



Cabinet Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2024





Welcome &
Approval of Minutes





CIF Accountability Process



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TIMELINE

The Accountability Process takes place at the June Children's Cabinet meeting to align with the legislative budget process.

- This means service provision findings are reported on the previous state fiscal year.
- Current fiscal year findings are updated and included as part of the Children's Cabinet Annual Report released in December.
- CIF Budget recommendations will be for the 2026 state fiscal year.

DATA COLLECTION

- FY 2023 program reports collected from all CIF funded programs
- FY 2023 CIF actual expenditures retrieved from the Governor's Budget Report Fiscal Year 2025 v.1
- CIF Accountability Process Survey
- Program interviews

Accountability Process Overview



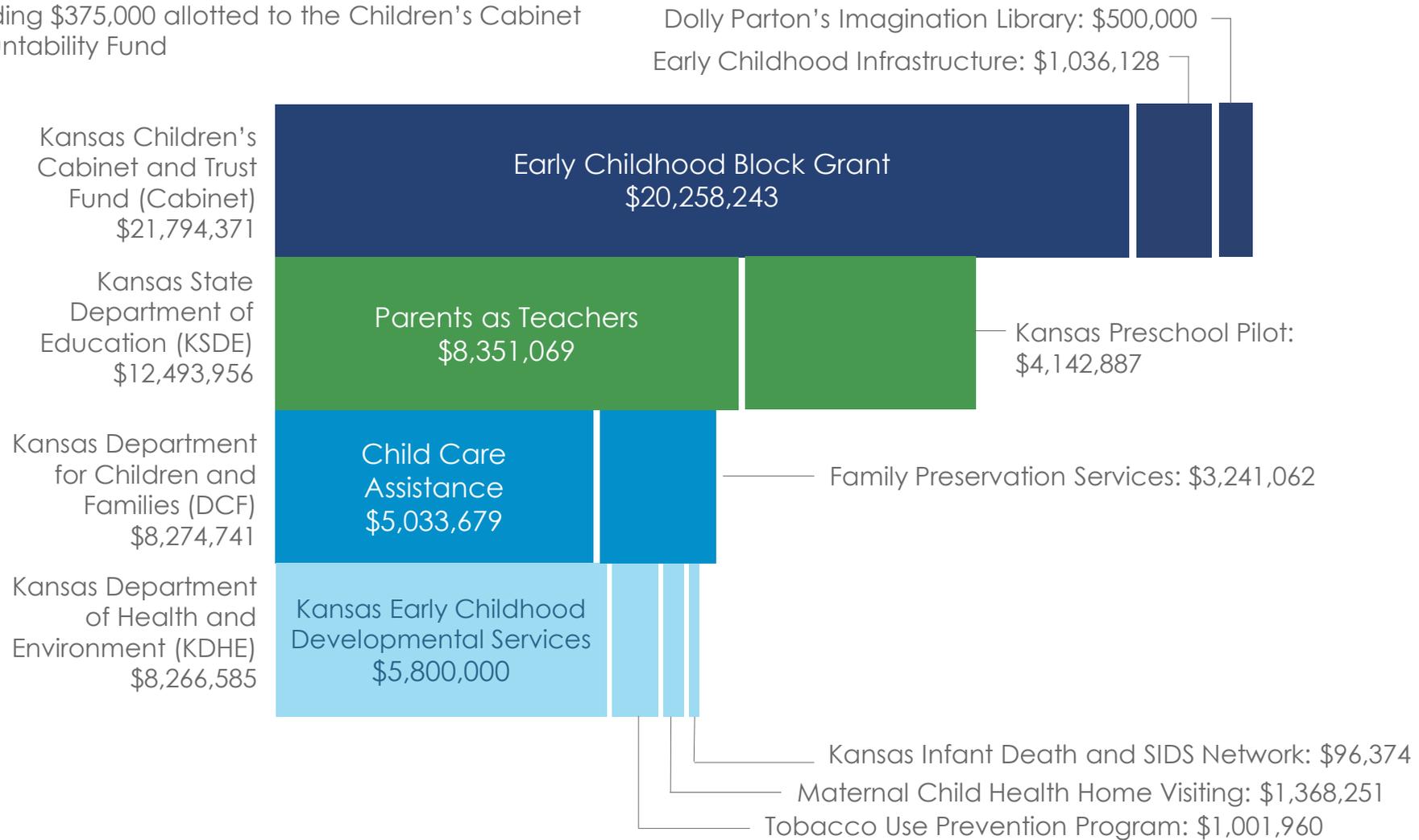


The Children's Initiatives Fund

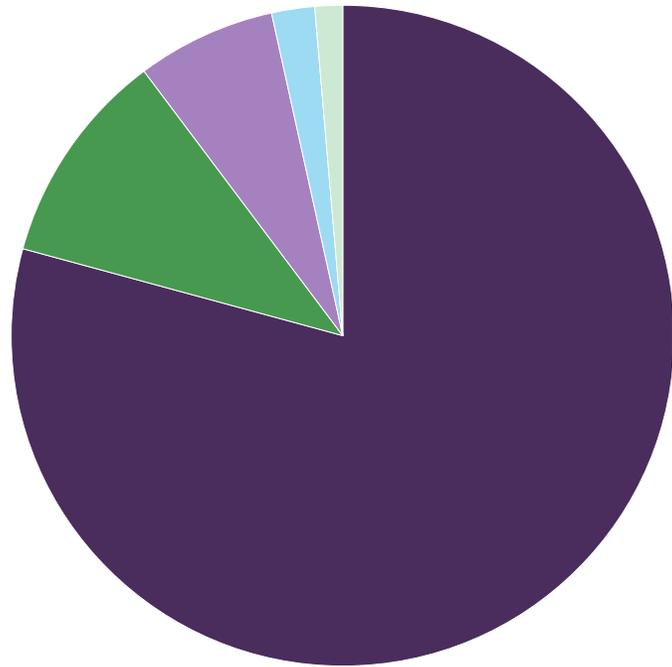
FY23 Funding by Agency and Program

TOTAL FUNDING: \$51,204,653[†]

[†]Including \$375,000 allotted to the Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund



FY23 Funding by Primary Population



- \$41,456,578 Prenatal to Age 5**
 - Early Childhood Block Grant
 - Maternal Child Health Home Visiting
 - Kansas Early Childhood Developmental Services
 - Parents as Teachers
 - Kansas Preschool Pilot
 - Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
 - Early Childhood Infrastructure
- \$5,033,679 Prenatal to Age 12**
 - Child Care Assistance
- \$3,241,062 Prenatal to Age 18**
 - Family Preservation Services
- \$96,374 Providers**
 - KIDS Network
- \$1,001,960 General Population**
 - Tobacco Use Prevention Program

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS
\$51,204,653
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Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund

