

## Public Policy Priorities

*Our public policy priorities support our mission to collectively advocate along with the state's 23 Community Action Agencies to advance economic, racial, and social justice and to create communities where everyone thrives. Every day we work together to help MA residents living with low incomes to stabilize their lives and achieve economic prosperity.*



### Our Top FY23 Public Policy Priorities



#### **Strengthening Critical Human Services Infrastructure**

- Address inequality, promote opportunity and end poverty by supporting Community Action Agencies (7002-0025) - \$7.5M



#### **Strengthening Families through Affordable and Accessible Early Education and Care**

- Support Early Education Teacher Salary Line Item (3000-1042) - \$288M
- Support Head Start Line Item (3000-5000) - \$16.5M
- Support Child Care Resource Referral Access Management in Early Education Program (3000-2000) – \$15M



#### **Bridging the Wage Gap**

- Increase Resources for Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) (1201-0100) - \$1.5M
- Expand and Increase State Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) from 30 to 50% of Federal

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