

Department of Economic Security
Children, Youth and Families

A.R.S. § 41-1954

	FY 2008 ACTUAL	FY 2009 ESTIMATE	FY 2010 APPROVED
OPERATING BUDGET			
<i>Full Time Equivalent Positions</i>	1,535.5	1,616.7	1,616.7 ^{1/}
Personal Services	54,547,100	62,489,700	62,489,700
Employee Related Expenditures	21,715,500	21,867,200	22,292,700
Professional and Outside Services	1,785,200	767,900	767,900
Travel - In State	2,148,100	2,725,700	2,725,700
Other Operating Expenditures	6,161,800	14,527,500	14,527,500
Equipment	1,105,100	0	0
OPERATING SUBTOTAL	87,462,800	102,378,000	102,803,500 ^{2/3/4/}
SPECIAL LINE ITEMS			
Children Services			
Children Support Services	62,839,400	75,982,400	71,082,400 ^{5/6/}
CPS Emergency Placement	5,172,400	5,186,500	5,186,500 ^{5/6/}
CPS Residential Placement	17,608,000	17,710,000	17,710,000 ^{5/6/}
Foster Care Placement	24,758,000	23,362,600	23,362,600 ^{5/6/}
Family Support			
Healthy Families	10,749,800	10,750,000	10,750,000
Family Builders Program	5,177,500	5,200,000	5,200,000
Intensive Family Services	1,985,600	1,985,600	1,985,600
Child Abuse Prevention	39,400	826,900	827,400
Joint Substance Abuse - AZ Families F.I.R.S.T.	6,344,500	7,224,500	7,224,500
DCYF Family Support Reduction	0	(2,620,800)	(2,620,800)
Other Services			
Independent Living Maintenance	3,062,800	2,719,300	2,719,300
Education and Training Vouchers	309,200	700,000	700,000
Homeless Youth Intervention	368,000	400,000	400,000
Comprehensive Medical & Dental Program	1,000,700	2,057,000	2,057,000
Permanent Guardianship Subsidy	7,167,500	8,935,300	8,935,300
Adoption Services	49,044,800	55,244,600	55,244,600 ^{7/}
Adoption Services - Family Preservation Projects	481,900	700,000	700,000
CPS Appeals	705,100	732,300	734,800
Attorney General Legal Services	11,934,300	12,168,800	12,205,400
PROGRAM TOTAL	296,211,700	331,643,000	327,208,100 ^{8/9/10/}
FUND SOURCES			
General Fund	193,432,900	206,987,200	202,362,700
Other Appropriated Funds			
Child Abuse Prevention Fund	39,400	1,576,900	1,577,400
Children and Family Services Training Program Fund	123,100	209,600	209,600
Federal TANF Block Grant	102,616,300	122,869,300	123,058,400
SUBTOTAL - Other Appropriated Funds	102,778,800	124,655,800	124,845,400
SUBTOTAL - Appropriated Funds	296,211,700	331,643,000	327,208,100
Other Non-Appropriated Funds	200	890,000	890,000
Federal Funds	201,544,500	191,185,000	212,183,900
TOTAL - ALL SOURCES	497,756,400	523,718,000	540,282,000

^{1/} Includes 161.3 GF and 1.3 OF FTE Positions funded from Special Line Items in FY 2010.

^{2/} The Department of Economic Security shall provide training to any new Child Protective Services FTE Positions before assigning to any of these employees any client caseload duties. (General Appropriation Act footnote)

COST CENTER DESCRIPTION — The program provides staff resources, such as Child Protective Services (CPS) workers; an array of contracted services for abused, neglected, or abandoned children; and medical and dental care for foster children.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Actual	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2010 Approved
• % of newly hired CPS specialists completing training within 7 months of hire	100	100	100	100
• % of children in out-of-home care who have not returned to their families or been permanently placed elsewhere for more than 24 consecutive months	21	23	26	19
• % of CPS reports responded to by CPS staff	100	100	100	100
• % of CPS original dependencies cases where court denied or dismissed the dependency	<1	<1	<1	<1
• % of Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) where CPS case findings are affirmed	84	90	89	90
• % of CPS complaints reviewed by the Office of the Ombudsman-Citizens Aide where allegations are reported as valid by the Ombudsman	15	12	13	13
• Average # of days spent in shelter placements	--	37	78	15
• # of children in shelter care more than 21 days	840	1,214	1,024	0
• # of children under 3 in shelter care	44	36	23	0
• # of children under 6 in group homes	49	24	4	0

