



Michigan Federation for Children and Families Action Alert

Your Advocacy is Needed for Funding Restoration

Good morning, Federation Member Executives,

The legislature went on recess last week without resolution to the ongoing Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget negotiations. While the Federation staff is meeting and communicating with legislators and administrators on a daily basis to advocate for the needs of Federation members agencies, it is critical that our legislative leaders and the governor's office **continue to hear from you** over the next few weeks.

Please take a moment to visit the Federation's Action Center to send off a quick and easy email communication. If you receive an email response from your legislator's office, please also take the next step and continue to engage with them providing additional insight and offer to help them understand further how the funding cuts are impacting the children and families you are serving in their districts.

Many legislators will continue holding their in-district office hours during the legislative recess, and it is a great time to meet with them and discuss these budget priorities. You can locate their office phone numbers at the following links, and we encourage you to CALL their offices and speak with staff or request a 15-minute meeting with your legislator. Your advocacy is critical

and DOES make an impact on how they can best support the work of your agency.

<https://www.house.mi.gov/MHRPublic/frmFindaRep.aspx>

<https://senate.michigan.gov/senatorsInfo.html>

If you have any questions on how best to connect with your legislator, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Federation Office... we would also appreciate your keeping us updated on the conversation and meetings you are having.

Thank you in advance for your important advocacy,

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