



MASS FAMILIES ORGANIZING FOR CHANGE

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# Budget Ask FY 2020

Massachusetts Families Organizing for Change (MFOFC) is a proud member of the Supporting Families Campaign along with the Arc of Massachusetts, the Association of Developmental Disability Providers (ADDP), Advocates for Autism of Massachusetts (AFAM), Massachusetts Developmental Disabilities Council (MDDC), and Advocates.

As such, families across Massachusetts are requesting the following....

## ***MAINTAIN TURNING 22: DDS Line item 5920-5000***

Proposed funds meet the need of the 1,150+ students graduating from school based services and into adult supports.

## ***MAINTAIN DESE-DDS: Line Items 5948-0012 & 7061-0012***

Proposed funds help maintain supports for 570 families and addresses the need of hundred of families that are waiting. This line item avoids out of home placements, keeps families together, and is cost effective for the state.

## ***REQUEST \$3.4mil FAMILY SUPPORT AND RESPITE: DDS LINE ITEM 5920-3000***

Although 12,000 served, many receive minimal funding, while another 8,000 unserved. Families represent 60% of the individuals serviced by DDS but only 3.5% of the DDS budget.