Operating Budget

The budget includes \$102,803,500 and 1,454.1 FTE Positions for the operating budget in FY 2010. These amounts consist of:

	FY 2010
General Fund	\$64,292,600
Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant	38,301,300
Children and Family Services Training Program Fund	209,600

- 3/ It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Economic Security use the funding in the Division of Children, Youth and Families to achieve a 100% investigation rate. (General Appropriation Act footnote)
- 4/ ~~It is the intent of the Legislature that in FY 2010, \$5,500,000 will be disbursed from the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund to the Department of Economic Security for Child Protective Services. These monies shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5).~~ (General Appropriation Act footnote) The stricken language reflects language vetoed by the Governor.
- 5/ Any transfer to or from the amounts appropriated for Children Support Services, CPS Emergency Placement, CPS Residential Placement or Foster Care Placement requires review by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. (General Appropriation Act footnote)
- 6/ Of the amounts appropriated for Children Support Services, CPS Emergency Placement, CPS Residential Placement and Foster Care Placement, \$22,613,100 is appropriated from the Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant to the Social Services Block Grant for deposit in the following line items in the following amounts: Children Support Services \$5,371,700, CPS Emergency Placement \$2,333,700, CPS Residential Placement \$9,833,300, Foster Care Placement \$5,074,400. (General Appropriation Act footnote)
- 7/ ~~It is the intent of the Legislature that in FY 2010, \$2,500,000 will be disbursed from the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund to the Department of Economic Security for Adoption Services caseload growth. These monies shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5).~~ (General Appropriation Act footnote) The stricken language reflects language vetoed by the Governor.
- 8/ ~~It is the intent of the Legislature that in FY 2010, \$18,000,000 will be disbursed from the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund to the Department of Economic Security for Children Services. These monies shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5).~~ (General Appropriation Act footnote) The stricken language reflects language vetoed by the Governor.
- 9/ See agency summary for lump sum reductions and fund transfers.
- 10/ General Appropriation Act funds are appropriated as an Operating Lump Sum with Special Line Items by Program. As appropriated by Laws 2009, 1st Regular Session, Chapter 12.

These amounts fund the following adjustments:

Statewide Health Insurance Adjustments

The budget includes an increase of \$425,500 in FY 2010 for state employee health insurance statewide adjustments.

General Fund	\$236,500
Federal TANF Block Grant	189,000

(Please see the General Provisions section.)

A footnote in the General Appropriation Act (Laws 2009, 1st Regular Session, Chapter 12) indicated that it is the Legislature’s intent that \$5,500,000 of the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 will be spent for the Child Protective Services program. This footnote was line item vetoed by the Governor. *(Please see the agency summary and the ARRA Summary section of the Appropriations Report for further information.)*

Children Services Overview

The budget provides funding for Children Services in 4 separate line items. This funding provides for out-of-home placements and in-home and out-of-home services for children and families in the CPS system.

Table 1 summarizes funding from all sources for children services in the current line item structure.

Of the \$51,075,200 in other appropriated funds, \$50,325,200 is from the TANF Block Grant. The federal government caps the amount of TANF Block Grant monies that can be transferred to the federal Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) at 10%. Monies in the line item are deposited into the federal SSBG; once deposited, the monies are spent on the Children Services program.