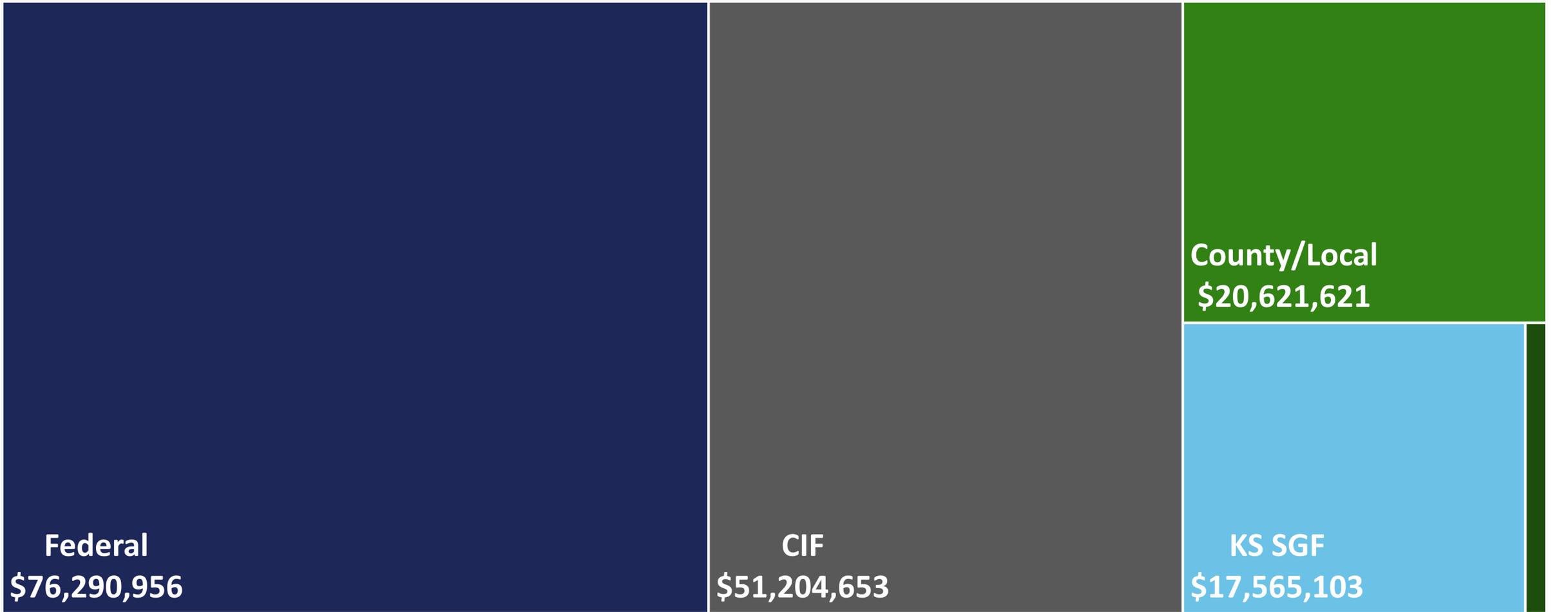
FY23 Total Program Funding

TOTAL: \$166,757,183

Program Name	Federal	KS SGF	CIF	County/ Local	Private
Child Care Assistance	\$58,632,893	\$10,429,859	\$5,033,679	-	-
Dolly Parton Imagination Library	-	-	\$500,000	-	-
ECBG	-	-	\$20,258,243	-	-
Family Preservation	\$7,775,540	\$983,395	\$3,241,062	-	-
KECDS	\$4,402,869	\$6,000,000	\$5,800,000	\$15,902,798	\$894,333
Early Childhood Infrastructure	-	-	\$1,036,128	-	-
Kansas Preschool Pilot	\$4,132,317	-	\$4,200,000	-	-
KIDS Network	-	\$114,805	\$96,374	-	\$180,517
MCH Home Visiting	-	-	\$1,368,251	-	-
Parent as Teachers	-	-	\$8,351,069	\$4,718,823	-
Tobacco Use Prevention	\$1,347,337	\$37,044	\$1,001,960	-	-
Total	\$76,290,956	\$17,565,103	\$51,204,653*	\$20,621,621	\$1,074,850

*Including \$375,000 allotted to the Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund

FY23 TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING



TOTAL: \$166,757,183

Private
\$1,074,850

CIF Funded Programs



CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE OVERVIEW

Description

The Child Care Assistance (CCA) program supports families who are living at or below 85% of the state median income level. CCA provides families with a subsidy to finance child care while parents work, attend school, complete a GED, or fill a temporary emergency need. CCA promotes school readiness and financial stability by increasing families' access to high-quality child care environments. The program typically serves families with children under age 13 but some exceptions allow funding for children up to age 18.

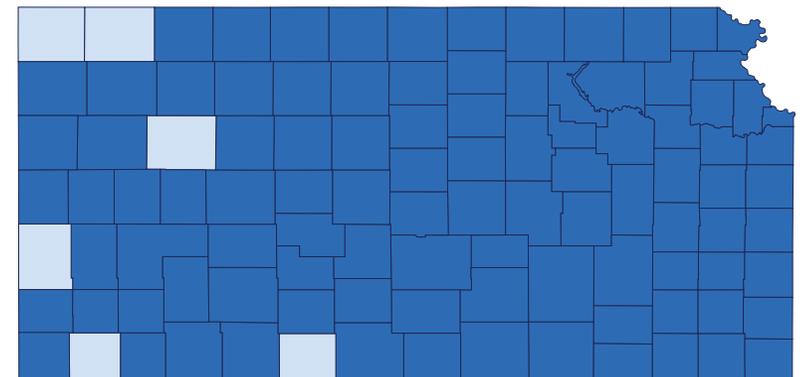
Program link: https://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/ees/Pages/Child_Care/ChildCareSubsidy.aspx

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$5,033,679

Total Funding: \$74,096,031

FY 2024: \$5,033,679 & FY2025 \$5,033,679

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	18,252
Prenatal to Age 3	8,970
Ages 3-5	4,025
Ages 5-12	5,166
Ages 12-18	91
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	0
Professional Development	0



CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE IMPACT

Program Impact

- Child Care Assistance is related to higher wages and longer employment retention.
- 69% of families receiving Child Care Assistance, while employed, saw an earnings increase in their next review.
- Families continue to report being able to receive care they would not be able to without access to subsidies.

What's New

- Adjusted benefit rates based on a 2023 narrow cost analysis
- Policy change allowing all providers to charge up to the DCF maximum rate to families with DCF benefits.
- Cleared a significant backlog within the agency for families seeking child care

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT OVERVIEW

Description

Focusing on the critical years between birth and kindergarten, ECBG recipients provide services to at-risk children ages 0-5 and their families. Services include: Pre-K and 0-3 care and education, social emotional consultation, home visiting, literacy activities, and parent education. Programs participate in the Common Measures Initiative, which uses shared measurement tools to collect data and better understand statewide risk and program outcomes. Public-private partnerships are encouraged to maximize resources, foster innovation, and avoid duplication of services.

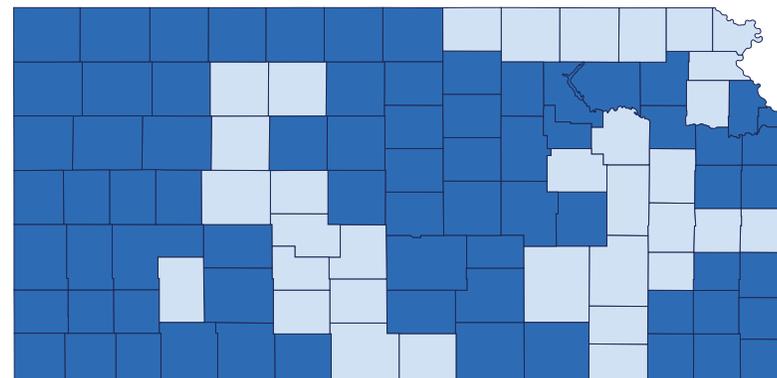
Program link: <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/ecbg/>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$20,258,243

Total Funding: \$20,258,243

FY 2024: \$23,720,493 & FY 2025: \$23,720,493

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	7,062
Prenatal to Age 3	2,788
Ages 3-5	4,274
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	6,143
Professional Development	1,804



EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT IMPACT

Program Impact

- 77% of classrooms were observed to be high quality.
- 80% of birth to 3 year olds on track in early communication skills.
- 75% of Pre-K 3 year olds on track in early literacy.
- 74% of Pre-K 4 year olds on track in language comprehension.

