

Office of Early Childhood OEC64800

Permanent Full-Time Positions

Fund	Actual FY 20	Actual FY 21	Governor Estimated FY 22	Original Appropriation FY 23	Governor Revised FY 23	Legislative FY 23	Difference -Gov FY 23
General Fund	118	118	119	119	114	118	4

Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 20	Actual FY 21	Governor Estimated FY 22	Original Appropriation FY 23	Governor Revised FY 23	Legislative FY 23	Difference -Gov FY 23
Personal Services	8,173,924	8,607,678	9,235,220	9,588,976	9,003,095	9,343,095	340,000
Other Expenses	431,549	438,353	433,935	433,935	319,731	319,731	-
Other Current Expenses							
Birth to Three	22,845,964	23,452,406	23,452,407	24,452,407	24,452,407	29,452,407	5,000,000
Evenstart	295,456	295,455	295,456	295,456	295,456	295,456	-
2Gen - TANF	412,500	312,500	412,500	412,500	412,500	412,500	-
Nurturing Families Network	10,275,655	10,201,731	10,319,422	10,347,422	10,347,422	10,347,422	-
Early Child Care Provider Stabilization Payments	-	-	-	-	-	50,000,000	50,000,000
Other Than Payments to Local Governments							
Head Start Services	4,507,650	4,719,623	5,083,238	5,083,238	5,083,238	5,083,238	-
Care4Kids TANF/CCDF	77,963,811	55,045,133	59,527,096	59,527,096	59,527,096	59,527,096	-
Child Care Quality Enhancements	4,134,063	4,423,221	5,954,530	5,954,530	5,954,530	5,954,530	-
Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership	1,402,269	1,144,209	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	-
Early Care and Education	124,295,170	122,026,863	132,377,530	135,079,054	135,079,054	160,386,759	25,307,705
Smart Start	3,325,000	3,250,000	3,325,000	3,325,000	3,325,000	3,325,000	-
Agency Total - General Fund	258,063,011	233,917,172	251,916,334	255,999,614	255,299,529	335,947,234	80,647,705
Additional Funds Available							
Carryforward Funding	-	-	1,650,000	1,650,000	2,650,000	22,650,000	20,000,000
American Rescue Plan Act	-	-	16,800,000	-	1,000,000	103,875,000	102,875,000
Agency Grand Total	258,063,011	233,917,172	270,366,334	257,649,614	258,949,529	462,472,234	203,522,705

Account	Governor Revised FY 23	Legislative FY 23	Difference from Governor
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Policy Revisions

Provide Support for Early Child Care Providers

Early Child Care Provider Stabilization Payments	-	50,000,000	50,000,000
Total - General Fund	-	50,000,000	50,000,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$50 million to support wage supplement and childcare enhancement grants for early child care providers. Section 1 of PA 22-80, *An Act Concerning Childhood Mental and Physical Health Services in Schools*, is related to this change. OEC will establish guidelines and administer the grant program and distribute 70% of the appropriation to providers that do not receive state funding or state financial assistance and 30% of the funding to providers who do.

Related funding of \$20 million is provided via FY 22 carryforward for use in FY 23.

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Provide Funding to Increase Infant/Toddler Rates and Increase Number of Slots

Early Care and Education	-	25,307,705	25,307,705
Total - General Fund	-	25,307,705	25,307,705

Legislative

Provide funding of \$25,307,705 to support increasing the infant/toddler rate from approximately \$8,500 to \$13,500 per child per year and increasing the number of spaces by 1,300. Section 2 of PA 22-80, *An Act Concerning Childhood Mental and Physical Health Services in Schools*, is related to this change.

Provide Funding for Administrative Staff to Support Infant/Toddler Expansion

Personal Services	-	340,000	340,000
Total - General Fund	-	340,000	340,000
Positions - General Fund	-	4	4

Legislative

Provide funding of \$340,000 for four positions to support the expansion of infant/toddler seats.

Increase General Administrative Payments (GAP) under Birth to Three

Birth to Three	-	5,000,000	5,000,000
Total - General Fund	-	5,000,000	5,000,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$5 million to support an increase General Administrative Payments (GAP), from \$100 to \$200, for Birth to Three providers. Section 12 of PA 22-81, *An Act Expanding Preschool and Mental and Behavioral Services for Children*, is related to this change.

Provide Funding for Fiscal Support Staff

Personal Services	242,647	242,647	-
Total - General Fund	242,647	242,647	-
Positions - General Fund	3	3	-

Governor

Provide funding of \$242,647 for three fiscal support staff (one Fiscal Administrative Officer and two Associate Accountants).

Legislative

Same as Governor

Transfer Funding to Reflect Centralizing Information Technology Functions in DAS

Personal Services	(828,528)	(828,528)	-
Other Expenses	(114,204)	(114,204)	-
Total - General Fund	(942,732)	(942,732)	-
Positions - General Fund	(8)	(8)	-

Background

The Governor's Revised FY 23 Budget centralizes Executive Branch IT functions in the Department of Administrative Services' new unit, the Bureau of Information Technology Solutions (BITS). This IT centralization transfers 483 positions and \$39 million in Personal Services and \$32 million in Other Expenses across all appropriated funds to DAS.

PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget centralized certain Executive Branch IT functions in the Department of Administrative Services' new unit, the Bureau of Information Technology Solutions (BITS). This IT centralization transfers 219 positions and \$23,441,490 million in Personal Services, \$20,820,373 million in Other Expenses, and \$1,375,200 in Fringe Benefits across four appropriated funds to DAS.

Governor

Transfer \$942,732 (\$828,528 in Personal Services and \$114,204 in Other Expenses) to reflect centralizing this agency's IT functions in DAS.

Legislative

Same as Governor

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Carryforward

Support Stabilization Payments to Child Care Providers

Early Child Care Provider Stabilization Payments	-	20,000,000	20,000,000
Total - Carryforward Funding	-	20,000,000	20,000,000

Background

PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), FY 23 Revised Budget, carries forward \$368.9 million in surplus funding for various spending initiatives. This includes: 1) \$264.9 million in the General Fund; 2) \$103.8 million in the Special Transportation Fund; and 3) \$200,000 in the Workers' Compensation Fund.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$20 million to support the wage supplement and childcare enhancement grant program. Section 1 of PA 22-80 is related to this change.

Support Nurturing Families- Home Visiting Program

Nurturing Families Network	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Total - Carryforward Funding	1,000,000	1,000,000	-

Governor

Provide carryforward funding of \$1 million to support year two of Yale New Haven Hospital's two-year Home Visiting contract. Funding will support pre-pandemic levels of home visiting services in the New Haven region.

Legislative

Same as Governor

American Rescue Plan Act

Fund Start Early- Early Childhood Development Initiative

ARPA - CSFRF	-	20,000,000	20,000,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	20,000,000	20,000,000

Background

PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, allocates or reallocates federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and allocates the portion of ARPA funding unallocated by SA 21-15, the FY 22 and FY 23 budget. This results in a total of \$1,752.3 million in new ARPA allocations for a variety of initiatives and grant programs. This funding, plus all previous allocations, represents the total ARPA award to Connecticut via the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Capital Relief Fund.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$20 million to support the Start Early- Early Childhood Development Initiative. Section 459 of PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, is associated with this change.

Support School Readiness Programs

ARPA - CSFRF	-	30,000,000	30,000,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	30,000,000	30,000,000

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Background

Section 259 of PA 22-118 (as amended by PA 22-146), the FY 23 Revised Budget, requires OEC to administer an emergency stabilization grant program in FY 23 and FY 24 for school readiness programs and childcare centers who meet eligibility criteria, to be determined by the agency.

Legislative

Provide ARPA funding of \$30 million to support School Readiness programs.

Support the Seed Children's Services Fund

ARPA - CSFRF	-	20,000,000	20,000,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	20,000,000	20,000,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$20 million to support the Seed Children's Services Fund.

Fund Early Childhood Facility Renovation and Construction

ARPA - CSFRF	-	15,000,000	15,000,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	15,000,000	15,000,000

Background

Section 2 of PA 22-80 increases the infant/toddler rate from approximately \$8,500 to \$13,500 per child per year and increases the number of spaces by 1,300.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$15 million to support facility renovation and construction for early childhood providers.

Provide funding for Care4Kids

ARPA - CSFRF	-	10,000,000	10,000,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	10,000,000	10,000,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$10 million to support the Care4Kids program.

Provide Funding for Apprenticeship Services

ARPA - CSFRF	-	6,500,000	6,500,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	6,500,000	6,500,000

Legislative

Provide total funding of \$6.5 million to (1) expand access to training and supports for individuals in the early childcare workforce pipeline (\$5 million), and (2) support the childcare apprenticeship program (\$1.5 million).

Fund Universal Home Visiting Initiatives

ARPA - CSFRF	1,000,000	2,300,000	1,300,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	1,000,000	2,300,000	1,300,000

Governor

Provide ARPA funding of \$1 million to assess the sustainability of the Universal Home Visiting pilot. The pilot, currently in the planning phase, is anticipated to move forward through a contract with Family Connects International to support its development and implementation.

Legislative

Provide funding of \$2.3 million to support (1) a sustainability study of the universal home visiting pilot in Bridgeport, (2) a pilot in Norwich, and (3) integration of community health workers.

Support Capitol Child Development Center

ARPA - CSFRF	-	75,000	75,000
Total - American Rescue Plan Act	-	75,000	75,000

Legislative

Provide funding of \$75,000 to support Capitol Child Development Center.

Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 23	Legislative FY 23	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	255,999,614	255,999,614	-
Policy Revisions	(700,085)	79,947,620	80,647,705
Total Recommended - GF	255,299,529	335,947,234	80,647,705

Positions	Governor Revised FY 23	Legislative FY 23	Difference from Governor
Original Appropriation - GF	119	119	-
Policy Revisions	(5)	(1)	4
Total Recommended - GF	114	118	4