

BASIC NEEDS

The **Housing and Essential Needs (formerly Disability Lifeline)** program provides housing assistance and essential needs, such as health and hygiene products, to 20,000 disabled adults who are unable to work.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$45.7 million).

The **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)** program assists parents with incomes so low they cannot meet basic needs for themselves and dependent children. During the last legislative session, this program endured 22 different cuts totaling nearly \$380 million.

Governor's Proposal:

- 1) Reduce the lifetime limit of TANF to 48 months, eliminating support for 2,000 families (-\$17.5 million);
- 2) Reduce monthly cash grant by 2% (-\$7.2 million);
- 3) Reduce subsidized child care funding by 12% , causing 4,000 children to lose their child care (-\$50 million);

The **State Family Assistance** program provides cash assistance to low-income immigrant families with children who do not yet qualify for the federal TANF program.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program, affecting 1,200 families (-\$6 million).

The **State Food Assistance** program helps immigrant families and individuals avoid hunger by providing subsidies to help purchase food. Immigrants are not eligible for federal food assistance until they have been in the U.S. for five years.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program, halting food assistance to 11,400 people per month (-\$13.9 million).

The **Housing Trust Fund** is the main source of funding for affordable housing in our state. This housing makes it possible for people living on low incomes to afford housing and still have enough money to cover other basic needs.

Governor's Proposal: No changes made.

The **Transitional Housing, Operating and Rent (THOR)** program provides homeless families with children up to two years of rental assistance, transitional facility operating subsidies, and case management to help them transition to permanent housing.

Governor's Proposal: No changes made.

HEALTH CARE

The Governor has proposed deep, multi-level cuts to Washington's health care system. In addition to cutting programs that provide health care coverage to low-income Washingtonians, the Governor has also proposed deep cuts to our state's health care infrastructure.

CUTS TO HEALTH CARE COVERAGE

The **Disability Lifeline medical program** provides health care coverage to disabled adults enrolled in the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Support Act (ADATSA) and the former Disability Lifeline program. This is the only source of health care coverage for over 20,000 disabled adults who are unable to work.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$89.6 million).

The **Basic Health Plan** provides health care coverage to 35,000 individuals with low incomes in our state. In the past three years, 70,000 people have lost their Basic Health Plan coverage due to budget cuts. Currently, more than 150,000 people are on the Plan's waiting list.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$44.5 million).

The **Apple Health for Kids** program provides health care for children from families earning up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level, regardless of citizenship status.

Governor's Proposal: No changes made to program.

Medicaid Optional Services provide basic health coverage to individuals who qualify for Medicaid. Medicaid is the federal health care program for people living on very low incomes.

- **Adult Dental** provides routine dental care for people with developmental disabilities, long-term care patients and pregnant women.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$8.6 million).

- **Maternity Support Services** provide care to low-income pregnant women.

Governor's Proposal: No changes made.

- **Medical Interpreter Services** assist patients who do not speak English communicate with their doctors and medical providers.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$5.4 million).

- **Over-the-Counter Pharmaceutical Coverage** provides coverage for most over-the-counter medications, such as Tylenol and Aspirin.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$11.2 million).

CUTS TO HEALTH CARE INFRASTRUCTURE

Regional support networks provide mental health services throughout the state.

Governor's Proposal: Reduce funding for regional support networks, causing 8,000 non-Medicaid clients per month to lose their mental health services (-\$4.6 million).

Chemical dependency services provide outpatient and detoxification services to people living on low-incomes.

Governor's Proposal: Reduce chemical dependency services by \$5.9 million.

Certified public expenditure hospitals, such as Harborview Medical Center and the University of Washington Medical Center, receive financial support from the state to help pay for care to uninsured patients.

Governor's Proposal: Cut \$26.5 million from grants to those hospitals for uncompensated care.

Disproportionate share grants provide support to health care facilities in small and rural communities that serve low-income patients.

Governor's Proposal: Eliminate this program (-\$13.1 million cut).

IMMIGRANT JUSTICE

Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Pathways provides English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction and employment services, such skills training and job placement assistance, to refugees and WorkFirst parents whose first language is not English.

Governor's Proposal: Reduce program by \$1.7 million.

Naturalization Services assist immigrants in becoming U.S. citizens. The program serves 4,400 people annually.

Governor's Proposal: Reduce program by 47%, or \$1.1 million.