What's New

- Continue working with grantees and other state agencies to avoid duplication of services.
- Increasing need for supports for children on behavioral issues and social emotional supports for families.
- FY 2024 ECBG report to be released and presented at the next Children's Cabinet meeting August 2nd

FAMILY PRESERVATION SERVICES OVERVIEW

Description

Family Preservation provides voluntary services alongside families to build on family strengths and reduce the risk of children being placed in foster care. Family Preservation has two tiers of service options based on the intensity and duration of services provided. Tier 1, Intensive In-Home Family Preservation Services are provided to mitigate immediate child safety concerns, stabilize family crises, and assess the family's needs. Tier 2, Short-Term Family Preservation Case Management Services are provided by a worker dyad consisting of an assigned Case Manager and a Family Support Worker assessing for existing risk and emergent safety issues and when identified, initiating services to stabilize and support the family.

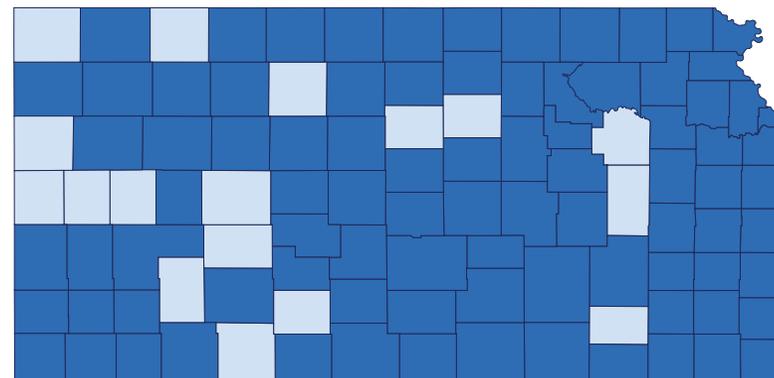
Program link: <https://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/PPS/Pages/ServicestoPreserveFamilies.aspx>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$3,241,062

Total Funding: \$11,999,997

FY 2024: \$3,241,062 & FY 2025: no longer CIF

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	2,835
Prenatal to Age 3	462
Ages 3-5	290
Ages 5-12	1,147
Ages 12-18	928
Ages 18+	8
Caregivers	1,791
Professional Development	70



FAMILY PRESERVATION SERVICES IMPACT

Program Impact

- Families reported that Family Preservation supports led to increased family stability.
- 96% (Tier 1) and 87% (Tier 2) of children served maintained safely at home and not referred to foster care.
- 93% (Tier 1) and 85% (Tier 2) of families served with children safely maintained in home.
- 99% (Tier 1) and 99% (Tier 2) of families did not experience substantiated abuse or neglect during services.

What's New

- New RFP led to scope of work additions including engagement prior to referral, case management for all families, and services in more than one household.
- Evaluation of the tiers system led to its discontinuation because of barriers encountered

KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES OVERVIEW

Description

As part of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C, Kansas Early Childhood Developmental Services (KECDS) provides early intervention services for children (from birth to age 3) who have a disability or a developmental delay, and their families. Services are delivered to families in their natural environments, and providers work alongside community partners to ensure families have the resources they need to support their child's development.

Program link: <https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/677/Kansas-Early-Childhood-Developmental-Ser>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$5,800,000

Total Funding: \$33,00,000

FY 2024: \$5,800,000 & FY 2025: \$5,800,000

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	11,108
Prenatal to Age 3	11,108
Ages 3-5	0
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	10,232
Professional Development	600



KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES IMPACT

Program Impact

- 99+% of children with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) demonstrated improved positive social-emotional skills or had skills comparable to same-aged peers.
- 99% of children with IFSPs demonstrated improved acquisition and use of knowledge and skills, including language skills or had skills comparable to same-aged peers.
- 95% of families participating in Part C reported that early intervention services helped the family effectively communicate their children's needs.

What's New

- Joint initiative with the Kansas School for the Blind to serve children who are blind or visually impaired with specialized providers and connections with local programs to deliver services.
- Grants provided to local programs for creating updated materials including websites and printed content.

KANSAS PRESCHOOL PILOT OVERVIEW

Description

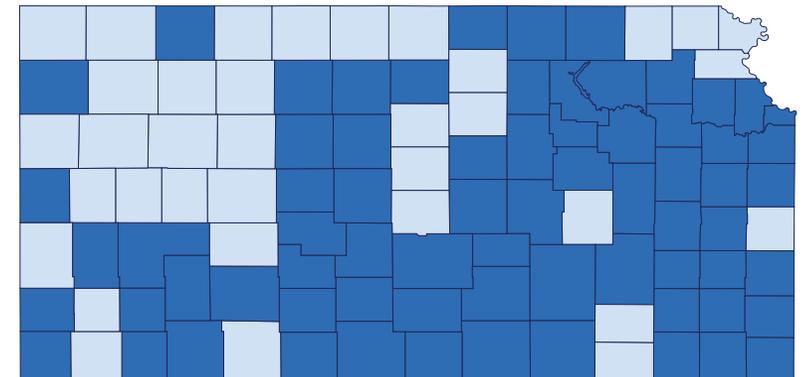
The Kansas Preschool Pilot (KPP) funds school districts and community partners to support high quality preschool programming for children ages 3-5. The program implements evidence-based curricula, instruction, and assessment practices shown to prevent later academic and behavioral challenges. KPP builds community collaboration, fosters family engagement, and provides high-quality early learning experiences to support children to thrive. Each of these elements are known to improve quality in early learning and promote success in school. Program link: <https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Special-Education-and-Title-Services/Early-Childhood/Preschool-Programming>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$4,200,000

Total Funding: \$8,332,317

FY 2024: \$4,200,000 & FY 2025: \$4,200,000

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	5,014
Prenatal to Age 3	0
Ages 3-5	5,014
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	0
Professional Development	830



KANSAS PRESCHOOL PILOT IMPACT

Program Impact

- 96% of preschoolers showed improvements in literacy from the beginning of the program year to the end.
- 96% of preschoolers showed improvements in mathematics from the beginning of the program year to the end.
- 95% of preschoolers showed improvement in social emotional development from the beginning of the program year to the end.

What's New

- Longitudinal data tracking is in the works to better evaluate the program's impact on student success over time.
- KSDE is updating the accreditation model connected to school improvement with Pre-K included.

KIDS NETWORK OVERVIEW

Description

The KIDS Network serves individuals touched by the tragedy of infant death or SIDS and is a central point of contact for those working to reduce the risk of infant deaths. The program provides supportive services, community education, professional training, and associated research. Events, such as the KIDS Network Safe Sleep Instructor Certification and Safe Sleep Community Baby Showers promote a statewide infrastructure to educate current and expectant parents, relatives, community members, and health and child care providers.

Program link: <https://www.kidsks.org/>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$96,374

Total Funding: \$391,695

FY 2024: \$122,106 & FY 2024: \$122,106

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	12,015
Prenatal to Age 3	11,929
Ages 3-5	15
Ages 5-12	36
Ages 12-18	20
Ages 18+	15
Caregivers	13,577
Professional Development	5,175



KIDS NETWORK IMPACT

Program Impact

- 127 Safe Sleep events were held across 43 counties.
- Safe Sleep Community Baby Shower participants showed significant increases in committing to both safe sleep and tobacco cessation.
- 6 delivering hospitals gained Safe Sleep Hospital Certification and served more than 4,000 infants.
- 7 outpatient clinics (obstetrics, pediatrics, and family medicine) certified as KIDS Network Safe Sleep Clinics serving more than 5,500 infants.

