

State of Alaska FY2022 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Family Preservation Component Budget Summary

Component: Family Preservation

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Family Preservation component is comprised of outgoing grants to community-based service providers. Grant programs purchase an array of services for children, youth, and families that focus on preventative services; intervention and support; and in-home services to either keep families intact or to reunify families in a timely manner.

Core Services

- Pre-placement/preventative services targeted to families with potential difficulties and concerns related to the proper functioning of the family and care and safety of the children.
- In-home support services, including facilitated access to resources; service coordination of early childhood, medical and educational/employment services; parent education and support; and transportation services.
- Provide family contact services for families who need ongoing support to meet reunification goals.
- Provide support to enhance and expand the capacity of the statewide network of community-based prevention services providers.
- Provide regular comprehensive transition planning and independent living services for foster care youth age 16 and older aging out of foster care.
- Provide financial and program support for Child Advocacy Center programs that furnish a safe, child friendly environment for multiple agencies to coordinate child sexual abuse investigations and follow-up.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2020

- The Family First Prevention Services by Tribal Title IV-E agencies grant was awarded to ten Tribal Agencies. This grant program was created to implement expanded prevention services made possible by the Family First Prevention Services Act. Grantees will identify families in need of secondary prevention services based on the State of Alaska's candidacy definition and will work with the family to create a Family Prevention Plan, provide in-home services, make referrals, and provide case management.
- Community based services offered to families through grants are continuing to serve an increasing number of families each year. Family preservation services designed to prevent removal of the children from the home were provided to 193 families and 326 children last fiscal year. The Family Reunification program, which primarily offers family contact services between parents and children who are in foster care served 282 families and 522 children. Child Advocacy Centers offering forensic interviews, medical exams, and advocacy services, served 2,484 children.
- The Chafee Independent Living program supported 52 foster and former foster care students in accessing the Education and Training Voucher for higher learning in FY2020 and celebrated six college graduates. The mentorship grant funded by Office of Children's Services and awarded to Big Brothers Big Sisters has matched 19 foster or former foster youth with a mentor and 14 new adult mentors were enrolled in the program. Also in FY2020 Facing Foster Care in Alaska was contracted to conduct two youth retreats and one Career Conference for eligible youth; 101 statewide eligible youth attended the retreats and career conference. Through partnership with My House in the Southcentral region, Covenant House in Anchorage and Dreamcatchers 4-H in the Northern region, 21 youth were referred and 13 received three-year housing vouchers.

Key Component Challenges

- The increase in children in out-of-home care and the ever-growing needs of families and communities presents a challenge in meeting program goals, especially as programs are challenged to meet the needs with current levels of funding. Additionally, in some areas, the full implementation of grant services is impacted by staff turnover as well as the grant program's ability to sufficiently retain and train staff in order to deliver quality services to those families who are referred by Office of Children's Services.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2022

- The expanded use of video conferencing in response to the COVID-19 crisis, created opportunities for improved accessibility of services. Support groups, parenting classes, family contact, and home studies are examples of services which can occur by way of virtual platforms. Service delivery via virtual platforms will increase service participants and reduce costs and coordination for travel and transportation.
- In FY2020 the Chafee Independent Living program entered a partnership with Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to administer the Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) housing voucher program from Housing and Urban Development. This program required Office of Children's Services to enter a Memorandums of Understanding with social services agencies across the state to serve youth who receive FYI housing vouchers and is expected to increase housing options for youth in the next year. Child Advocacy Center programs will continue to undergo needs assessment to assess the growing needs of the communities for Child Advocacy Center services and to provide an increased quality of service to children and families.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.05.010	Duties of department
AS 47.10	Children in Need of Aid
AS 47.17	Child Protection
AS 47.32	Centralized Licensing Related to Administrative Procedures
7 AAC 50	Community Care Licensing
7 AAC 56	Child Placement Agencies
7 AAC 53	Social Services

Titles IV-B and IV-E of the Social Security Act
Children's Justice Act
Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996
Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act
Foster Care Act of 1999

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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Family Preservation (1628)
RDU: Children's Services (486)

