
Mental Health Services	\$53	\$2,345	\$20,869	\$8,567	\$3,658	\$0
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Base Program	\$8,361	\$24,184	\$18,106	\$19,770	\$37,671	\$14,465
Behavioral Health Services	\$150	\$53	\$151	\$609	\$1,342	\$0
Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living	\$47,959	\$38,467	\$3	\$1,152	\$0	\$0
Long-Term Care Managed Care	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,500	\$0	\$0
Autism Intervention and Services	\$4,236	\$4,003	\$6,284	\$4,408	\$4,281	\$4,281
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Waiver Program	\$109,655	\$164,664	\$194,929	\$187,293	\$184,721	\$181,653
Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service	\$72,960	\$8,532	(\$8,940)	(\$53)	(\$20)	\$0
Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices	\$71,578	\$176,174	\$194,882	\$194,769	\$189,632	\$189,632
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$329,991</b>	<b>\$457,863</b>	<b>\$474,498</b>	<b>\$475,988</b>	<b>\$493,624</b>	<b>\$439,920</b>
<b><u>HCBS</u></b>	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2025-2026</b>	<b>2026-2027</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Available</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Medical Assistance - Capitation	\$15,039	\$20,053	\$29,665	\$24,993	\$46,232	\$0
Medical Assistance - Transportation	\$0	\$2,720	\$0	\$6,970	\$0	\$0
Early Intervention	\$0	\$1,010	\$1,455	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mental Health Services	\$53	\$2,345	\$20,869	\$8,567	\$3,658	\$0
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Base Program	\$8,361	\$24,184	\$11,291	\$8,640	\$23,206	\$0
Behavioral Health Services	\$150	\$53	\$151	\$609	\$1,342	\$0
Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living	\$47,959	\$38,467	\$3	\$1,152	\$0	\$0
Long-Term Care Managed Care	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,500	\$0	\$0
Autism Intervention and Services	\$4,236	\$4,003	\$3,307	\$1,447	\$0	\$0
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Waiver Program	\$109,655	\$108,208	\$77,818	\$74,688	\$17,134	\$0
Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service	\$72,960	\$8,532	(\$8,940) <sup>1</sup>	(\$53) <sup>1</sup>	(\$20) <sup>1</sup>	\$0
Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices	\$71,578	\$176,174	\$159,408	\$119,297	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$329,991</b>	<b>\$385,749</b>	<b>\$295,027</b>	<b>\$250,810</b>	<b>\$91,552</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b><u>STATE GENERAL FUNDS</u></b>	<b>2021-2022</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2025-2026</b>	<b>2026-2027</b>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Available</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Medical Assistance - Capitation	\$0	\$14,917	\$16,000	\$18,734	\$21,937	\$45,719
Medical Assistance - Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Early Intervention	\$0	\$741	\$1,094	\$4,276	\$4,170	\$4,170
Mental Health Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Base Program	\$0	\$0	\$6,815	\$11,130	\$14,465	\$14,465
Behavioral Health Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medical Assistance - Long-Term Living	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Long-Term Care Managed Care	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Autism Intervention and Services	\$0	\$0	\$2,978	\$2,961	\$4,281	\$4,281
Intellectual Disabilities - Com Waiver Program	\$0	\$56,455	\$117,112	\$112,605	\$167,587	\$181,653
Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Medical Assistance - Community HealthChoices	\$0	\$0	\$35,474	\$75,473	\$189,632	\$189,632
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$72,113</b>	<b>\$179,473</b>	<b>\$225,179</b>	<b>\$402,072</b>	<b>\$439,920</b>

<sup>1</sup> Amount is reflective of unspent funds that were returned to the Department and repurposed for a different activity

**HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES  
UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

(\$ Amounts in Thousands)

