



# Understanding the Washington Scene And APHSA's Priorities



# The Federal Budget Drives All Other Issues



# **S. Con. Res. 11**

# **H. Con. Res. 27**

**Conference Committee will work out differences  
between House and Senate passed budgets**



## **Administration on Children and Families**

### **DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS**

**Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program**  
**Child Care and Development Fund**  
**Child and Families Services**  
**Refugee and Entrant Assistant**

### **MANDATORY PROGRAMS**

**Payments to States for Child Support Enforcement and Facility Support Programs**  
**Children's Research and Technical Assistance**  
**Temporary Assistance for Needy Families**  
**Payments for Foster Care and Permanency**  
**Promoting Safe and Stable Families**  
**Social Services Block Grant**







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Normal dollars in billions

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<b>Difference Non-Defense</b>	0	-44	-63	-71	-79	-84	-92	-100	-108	-117	-759



## Comparison of **Discretionary** Budget Authority in House and Senate FY 2016 Budget Resolutions

	2015	2016			
		House	Senate		
<b>Non - Defense</b>	<b>\$492</b>	<b>\$493</b>	<b>\$493</b>		
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<b>Percent Change from FY2015</b>		<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>13.4%</b>

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# Mandatory Spending Cuts Done through the Reconciliation



## Reconciliation

**The budget cannot affect entitlement (mandatory spending) programs unless the budget includes "reconciliation instructions".**



# Reconciliation

**House Ways and Means Committee  
Senate Finance Committee**

**Required to cut \$1 billion in mandatory from  
their programs in FY2016**



## Mandatory Spending FY16 House Budget vs. Current Policy

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2016-2025
<b>Mandatory (Not including ACA or DoD)</b>	-38	-88	-97	-102	-83	-113	-120	-126	-133	-165	-1,064

Normal dollars in billions







# What does all this mean?



# New Congress Same Result



**It will take bipartisan efforts to move major legislation, including integration issues.**

**It may require unanimous consent to get a bill through the Senate.**



# APHSA Priorities



# Child Welfare Finance Reform



# **Child Welfare Finance Reform**

**Three national organizations have come together to draft a new Child Welfare Finance Reform proposal**

- **American Public Human Services Association**
- **Alliance for Strong Families and Communities**
- **National Organization of State Associations for Children**



# Child Welfare Finance Reform

- **Better leverage resources and promote evidence informed practices that improve outcomes;**
- **Strengthen families and keep children safe in their homes whenever possible,**
- **Secure permanency quicker for children who are removed from their homes;**



# Child Welfare Finance Reform

- **Establish an integrated array of proven community-based treatment service and support for children and their parents that reduces the need for residential treatment; and**
- **Provide high quality residential stabilization and treatment when no less restrictive service can safely and effectively address a child's needs.**







# Pathways 2.0

**To move toward the future we seek, we will –**

***Creatively generate solutions*** in partnership with communities across the nation.

Take full advantage of the many unprecedented ***opportunities*** we have – for innovation, alternative funding models, and breakthrough technologies.

***Transform our work*** through new approaches, tools, and relationships –

- from a system focused on outputs, rigid categories, and outmoded business techniques -
- to one that creates community-wide change and supports meaningful and sustainable outcomes – shifts that
- are lifting individuals toward independence, adding value to communities, strengthening families, and achieving more at less cost –
- ***positive changes that bring new value to all of us.***



## Pathways 2.0

- **Public human services must – and will – change rapidly to meet what we, the public, and our customers know we can deliver.**
- **These priorities and initiatives are examples of how APHSA and its members are driving creative leadership and flexible approaches**
- **With and through our members, APHSA will successfully meet the dynamic changes ahead and help assure that communities, families, and individuals can grow and prosper, to the benefit of the entire nation.**



# Pathways 2.0

## Key Initiatives Shaping our Path Forward

- **Setting the stage for integrated policy**
- **Employing modern business solutions**
- **Supporting successful innovations**
- **Investing in outcomes**
- **Applying what science tells**
- **Partnering for collective**
- **Readying our agencies**