

Public Policy Priorities

Our public policy priorities support our mission to collectively advocate along with the state's 23 Community Action Agencies for an end to poverty. Every day we work together to help MA residents living with low incomes to stabilize their lives and achieve economic prosperity.



Our FY22 Priorities



Strengthening Critical Human Services Infrastructure

- Address inequality, promote opportunity and end poverty by supporting Community Action Agencies (7002-0025) - \$5M
- Commission to Address Inequality, Create Opportunity, and End Poverty (HD3821/SD1032)



Strengthening Families through Affordable and Accessible Early Education and Care

- Support Early Education Teacher Salary Line Item (3000-1042) - \$20M
- Support Parent Fee Fund (3000-1044) - \$40M
- Support Budget Stabilization Reserve (3000-1045) - \$25M
- Support Head Start Line Item (3000-5000) - \$15M
- Support Child Care Resource Referral Access Management in Early Education Program (3000-2000) - \$12M



Bridging the Wage Gap

- Increase Resources for Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) (1201-0100) - \$1M
- Expand and Increase State Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) from 30 to 50% of Federal



Creating a Foundation for Economic Opportunity

- Contingency Fuel Assistance Fund for FY21 Supplemental - \$20M
- Add State Fuel Assistance Line Item for FY22 - \$10M

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