Non-Formula Component

	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Conference Committee	FY2021 Authorized	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor	FY2021 Management Plan vs FY2022 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
72000 Travel	16.8	52.1	52.1	52.1	52.1	0.0	0.0%
73000 Services	3,758.2	5,799.2	5,799.2	5,799.2	6,879.1	1,079.9	18.6%
74000 Commodities	2.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	0.0	0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	10,237.8	10,715.8	10,715.8	10,715.8	10,142.8	-573.0	-5.3%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	14,014.8	16,580.1	16,580.1	16,580.1	17,087.0	506.9	3.1%
Fund Sources:							
1001 CBR Fund (UGF)	0.0	511.3	511.3	511.3	0.0	-511.3	-100.0%
1002 Fed Rcpts (Fed)	7,775.2	9,812.8	9,812.8	9,812.8	10,364.5	551.7	5.6%
1003 G/F Match (UGF)	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	-0.4	-100.0%
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	1,904.0	1,533.7	1,533.7	1,533.7	2,000.6	466.9	30.4%
1007 I/A Rcpts (Other)	3,564.2	3,995.9	3,995.9	3,995.9	3,995.9	0.0	0.0%
1037 GF/MH (UGF)	714.8	726.0	726.0	726.0	726.0	0.0	0.0%
1169 PCE Endow (DGF)	56.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	2,618.8	2,771.4	2,771.4	2,771.4	2,726.6	-44.8	-1.6%
Designated General (DGF)	56.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Other Funds	3,564.2	3,995.9	3,995.9	3,995.9	3,995.9	0.0	0.0%
Federal Funds	7,775.2	9,812.8	9,812.8	9,812.8	10,364.5	551.7	5.6%
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: Family Preservation (1628)
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 FY2021 Conference Committee To FY2021 Authorized *****												
Conference Committee												
	ConfCom	16,580.1	0.0	52.1	5,799.2	13.0	0.0	10,715.8	0.0	0	0	0
1001 CBR Fund		511.3										
1002 Fed Rcpts		9,812.8										
1003 G/F Match		0.4										
1004 Gen Fund		1,533.7										
1007 I/A Rcpts		3,995.9										
1037 GF/MH		726.0										
Subtotal		16,580.1	0.0	52.1	5,799.2	13.0	0.0	10,715.8	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2021 Management Plan To FY2022 Governor *****												
Reduce Circles of Support Grant Program by Fifty Percent Utilizing Block and Title IVB I / II Grants												
	Dec	-573.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-573.0	0.0	0	0	0
1002 Fed Rcpts		-528.2										
1004 Gen Fund		-44.8										
<p>Reduce Circles of Support Grant Program. In FY2019, 39 percent of allocated grant funds remained unexpended. The federal Social Services Block Grant, Title IVB-I and Title IVB-II funds will instead be used to serve the same categories of clients through direct case work provided by Office of Children's Services staff. The impact of the reduction will affect seven grantees located in Anchorage, Mat-Su, Fairbanks, Juneau, Valdez, and Nome. Some grantees are more established than others to provide the requested services.</p> <p>The Circles of Support grant program provides for family services for two categories of clients. Category one clients are families whose children are currently safe but at high risk of future maltreatment. For this category, the Office of Children's Services will close and refer the case to a grantee who is responsible for providing in-home services which may include substance abuse assessment, urinalysis testing, support for the parents to reduce health and safety hazards in the child's physical surroundings, assistance with seeking a protective order if domestic violence is a factor, mental health evaluation or stabilization as well as close supervision and frequent monitoring. Category two clients are families whose children are currently unsafe, and Office of Children's Services will retain responsibility for the case but work with the grantees to coordinate services that often involve intensive intervention, involuntary services, and court involvement.</p> <p>The impact of the reduction will affect seven grantees located in Anchorage, Mat-Su, Fairbanks, Juneau, Valdez, and Nome. Some grantees are more established than others to provide the requested services.</p>												
Fund Source Adjustment of CBRF to UGF												
	FndChg	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1001 CBR Fund		-511.3										
1003 G/F Match		0.1										
1004 Gen Fund		511.2										

Replace Constitutional Budget Reserve Fund (CBRF) used as a one-time funding mechanism in FY2021.

