

Impact 2022: Highlights

MCA's advocacy, relationships with policymakers, education, and coalition work moved forward many priority policies and investments to improve the well-being of Maine children and families.

Legislative Successes for Children and Families

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COUNTIES

will now have access to early childhood consultation services to support families and educators with the social and emotional needs of young children

7800

MAINE CHILDREN

will be newly eligible for coverage due to expansion of the low-cost Children's Health Insurance Program

12

MONTHS

of postpartum MaineCare coverage will be available to support health care for birthing parents, up from 60 days

State Budget Investments for Children and Families

\$12

MILLION

of state funds invested to strengthen Maine's child care system, through monthly income supports for the early care and education workforce

100%

MAINE CHILDREN

now have access to free school meals, through a bipartisan commitment to cover that cost, making Maine a national leader

\$8

MILLION

of new investment will be directed to services to support and strengthen families involved with Child Protective Services

55%

SHARE

of the cost of public pre-K to grade 12 education covered, fully meeting the state government commitment

MCA Supports Parent Leader Advocates

MCA is committed to centering equity and engaging those with [lived expertise](#) all levels of the policy process.

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PARENT ADVOCATES

have been supported by MCA through a national grant to share expertise and to participate in identifying issues and formulating policy solutions.

MCA Children's Convention Advances Community Collaboration

MCA promotes a cross-sector and preventative vision of child and family well-being.

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MAINE LEADERS

across sectors, were convened by MCA to [explore and align work](#) to address child and family needs further upstream and at the community level.