

## Department of Housing DOH46900

### Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 17	Actual FY 18	Appropriation FY 19	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21
General Fund	23	23	23	23	23	23	23
Insurance Fund	-	1	1	1	1	1	1

### Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 17	Actual FY 18	Appropriation FY 19	Governor Recommended		Legislative	
				FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21
Personal Services	1,744,884	1,643,196	1,801,379	1,877,176	1,953,445	1,877,176	1,953,445
Other Expenses	169,249	153,940	153,945	164,893	164,893	164,893	164,893
<b>Other Current Expenses</b>							
Elderly Rental Registry and Counselors	1,035,430	1,012,903	1,014,722	1,014,722	1,014,722	1,014,722	1,014,722
Homeless Youth	-	2,282,505	2,282,505	2,292,929	2,292,929	2,292,929	2,292,929
Homeless Supports	-	-	-	2,480,415	2,480,415	-	-
<b>Other Than Payments to Local Governments</b>							
Subsidized Assisted Living Demonstration	2,159,241	2,084,241	2,084,241	2,612,000	2,678,000	2,612,000	2,678,000
Congregate Facilities Operation Costs	7,285,736	7,189,480	7,189,480	7,189,480	7,189,480	7,189,480	7,189,480
Housing Assistance and Counseling Program	23,072	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elderly Congregate Rent Subsidy	1,982,065	1,942,268	1,942,424	1,942,424	1,942,424	1,942,424	1,942,424
Housing/Homeless Services	66,032,510	70,293,852	77,748,308	79,388,870	84,779,130	80,388,870	85,779,130
<b>Grant Payments to Local Governments</b>							
Housing/Homeless Services - Municipality	575,107	506,094	575,226	575,226	575,226	575,226	575,226
<b>Agency Total - General Fund</b>	<b>81,007,294</b>	<b>87,108,479</b>	<b>94,792,230</b>	<b>99,538,135</b>	<b>105,070,664</b>	<b>98,057,720</b>	<b>103,590,249</b>
Fair Housing	670,000	670,000	670,000	670,000	670,000	670,000	670,000
<b>Agency Total - Banking Fund</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>	<b>670,000</b>
Crumbling Foundations	-	60,377	110,844	146,000	156,000	146,000	156,000
<b>Agency Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60,377</b>	<b>110,844</b>	<b>146,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>	<b>146,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>
<b>Total - Appropriated Funds</b>	<b>81,677,294</b>	<b>87,838,856</b>	<b>95,573,074</b>	<b>100,354,135</b>	<b>105,896,664</b>	<b>98,873,720</b>	<b>104,416,249</b>
<b>Additional Funds Available</b>							
Federal & Other Restricted Act	-	195,886,270	170,250,115	156,384,424	170,104,700	156,384,424	170,104,700
Private Contributions & Other Restricted	-	8,389,200	4,998,713	404,770	412,865	404,770	412,865
<b>Agency Grand Total</b>	<b>81,677,294</b>	<b>292,114,326</b>	<b>270,821,902</b>	<b>257,143,329</b>	<b>276,414,229</b>	<b>255,662,914</b>	<b>274,933,814</b>

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21

## Policy Revisions

### Provide Funding for Department of Children and Families Rental Assistance

Housing/Homeless Services	-	-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

#### Background

The Rental Assistance Program (RAP) is a state-funded program which assists low-income families to afford decent and safe housing in the private market.

#### Legislative

Provide funding of \$1 million in both FY 20 and FY 21 to support families with children in the care and custody of the Department of Children and Families (DCF) who are seeking to be reunified.

### Adjust Funding for Community Investment Act Programs Through General Fund Appropriations

Homeless Supports	2,480,415	2,480,415	-	-	(2,480,415)	(2,480,415)
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>2,480,415</b>	<b>2,480,415</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,480,415)</b>	<b>(2,480,415)</b>

#### Background

SB 872, Sections 6-9, and 18 of An Act Implementing the Governor's Recommendations for General Government, proposes moving the off-budget Community Investment Act (CIA) on-budget. The revenues and expenditures of the non-appropriated CIA will be moved into the General Fund. Under the bill, CIA's \$18.5 million in annual revenue will be deposited in the General Fund. The CIA generates its revenue from a \$40 fee on all municipal land transactions.

The Department of Housing (DOH) has used CIA funds to provide a variety of homeless supports including Coordinated Access Networks, the 2-1-1 Info Line, cold weather protocol and grants.

#### Governor

Provide CIA funding for Homeless Supports of \$2,480,415 in both FY 20 and FY 21 in the General Fund.