What's New

- Quarterly webinar utilizing national experts to educate trainers on consumer product safety information.
- Reviewing retention data for safe sleep instructors to better understand difficulties in meeting program requirements and deliverables.

MCH HOME VISITING OVERVIEW

Description

Maternal Child Health Home Visiting is a strengths-based model connecting any Kansas family with infants to the resources they need to create a safe, stable, and nurturing home environment. Families receive individualized services before, during, and after pregnancy, with the frequency of visits and duration of services based on each family's needs. Home visitors act as a bridge for families in setting and reaching their parenting goals by sharing information about child development, health and safety, positive parenting behaviors; and by connecting to community-based resources, services, and supports as needed.

Program link: <https://kshomevisiting.org/>

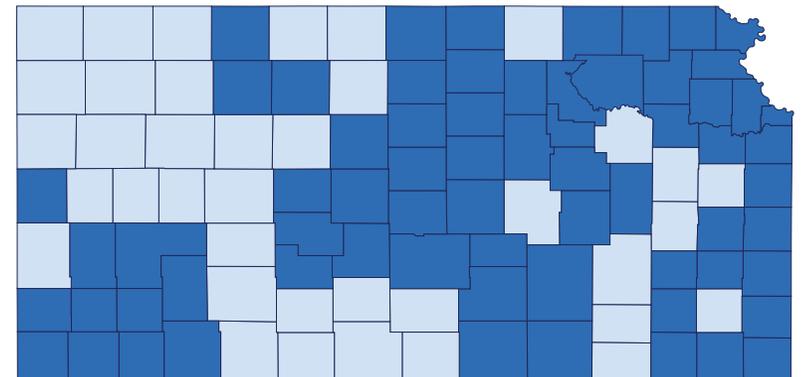
FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$1,368,251

Total Funding: \$1,368,251*

FY 2024: \$1,652,876 & FY 2025: \$1,652,876

*Currently unable to separate HV from total MCH funding

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	2,427
Prenatal to Age 3	2,427
Ages 3-5	0
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	3,335
Professional Development	431



MCH HOME VISITING IMPACT

Program Impact

- 31% increase in enrollment & 44% increase in home visits made for expansion grantees
- Programs reported reductions in the likelihood of child maltreatment and increases in positive parenting and child interactions.
- 64% of women initiated prenatal care in the first trimester.
- 71% of mothers reported breastfeeding their child.

What's New

- Set a baseline of education and screening topics to be covered at home visits that align with the top needs of mothers and children as identified by the most recent MCH needs assessment and state action plan.
- Working with outside evaluators to review the existing MCH program by evaluating current outcomes and capacity and reviewing other state models to develop recommendations for a KS Universal Home Visiting approach.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS OVERVIEW

Description

Parents as Teachers (PAT) is an evidence-based parent education and family engagement home visiting model designed to give parents and caregivers the tools they need to support their child's development. In coordination with the Kansas State Department of Education and local school districts, certified parent educators work with families to foster healthy development and promote positive parent-child interactions. Developmental and health screenings are used to identify potential delays or areas of concern, implement interventions, and refer families to additional community resources when needed.

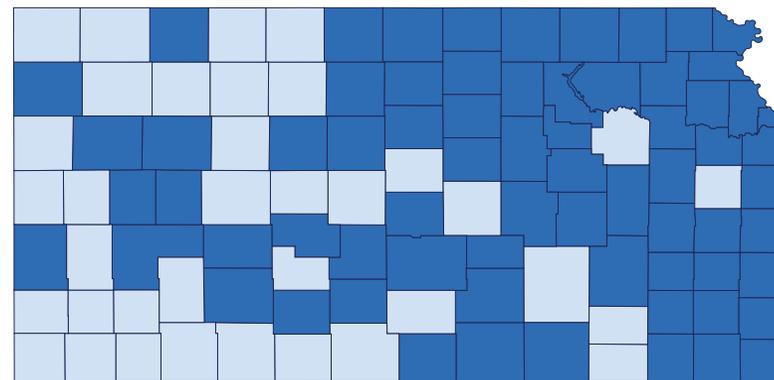
Program link: <https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Special-Education-and-Title-Services/Early-Childhood/Kansas-Parents-as-Teachers>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$8,351,069

Total Funding: \$13,069,892

FY 2024: \$9,437,635 & FY 2024: \$9,437,635

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	8,322
Prenatal to Age 3	7,401
Ages 3-5	916
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	6,178
Professional Development	64



PARENTS AS TEACHERS IMPACT

Program Impact

- 55,510 personal visits were completed
- Programs showed an 88% retention rate of local families.
- 93% of the families that participated in the Parents as Teachers program this year had family goals documented and addressed through personal visits and planning.
- 2,355 potential developmental delays/concerns were identified through developmental screenings.

What's New

- The coming year will see slight changes to the program model based on the completion of the 5-year national review.
- Reviewing how affiliates can best use available resources to meet the needs of more families including how smaller affiliates can consolidate for expanded reach.

TOBACCO USE PREVENTION PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Description

The Tobacco Use Prevention Program uses evidence-based strategies and community partnerships to educate the public and increase awareness about the negative health effects of tobacco use. The program aims to prevent children from becoming smokers, reduce tobacco-related deaths and exposure to second-hand smoke and promote policy change. To support the success of current tobacco users who are trying to quit, the program operates the statewide Kansas Tobacco Quitline (1-800-QUIT-NOW).

Program link: <https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/823/Tobacco-Use-Prevention-Program>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$1,001,960

Total Funding: \$2,386,341

FY 2024: \$1,001,960 & FY 2025: \$1,001,960

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	487,768
Prenatal to Age 3	74,663
Ages 3-5	79,187
Ages 5-12	164,588
Ages 12-18	169,330
Ages 18+	1,549,794
Caregivers	Unknown
Professional Development	1,118



TOBACCO USE PREVENTION PROGRAM IMPACT

Program Impact

- 93% of children were born to smoke-free mothers.
- 47% of adult smokers tried to quit in the past year.
- 22 new tobacco control policies implemented
- A Young Lungs at Play! 2023 Toolkit was created which includes resources, letter templates, and sample policies to promote tobacco-free parks and recreational areas.

What's New

- The team has expanded to include a new epidemiologist and a behavioral health position to provide added reach.
- Continued work to expand trainings to educate the workforce including online training courses
- Ongoing attempts to reach young adults which is a particularly hard-to-reach population



New In Fiscal Year 2023



EARLY CHILDHOOD INFRASTRUCTURE

Description

A line item within the CIF for Early Childhood Infrastructure to support the long-term vision of the All in for Kansas Kids Strategic Plan. Setting aside dedicated funds to support early childhood system infrastructure will help the Children's Cabinet fulfill its role as a Connector and its statutory responsibilities as the coordinating entity for the early childhood system in Kansas. This fund allows us to support infrastructure enhancements and efficiencies as part of the goals of the All In For Kansas Kids Strategic Plan. (Goals 1 & 2).

