

State of Alaska FY2019 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Foster Care Special Need Component Budget Summary

Component: Foster Care Special Need

Contribution to Department's Mission

Provide funding to meet special and/or occasional needs of children in state custody, as mandated by statute. This financial support enhances the State's preventative service delivery system by fulfilling many fiduciary obligations for children and families that fall outside of monthly reimbursed rates.

Core Services

- To pay for pre-approved essential expenditures not covered by the foster care base rate and are assessed on a case-by case basis.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2017

Foster Care Special Need funds cover a large spectrum of costs such as child care, or damages occurring to the foster parents' property by a child with special needs. Purchases made with Foster Care Special Need funds alleviate the financial burden of raising a child for foster families and relative families willing to provide for children in custody. In FY2017, more than 25,630 requests for additional funds were authorized and processed. This is up from 22,823 requests in the previous year.

Key Component Challenges

The Office of Children's Services faces a continuing challenge in keeping pace with increased costs to meet the varying needs of children and families. Federal requirements for visitation between children in custody and family members has resulted in increasing travel costs, particularly in the rural areas of the state. Child care expenses continue to increase, requiring working foster families to pay co-pays or costs above the monthly limit, and there are continuing challenges in finding licensed child care in rural Alaska. The Office of Children's Services is also responsible for medical expenses not covered under Medicaid.

The Office of Children's Services does not anticipate an easy solution as these foster families are prone to the same economic factors as every other family in Alaska. The current focus for Child Protective Services is to keep children safely in their homes, and when that is not possible, to reunite children with their families as soon as possible.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2019

No significant changes are expected in FY2019 in this area.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.05.010	Duties of department
AS 47.10	Children in Need of Aid
AS 47.14.100	Powers and duties of department over care of child
AS 47.17	Child Protection
AS 47.40	Purchase of Services
7 AAC 53, Article 1	Child Care Foster Care Payments
7 AAC 53, Article 3	Children in Custody or Under Supervision: Needs and Income
Title IV-E of the Social Security Act	

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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)
RDU: Children's Services (486)

Formula Component

	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Conference Committee	FY2018 Authorized	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor	FY2018 Management Plan vs FY2019 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
72000 Travel	38.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0%
73000 Services	835.1	927.5	927.5	927.5	927.5	0.0	0.0%
74000 Commodities	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	27,777.2	10,783.5	10,783.5	10,783.5	10,783.5	0.0	0.0%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	28,650.6	11,711.3	11,711.3	11,711.3	11,711.3	0.0	0.0%
Fund Sources:							
1002Fed Rcpts (Fed)	513.4	1,232.1	1,232.1	1,232.1	1,232.1	0.0	0.0%
1003G/F Match (UGF)	1,745.4	1,608.9	1,608.9	1,608.9	3,158.9	1,550.0	96.3%
1004Gen Fund (UGF)	22,654.9	4,122.4	4,122.4	4,122.4	2,572.4	-1,550.0	-37.6%
1007I/A Rcpts (Other)	2,797.9	4,000.0	4,000.0	4,000.0	4,000.0	0.0	0.0%
1037GF/MH (UGF)	939.0	747.9	747.9	747.9	747.9	0.0	0.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	25,339.3	6,479.2	6,479.2	6,479.2	6,479.2	0.0	0.0%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Other Funds	2,797.9	4,000.0	4,000.0	4,000.0	4,000.0	0.0	0.0%
Federal Funds	513.4	1,232.1	1,232.1	1,232.1	1,232.1	0.0	0.0%
Positions:							
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)
RDU: Children's Services (486)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2018 Conference Committee To FY2018 Authorized *****												
FY2018 Conference Committee												
ConfCom		11,711.3	0.0	0.3	927.5	0.0	0.0	10,783.5	0.0	0	0	0
1002 Fed Rcpts		1,232.1										
1003 G/F Match		1,608.9										
1004 Gen Fund		4,122.4										
1007 I/A Rcpts		4,000.0										
1037 GF/MH		747.9										
Subtotal		11,711.3	0.0	0.3	927.5	0.0	0.0	10,783.5	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2018 Management Plan To FY2019 Governor *****												
Replace General Fund with General Fund Match												
FndChg		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1003 G/F Match		1,550.0										
1004 Gen Fund		-1,550.0										
Totals		11,711.3	0.0	0.3	927.5	0.0	0.0	10,783.5	0.0	0	0	0

Accurately reflect use of general fund authority as match to federal revenues based on prior year actual expenditures and revenue.