#### Legislative

Do not provide funding for CIA in the General Fund. Maintain funding for the CIA accounts off-budget.

### Provide Funding for Housing Component of Medicaid Supportive Housing Initiative

Housing/Homeless Services	459,200	2,258,300	459,200	2,258,300	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>459,200</b>	<b>2,258,300</b>	<b>459,200</b>	<b>2,258,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### Background

Connecticut was selected to participate in the Medicaid-Housing Partnership Innovation Accelerator Program (IAP) in 2016. The initiative provided technical assistance to the state to help design ways to support individuals served by Medicaid in accessing and retaining stable housing and meaningfully engaging with their health goals. Under this proposal, the Department of Social Services (DSS) will develop a 1915(i) state plan amendment for a home and community-based services benefit to serve up to 850 individuals who experience homelessness and whose average Medicaid costs exceed \$40,000 per year. By providing stable housing and tenancy-sustaining wraparound services, this initiative is expected to result in a 40% reduction in DSS Medicaid costs for this population.

#### Governor

Provide funding of \$459,200 in FY 20 and \$2,258,300 in FY 21 for supportive housing vouchers, administered through the state's Rental Assistance Program (RAP), for high cost, high need individuals as part of a new DSS initiative. The annualized cost to DOH for FY 22 is projected at \$3,450,000, when the program would be at full capacity with approximately 345 rental assistance vouchers. Related savings are reflected in the DSS Medicaid account.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21

### Provide Rental Assistance Vouchers to Support the DSS Long-Term Care Rebalancing Strategy

Housing/Homeless Services	239,120	1,324,680	239,120	1,324,680	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>239,120</b>	<b>1,324,680</b>	<b>239,120</b>	<b>1,324,680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### Background

This joint DSS and DOH proposal is intended to strengthen DSS rebalancing efforts under the Money Follows the Person (MFP) program and would increase the rate of DOH-funded supportive housing placements above currently planned levels.

#### Governor

Provide funding of \$239,120 in FY 20 and \$1,324,680 in FY 21 for rental assistance vouchers to provide supportive housing for approximately 222 additional DSS clients to transition out of institutional care by the end of FY 21. The annualized cost for FY 22 is projected to be \$1,864,800. Related funding and savings from this initiative are included under DSS.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

### Transfer Funding from DECD for Miscellaneous Office Expenditures

Other Expenses	10,948	10,948	10,948	10,948	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>10,948</b>	<b>10,948</b>	<b>10,948</b>	<b>10,948</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### Background

Effective July 1, 2013, PA 13-234 transferred various functions, powers, and duties related to housing from DECD to the newly created DOH. Upon the establishment of DOH, the two departments were co-located and entered into a memorandum of understanding regarding the sharing of administrative functions and resources. The agencies are now in separate locations in Hartford.

#### Governor

Transfer funding of \$10,948 in both FY 20 and FY 21 from DECD to DOH for certain office expenditures to better reflect the agency incurring the expenses. The office expenditures include office equipment rentals, shredding services, information technology (IT), communication and other incidentals.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

## Current Services

### Eliminate One-Time Funding for Hurricane Maria Evacuees

Housing/Homeless Services	(660,000)	(660,000)	(660,000)	(660,000)	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>(660,000)</b>	<b>(660,000)</b>	<b>(660,000)</b>	<b>(660,000)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### Background

The Revised FY 19 budget (PA 18-81, Sec. 19) provided \$600,000 in funding to assist evacuees impacted by Hurricane Maria. DOH identified an additional \$60,000 of existing resources within the Housing/Homeless Services account to support administrative costs for the program.

#### Governor

Eliminate funding of \$660,000 in both FY 20 and FY 21 that corresponded to a one-time expense in FY 19.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21

**Provide Funding for Rental Assistance Caseload Growth for Money Follows the Person Program**

Housing/Homeless Services	1,351,368	3,856,968	1,351,368	3,856,968	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>1,351,368</b>	<b>3,856,968</b>	<b>1,351,368</b>	<b>3,856,968</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Background**

The Money Follows the Person (MFP) rebalancing demonstration is a federal initiative administered by DSS that encourages states to reduce their reliance on institutional care for Medicaid recipients by transitioning individuals out of institutional settings and into community settings with appropriate supports. DOH provides housing placements to eligible individuals through the state's Rental Assistance Program (RAP). In February 2019, RAP was supporting 1,414 units of MFP housing.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$1,351,368 in FY 20 and \$3,856,968 in FY 21 for MFP caseload growth. This level of funding assumes 20 placements per month in both years.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Adjust Funding for the Subsidized Assisted Living Demonstration Program**