CIF Funding: FY 2023 \$1,036,128

FY 2024: \$1,408,512 & FY 2025 \$1,408,512

Projects funded in FY23:

- 1-800-Children
- DAISEY
- KUCR CIF Contract
- Early Childhood Integrated Data System – Authorized Projects
- One-time expenses for program support materials
- Additional funds to support Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Expansion
- A portion of KCCTF Overhead

IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF KANSAS

Description

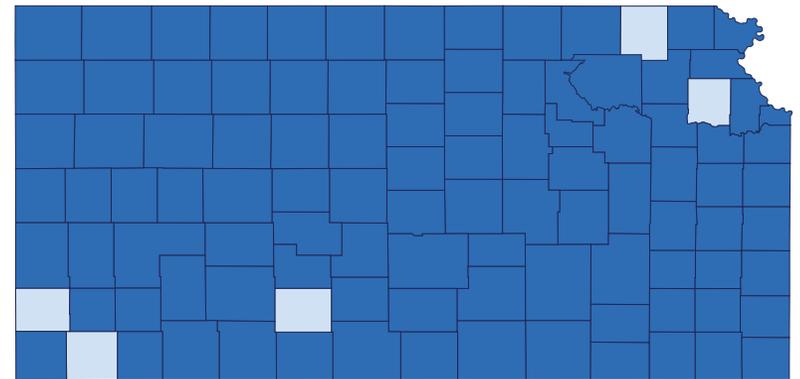
The Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund is supporting expansion of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library statewide. The Imagination Library is open to any child from birth to their 5th birthday, and participating children and families receive free, age-appropriate books mailed to their home every month. Local affiliates across the state support the library through outreach, enrollment support, and supporting the cost of mailing books to participating children. The Children's Cabinet supports local affiliates by covering half of their mailing costs. Program link: <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/imaginationlibrary/>

FY 2023 CIF Funding: \$500,000

Total Funding: \$500,000

FY 2024: \$1,500,000 & FY 2025: \$1,500,000

FY23 Population Served	
Total Children	62,200
Prenatal to Age 3	36,011
Ages 3-5	26,189
Ages 5-12	0
Ages 12-18	0
Ages 18+	0
Caregivers	0
Professional Development	0



IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF KANSAS

Program Impact

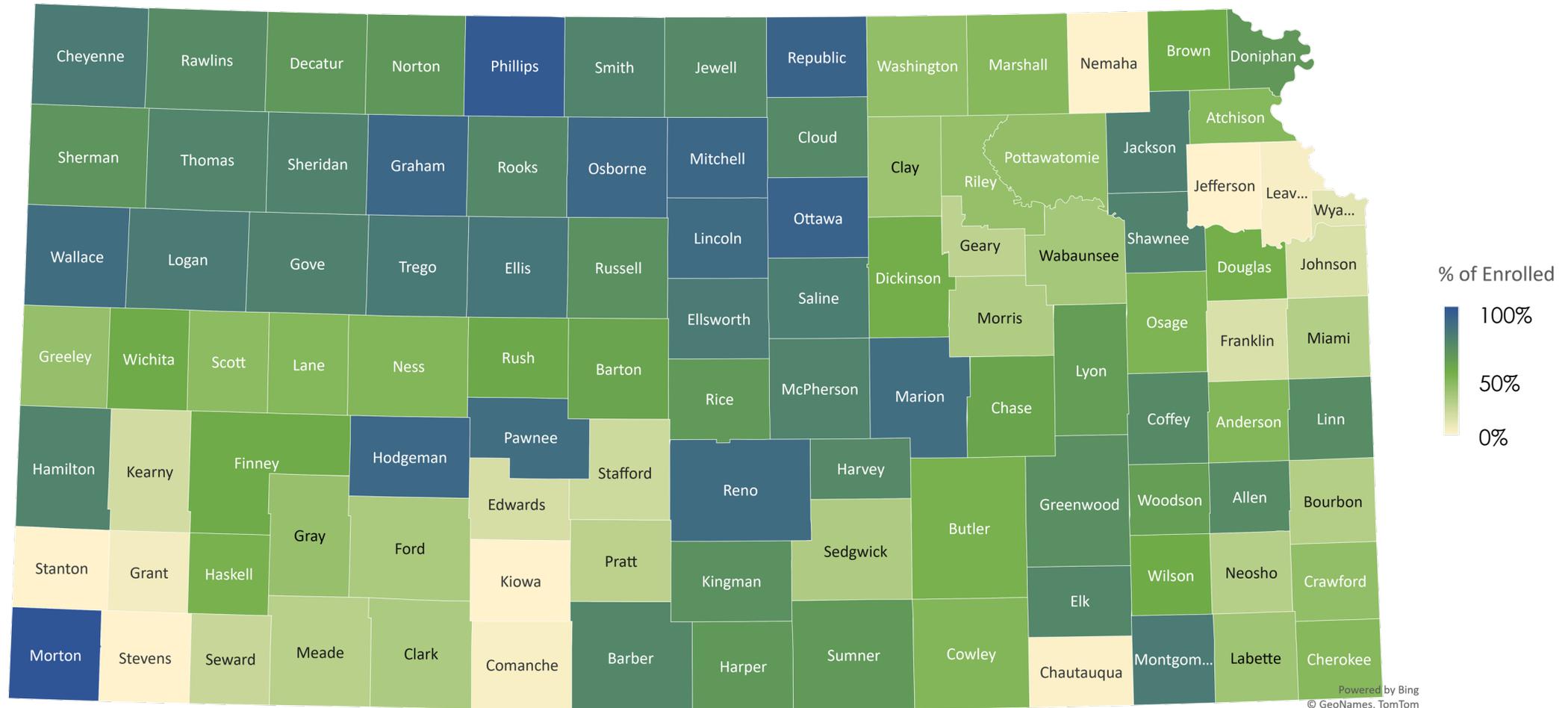
- 19,900 Newly enrolled children during FY2023
- Statewide, 28% of age-eligible children participated in the Imagination Library of Kansas
- 512,625 books distributed directly to children during FY2023

What's New

- On August 14, 2023, Kansas welcomed American icon Dolly Parton to celebrate the successful statewide expansion of her Imagination Library, and Governor Kelly proclaimed August 14th as Imagination Library of Kansas Day.
- Establishment of a 501 (c) (3) with the Children's Cabinet members serving as the board for the purpose of fundraising to support the Imagination Library of Kansas efforts to develop, implement, promote and sustain reading by the children of Kansas in 2024.

IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF KANSAS FY22-23 EVALUATION