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Travel

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
2000	Travel		38.1	0.3	0.3
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
2000 Travel Detail Totals			38.1	0.3	0.3
2000	In-State Employee Travel	Employee travel	24.3	0.3	0.3
2001	In-State Non-Employee Travel		13.1	0.0	0.0
2002	Out of State Employee Travel		0.4	0.0	0.0
2003	Out of State Non-Employee Travel		0.8	0.0	0.0
2006	Other Travel Costs		-0.5	0.0	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
3000	Services		835.1	927.5	927.5
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			835.1	927.5	927.5
3000	Education Services	Education Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
3001	Financial Services		434.5	0.0	300.0
3003	Information Technology		0.5	0.0	0.0
3006	Delivery Services	Delivery, freight, messenger, and courier costs.	0.8	2.5	2.5
3011	Other Services	Contractor for SSI Applications and Appeals for Youth in OCS Custody and One Card Charges.	353.4	700.0	400.0
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Law - Department-wide	20.4	200.0	200.0
		RSA: Department of Law, Civil Division, OCS Direct Charge reimbursement. Reimbursement for copies of legal records, medical records, client related travel and other costs associated with cases.			
		RSA: Department of Law, Civil Division, Tribal discovery charges reimbursement.			
3032	Inter-Agency Health	H&SS - Bureau of Vital Statistics (961)	25.0	25.0	25.0
		RSA: Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Vital Statistics data inquiries. Cost to receive certified copies of birth certificates, electronic system information and paternity determinations as needed to proceed with case management functions.			

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			835.1	927.5	927.5
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	H&SS - Foster Care Special Need (2238) System information and paternity determinations as needed to proceed with case management functions.	0.5	0.0	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Commodities

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
4000	Commodities		0.2	0.0	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
4000 Commodities Detail Totals			0.2	0.0	0.0
4000	Business		-2.1	0.0	0.0
4002	Household/Institutional		3.2	0.0	0.0
4021	Commodity Management Allocation		2.6	0.0	0.0
4022	Commodity Transfer		-3.5	0.0	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health and Social Services
Grants, Benefits

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
7000	Grants, Benefits		27,777.2	10,783.5	10,783.5
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
		7000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals	27,777.2	10,783.5	10,783.5
7001	Grants	Toxicology testing services for OCS clients	382.0	900.0	900.0
7001	Grants	General fund match for Medicaid services provided on behalf of children in OCS care.	15,926.8	0.0	0.0
7002	Benefits	Reimbursement to foster parents for the direct purchase of goods and services for one-time or irregular expenditures that are not covered by the Foster Care Base Rate or Foster Care Augmented Rate benefits. Costs include but are not limited to; damages and loss to foster parents, parent training, childcare, and travel for children in foster care to visit their families.	11,468.2	9,883.5	9,883.5
7003	Sub-Recipient Pass-Through Grants		0.2	0.0	0.0

Revenue Detail (1681)
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

Revenue Type (OMB Fund Code) Revenue Source	Component	Comment	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
5002 Fed Rcpts (1002 Fed Rcpts)			540.9	1,232.1	1,232.1
5019 Federal - Miscellaneous Grants		Various Federal Receipts and Title IV-E of the Social Security Act	540.9	1,232.1	1,232.1
5007 I/A Rcpts (1007 I/A Rcpts)			2,797.9	4,000.0	4,000.0
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts	H&SS - Child Care Benefits (1897)	RSA with Public Assistance Child Care for working Foster Care Providers	2,797.9	4,000.0	4,000.0
6004 Gen Fund (1004 Gen Fund)			0.3	0.0	0.0
6048 General Fund - Stale Dated Warrants			0.3	0.0	0.0

Inter-Agency Services (1682)
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Foster Care Special Need (2238)

	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
Component Totals	45.9	225.0	225.0
With Department of Law	20.4	200.0	200.0
With Department of Health and Social Services	25.5	25.0	25.0

Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2017 Actuals	FY2018 Management Plan	FY2019 Governor
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Law - Department-wide	20.4	200.0	200.0
		RSA: Department of Law, Civil Division, OCS Direct Charge reimbursement. Reimbursement for copies of legal records, medical records, client related travel and other costs associated with cases.			
		RSA: Department of Law, Civil Division, Tribal discovery charges reimbursement.			
3032	Inter-Agency Health	H&SS - Bureau of Vital Statistics (961)	25.0	25.0	25.0
		RSA: Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Vital Statistics data inquiries. Cost to receive certified copies of birth certificates, electronic system information and paternity determinations as needed to proceed with case management functions.			
		System information and paternity determinations as needed to proceed with case management functions.			
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	H&SS - Foster Care Special Need (2238)	0.5	0.0	0.0