Subsidized Assisted Living Demonstration	527,759	593,759	527,759	593,759	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>527,759</b>	<b>593,759</b>	<b>527,759</b>	<b>593,759</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Background**

The Subsidized Assisted Living Demonstration program was developed to provide a community-based housing and service setting for low-income seniors who are eligible for the DSS Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders. These are seniors who otherwise might have to move into a more expensive nursing home setting. Through the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) who manages the projects, DOH provides rental subsidies to help offset the cost of rent for the low and very-low income elderly residents. Pursuant to a longstanding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), CHFA calculates the rental subsidies in an amount sufficient to pay the actual debt service on the mortgage loans and bonds. The MOU further requires the Office of Policy and Management to include this amount in the Governor's budget submission.

The program includes four properties with a total of 226 units.

**Governor**

Increase funding by \$527,759 in FY 20 and \$593,759 in FY 21 to provide adequate rental subsidies to meet actual debt service on mortgage loans and bonds for the facilities as determined by CHFA.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Annualize Funding for FY 19 Rental Assistance Placements**

Housing/Homeless Services	124,094	124,094	124,094	124,094	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>124,094</b>	<b>124,094</b>	<b>124,094</b>	<b>124,094</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Background**

Annualization refers to providing the amount of resources necessary for a 12 month period of operation.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$124,094 in both FY 20 and FY 21 to reflect full year funding for FY 19 Rental Assistance Program (RAP) placements.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Provide Funds to Reflect the FY 19 Private Provider COLA**

Homeless Youth	10,424	10,424	10,424	10,424	-	-
Housing/Homeless Services	126,780	126,780	126,780	126,780	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>137,204</b>	<b>137,204</b>	<b>137,204</b>	<b>137,204</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

Account	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21

**Background**

The Revised FY 19 Budget (PA 18-81, Sec. 69) provided a 1% COLA to employees of human services providers. In FY 19, funding to support these increases was appropriated to the Office of Policy and Management and a total of \$5.8 million was distributed to individual agencies.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$137,204 in FY 20 and FY 21 to reflect the rollout of the FY 19 Private Provider COLA.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Provide Funding for Wage Increases**

Personal Services	75,797	152,066	75,797	152,066	-	-
<b>Total - General Fund</b>	<b>75,797</b>	<b>152,066</b>	<b>75,797</b>	<b>152,066</b>	-	-
Crumbling Foundations	3,802	8,005	3,802	8,005	-	-
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>3,802</b>	<b>8,005</b>	<b>3,802</b>	<b>8,005</b>	-	-

**Background**

The Governor's FY 20 and FY 21 Budget provides funding of \$70.3 million in FY 20 and \$165.9 million in FY 21, across seven appropriated funds, for state employee wages and collective bargaining increases.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$79,599 in FY 20 and \$160,071 in FY 21 to reflect this agency's increased wage costs.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Adjust Fringe Benefit Funding for Homeowner Advocate Position**

Crumbling Foundations	31,354	37,151	31,354	37,151	-	-
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>31,354</b>	<b>37,151</b>	<b>31,354</b>	<b>37,151</b>	-	-

**Background**

The fringe benefit costs for employees supported by funds other than the General Fund are budgeted for within their respective agencies, as opposed to the fringe benefit accounts within the Office of the State Comptroller. This account, funded through the Insurance Fund, supports the salary and fringe benefits for the Homeowner Advocate position.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$31,354 in FY 20 and \$37,151 in FY 21 to ensure sufficient funds for fringe benefits.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Totals**

Budget Components	Governor Recommended		Legislative		Difference from Governor	
	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21	FY 20	FY 21
FY 19 Appropriation - GF	94,792,230	94,792,230	94,792,230	94,792,230	-	-
Policy Revisions	3,189,683	6,074,343	1,709,268	4,593,928	(1,480,415)	(1,480,415)
Current Services	1,556,222	4,204,091	1,556,222	4,204,091	-	-
<b>Total Recommended - GF</b>	<b>99,538,135</b>	<b>105,070,664</b>	<b>98,057,720</b>	<b>103,590,249</b>	<b>(1,480,415)</b>	<b>(1,480,415)</b>
FY 19 Appropriation - IF	110,844	110,844	110,844	110,844	-	-
Current Services	35,156	45,156	35,156	45,156	-	-
<b>Total Recommended - IF</b>	<b>146,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>	<b>146,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>	-	-