

Health Federal & State Cuts



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Community Support and Treatment Services

Public Health

Washtenaw Community Health Organization

Funding Principles to manage State and Federal Cuts

- Maintain Core/Mandated Services
- Evaluate Community Impact
- Targeted State or Federal cuts will not be replaced or subsidized
- Identify and implement administrative efficiencies
- Distribute reductions across populations and providers
- Support the County Guiding Principles

October 2002



- Tight Fiscal Environment
- State cuts were incorporated into the 2003 budget

Cuts incorporated into original 2002-03 budgets

Cuts Incorporated in 2002-03 Budgets		
Entity	Amount of Program Reduction	Impact
WCHO	\$1,295,145	Includes \$91,766 cuts in funding to Public Health and CSTS; also reduced services to residential & supported living programs, and respite. \$407,115 covered using fund balance.
Public Health	\$341,887	Service reductions in health care enrollment assistance; screening/counseling/treatment for HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, TB, sexual assault victims and Cardiovascular Disease.
CSTS	\$41,766	Improved service model for group homes enables workforce reduction of 7.0 FTE through attrition.

November Executive Order

- Tight fiscal environment
- Governor Engler issued an executive order to balance the State budget
- State agencies cut program funding in response to the executive order
- County departments propose plans to address cuts in their budgets

County Impact of Executive Order

County impact of Executive Order Cuts		
Entity	Amount of Program Reduction	Impact
WCHO	\$1,119,555	Local provider funding (including SACC, CSTS, Fresh Start, WACA); Child Respite; medication; residential & supported living cuts.
Public Health	\$182,990	Administrative and operational efficiencies; elimination of health care enrollment assistance; 40% reduction in remaining sexual assault victim services.
CSTS	\$504,247	Child Respite service reductions; increased caseloads for direct services staff; increased focus on “must-serve” versus “may-serve” consumers.

Minimizing Community Impact

- Funding principles were used when making funding cuts
- Advocating for the State to restore funding and stop future cuts
- New funding strategies were used to sustain programs when possible by leveraging State/Federal grant funds
- Depth of cuts has forced reductions to direct services to the community

February 2003 Executive Order



- Report on the effects of this executive order in March 2003

2004: What's Next?



- October 1, 2003