

2022 Legislative Priorities

In 2022, our priority is to maintain and build on the historic policy wins and investments from the last session to eliminate racial disparities and other inequities impacting children, youth, and families.

- **BASIC NEEDS:** Ensure basic needs are met through equitable, holistic, and sustainable investments in the behavioral and physical health, housing, safety, and well-being of children, youth, and families.
- **CHILD WELFARE:** Prioritize the safety and well-being of children, youth, and families impacted by the child welfare system through investments that: (1) aim to eliminate racial disproportionality; (2) provide services and supports to keep families together and prevent the trauma of family separation; (3) provide comprehensive and culturally responsive services delivered by adequately trained staff to children and youth placed in the child welfare system; and (4) support positive and healthy transitions of youth exiting the child welfare system.
- **EARLY LEARNING, CHILDCARE, AND FAMILY SUPPORT:** Invest in culturally responsive, affordable, accessible, and quality childcare, universal pre-K, and family support programs that equitably and sustainably support children and caregivers.
- **JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM:** Prioritize community-based interventions, diversion, restorative alternatives, and wraparound supports that prevent children and youth involvement in juvenile court systems and eliminate racial disparities while adequately serving youth currently in and transitioning out of the juvenile court system.
- **IDD/DISABILITY ADVOCACY:** Create sustainable funding streams for programs that provide accessible, equitable, and comprehensive support for children and youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and other disabilities.
- **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT:** Create sustainable funding streams for programs and resources that build on the gains of early investments and equitably provide the wraparound supports young people need to learn, grow, and successfully transition to adulthood.

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