Children Support Services

The budget includes \$71,082,400 for Children Support Services in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	40,403,300
Federal TANF Block Grant	29,929,100
Child Abuse Prevention Fund	750,000

These amounts fund the following adjustments:

Children Support Services Reduction

The budget continues a \$(100,000) General Fund decrease originally approved in the midyear FY 2009 revisions and includes an additional \$(4,900,000) decrease from the General Fund in FY 2010. A footnote in the General Appropriation Act (Laws 2009, 1st Regular Session, Chapter 12) indicated that it is the Legislature’s intent that \$18,000,000 of the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund money

Table 1

	Children Services Funding							
	Children Support Services		CPS Emergency Placement		CPS Residential Placement		Foster Care Placement	
	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2010
Clients ^{1/}	14,286	13,807	209	177	1,295	1,180	7,816	8,334
General Fund	\$45,303,300	\$40,403,300	\$2,180,100	\$2,180,100	\$6,543,400	\$6,543,400	\$17,139,500	\$17,139,500
Other Appropriated	<u>30,679,100</u>	<u>30,679,100</u>	<u>3,006,400</u>	<u>3,006,400</u>	<u>11,166,600</u>	<u>11,166,600</u>	<u>6,223,100</u>	<u>6,223,100</u>
Appropriated Total	\$75,982,400	\$71,082,400	\$5,186,500	\$5,186,500	\$17,710,000	\$17,710,000	\$23,362,600	\$23,362,600
Federal Funds	\$18,965,300	\$17,978,400	\$4,752,900	\$3,788,400	\$22,672,400	\$21,190,100	\$17,770,200	\$20,950,100
Other Non-Appropriated	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>890,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total – All Funds	\$94,947,700	\$89,060,800	\$9,939,400	\$8,974,900	\$40,382,400	\$39,790,100	\$41,132,800	\$44,312,700
							FY 2009	FY 2010
General Fund Total							\$71,166,300	\$66,266,300
Other Appropriated Total							51,075,200	51,075,200
Federal Funds Total							64,160,800	63,907,000
Other Non-Appropriated Total							<u>0</u>	<u>890,000</u>
Total							\$186,402,300	\$182,138,500

^{1/} FY 2009 Client counts are as of August 2008. FY 2010 Client counts assume caseloads as of March 2009. The Children Support Services count includes only in-home services to avoid double counting.
^{2/} The General Fund Appropriation amounts represent the actual appropriated amounts for FY 2009. In implementing the agencywide lump sum reduction from the FY 2009 midyear budget revisions, DES instituted reductions to Children Support Services and to Foster Care Placement.

from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 be spent on Children Services. This footnote was line item vetoed by the Governor. (Please see the agency summary and the ARRA Summary section of the Appropriations Report for further information.)

The Children Support Services line item provides support services for both in-home and out-of-home clients to ensure the well being of children who are abused and neglected. This does not include the cost of residential placement for children in out-of-home care. For March 2009, the department reported 10,404 out-of-home clients and 5,122 in-home cases. Monthly reports of abuse averaged 2,836 for FY 2009 through March 2009. About 125 per month were substantiated. There is no report of how many of these children received children support services.

While not reflected in these estimates, DES reduced in-home services and supportive services for children in out-of-home care when allocating its FY 2009 midyear lump sum reduction. DES estimated that these reductions would affect more than 4,000 families.

CPS Emergency Placement

The budget includes \$5,186,500 for CPS Emergency Placement in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	2,180,100
Federal TANF Block Grant	3,006,400

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The CPS Emergency Placement line item provides funding for immediate, short-term placement until a more permanent foster care or residential placement can be arranged. The department is working to decrease the number of out-of-home emergency placements. When out-of-home placements are necessary for the safety of the child, DES is working to place them in the most family-like setting possible. These efforts are expected to create a declining caseload in short-term congregate placements. In March 2009, 177 children were reported in emergency placements at an average monthly cost of \$2,110 per child.

CPS Residential Placement

The budget includes \$17,710,000 for CPS Residential Placement in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	6,543,400
Federal TANF Block Grant	11,166,600

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The Residential Placement Special Line Item provides funding for the placement of children in the CPS system into group homes and treatment centers. These residential

placement services are used for children who need behavioral or other therapeutic treatment. In March 2009, 1,180 children were reported in residential placements at an average monthly cost of \$2,900 per child.

