PROTECTING FOSTER YOUTH IN THE STATE BUDGET

Coalition to Restore Proposed Cuts to Housing Support Programs

February 15, 2024
1. Coalition letter signatories and emails to Administration—thank you! (Amy)
2. Schedule calls with district representatives to ask for their support (Amy)
3. Join upcoming calls with Governor’s Office (Amy)
4. Attend 2/20 and 3/13 budget hearings (Simone)
5. Identify the number of youth served by this coalition (Simone)
6. District meetings scheduled with budget committee chairs (Simone)
7. Media: Share articles & social media posts (Simone)
We’ve reached **102** organization/agency signatories on our coalition letter to the Governor, which includes counties as well!

So far, we’ve had **112** young adults sign on. Please continue to circulate the young adult sign-on link—let’s get to 500!

Schedule Zoom Calls: Request that your district representatives prioritize sustaining these investments in the budget

• It's clear that multiple members of the Legislature will need to identify protecting these cuts as **their** priority in the budget in order for it to be adopted as a priority of the Legislature. **We need widespread support!**

• Schedule calls with your district office—find your district, the member’s Chief of Staff, an email script for scheduling, and talking points for the meeting here: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Z4Ea5-71ecx_J56Yj8GvgtS7zhAvQVOyqrlHMbZK/edit#gid=1137165217](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Z4Ea5-71ecx_J56Yj8GvgtS7zhAvQVOyqrlHMbZK/edit#gid=1137165217)
  
  ➢ Any meetings you get scheduled, please add simone@jbay.org to the invite and she will join.

• The action we want from them is to **sign onto the Assembly or Senate letter supporting sustaining these programs in the budget**. When these letters are final, we will drop them into the Google Sheet.
Join Upcoming Calls with the Governor’s Office

2/21: Angela Pontes, Deputy Legislative Secretary (to discuss SILP Housing Supplement)

TBD: James Hacker, Deputy Cabinet Secretary & Myles White, Deputy Legislative Secretary (to discuss Housing Navigation & Maintenance Program)

Please indicate in the chat if you are interested in joining us on either or both of these calls.
Plan on Attending Budget Hearings

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*Priority hearings (most relevant agenda)
How many young people does this coalition serve?

As we meet with legislative members, state departments, and the Newsom Administration, it helps these key decision-makers feel the power of the coalition to know how many young people are collectively served.
Please take a moment right now to complete this form

Visit: http://tinyurl.com/JBAY-FORM

1. How many youth ages 18-25 does your organization serve? 
   (For public agencies or associations, please provide the number of youth your organization represents)

2. Can you attend two upcoming budget hearings? 
   (2/20 & 3/13)
We Have 3 District Meetings Scheduled So Far

March 22nd @ 11am in Van Nuys

Budget Sub #4
Chair: Senator Stephen Padilla
Represents: San Diego, Imperial, Riverside and San Bernardino

*Brand new committee assignment!

March 1st @ 9am in La Palma

Budget Sub #3
Chair: Senator Caroline Menjivar
Represents: Burbank and San Fernando Valley

Chair: Senator Scott Wiener*
Represents: San Francisco

March 27th @ 11am in Moreno Valley

Budget Sub #5
Chair: Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva
Represents: Buena Park, Cypress, Fullerton, Stanton, La Palma, and West Anaheim

Budget Sub #2
Chair: Assemblymember Corey Jackson
Represents: Riverside County

Assembly Budget Chair: Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel
Represents: San Fernando Valley
Share these articles on the proposed budget cuts widely

https://imprintnews.org/foster-care/california-governors-budget-breaks-his-promise-to-older-foster-youth/247373

https://www.davisenterprise.com/townnews/revenue/commentary-governor-s-budget-hurts-housing-options-for-foster-youths/article_c94e7c3c-c790-11ee-afab-e79585723841.html

Keep on Posting!


- Thank you Senator Menjivar for speaking up for foster youth! 297 impressions
- Can You Live on $1,206 a Month? 420 impressions
- LGBTQ youth face disproportionate rates of homelessness. Often due to family rejection and discrimination. Providing safe, affordable housing for LGBTQ youth both in and out of foster care is critical. 188 impressions
- Did you know? California is home to the 12 of the 25 most expensive cities in the country! Ever wondered what it's like for youth in foster care living in these cities? 208 impressions
FOR FUTURE QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION

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