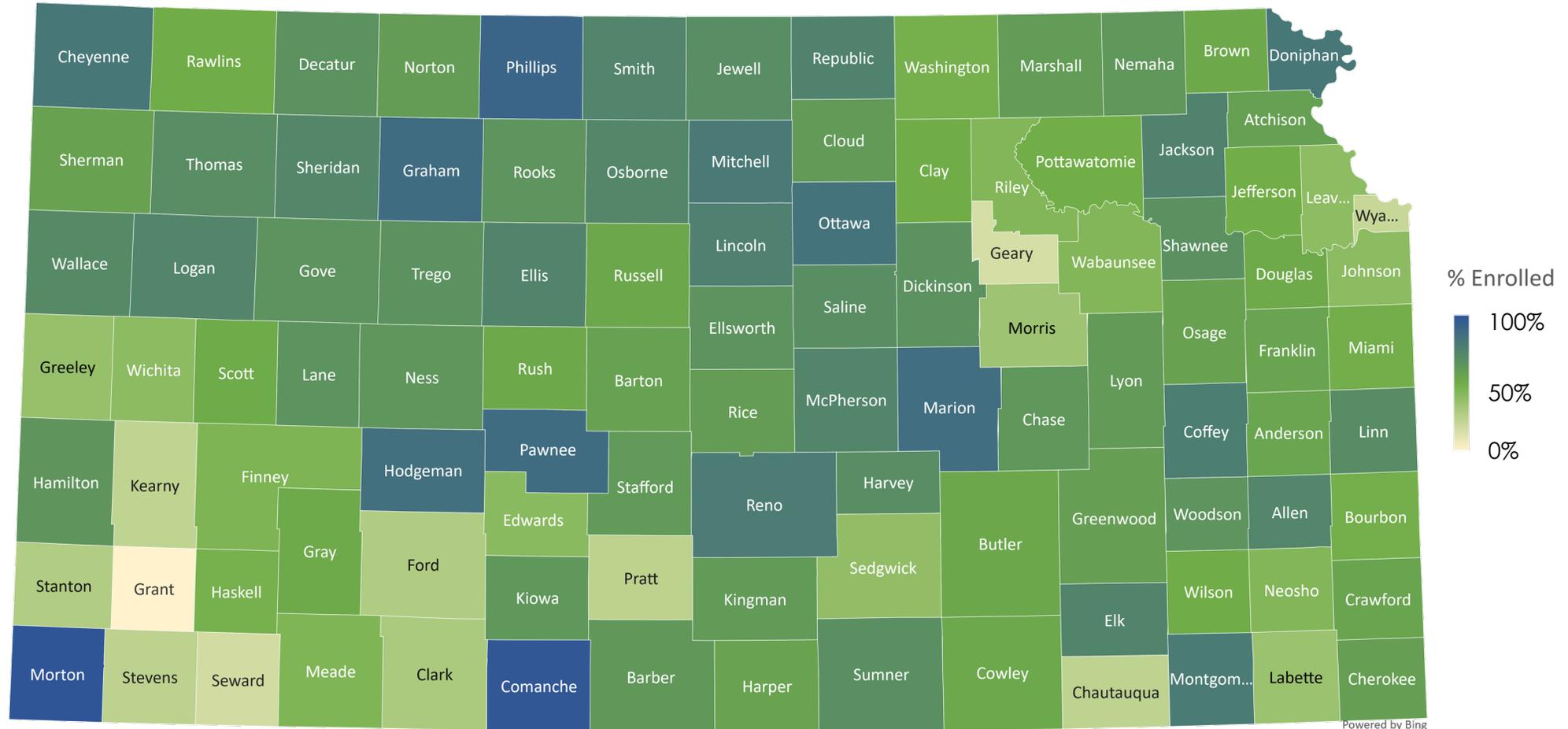
Percent of Children Enrolled by County (as of May 2023)



Percentage is calculated as: # of children received at least one book from DPIL during May 2023 by the # of children under age 5 in that county from the US Census 2018-2022 estimate.

IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF KANSAS MAY 2024 ENROLLMENT

Percent of Children Enrolled By County (as of May 2024)



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IMAGINATION LIBRARY ENROLLMENT BY COUNTY

As of May 2024, enrollment in the program exceeded the “65% of eligible children” enrollment goal in the following counties:

County	Population	Total Served	%
Morton	123	101	82%
Comanche	53	43	81%
Phillips	289	217	75%
Graham	100	72	72%
Pawnee	207	149	72%
Marion	558	398	71%
Hodgeman	84	59	70%
Ottawa	310	214	69%
Doniphan	377	254	67%
Cheyenne	147	99	67%
Mitchell	360	239	66%
Montgomery	1821	1196	66%

Dollywood Foundation considers full enrollment when 65% of eligible children are enrolled.

IMAGINATION LIBRARY ENROLLMENT SPECIAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES

DPIL served a larger proportion of children with special needs or disabilities

Special Needs

All ECBG children: 17%

DPIL-enrolled: 22%

Enrolled in Part B or Part C

All ECBG children: 16%

DPIL-enrolled: 22%

**DPIL FY22-23
Evaluation**



IMAGINATION LIBRARY DEMOGRAPHICS

Children enrolled in DPIL are more likely to be White, Non-Hispanic, speak English, and have Insurance

Race

All ECBG children: 71% White

ECBG children enrolled in DPIL: 78%
White

Ethnicity

All ECBG children: 30% Hispanic

ECBG children enrolled in DPIL: 22%
Hispanic

Insurance status

All ECBG children: 6.3% without insurance

ECBG children enrolled in DPIL:
2.8% without insurance

Primary language

All ECBG children: 16% primarily speaks
language other than English

ECBG children enrolled in DPIL: 8% primarily
speaks language other than English

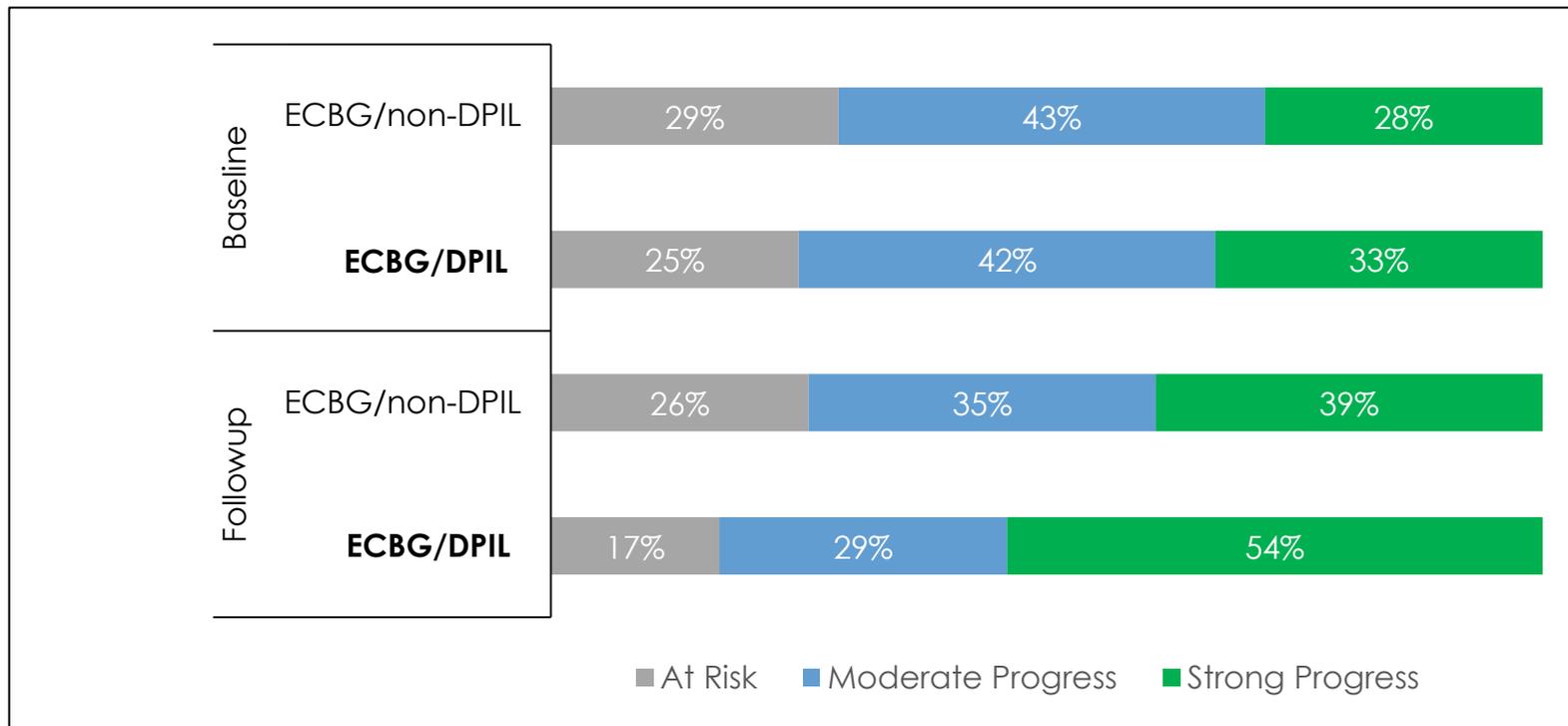
**DPIL FY22-23
Evaluation**



DPIL FY22-23 EVALUATION

EXAMPLE: PICTURE NAMING

Imagination Library of Kansas enrollment results in significant improvement at Follow-up



ECBG & DPIL-enrolled children are more likely to improve picture naming skill tiers from baseline to follow-up than children not enrolled in DPIL, after controlling for child and family characteristics and baseline tiers.