Foster Care Placement

The budget includes \$23,362,600 for Foster Care Placement in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	17,139,500
Federal TANF Block Grant	6,223,100

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The Foster Care Placement Special Line Item provides funding for the placement of children in the CPS system into foster homes. This Special Line Item only includes the cost of placement, not additional support services. In March 2009, 8,334 children were reported in foster care. Of that number, 3,609 children were placed with relatives in unlicensed foster care, which receives no placement funding. The remaining 4,725 children were in licensed foster care at an average monthly cost of \$760 per child.

While not reflected in these estimates, DES reduced rates for children in family foster care by 20% when allocating its FY 2009 midyear lump sum reduction.

Family Support

Healthy Families

The budget includes \$10,750,000 for Healthy Families in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	5,715,800
Federal TANF Block Grant	5,034,200

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The Healthy Families program provides contracted services to children less than 5 years of age and members of their families and is designed to prevent child abuse or neglect and promote child development and wellness. The program will serve approximately 6,000 clients in FY 2010, with a total cost of about \$3,100 per family.

Family Builders Program

The budget includes \$5,200,000 from the Federal TANF Block Grant for the Family Builders Program in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

Through the Family Builders Program, community-based providers offer assessment, preservation, and support services to families of children who are in the CPS system.

There is an average of 218 referrals per month to the Family Builders Program.

Intensive Family Services

The budget includes \$1,985,600 from the General Fund for Intensive Family Services in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

The program provides contracted intensive, time-limited services to families whose children are at imminent risk of out-of-home placement due to abuse, neglect, or dependency. Cost per family is projected to be \$3,247 for 612 families.

Child Abuse Prevention

The budget includes \$827,400 and 1 FTE Position from the Child Abuse Prevention Fund for Child Abuse Prevention in FY 2010. These amounts fund the following adjustments:

Statewide Health Insurance Adjustments

The budget includes an increase of \$500 from the Child Abuse Prevention Fund in FY 2010 for state employee health insurance statewide adjustments.

The program provides financial assistance to community treatment programs benefiting abused children and their parents or guardians.

Joint Substance Abuse - AZ Families F.I.R.S.T.

The budget includes \$7,224,500 for the Joint Substance Abuse - AZ Families F.I.R.S.T program in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	5,224,500
TANF Block Grant	2,000,000

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The entire TANF Block Grant amount and \$5,000,000 of the total General Fund amount are deposited into the non-appropriated Joint Substance Abuse Treatment Fund. The remaining \$224,500 from the General Fund is for the non-appropriated CPS Expedited Substance Abuse Treatment Fund. These monies must be jointly administered by DES and the Department of Health Services for substance abuse services.

The funds pay for services for parents, guardians, or custodians whose substance abuse is a significant barrier to preserving the family. The monies also pay for services to recipients of the Federal TANF Block Grant whose substance abuse is a significant barrier to maintaining or obtaining employment. In FY 2010, these funds will provide substance abuse services to approximately 6,500 individuals.

The Child Protective Services Expedited Substance Abuse Treatment Fund is used to provide expedited drug treatment to guardians and parents when a dependency case plan calls for such treatment.

DCYF Family Support Reduction

The budget includes \$(2,620,800) from the General Fund for the DCYF Family Support Reduction in FY 2010. This amount funds the following adjustments:

Continue DCYF Family Support Reduction

The budget continues a \$(2,620,800) decrease from the General Fund originally approved in the midyear FY 2009 revisions.

This line item represents a lump sum decrease to the SLIs categorized under Family Support in DCYF. The department will allocate this reduction among the relevant line items.

Other Services

Independent Living Maintenance

The budget includes \$2,719,300 from the General Fund for Independent Living Maintenance in FY 2010. This amount funds the following adjustments:

Continue Independent Living Maintenance Decrease

The budget continues a \$(416,700) decrease from the General Fund originally approved in the midyear FY 2009 revisions.

The Independent Living Maintenance program provides stipends to about 320 former foster youth between 18 and 21, who are now living on their own and are either enrolled in a postsecondary program or employed.