**Fiscal Year 2025-2026 HCBS PROJECTS**

	<u>State \$</u>	<u>Federal \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Medical Assistance - Capitation</b>				
American Society of Addiction Medicine	\$14,432	\$57,728	\$0	\$72,160
Online Training Portal	\$3,334	\$3,334	\$0	\$6,668
Nurse Bonuses to Promote Retention	\$21,321	\$0	\$0	\$21,321
PA Navigate	\$2,145	\$0	\$0	\$2,145
Shadow Pay	\$5,000	\$10,833	\$0	\$15,833
<b>Medical Assistance - Capitation Total</b>	<u>\$46,232</u>	<u>\$71,895</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$118,127</u>
<b>Mental Health Services</b>				
Crisis Program Specialists	\$172	\$0	\$0	\$172
Electronic Health Records-State Hospitals	\$3,486	\$0	\$0	\$3,486
<b>Mental Health Services Total</b>	<u>\$3,658</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$3,658</u>
<b>Intellectual Disabilities - Community Base Program</b>				
County Intake & Eligibility Staff	\$3,146	\$3,146	\$0	\$6,292
Family Supports	\$3,275	\$0	\$0	\$3,275
Electronic Health Records	\$8,183	\$0	\$0	\$8,183
Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers	\$943	\$833	\$0	\$1,776
Performance-Based Contracting	\$2,900	\$2,900	\$0	\$5,800
Technology Accelerator Resources	\$3,225	\$3,225	\$0	\$6,449
Technology - Enhance Support Coordination	\$767	\$967	\$0	\$1,734
Staff Training	\$767	\$967	\$0	\$1,734
<b>Intellectual Disabilities - Com Base Program Total</b>	<u>\$23,206</u>	<u>\$12,038</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$35,244</u>
<b>Behavioral Health Services</b>				
Trauma Training	\$1,342	\$0	\$0	\$1,342
<b>Behavioral Health Services Total</b>	<u>\$1,342</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,342</u>
<b>Intellectual Disabilities - Community Waiver Program</b>				
Rate Increase to Support Provider Staff	\$3,493	\$4,403	\$0	\$7,896
Technology - Enhance Support Coordination	\$3,068	\$3,868	\$0	\$6,936
Technology - Enhance Home and Community-Based Services Provision	\$1,501	\$1,892	\$0	\$3,393
Staff Training	\$9,072	\$11,436	\$0	\$20,508
<b>Intellectual Disabilities - Com Waiver Program Total</b>	<u>\$17,134</u>	<u>\$21,599</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$38,733</u>
<b>Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service</b>				
Telehealth	(\$20) <sup>1</sup>	\$0	\$0	(\$20)
<b>Medical Assistance - Fee-for-Service Total</b>	<u>(\$20)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$20)</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$91,569</u></u>	<u><u>\$105,532</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$197,101</u></u>

<sup>1</sup> Amount is reflective of unspent funds that were returned to DHS and repurposed for a different activity

## **HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

The American Rescue Plan Act provided states with the opportunity to claim an additional 10 percent federal match on home and community-based services (HCBS) which were eligible for federal reimbursement between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022. Doing so made additional funding available to states to supplement, not supplant, existing state funding used for HCBS. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Department received approval from CMS to implement various HCBS initiatives under this provision. All spending authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act will be complete by June 30, 2026. The following activities were implemented or are in the process of being implemented as part of the Department's approved spending plan:

- **Additional Consolidated Waiver Slots:** Expanded consolidated waiver capacity to transfer 25 additional individuals from intermediate care facilities to HCBS.
- **Address High Staff Vacancy and Turnover:** Provided one-time funding for COVID-19 related recruitment and retention of Direct Support Professionals or Supports Coordinators. Hazard pays; costs of recruitment efforts, sign-on bonuses, retention bonuses and other incentive payments are included.
- **American Society of Addiction Medicine:** Increased behavioral health provider rates for staff training, education, and recruitment to assist in meeting the increased staffing qualifications required as part of the American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria.
- **Assisted Outpatient Therapy:** Provided funding to support counties/joiners in effectively implementing Assisted Outpatient Therapy. Assisted Outpatient Therapy is the practice of providing outpatient treatment under civil court order to individuals with serious mental illness who have demonstrated difficulty engaging with treatment on a voluntary basis.
- **Behavioral Health Taskforce and Commission Administrative Support:** Supported consultant services to support the work of the Pennsylvania Behavioral Health Task Force and Behavioral Health Commission to ensure individuals have the appropriate supports to remain in the community or decrease the length of facility stays.
- **Behavioral Health Workforce Gap:** Provided funding to address high staff turnover and vacancy rates. One-time funding for COVID-19 related staffing expenses can provide funding for recruitment and retention of direct care workers or targeted case managers to include funding for hazard pay, costs of recruitment efforts, sign-on bonuses, retention bonuses, and other incentive payments.
- **Capacity Building Institute:** Enhanced systems capacity to serve children and youth with complex needs and multi-system involvement through a pediatric capacity building institute. The institute aims to improve communication and coordination of home and community-based services that meet the needs of this population.
- **Certified Peer Specialist Scholarships:** Provided funding to grant 100 scholarships to qualified individuals seeking Certified Peer Specialist certification.
- **Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems Survey:** Identified potential quality improvement activities for the Living Independence for the Elderly (LIFE) program through administration of the Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems Survey to LIFE participants.

- **County Intake & Eligibility Staff:** Provided funding for additional staff to support intake and eligibility of new populations, waiver capacity and risk management. This includes funding for approximately 80 additional county staff to provide: intake and eligibility for new populations in Intellectual Disability waivers, waiver capacity management, provider risk audits, analysis of health risk screening, and capacity building.
- **Crisis Program Specialists:** Funded two crisis program specialists to assist in the statewide implementation of 988 and crisis mental health services. The individuals would be responsible for conducting on-site visits to evaluate county mobile crisis programs, collaborate with county stakeholders, respond to information requests including reporting requirements to CMS, and act as the point of contact and liaison between the actuarial contractor, the Department, and other stakeholders.
- **Data Management Enhancements:** Implemented technology system enhancements to store Health Risk Screening data in the Enterprise Data Warehouse so that data elements can be leveraged in case management activities and used to support individual plan creation and authorization.
- **Direct Care Workers Matching Service:** Developed a Direct Care Worker Registry which allows participants to locate, review and contact quality direct care workers who will best meet their care needs.
- **Electronic Health Records:** Upgraded technological infrastructure and implemented an EHR system at the state hospitals and centers. An EHR system supports discharging beneficiaries to less restrictive community settings and ensures there is no gap in coverage.
- **Emergency Preparedness Kits:** Provided emergency preparedness kits to Targeted Services Management or waiver eligible non-residential HCBS participants. Kits were supplemented by training video and fact sheets disseminated to individuals and families.
- **Enhance Payment Rates in Community Health Choices and OBRA Waivers:** Provided funding for enhanced payment rates in Community HealthChoices and OBRA Waivers. Enhanced Payment Rates were intended to increase employee wages for direct care workers providing Personal Assistance Services. This increase in rate applied to both agency and participant-directed models of Personal Assistance Services available in these waivers.
- **Family Supports and Respite:** Provided one-time funds for family support and respite services to those on waiting lists for Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Waiver services.
- **Health Information Exchange Onboarding:** Provided one-time onboarding grants to connect home health agencies to the Pennsylvania Patient and Provider Network, Pennsylvania's Health Information Exchange which allows for sharing of patient information amongst providers. Grants were made directly to agencies and represented an investment in technology infrastructure that enhanced care coordination for individuals receiving private duty nursing services.
- **Housing to Support Transition from Institutional Care:** Provided funding to support housing for individuals transitioning from institutional or congregate settings to the community. This one-time funding was targeted to ODP's residential providers for housing adaptations and purchases to support transitions from institutional or congregate care settings into supported living and lifesharing.
- **Incident Detection Dashboard:** Purchased, developed, and implemented dashboards and software which pair claims data with incident reports to evaluate provider incident reporting fidelity and detect unreported incidents of abuse and neglect.

