

**Texas Department of Family and Protective Services** 

**Commissioner** Stephanie Muth

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Ms. Tabatha Vasquez, Senior Advisor and Budget Director Governor's Office of Budget, Planning and Policy 1100 San Jacinto, 4th Floor Austin, TX 78701

Mr. Jerry McGinty, Director of Legislative Budget Board Legislative Budget Board 1501 North Congress Avenue, 5th Floor Austin, TX 78701

Dear Ms. Vasquez and Mr. McGinty:

Enclosed is the agency's FY 2025 Monthly Financial Report as of October 2024. The following is a narrative summary of budget adjustments during the month, budget variances, significant changes from appropriated funding, capital budget issues, and other key budget issues at this time.

Schedules are updated to meet the reporting requirements in Rider 6, Other Reporting Requirements. A.1.1, Statewide Intake Services, and D.1.1, APS Direct Delivery Staff, are added to Schedule 11, which provides 5-year detail of actual and projected expenditure information by Object of Expense and Method of Finance. Also, in accordance with Rider 6, Other Reporting Requirements, Statewide Intake performance measures are included in Schedule 9, Select Performance Measures. Revenue for Object Code 3770, Administrative Penalties, is included in the Revenue Schedule for Appropriated Receipts (0666) to meet the requirements for Rider 30, Contractor Penalties, and Incentives.

### **BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

The budget adjustments listed below apply to the appropriation year 2025 as of the end of October 2024. Adjustments to Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) appropriation pattern as detailed in the Conference Committee version of HB.1, 88th Legislature, Regular Session are described below:

B. This adjustment reflects changes in estimated federal entitlement funds (gains or losses) pursuant to Article IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants Fed Entitlements. Total amounts by CFDA are listed below.

93.090.050-Title IV-E Guardianship Assistance - Administration (\$751,787)
93.658.050-Title IV-E Foster Care – Administration (\$30,200,426)
93.658.060-Title IV-E Foster Care –FMAP \$100
93.658.075-Title IV-E Foster Care-Training-75% \$127,357
93.659.050-Title IV-E Adoption Assistance - Administration (\$3,891,143)
93.659.075-Title IV-E Adoption Assistance-Training-75% \$9,509
93.778.003-Medical Assistance Program 50% (\$6,169,217)

C. Pursuant to Article IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants, adjustments have been made to align federal funds/block grants with award amounts and re-budget federal funds/block grants between FY23 and FY24. Total amounts by CFDA are listed below.

93.556.005 – Title IV-B, Part 2 Promoting Safe and Stable Families – FFTA \$1,456,111
93.674.000 – Chafee Foster Care Independence Program – \$206,961
93.590.119 – CBCAP - HR 1319 CORONAVIRUS (\$1,903,831)
93.669.119 – CAPTA HR 1319, Coronavirus - \$1,709,173
93.698.000 – ELDER ABUSE PIP – EJAP - \$150,000
93.747.119 – Elder Abuse Prevention Program, Coronavirus - \$1,200,000
93.575.000 - Child Care and Development Block Grant - \$623,274

- E. This adjustment reflects salary increase for general state employees pursuant to Article IX, Sec 17.16 (2024-25 GAA).
- G. This adjustment reflects changes in estimated gift revenue collected pursuant to Article IX, Sec 8.01, Acceptance of Gifts of Money.
- H. This adjustment reflects additional budget appropriated under Article IX, Sec. 18.10 (2024-25 GAA) relating to policies and procedures regarding certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship, investigations by DFPS and parental child safety placements.
- I. This adjustment reflects transfers between appropriations within 20 percent limitation to cover projected expense pursuant to Art IX, Sec 14.01(a), Appropriation Transfers (2024-25 GAA).
- K. This adjustment reflects additional budget appropriated under Article IX, Sec. 18.30, contingency for House Bill 3765 relating to the establishment of a supply of luggage by the DFPS for the transport of the personal belongings of a foster child (2024-2025 GAA).