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Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
Align Authority to Accurately Reflect Delivery of Services												
	FndChg	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1003 G/F Match		-0.5										
1004 Gen Fund		0.5										
Align authority to accurately reflect costs related to the delivery of services to the Office of Children's Services.												
Family First Prevention Services Act for Infants with Prenatal Substance Exposure												
	Language	1,079.9	0.0	0.0	1,079.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1002 Fed Rcpts		1,079.9										
Sec. 14. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. (b) The Family First Transition Act, passed in December 2019 by Congress, provided Alaska a \$1,079.9 grant award under the Title IV-B, part 1 program (Stephanie Tubbs Child Welfare Services Program). The Administration for Children and Families will administer the funds through program instruction ACYF-CB-PI-20-04. Family First Prevention Services Act grants may be used for any purpose specified under Title IV-B and for activities directly associated with implementation of the Families First Prevention Services Act.												
Alaska intends to use the grant award, which does not require a state match, over three years to support the implementation of a Plans of Safe Care Program within the Juneau and Matanuska-Susitna service areas. The program will support the development of plans of safe care prevention focused models for families of infants with prenatal substance exposure.												
Sec. 15. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. (b) the amount of federal receipts from the Family First Transition Act during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, estimated to be \$1,079,900 is appropriated to the Department of Health and Social Services, division of children's services, for activities associated with implementing the Families First Prevention Services Act including, but not limited to, developing plans of safe care prevention focused models for families of infants with prenatal substance exposure for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024.												
Totals		17,087.0	0.0	52.1	6,879.1	13.0	0.0	10,142.8	0.0	0	0	0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
2000	Travel		16.8	52.1	52.1
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
2000 Travel Detail Totals			16.8	52.1	52.1
2000	In-State Employee Travel	Employee Travel costs necessary for the Program Evaluation Committee to carry out activities and attend required trainings.	12.9	45.4	36.1
2001	In-State Non-Employee Travel	Non-Employee Travel costs necessary for the Program Evaluation Committee to carry out activities and attend required trainings.	1.5	5.0	8.0
2002	Out of State Employee Travel	Out of state travel for division staff to attend meetings and training as required.	2.4	1.5	7.0
2006	Other Travel Costs	Cash advance fee	0.0	0.2	1.0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3000	Services		3,758.2	5,799.2	6,879.1
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			3,758.2	5,799.2	6,879.1
3000	Education Services	Conference registration, membership dues, employee tuition and other employee training costs.	1.2	10.0	10.0
3001	Financial Services	Financial services	5.2	0.0	0.0
3004	Telecommunications	Telecommunications services	3.8	3.5	3.5
3005	Health Services	Contract: Plans of Safe Care Prevention Program.	0.0	0.0	1,079.9
3005	Health Services	Univ - Department-wide Reimbursable Services Agreement: University of Alaska Anchorage, Service Array Training and Technical Assistance, Independent Living and Training Voucher Program, Strengthening Families and ChildFirst Alaska Project Coordination Support.	0.0	820.0	820.0
3006	Delivery Services	Courier, postage	0.2	1.0	1.0
3007	Advertising and Promotions		53.1	0.0	0.0
3009	Structure/Infrastructure/Land	Various rental costs including: Room rentals for meetings and space rentals for document storage.	0.0	2.1	0.0
3010	Equipment/Machinery	Copier services within the Office of Children's Services service array unit	0.3	0.6	0.6
3011	Other Services	Contracts for parenting skills and services and foster youth independence retreats	2.6	2.6	2.6
3011	Other Services	Contract: Facing Foster Care in	0.0	50.0	50.0

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Department of Health and Social Services
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Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			3,758.2	5,799.2	6,879.1
		Alaska			
3011	Other Services	Contracts: Potential contracts such as Parents as Partners, Family Contact.	0.0	367.4	369.5
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Law - Department-wide	2,954.0	3,100.0	3,100.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Law, Civil Division, Human Services, Office of Children's Services Legal Services Title IV-E. Cost to provide legal services to Office of Children's Services Title IV-E eligible clients. Cost of services provided by either an attorney and/or paraprofessional staff.			
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Admin - Department-wide	0.0	1,200.0	1,200.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Administration, Public Defender Agency and Office of Public Advocacy, Title IV-E reimbursement for legal representation for parents			
3028	Inter-Agency Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance	Rev - Department-wide	0.0	130.0	130.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Revenue, Tenant Based Rental Assistance Coupons			
3028	Inter-Agency Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance	Courts - Department-wide	0.0	0.0	0.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Alaska Court System, Trial Courts, Child-in-Need-of-Aid informational video			
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	Courts - Department-wide	9.0	0.0	0.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - Family Preservation (1628)	0.0	100.0	100.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Health and Social Services, Senior and Disability Services, Kinship Navigator			
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - Public Affairs (2874)	14.9	12.0	12.0
		Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Health and Social Services, Commissioner's Office,			