Education and Training Vouchers

The budget includes \$700,000 from the General Fund for the Education and Training Vouchers program in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

Under this program, children in the foster care system with a financial need may apply for assistance in obtaining post-secondary education and training. Funding for the program also includes an \$800,000 match from the federal government. The match rate is 80% up to \$800,000. The program serves approximately 250 clients.

Homeless Youth Intervention

The budget includes \$400,000 from the Federal TANF Block Grant for Homeless Youth Intervention in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

The program has 2 locations in the state for the purpose of helping homeless youth achieve self-sufficiency from services provided through collaborative partnerships with community and faith-based organizations.

Comprehensive Medical & Dental Program (CMDP)

The budget includes \$2,057,000 from the General Fund for CMDP in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

The program provides full coverage of the medical and dental expenses of foster children under the jurisdiction of DES, Juvenile Probation Offices, and the State Department of Corrections. The General Fund monies in this program provide medical services to children who are not eligible for coverage through the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). AHCCCS reimburses DES for the costs associated with AHCCCS-eligible children.

Table 2

FY 2010 CMDP Funding

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	\$ 2,057,000
Reimbursement from AHCCCS	24,699,100
Total	\$26,756,100

Permanent Guardianship Subsidy

The budget includes \$8,935,300 for Permanent Guardianship Subsidy in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	7,192,300
Federal TANF Block Grant	1,743,000

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The program provides a subsidy to encourage placement of foster care children in private homes under permanent guardianship status. The amount of the subsidy is not to exceed the amount of a maintenance payment that is used in the Adoption Subsidy program. In March 2009, 2,195 clients received permanent guardianship subsidies.

Adoption Services

The budget includes \$55,244,600 for Adoption Services in FY 2010. This amount consists of:

General Fund	35,942,200
Federal TANF Block Grant	19,302,400

These amounts are unchanged from FY 2009.

The monies in this line item are used to subsidize the adoption of children who otherwise would entail high financial risks to prospective parents because of physical, mental, or emotional disorders or who would be otherwise difficult to place in adoption because of age, sibling relationship or racial or ethnic background. The funding provides for ongoing maintenance and/or payment for special services depending on each eligible child's needs. In March 2009, 12,552 clients received adoption subsidies.

A footnote in the General Appropriation Act (Laws 2009, 1st Regular Session, Chapter 12) indicated that it is the Legislature's intent that \$2,500,000 of the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 be spent on Adoption Services. This footnote was line item vetoed by the Governor. (*Please see the agency summary and the ARRA Summary section of the Appropriations Report for further information.*)

Adoption Services - Family Preservation Projects

The budget includes \$700,000 from the Federal TANF Block Grant for Adoption Services - Family Preservation Projects in FY 2010. This amount is unchanged from FY 2009.

These monies are part of a project to evaluate ways to enhance family preservation and promote adoption and permanency for children in the foster care system. These monies will provide additional funding to the agency to recruit adoptive parents, as well as to provide adoption subsidy increases and/or one-time payments. Specific projects in FY 2008 included focused recruitment and retention efforts, as well as providing crisis intervention services to adoptive families.

CPS Appeals

The budget includes \$734,800 and 10.5 FTE Positions from the General Fund for CPS Appeals in FY 2010. These amounts fund the following adjustments:

Statewide Health Insurance Adjustments

The budget includes an increase of \$2,500 from the General Fund in FY 2010 for state employee health insurance statewide adjustments.

This line item funds a process for individuals accused of alleged child abuse or neglect to challenge the department's findings.

Attorney General Legal Services

The budget includes \$12,205,400 and 151.1 FTE Positions for Attorney General Legal Services in FY 2009. These amounts consist of:

General Fund	12,153,100
Federal TANF Block Grant	52,300

These amounts fund the following adjustments:

Statewide Health Insurance Adjustments

The budget includes an increase of \$36,600 in FY 2010 for state employee health insurance statewide adjustments. This amount consists of:

General Fund	36,500
Federal TANF Block Grant	100

Monies in this line item are used to contract for Attorney General representation.

Lump Sum Reduction and Fund Transfers

Please see agency summary for agencywide lump sum reductions and fund transfers.