

# Dept of Children, Youth, & Families 2023-25 First Supplemental Budget Session Maintenance Level - A4 - Settlement Payouts

## Agency Recommendation Summary

The Department of Children, Youth and Families requests \$94,615,000 General Fund State in the 2024 Supplemental Budget to cover the balance of settlement agreements not covered by the State Agency Self-insurance Liability Program.

#### **Program Recommendation Summary**

#### 090 - Program Support

The Department of Children, Youth and Families requests \$94,615,000 General Fund State in the 2024 Supplemental Budget to cover the balance of settlement agreements not covered by the State Agency Self-insurance Liability Program.

### Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Summary Dollars in Thousands	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal Years		Biennial				
	2024	2025	2023-25	2026	2027	2025-27				
Operating Expenditures										
Fund 001 - 1	\$94,615	\$0	\$94,615	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Total Expenditures	\$94,615	\$0	\$94,615	\$0	\$0	\$0				

## **Decision Package Description**

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families requests funding of \$94,615,000 for two settlement agreements. DCYF requests \$91,250,000 to cover obligations related to the settlement and legal fees associated with the Powell v. State of Washington agreement. DCYF also requests funding of \$3,365,000 for the Aroni v. State of Washington agreement. (DCYF is liable to pay settlement agreements that exceed the amount covered by State Agency Self-Insurance Liability.)

#### **Assumptions and Calculations**

#### Expansion, Reduction, Elimination or Alteration of a current program or service:

Not Applicable.

#### **Detailed Assumptions and Calculations:**

DCYF requests total funding of \$94,615,000 for two settlement agreements.

The cost of the Powell v. State of Washington settlement agreement is \$91,250,000.

The cost of the Aroni v. State of Washington settlement agreement is \$3,365,000.

## Workforce Assumptions:

Not Applicable.

## Strategic and Performance Outcomes

## Strategic Framework:

Results Washington Goals:

Efficient, Effective and Accountable Government

#### **Performance Outcomes:**

This request funds liability obligations.

## **Equity Impacts**

#### Community outreach and engagement:

Not Applicable.

#### **Disproportional Impact Considerations:**

Not Applicable.

#### **Target Populations or Communities:**

Not Applicable.

#### Other Collateral Connections

#### **Puget Sound Recovery:**

Not Applicable.

#### **State Workforce Impacts:**

Not Applicable.

#### Intergovernmental:

Not Applicable.

#### Stakeholder Response:

Not Applicable.

#### **State Facilities Impacts:**

Not Applicable.

#### **Changes from Current Law:**

Not Applicable.

#### **Legal or Administrative Mandates:**

Not Applicable.

## **HEAL Act Agencies Supplemental Questions**

Not Applicable.

#### IT Addendum

Does this Decision Package include funding for any IT-related costs, including hardware, software, (including cloud-based services), contracts or IT staff?

No

# Objects of Expenditure

Objects of Expenditure	Fiscal Years		Biennial	Fiscal	Years	Biennial
Dollars in Thousands	2024	2025	2023-25	2026	2027	2025-27
Obj. E	\$94,615	\$0	\$94,615	\$0	\$0	\$0

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