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			3,758.2	5,799.2	6,879.1
		Public Information Team, Video and Media Project			
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - SDS Community Based Grants (3201)	100.0	0.0	0.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	Univ - Department-wide	364.4	0.0	0.0
3032	Inter-Agency Health	Courts - Department-wide	133.3	0.0	0.0
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	Admin - Department-wide Inter-agency management/consulting services	0.5	0.0	0.0
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	Univ - Department-wide Inter-agency management/consulting services	115.7	0.0	0.0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
4000	Commodities		2.0	13.0	13.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
4000 Commodities Detail Totals			2.0	13.0	13.0
4000	Business	Business supplies	1.4	13.0	13.0
4002	Household/Institutional		0.6	0.0	0.0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
7000	Grants, Benefits		10,237.8	10,715.8	10,142.8
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
7000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals			10,237.8	10,715.8	10,142.8
7001	Grants	Grants Programs: Family Contact Services, Resource Family Training	767.4	1,500.0	1,500.0
7001	Grants	Title IV-E Tribal Grant Reimbursement Program costs incurred for Office of Children's Services' partnerships with Alaskan Tribes and Tribal Organizations. Tribal entities provide child welfare services to Alaska Native children in out of home placement. In addition, the Tribal Title IV-E Family First program provides for work dedicated to Tribal member children at risk of entering foster care through prevention activities.	0.0	2,769.3	2,769.3
7002	Benefits	Payments for eligible costs/benefits under programs such as Individual Living Skills. These payments include supervised nonresidential care services, lodging, meals, transportation and other daily living expenses for clients in training.	595.7	600.0	600.0
7003	Sub-Recipient Pass-Through Grants	Grants Programs: Mentorship for Independent Living, Children's Advocacy Centers, Circles of Support, Family Support, Statewide Coordination of Parenting and Prevention Services.	8,874.7	5,846.5	5,273.5

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Revenue Detail (1681)
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Revenue Type (OMB Fund Code) Revenue Source	Component	Comment	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
5002 Fed Rcpts (1002 Fed Rcpts)			7,775.2	9,812.8	10,364.5
5019 Federal - Miscellaneous Grants		Various Federal Receipts: Title IV-B Child Welfare Services, Title IV-B Promoting Safe and Stable Families, Chafee Foster Care Independence Program, Education Training Vouchers, Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, Community Based Child Abuse Prevention, OJJDP Children's Justice Act and Title IV-E of the Social Security Act.	7,775.2	9,812.8	10,364.5
5007 I/A Rcpts (1007 I/A Rcpts)			3,564.2	3,995.9	3,995.9
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts	H&SS - ATAP (220)	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Children's Advocacy Center Temporary Assistance to Needy Families with Division of Public Assistance	3,142.0	3,795.9	3,795.9
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts	H&SS - Child Care Benefits (1897)	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Child Care Benefits with Public Assistance	225.8	200.0	200.0
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts	H&SS - Work Services (2337)		196.4	0.0	0.0
6004 Gen Fund (1004 Gen Fund)			3.6	0.0	0.0
6046 General Fund - Prior Year Reimbursement Recovery			3.6	0.0	0.0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

				FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
Component Totals				3,691.8	5,362.0	5,362.0
With University of Alaska				480.1	820.0	820.0
With Department of Law				2,954.0	3,100.0	3,100.0
With Department of Administration				0.5	1,200.0	1,200.0
With Department of Revenue				0.0	130.0	130.0
With Judiciary				142.3	0.0	0.0
With Department of Health and Social Services				114.9	112.0	112.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation		FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3005	Health Services	Univ - Department-wide	Reimbursable Services Agreement: University of Alaska Anchorage, Service Array Training and Technical Assistance, Independent Living and Training Voucher Program, Strengthening Families and ChildFirst Alaska Project Coordination Support.	0.0	820.0	820.0
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Law - Department-wide	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Law, Civil Division, Human Services, Office of Children's Services Legal Services Title IV-E. Cost to provide legal services to Office of Children's Services Title IV-E eligible clients. Cost of services provided by either an attorney and/or paraprofessional staff.	2,954.0	3,100.0	3,100.0
3024	Inter-Agency Legal	Admin - Department-wide	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Administration, Public Defender Agency and Office of Public Advocacy, Title IV-E reimbursement for legal representation for parents	0.0	1,200.0	1,200.0
3028	Inter-Agency Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance	Rev - Department-wide	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Revenue, Tenant Based Rental Assistance Coupons	0.0	130.0	130.0

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

Component: Family Preservation (1628)

Object Class		Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2020 Actuals	FY2021 Management Plan	FY2022 Governor
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	Courts - Department-wide		9.0	0.0	0.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - Family Preservation (1628)	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Health and Social Services, Senior and Disability Services, Kinship Navigator	0.0	100.0	100.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - Public Affairs (2874)	Reimbursable Services Agreement: Department of Health and Social Services, Commissioner's Office, Public Information Team, Video and Media Project	14.9	12.0	12.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	H&SS - SDS Community Based Grants (3201)		100.0	0.0	0.0
3029	Inter-Agency Education/Training	Univ - Department-wide		364.4	0.0	0.0
3032	Inter-Agency Health	Courts - Department-wide		133.3	0.0	0.0
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	Admin - Department-wide	Inter-agency management/consulting services	0.5	0.0	0.0
3038	Inter-Agency Management/Consulting	Univ - Department-wide	Inter-agency management/consulting services	115.7	0.0	0.0