



MDHHS: FY23 Budget Executive Recommendation

Economic Stability Administration

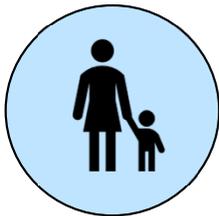
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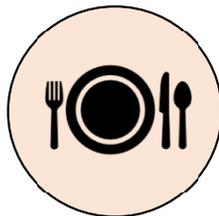
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Economic Stability Administration: Programs At-a-Glance

Family Independence Program



Food Assistance Program



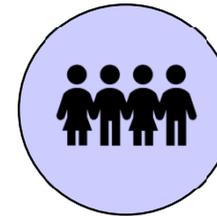
State Disability Assistance



State Emergency Relief



Child Support



MI Bridges



CY2021

Michiganders with a MI Bridges account: 3.3M+

Community partners: 950+

Account logins: 14.7M+

Online applications: 1.2M+

Referrals to resources: 130,000+

of Michigan families receiving help

11,871

700,823

1,589

17,881

607,000

\$ monthly payment to families

\$4,153,364

\$313,782,886

\$355,010

\$9,806,710

\$115,496,254

\$ average amount of help monthly per family

\$350

\$448

\$223

\$548

\$190



FY22 Investments

- **Human Trafficking Capacity Building \$500,000:** Build capacity at organizations providing services for victims of Human Trafficking. Awards starting Spring of 2022.
- **Human Trafficking Victim Services \$4,000,000:** Expanding existing services for victims of Human Trafficking. RFP released February of 2022.
- **Allegan County Legal Assistance \$80,000:** Assist low-income Allegan County residents with legal services. Grant executed 10/01/2021.
- **The Salvation Army \$800,000:** Increase funding for emergency shelter through the Emergency Shelter Program. Grant executed 10/01/2021; Amendment to add additional \$800,000 was executed 11/23/21.
- **Kids Food Basket \$525,000:** Provide meals for children and families in West Michigan. Contracted \$250,000 on 10/1/2021 (part of rollover); the additional \$275,000 was available 12/15/2021.
- **Washtenaw County Health Department \$250,000:** Funding was administered to Washtenaw County to provide subgrants to local entities to provide support to local families. Grant executed 2/4/2021.
- **Diaper Assistance Program \$250,000:** Funding used to distribute diapers, wipes, powder, ointment and other supplies needed for diapering to low-income Michigan families with children under the age of 36 months. Grant term began on 11/1/2022.

Young Child Financial Support Supplement

Context

- The COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated **the financial hardship many low-income Michiganders were already facing.**
- Families receiving cash assistance, known in Michigan as the **Family Independence Program (FIP)** continue to be disproportionately impacted by the pandemic due to rising costs of necessities like food and diapers.

Response

- Provide a **\$100 FIP funded monthly supplement** to families receiving cash assistance for each child aged five and younger.

Expected impact

- Low-income families will be better equipped to afford the significant costs associated with raising younger children.
- **Nearly 7,000 Michigan children will benefit.**
- Research shows modest financial supports boost parents' **engagement in the workforce** and **improves children's health and performance in school.**

Child Support Pass Through

Context

- Currently Michigan passes through **up to \$100 for one child and \$200 for two or more children** of collected child support to the child's caregiver **when that caregiver is receiving** Family Independence Program (**FIP**) benefits.
- Research shows that **parents are more likely to pay child support when they know the money will support their kids** instead of being collected by the government.

Response

- Pass through **100% of child support** paid to a **child's caregiver** when that caregiver is receiving **FIP** benefits.

Expected impact

- Approximately 2,300 families would receive an average **increase of \$40/month** of child support.
- More of the child support collected from paying parents **will reach children in need.**
- Encourages parents to pay child support.

\$92.5M Gross

\$91.3M GF

One-Time Economic Stability Administration Investments

Investment	Description	Gross	GF
Minor Home Repair and Plumbing Assistance Program	Funds will support minor home or plumbing repair needs for Michiganders with income below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.	\$40 million	\$40 million
Food Security Council Investments	Grants to food banks and other charitable organizations to improve the health of families.	\$50 million	\$50 million
Cross-Enrollment Expansion	An initiative to improve government efficiency and quality of customer service so that it is easier for Michiganders to access family support resources.	\$2.5 million	\$1.3 million
	Total	\$92.5 million	\$91.3 million

Thank You

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