Key Takeaways



KEY TAKEAWAYS

- CIF funding and the programs it supports continue to provide critical services and support for the healthy development of Kansas children and families
- CIF funded programs continue to experience difficulties related to workforce which limits their reach
- CIF served families continue to report resiliency, but basic needs remain unmet for too many
- CIF funded programs expressed a continued need for additional mental and behavioral health resources for children, families, and staff

**Accountability
Process**





CIF Recommendations and Children's Cabinet Discussion

MELISSA ROOKER



CIF FUNDING RECOMMENDATION

**The Children's Cabinet Board recommends
the following CIF funding levels for FY26**

Recommendation



CIF FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

CIF Program	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026 Recommendation
*Child Care Services	\$5,033,679	\$5,033,679	\$5,033,679
Family Preservation	\$3,241,062	-	-
Healthy Start/Home Visitor	\$1,652,876	\$1,652,876	\$1,652,876
*Infants & Toddlers Program	\$5,800,000	\$5,800,000	\$5,800,000
Smoking Prevention Grants	\$1,001,960	\$1,001,960	\$1,001,960
SIDS Network Grant	\$122,106	\$122,106	\$122,106
Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000
CIF Grants (Early Childhood Block Grant)	\$23,720,493	\$23,720,493	\$23,720,493
Parent Education (PAT)	\$9,437,635	\$9,437,635	\$9,437,635
Pre-K Pilot Program	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000
Early Childhood Infrastructure	\$1,408,512	\$1,408,512	\$1,408,512
Imagination Library (DPIL)	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
<i>Child Care Health and Safety Grants</i>	-	\$1,300,000	-
<i>Workforce Registry</i>	-	\$1,100,000	-
<i>Public-Private Partnership (intended one-time match)</i>	-	\$5,000,000	-
Total Expenditures	\$57,493,323	\$61,652,261	\$54,252,261

* Denotes programs with a Maintenance of Effort requirement

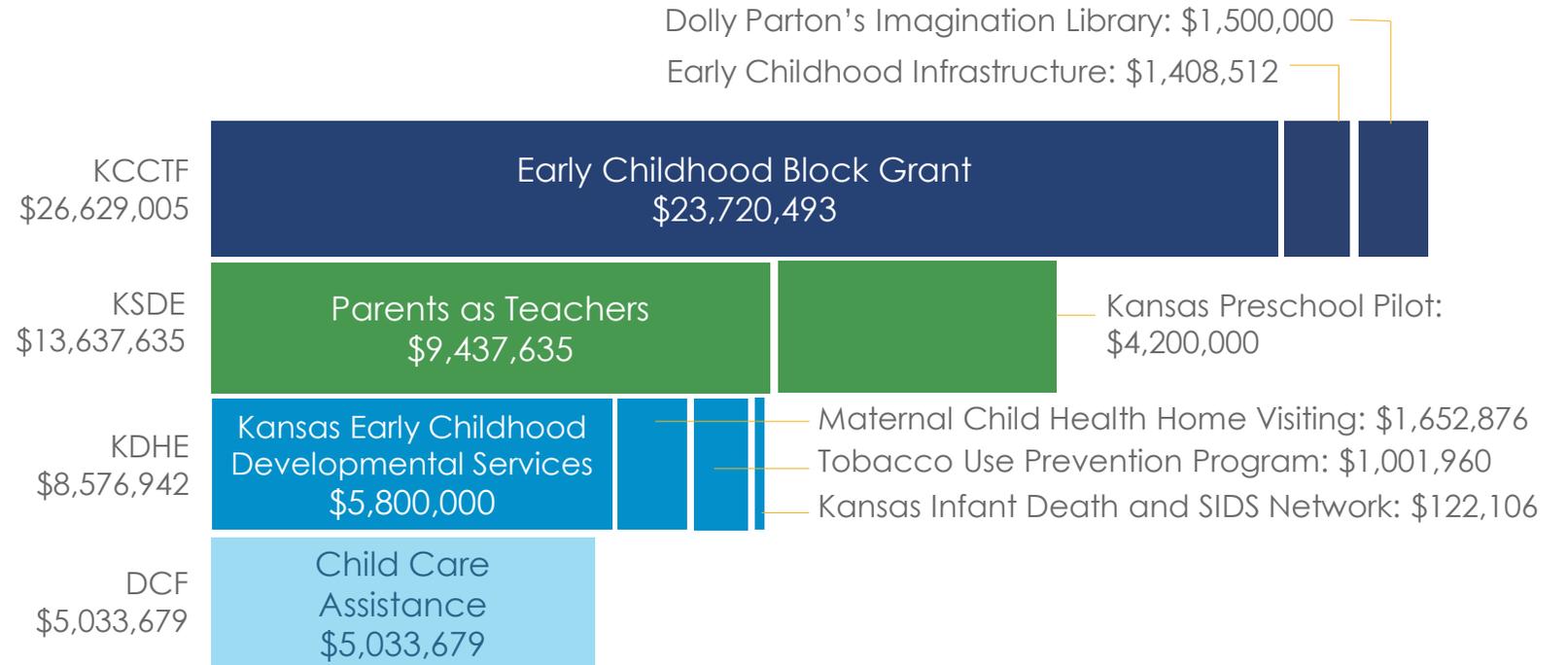
Denotes programs with a match requirement

2026 PROPOSED CIF BUDGET ITEMS

CIF Budget includes pass-through to other agencies, as outlined in the chart.

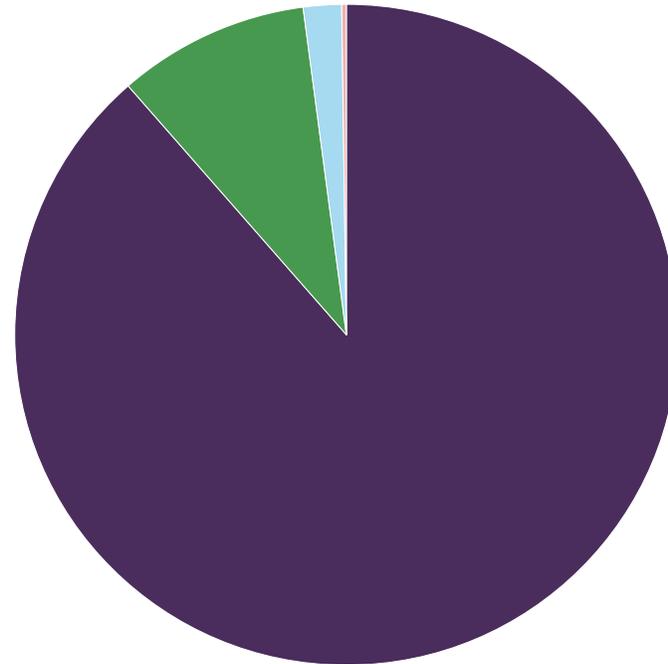
TOTAL FUNDING FY26:
\$54,252,261*

**Including \$375,000 allotted to the Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund*



2026 PROPOSED CIF BUDGET ITEMS BY POPULATION

CIF Budget primarily funds services for Prenatal through age 18, with programs serving Prenatal to age 5 receiving the most funding support.