- **MA Transportation Provider Bonuses:** Supported non-emergency medical transportation workforce expansion with one-time payments to recruit and retain qualified drivers to provide non-emergency medical transportation services.
- **Missed Shift:** Made payments to providers that achieved a reduction in missed shifts for children receiving shift care, as measured by quarterly reporting. The Department enhanced and strengthened current private duty nursing services for children who have difficult-to-staff cases to ensure that they receive skilled nursing coverage for all hours for which they are authorized.
- **Nurse Bonuses to Promote Retention:** Provided funding to expand the workforce available to provide skilled nursing services in an individual's home through one-time funds for sign-on and retention bonuses.
- **Nursing Facility Transition:** Enhanced transitions into the community by incentivizing managed care organizations to meet nursing home transition goals through pay for performance in the Nursing Home Transition program.
- **Online Training Portal:** Created an online education and training portal for shift care nursing to strengthen support for nursing professionals. The development of a training/education portal provides increased support for home health agencies, caregivers, and managed care organizations with building relationships and expanding their knowledge. The portal provides training that focuses on preparing both nurses and families for the private duty nursing transition and what to expect from the private duty nursing experience in one's home.
- **PA Navigate:** Provided funding for grants to Pennsylvania-Certified Health Information Organizations to onboard a singular resource and referral tool that allows for screening of social needs with a connection to local community-based organizations to address those needs.
- **Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers:** Developed Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers designed to support families of children with complex medical needs and their health care providers. The Pediatric Complex Care Resource Centers provide education and training for specific needs and help families and providers navigate the various systems and resources that are available to support them.
- **Pediatric Medical Homes:** This program focuses on comprehensive coordination of care for healthcare services and other services such as early intervention, education, and social determinants of health. Case management is an essential part of the medical home program and to implement new American Academy of Pediatrics medical homes, start-up funds were used to help hire new case management employees who are responsible for coordinating the care of children with medical complexities.
- **Peer-to-Peer Training:** Supplemented existing training contracts including peer-to-peer training for individuals and families on topics related to re-engaging in community, addressing trauma and wellness, promoting self-directed services and use of technology/remote services, developing marketing materials to promote lifesharing, and supported living models.
- **Performance-Based Contracting:** Provided funding for consultation and administrative services to develop and implement selective contracting and alternative payment methods for selected HCBS services to improve quality by aligning payment with performance targets and outcomes.
- **Quality Improvement Funding:** Provided one-time funds for HCBS providers to address social determinants of health, like housing, to improve and enhance services for Community HealthChoices and OBRA participants.

- **Rate increase for Early Intervention providers:** Provided a rate increase for Early Intervention providers using a combination of HCBS funding and increased Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act funds.
- **Rate increase to Support Provider Staff:** Implemented a rate increase to address staffing shortages and quality of services within Intellectual Disability and Autism waivers. This funding supported providers unable to re-open service locations or service lines due to staff vacancies by providing funds to increase wages and support providers unable to accept new participants into service due to staff vacancies.
- **Recovery and Expansion Supplemental Payments:** Provided targeted recruitment and retention supplemental payments by providing supplemental recovery payments to providers of community participation support, employment services, and supports coordination services.
- **Shadow Pay:** Provided funding to enhance quality of care by funding a training nurse's ability to shadow the current nurse assigned to provide private duty nursing.
- **Staff Training:** Provided funding for staff training, credentialing, and business associates programs for employment.
- **Strengthening the Direct Care Workforce:** Supported provider workforce expansion with funding for sign-on and retention bonuses for nurses, direct care workers, and other HCBS providers and funded the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment and testing supplies for Community HealthChoices, OBRA Waiver, and HCBS providers that were not covered through other funding sources.
- **Technology Accelerator Resources:** Provided funding to support and accelerate the adoption of technology through consultation, information dissemination, and training to agencies seeking to adopt remote supports and other technology solutions to support individuals receiving HCBS.
- **Technology to Enhance HCBS Provision:** Provided one-time funding for assistive and remote support technology to enhance service delivery, support greater independence for individuals, and improve quality of care.
- **Technology to Enhance Supports Coordination:** Provided funding to support the purchase of technology for Supports Coordination Organizations to improve capacity to conduct remote monitoring of individuals, improve efficiency by maximizing time in the field, obtain or enhance secure inter-office communications, and implement technology-dependent quality improvement strategies.
- **Telehealth:** Supported the use of telehealth among behavioral health providers through one-time funds for providers who provide rehabilitative services. Providers were able to purchase equipment and training supports.
- **Training Ladder for Direct Care Workforce:** Provided funding to enhance the quality of services through a comprehensive training ladder for the direct care workforce. The training curriculum includes a series of trainings which give workers stackable credentials with incentives to reach training milestones.
- **Trauma Training:** Provided funding for trauma treatment training for clinicians as recommended by the Mental Health Planning Council.

