



Support Family Values.

**Key DDS funding priorities
for Family & Community**



The Arc and ADDP FY'13 Budget Priorities

Last week, Governor Deval Patrick released his budget recommendations known as House Two. While we applaud the Governor for limiting the damage to many human service and disability programs, we regret that the budget proposal continues to leave 11,000 families (and potentially 2,000 more families) without in-home supports, respite care, some autism supports and some emergency services.

We ask that the Massachusetts House and Senate endorse the following budget requests to promote a budget that helps families, by promoting employment, keeping kids close to their parents and allowing adults to have day supports so they can keep their jobs while contributing to the state's economic recovery.

Description	FY'12 Final	FY'13 Governor's Budget	The Arc & ADDP House Ways & Means FY'13 Request
5920-3000 DDS Respite and Family Support Funding - This program delays entrance into residential programs saving the state millions of dollars. 11,000 families have lost service since FY09. House Two will force 2,000 more to lose in-home supports and force them to turn to more expensive out- of-home services, thus increasing other, more expensive line items.	\$46,504,298	\$41,004,298	\$56,473,235
5920-2025 DDS Day & Employment Services - This program serves 9,194 people and allows people with disabilities to work and earn money, and allows their caretakers to maintain jobs during the day. ** (The Governor's House 2 line item is inflated by merging other items, such as transportation, which we request be separated).	\$124,267,971	\$145,509,365	\$136,658,110 <i>Request includes current year Ch. 257 implementation short by \$1.3 Million</i>
5911-2000 Transportation - ** (Governor merged into 5920-2025 above.) This funding allows participants to travel to job sites, doctor's visits & other transportation needs.	\$11,641,431	\$0	\$13,618,581
EOHHS Salary Reserve - For four years, the private provider human service workforce has gone without an annualized pay increase. The families of our dedicated workers have been grievously impacted by rising healthcare, transportation and housing costs.	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$28,000,000
5920-5000 Turning 22 - Students graduating special education who need adult services; 195 residential, 520 need \$22,000/yr. for home/day supports. Projected 730 individuals total. Annualization necessary for full year cost in FY14.	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,500,000
5948-0012 & 7061-0012 DESE/DDS Family Preservation - This program serves more than 350 families, with 193 families on the waiting list. Focuses exclusively on keeping children with their families.	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$8,500,000 <i>plus specific implementation language in 7061-0012 as adopted for FY' 12</i>