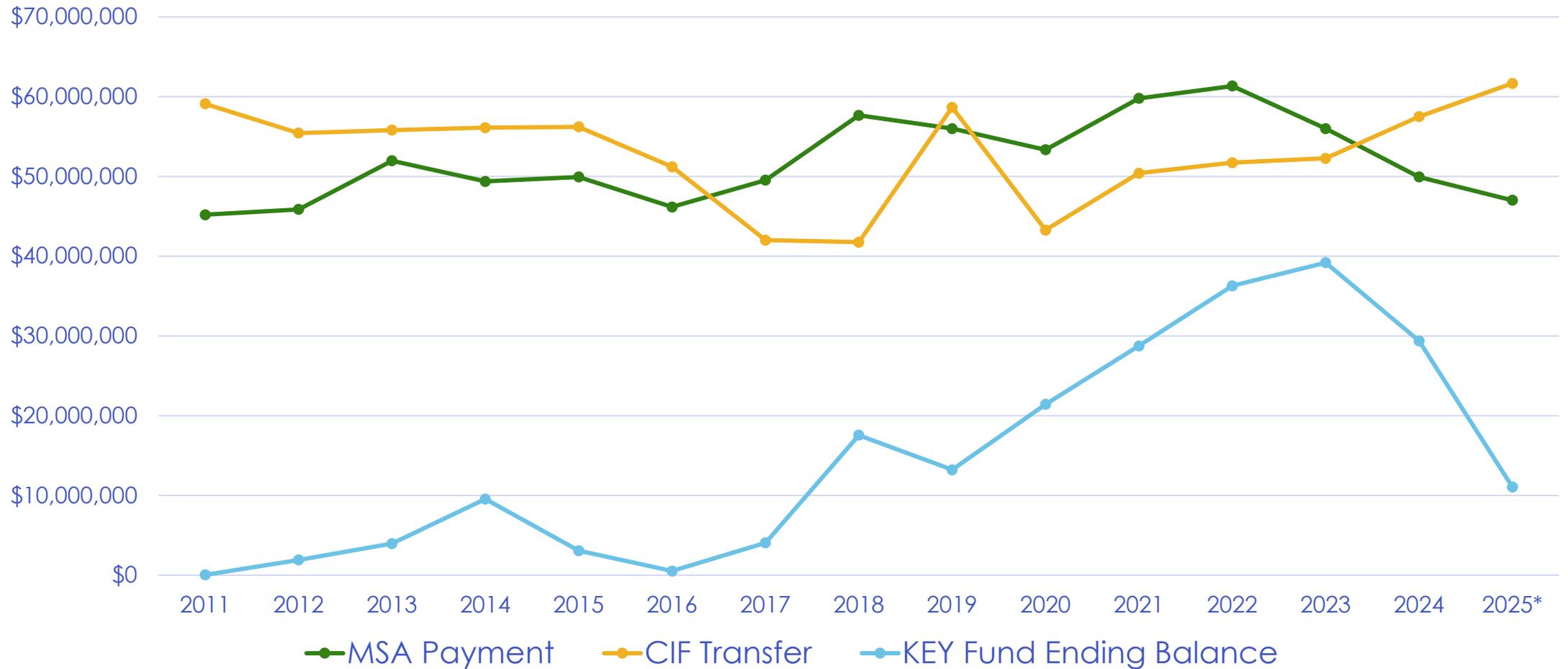
- \$47,719,516 Prenatal to Age 5**
 - Early Childhood Block Grant
 - Parents as Teachers
 - Kansas Early Childhood Developmental Services
 - Kansas Preschool Pilot
 - Maternal Child Health Home Visiting
 - Early Childhood Infrastructure
 - Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Kansas
- \$5,033,679 Prenatal to Age 12**
 - Child Care Assistance
- \$1,001,960 General Population**
 - Tobacco Use Prevention Program
- \$122,106 Providers**
 - KIDS Network

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS
\$54,252,261*

*Including \$375,000 allotted to the Children's Cabinet Accountability Fund

KEY FUND HISTORY

MSA, CIF, & KEY Fund



*FY 25 includes projected amounts

CIF BUDGET APPROVAL RECOMMENDATION

- Motion
 - Second
 - Vote
- John Wilson
 - Dr. Tyler Smith
 - Monica Murnan
 - DiAnne Owen Graham
 - Dr. LeEtta Felter
 - Sen. Renee Erickson

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ROLE OF THE KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL

- The Kansas Early Childhood Recommendations Panel is an **advisory group** to the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund created by EO 20-02
- Meeting materials are posted at kschildrenscabinet.org/panel-meetings



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RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL OVERVIEW

- **Executive Order 20-02:**
 - Established the Children's Cabinet as the State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care, a requirement of federal Head Start legislation
 - Established a volunteer Early Childhood Recommendations Panel to offer guidance to the Children's Cabinet in its roles as State Early Childhood Advisory Council
 - Outlines required membership
- **Panel Service Term:** July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL SLATE

- **Representatives of State Agencies**

- *Nichelle Adams, DCF
- *Amy Dean-Campmire, DCF
- *Jarvis Doleman, KDHE
- *Kim Kennedy, DCF
- *Natalie McClane, KSDE
- *Bethany Samuel, DCF
- *Christie Wyckoff, KCCTF

- **Representative(s) from Head Start agencies located in Kansas**

- *Sheila Hermocillo Bertelsen, Dodge City Public Schools
- *Larry Lewis, Growing Futures Early Education Center
- *Heather Schrotberger, Kansas Head Start Association

- **Representative(s) of local school districts**

- Lisa Gehring, Plainville Jr/Sr High School
- *Karen MacCrary, Mitchel County Partnership for Children
- *Leigh Anne Neal, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
- Stephanie Waterman, USD 475 Geary County Schools
- Amber Wheeler, USD 258 Humboldt

- **Representative(s) of institutions of higher education in the State of Kansas**

- *Mallory Arellano, Newman University
- *Bronwyn Fees, University of Kansas
- Cathy Gray, Butler Community College
- Natalie Sollo, KU School of Medicine - Wichita

- **Parent of a young child currently receiving early childhood services from the state of Kansas**

- Stephanie Wiggins, Parent

RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL SLATE

- **Representative(s) of local provider of early childhood education and development services**

- Turi Berger, *T.L.A.D. Learning Academy*
- Janine Foth, *Cougar Cubs Daycare USD 397 Centre*
- *Kelly Frantz-Langford, *TARC*
- *Amy Gottschamer, *Googols of Learning Child Development Center*
- Teresa Houston, *Envision Inc. Early Childhood Development Center*
- *Cheisa Myles, *Blessed Assurance Daycare*
- Charlotte Neuschafer, *Russel Child Development Center*
- *Brett Schmidt, *Learning Cross Inc.*
- *Lisa Schmidt, *Women's Community Y*
- *Cornelia Stevens, *TOP Early Learning Centers-**CHAIR***
- Mandy Waugh, *Child Start*

- **Other Representative(s)**

- *Marites Altuna, *Kansas State School for the Blind*
- *Brenda Bandy, *Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition*
- * Dana Book, *Kansas Children's Service League*
- *Kerri Falletti, *Office of Rural Prosperity*
- Talia Juiliano-Myers, *Child Care Aware of Eastern KS*
- *Hilary Koehn, *Kansas Parents as Teachers Association*
- *Tanya Koehn, *Child Care Aware of Kansas*
- *Malissa Martin, *SparkWheel, Inc.*
- *Patty Peschel, *KCCTO*
- *Tabatha Rosproy, *Kansas Parent Information Resource Center*
- *Marie Treichel, *Kansas Association for Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health*

PANEL SLATE APPROVAL

- Motion
- Second
- Vote

- John Wilson
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Agency Updates





Director's Update

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Cabinet meetings are held the first Friday of every other month from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Next Meeting: August 2 (*In-Person meeting at KASB in Topeka, with afternoon Cabinet Retreat*)

2024 Meeting Schedule

- August 2
- October 4
- December 6

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