Title	Social Services Block Grant
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Description: This block grant provides funding to help individuals achieve or maintain self-sufficiency; to prevent, reduce or eliminate dependency; to prevent or remedy abuse and neglect of children and adults; and to prevent or reduce institutional care. Most services are delivered by local entities that receive grants or contract with the Department of Human Services. These federal allocations serve to augment state appropriations thereby increasing the total level of services provided.

In addition to funds received directly through the Social Services Block Grant, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 authorized transfers from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Block Grant.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

Department/Appropriation	Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available	Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Request
<b>Health and Human Services</b>			
Administration:			
SSBG - Administration	\$358	\$0	\$0
Services:			
SSBG - County Assistance Offices	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
SSBG - Basic Institutional Program	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
SSBG - Community Mental Health Services	\$10,366	\$10,366	\$10,366
SSBG - Community ID Services	\$7,451	\$5,651	\$5,651
SSBG - Child Welfare	\$12,021	\$12,021	\$12,021
SSBG - Child Care Services	\$30,977	\$30,977	\$30,977
SSBG - Domestic Violence Programs	\$5,705	\$5,705	\$5,705
SSBG - Rape Crisis	\$1,721	\$1,721	\$1,721
SSBG - Family Planning	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
SSBG - Legal Services	\$5,049	\$5,049	\$5,049
SSBG - Homeless Services	\$4,183	\$4,183	\$4,183
<b>Total Appropriated</b>	<b>\$92,831</b>	<b>\$90,673</b>	<b>\$90,673</b>

Title:	Community Mental Health Services
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Description: This block grant provides funds for the provision of services to individuals who are either adults with a serious mental illness or children with a serious emotional disturbance. Services may be provided by a variety of community-based programs including community mental health centers, child mental health programs, psychosocial rehabilitation programs, mental health peer support programs and mental health primary consumer directed programs.

**(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)**

<b>Department/Appropriation</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Request</b>
<b>Department of Human Services</b>			
Community Mental Health Services-Administration	\$1,337	\$1,353	\$1,465
Community Mental Health Services	<u>\$55,829</u>	<u>\$55,829</u>	<u>\$55,829</u>
<b>Block Grant Total</b>	<b><u><u>\$57,166</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$57,182</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$57,294</u></u></b>