- M. Pursuant to Article IX, Sec. 18.39, Contingency for Senate Bill 24 (2024-25 GAA), this adjustment reflects the powers and duties of the HHSC and the transfer to the commission of certain powers and duties from DFPS.
- N. Pursuant to Art II Rider 42 Long-Term Youth and Family Support, this adjustment reflects transfer from B.1.8 to C.1.4 for Fiscal size up.
- Q. Pursuant to Article II, Rider 46, Contingent Appropriation: Prevention and Early Intervention (2024-25 GAA), this adjustment reflects the powers and duties of the HHSC and the transfer to the commission of certain powers and duties from DFPS.
- T. This adjustment reflects transfers capital budget items pursuant to Art IX, Sec 14.03(h), Limitation on Expenditures Capital Budget (2024-25 GAA).
- U. Pursuant to Article IX Sec.14.03 (L), to provide for unanticipated shortage in appropriations made for payment of data center services cost, amounts identified elsewhere in this Act in fiscal year 2025 for data center services may be transferred to fiscal year 2024 to pay data center services costs.
- Z. Pursuant to Article II, Rider 27 (b), Limitation: Community-based Care Payments, this adjustment reflects LBB approval of agency's request listed for CBC (RTE DFPS-2024-A-003)
- AB. Pursuant to Art. IX Sec. 14.05 Unexpended Balance Authority between Fiscal Years within the same Biennium, this adjustment reflects the LBB approval of the agency's request for the business process redesign transfer from AY24 to AY25 (RTE DFPS-2024-A-004)
- AF. Pursuant to Art II, Rider 9 Appropriation transfer between fiscal year transfer appropriations in strategy B.1.9, Foster Care pmts and strategy B.1.10, Adoption/PCA pmt, the budget adjustment reflects carryback fund from AY25 to AY24 (RTE DFPS-2024-A-004)

## **BUDGET VARIANCES**

Schedules 1, 4, and 5 of this report reflect the agency's current projections for program expenditures, the 2025 LAR forecast for entitlement programs (Foster Care and Adoption Subsidy/PCA), Contracted Day Care services, and the Relative Other Designated Caregiver program.

This report reflects an agency surplus of \$64 million all funds consisting in a surplus of \$0.7 million in General Revenue, a surplus of \$62.9 million in Federal Funds and \$0.4 million of Child Support Collections appropriated receipts.

- Appropriations that are anticipated to result in lapsed budget authority are expressed as a positive variance:
  - $\circ$  8008 GR Title IV-E FMAP
  - 8093 Child Support Collections
  - o 93.558.000 Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
  - o 93.090.050 Title IV-E Guardianship Assistance Administration
  - o 93.090.060 Title IV-E Guardianship Assistance FMAP
  - o 93.658.050 Title IV-E Foster Care Administration
  - o 93.658.060 Title IV-E Foster Care FMAP
  - 93.659.050 Title IV-E Adoption Assistance
  - o 93.659.060 Title IV-E Adoption Assistance FMAP
- Appropriations for which expense is projected to exceed the adjusted budget are reflected as a negative variance:
  - $\circ$  0001 General Revenue

The projected general revenue variances are summarized as follows:

- Entitlement Programs \$14.8 million surplus.
- Non-Entitlement Programs \$14.1 million shortage.

#### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS REPORT

There are no significant changes reflected in the October 2024 report.

#### **OTHER KEY BUDGET ISSUES**

There are no key budget issues reflected in the October 2024 report.

#### CAPITAL BUDGET ISSUES

The budget in Schedule 8 (Capital Projects) reflects the DFPS 2024-2025 capital appropriation levels. Future adjustments will be reflected in Monthly Financial Reports as revenues are realized and/or actual adjusting entries are processed in the Uniform State Accounting System.

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# STATUS OF PENDING TRANSFERS AND AUTHORITY REQUIRING PRIOR APPROVAL

Schedule 10 contains a full listing of request for approval and notifications that DFPS has submitted for the fiscal year. The items listed below are pending or newly approved.

Letter Topic	HHSC/DFPS		
Appropriation Year	Letter Date	LBB	Governor
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Please feel free to contact me at 512-919-7463 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Scott Green

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