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BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARING

November 30, 2010



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Family & Children Fund

- **Out of home placements and in-home services**
- **CHINS (abuse & neglect) and Probation (juvenile justice) cases**
- **Formerly funded by county property tax assessments**



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Family & Children Fund Trends:

- **Placement Trends**
- **Payment Policies**
- **Other Factors**



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Placement Trends:

	<u>Average FY 2008</u>	<u>Average FY 2009</u>	<u>Average FY 2010</u>	<u>Sept 2010</u>
In-Home	27.2% 3,731	29.4% 4,340	29.4% 4,461	28.3% 4,167
Relative Care	16.5% 2,267	19.4% 2,873	24.0% 3,631	25.6% 3,775
Foster Care	42.0% 5,772	38.2% 5,650	36.1% 5,468	37.1% 5,473
Residential	10.7% 1,466	10.0% 1,471	8.6% 1,304	7.4% 1,093



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Payment Policies:

- Foster Care Payments

- Initial Clothing
- Personal Allowance
- Appeals

- Family Preservation Payments

- Basic Needs
- Material Assistance
- Sustainability



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Other Factors:

- **DCS Assessments**
- **Residential Pilots**
- **Foster Care Reorganization**
- **Medicaid Initiatives**
- **Least Restrictive Environment**



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Prevention Programs

- **Healthy Families (\$26.3 million)**
 - 22,749 families assessed
 - 14,475 families served
- **Community Partners (\$7.0 million)**
 - 9,480 families served



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Other Child Welfare

- **Independent Living**
 - **The Finance Project**

- **Adoptions**
 - **Negotiated Subsidies**



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Calendar YTD Adoptions

2004	-	653
2005	-	618
2006	-	794
2007	-	849
2008	-	986
2009	-	748
2010	-	955



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Federal Child Support Mandates

- **Location of non-custodial parents**
- **Establishment of paternity**
- **Establishment of support orders**
- **Enforcement of support orders**
- **Support payment processing**



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Child Support

- **350,000 open IV-D cases**
- **\$582 million in IV-D collections**
- **Approximately \$1 billion processed annually by ISETS on all cases**
- **66% federal reimbursement**



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Child Support

- **Collection Initiatives**
 - **License Suspensions**
 - **Casino Winnings Interception**
- **A 1% Increase in Collections Yields \$10 million in new child support**



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Outcome Metrics – Child Welfare

- **Percent Regions Hitting 12/17 Staffing**
Actual = 90% Initial = 30% Target = 75% Stretch = 100%
- **Less than 12 Months to Reunification**
Actual = 69% Initial = 7% Target = 65% Stretch = 72%
- **Absence of Repeat Maltreatment**
Actual = 92% Initial = 85% Target = 85% Stretch = 90%
- **No Foster Care Re-Entry within 12 Months**
Actual = 95% Initial = 93% Target = 93% Stretch = 95%



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Outcome Metrics – Child Support

- Current Child Support Collected

Actual = 58% Initial = 54% Target = 58% Stretch = 62%

- Child Support Paying Towards Arrears

Actual = 64% Initial = 57% Target = 60% Stretch = 62%



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CFSR Rankings

- **Have Passed Three out of Six**
- **In 2004, DCS Passed None**
- **Within 1% of Fourth**
- **Within 2% of the Other Two**
- **No State has Passed all Six**



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2012/2013 Base Budget

Family & Children Fund \$ 370 million

Child Welfare Administration \$ 150 million

Child Support \$ 8 million

Other \$ 16 million

Total \$ 544 million

2012/2013 Requested Budget \$ 529 million

Note: General Fund Only



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Questions