Title	Low Income Home Energy Assistance
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Description: This block grant provides funds to assist eligible households in meeting the costs of home energy through cash assistance and to alleviate crisis situations. The amount of benefit to an eligible household varies according to income, fuel type, family size, and weather region. Benefits are provided through direct payments to fuel suppliers or to households which pay for heat in their rents. Weatherization services are also provided for eligible clients. Outreach activities are conducted to ensure that eligible households are aware of available energy assistance.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<u>Department/Appropriation</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Request</u>
<b>Human Services</b>			
Administration:			
Low Income Energy Assistance			
Administration	\$36,368	\$36,368	\$36,368
Services:			
Low Income Families and Individuals	<u>\$271,041</u>	<u>\$231,550</u>	<u>\$231,550</u>
Sub Total	\$307,409	\$267,918	\$267,918
<b>Community and Economic Development</b>			
Administration:			
Administration	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
Services:			
Weatherization Program (2)	<u>\$60,000</u>	<u>\$60,000</u>	<u>\$60,000</u>
Sub Total	\$62,000	\$62,000	\$62,000
<b>Total Appropriated</b>	<b><u><u>\$369,409</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$329,918</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$329,918</u></u></b>

1) Allocation for the Weatherization Program reflects 15% of total awarded allocation.

Title:	Child Care and Development Fund
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Description: The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 created this new block grant which provides funds to states for an integrated child care program. This program allows states flexibility in developing programs to provide child care to children of parents trying to become independent of public assistance, to provide consumer education information to parents, to promote parental choice and to implement state health, safety, licensing and registration standards. States are not required to match discretionary funds; however, there are some maintenance of effort and state matching requirements.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<u>Department/Appropriation</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Request</u>
<b>Executive Offices</b>			
Office of State Inspector General			
CCDFBG - Subsidized Day Care Fraud	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
<b>Department of Human Services</b>			
CCDFBG - Administration	\$35,294	\$38,850	\$39,128
CCDFBG - Child Care Assistance	\$71,406	\$53,416	\$82,102
CCDFBG - Child Care Services	<u>\$621,551</u>	<u>\$517,128</u>	<u>\$483,685</u>
Subtotal	\$728,251	\$609,394	\$604,915
<b>Block Grant Total</b>	<b><u>\$729,251</u></b>	<b><u>\$610,394</u></b>	<b><u>\$605,915</u></b>

Title	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
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Description: The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 created a block grant which made funds available to the states to operate the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program. Pennsylvania implemented TANF effective March 3, 1997. Funds are available to provide temporary cash and other benefits to help needy families participating in activities designed to end the dependence on government benefits and to provide services for dependent and abused children. This block grant requires a state maintenance of effort and establishes mandatory work participation rates. States are allowed to transfer up to a total of 30 percent of their TANF funds to the Child Care and Development Fund and the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG). The SSBG is limited to a maximum 10 percent transfer.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<u>Department/Appropriation</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Available</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Request</u>
<b>Executive Offices</b>			
Office of State Inspector General			
TANFBG - Program Accountability	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
<b>Education</b>			
TANFBG - Teenage Parenting Ed. (EA)	\$13,784 <sup>1</sup>	\$13,784 <sup>1</sup>	\$13,784 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Labor and Industry</b>			
TANFBG - Youth Employment & Training	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
<b>Human Services</b>			
TANFBG - Administration	\$11,268	\$11,394	\$12,864
TANFBG - Information Systems	\$17,403	\$18,985	\$19,531
TANFBG - County Administration-Statewide	\$1,072	\$1,072	\$1,072
TANFBG - County Assistance Offices	\$38,472	\$40,685	\$39,825
TANFBG - New Directions	\$141,048 <sup>1</sup>	\$141,650 <sup>1</sup>	\$142,150 <sup>1</sup>
TANFBG - Cash Grants	\$163,447	\$159,588	\$142,407
TANFBG - Child Welfare	\$58,508	\$58,508	\$58,508
TANFBG - Child Care Service	\$0	\$162,120	\$358,647
TANFBG - Child Care Assistance	\$193,885	\$100,501	\$108,835
Subtotal	<u>\$625,103</u>	<u>\$694,503</u>	<u>\$883,839</u>
<b>Total Appropriated</b>	<b><u>\$668,387</u></b>	<b><u>\$737,787</u></b>	<b><u>\$927,123</u></b>

1. Teen Parenting is a subgrant of the New Directions appropriation. Amount shown in New Directions is net the Teen Parenting program to avoid double counting.



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