

Select Birth-to-Eight Provisions in Governor, House and Senate COVID-19 Relief Budget Proposals

		Governor's Recommendations	House Recommendations	Senate Recommendations
Child Care	Funds for Immediate Childcare Needs	\$25 million for food banks, residential settings that are incurring additional costs to mitigate spread or isolate positive cases (Special Assistance), adult and child protective services response, support for homeless and domestic violence shelters and housing security (prevention, diversion, and rapid re-housing), child care response, costs to expand NCCARE360, and technology modifications to support COVID-19 emergency relief to beneficiaries. The portion of that intended for childcare is not clear.	\$25 million for adult and child protective services response, support for homeless and domestic violence shelters and housing security, including prevention, diversion, and rapid re-housing assistance, child care response, and technology modifications to support COVID-19 emergency relief beneficiaries. The portion of that intended for childcare is not clear. \$8.5 million of the funds are earmarked for food banks and other nutrition programs.	\$48 million of federal Child Care Development Fund dollars
Nutrition	Food Banks	Funding for food banks is included in the \$25 million noted above	\$6 million for food banks is included in the \$25 million noted above	\$6 million for food banks

K-12 Education	Remote and Summer Learning	\$243 million for K-12 education, for remote learning, support for Exceptional Children, social and emotional needs of students, remediation to students not yet proficient and/or unable to access online learning, supplies and equipment for more frequent sanitation, to assist with compensation for LEA employees, and to provide supplemental programs and support to K-3 students who were performing below grade level prior to school closures and are at risk for falling further behind in math and reading proficiency.	About \$212 million for K-12 education, including: Connectivity: \$42 million for LEAs to purchase devices for students and staff \$22.8 million for internet connectivity for students \$4.9 million for digital curricula \$5.5 million for remote learning platform School Health: \$35 million for school health support personnel to provide additional physical and mental health support services for students Educational Services: \$70 million to the Department of Public Instruction for summer learning programs, including reading and math interventions for K-4 students who were reading below grade-level. \$35 million of these funds are earmarked for students who were in grades two and three this year. \$17.9 million for Extended School Year Services or future services to exceptional children \$5 million for nondigital remote instruction to students with limited connectivity \$6 million for the Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports Competitive Grant	\$70 million to the Department of Public Instruction for summer learning programs, including reading and math interventions for K-4 students who were reading below grade-level. \$35 million of these funds are earmarked for students who were in grades two and three this year.
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		\$78 million for school nutrition, to	Program (Program) for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 fiscal years. The purpose of the Program is to fund high-quality, independently validated extended learning and integrated student support service programs for at-risk students whose learning has been negatively affected by COVID-19 impacts. \$80 million for school nutrition, through	\$56 million for school nutrition, through
	School Nutrition	provide incentive bonuses and/or additional pay for school nutrition and transportation staff involved in the preparation and distribution of meals and food packages; to expand programs to include all family members; and to buffer revenue loss of federal or local receipts	the end of the school year.	the end of the 2019-20 school year.
Healthcare	PPE and Testing, Tracing and Trends	\$75 million for testing, tracing, trends, and personal protective equipment (PPE)	\$50 million for PPE and \$25 million for tracing, testing and trends, for a total of \$75 million	\$50 million for PPE and \$25 million for testing, tracing, and trends, for a total of \$75 million. The Senate bill requires a host of data reporting from DHHS before funds are released.
	Rural and Underserved Communities	\$75 million for targeted support for rural and underserved communities	\$25 million for targeted support for rural and underserved communities \$75 million for rural hospitals	\$75 million for rural hospitals
	Medicaid Costs	\$40 million for additional Medicaid costs	\$40 million for additional Medicaid costs. The House also recommends increasing Medicaid provider rates by 5% temporarily and temporarily expanding Medicaid to those under 200% of the FPL for the prevention, testing, and treatment of COVID-19	Ensures that any increased Medicaid provider rates would be temporary. Recommends temporarily expanding Medicaid "for certain uninsured individuals" solely for testing for COVID-19
	Behavioral Health		\$25 million for enhanced behavioral health capacity	

	Public Health, Mental Health and Crisis Svcs	\$20 million for public health, mental health and crisis services	\$25 million for public health, mental health and crisis services	
Child Welfare	Foster Care		\$25 million for DSS facilities and \$2.25 million to support children in foster care	\$25 million for DSS facilities, \$2.25 million to support children in foster care, and \$290,000 for the foster care LINKS program
Local Assistance	Local Government Support	\$300 million to help meet immediate needs facing local governments. An additional \$50 million competitive grant program would be administered by the Pandemic Recovery Office to assist those communities most impacted.	\$350 million for allocation to counties	\$300 million for a Local Government Coronavirus Relief Reserve (Local Reserve)