

Dept of Children, Youth, & Families 2023-25 Regular Budget Session

Maintenance Level - PE - Penn Rate Adjustment

Agency Recommendation Summary

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) is requesting a fund swap in the 2023-25 Biennial Budget to correct the Title IV-E funding associated with DCYF's Program Support administrative staff functions.

Program Recommendation Summary

090 - Program Support

Placeholder

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Summary Dollars in Thousands	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Biennial Fiscal		Biennial					
	2024	2025	2023-25	2026	2027	2025-27					
Operating Expenditures											
Fund 001 - 1	\$20,510	\$20,510	\$41,020	\$20,510	\$20,510	\$41,020					
Fund 001 - A	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)					
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0					
Revenue											
001 - 0393	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)					
Total Revenue	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)	(\$20,510)	(\$20,510)	(\$41,020)					

Decision Package Description

Title IV-E Penetration Rate supports allowable administrative costs which include support for, but not limited to, the Finance, Information Technology, Contracts and Human Resources Divisions The Title IV-E eligibility requirements, in which one of the eligibility requirements is an income test as it existed in 1996. Given federal law doesn't allow the Title IV-E income test to be adjusted from 1996 AFDC standards based on cost of living for inflation, as minimum wage increases, we are seeing a decline in Title IV-E allowable expenditures.

The 2020 Supplemental computations factored the Title IV-E funding at 48.7%. However, due to the continued decline in the Title IV-E penetration rate, there is currently 34.6% or \$19,570,000 GF-F more Title IV-E federal funding that is not obtainable. The 2022 Supplemental there was a request to true-up the central service model fund splits, the Title IV-E percentage at that time was 20%. To align our carry-forward funding, DCYF is requesting a fund swap of \$940,000 GF-S and -\$940,000 GF-F funding to reflect the current federal Title IV-E rate of 14.07%.

DCYF only earns 14.07% Title IV-E for administrative costs. With the continued decline in the Title IV-E penetration rate, this has led to underfunding of -\$20,510,000 General Fund-State for DCYF in Program Support. DCYF is requesting that a fund swap in Program Support to align with the amount of Title IV-E that can be earned.

Assumptions and Calculations

Expansion, Reduction, Elimination or Alteration of a current program or service:

This request does not expand, reduce, eliminate or alter any of DCYF program. It only shifts funding to match the current rate of Title IV-E funding the agency earns.

Detailed Assumptions and Calculations:

The current Title IV-E funding earned is 14.07% on most of the administrative support for the agency, DCYF requests a fund swap of \$20,510,000 General Fund-State and -\$20,510,000 General Fund-Federal to align the state and federal funding with the achievable federal funding allowable.

Workforce Assumptions:

This request does not include additional FTEs

Strategic and Performance Outcomes

Strategic Framework:

This request supports Results Washington Goal 5: Efficient, effective and accountable Government.

The alignment of fund sources will allow DCYF to continue funding necessary administrative support for the agency.

Performance Outcomes:

NA

Equity Impacts

Community outreach and engagement:

see above

Disproportional Impact Considerations:

see above

Target Populations or Communities:

This is a funding request in order to align the funding with DCYF's earned Title IV-E funding.

Other Collateral Connections

Puget Sound Recovery:

Not Applicable

State Workforce Impacts:

Not Applicable

Intergovernmental:

Not Applicable

Stakeholder Response:

Not Applicable

State Facilities Impacts:

Not Applicable

Changes from Current Law:

Not Applicable

Legal or Administrative Mandates:

Not Applicable

IT Addendum

Does this Decision Package include funding for any IT-related costs, including hardware, software, (including cloud-based services), contracts or IT staff?

No

Objects of Expenditure

Objects of Expenditure	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal	Years	Biennial
Dollars in Thousands	2024	2025	2023-25	2026	2027	2025-27
Obj. N	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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