

Tompkins County

Social Services

2021 Budget Presentation

September 24, 2020

“Known Unknowns”

- ▶ How much will public assistance caseloads increase once COVID-19 stimulus funds aren't available?
- ▶ Will the 'temporary' withhold of 20% of State Aid become permanent?
- ▶ Will NYS maintain its current Medicaid financing structure?
- ▶ Will COPS funding be continued and, if not, what will replace it?
- ▶ “Family First” changes for Federal Title IV-E foster care scheduled to go into effect 10/1/2021

Major Influences on Net Local Cost

Good news

- ▶ NYS DOH has calculated increased Federal share (and lower local share) for Medicaid under ACA

Bad news

- ▶ Decreased State participation in costs (reduced Foster Care Block Grant and COPS allocations)
- ▶ Ongoing 'extreme low income' housing crisis exacerbated by COVID-19
- ▶ Fringe rate increase
- ▶ Public assistance caseload shift from Family Assistance to Safety Net

Recommended Budget

	2020 Total Adopted	2020 Modified	2021 Target	2021 Rec. OTR's	2021 Total Rec.	\$ Change	% Change
EXPENDITURE	57,711,319	57,894,582	54,552,426	1,918,199	56,470,625	-1,240,694	-2.15%
REVENUE	-37,324,358	-37,332,621	-34,057,642	-1,359,285	-35,416,927	1,907,431	-5.11%
Grand Total	20,386,961	20,561,961	20,494,784	558,914	21,053,698	666,737	3.27%

Full-Time Equivalents

2018	2019	2020	2021 Target	2021 Rec.	# Change	% Change
182.44	178.43	181.43	171.50	179.50	-1.93	-1.06

Titles with more or fewer FTEs

Medicaid	FTE	Children's Services	FTE
Social Welfare Examiner	(1.00)	Caseworker	(1.00)
Senior Social Welfare Examiner	1.00	Senior Caseworker	1.00
Accounting Unit	FTE	Miscellaneous	FTE
Accounting Supervisor	(1.00)	Administrative Assistant	(1.00)
Principal Account Clerk Typist	(1.00)	Administrative Assistant - Level 4	1.00
Senior Account Clerk Typist	1.00	Information Aide	3.50
Account Clerk Typist	(2.00)	Administrative Assistant - Level 1	(4.43)
Administrative Assistant - Level 1	1.00	Administrative Assistant - Level 3	1.00

Our OTR selection process

Very nearly all of Social Services' expenditures for *non-mandatory activities* are either 100% grant-funded, cost savers, are local initiatives, and/or are used to fund other county departments' operations.

We started by identifying

- ▶ Positions providing administrative support to the staff who work directly with clients
- ▶ Scheduled replacement equipment purchases (vehicles and computers)
- ▶ Human services contracts for non-mandatory support services

Since that left us far short of the goal, we also had to identify

- ▶ Preventive services contracts that we believe are mandate cost savers
- ▶ Local initiatives, and
- ▶ Other potential cuts

Over-Target Requests Supported by the Recommended Budget (Priority 1-8)

Page #	OTR #	Priority	Req. OTR	Req. Source	Rec. OTR	Rec. Source	Purpose
4-184	34	1	\$21,262	Target	\$21,262	Target	Restore Senior Financial Investigator in Child Support Division
4-184	35	2	\$61,886	Target	\$61,886	Target	Restore RN Position Supporting ATI Programs
4-185	36	3	\$23,925	Target	\$23,925	Target	Restore Substance Abuse Evaluator to Full Time
4-185	37	4	\$19,416	Target	\$19,416	Target	Restore Social Welfare Examiner in SNAP
4-186	38	5	\$14,536	Target	\$14,536	Target	Restore Receptionist in Child Support Division
4-186	39	6	\$35,699	Target	\$35,699	Target	Homeless Outreach, Prevention, Friendship Center
4-186	51	7	\$19,078	Target	\$19,078	Target	Psychosocial Evaluations and Mental Health Clinical Services
4-187	40	8	\$10,640	Target	\$10,640	Target	Fatherhood Initiative

Over-Target Requests Supported by the Recommended Budget (Priority 9-16)

Page #	OTR #	Priority	Req. OTR	Req. Source	Rec. OTR	Rec. Source	Purpose
4-187	41	9	\$8,907	Target	\$8,907	Target	Reducing 3 Positions From 40 hrs. to 35 hrs.
4-187	52	10	\$80,231	Target	\$80,231	Target	Multi-systemic Therapy
4-187	53	11	\$95,297	Target	\$95,297	Target	Dispositional Alternatives Program
4-188	46	12	\$9,549	Target	\$9,549	Target	Samaritan Center
4-188	47	13	\$19,416	Target	\$19,416	Target	Social Welfare Examiner in Employment
4-188	48	14	\$14,909	Target	\$14,909	Target	Keyboard Specialist in Medicaid Division
4-189	44	15	\$138,287	Roll-Over	\$138,287	Roll-Over	COPS: Expanded Family Supports
4-189	42	16	\$34,593	Roll-Over	\$34,593	Roll-Over	COPS: Preventative Youth Services

Over-Target Requests Supported by the Recommended Budget (Priority 17-23)

Page #	OTR #	Priority	Req. OTR	Req. Source	Rec. OTR	Rec. Source	Purpose
4-190	43	17	\$26,894	Roll-Over	\$26,894	Roll-Over	COPS: Parenting Education
4-190	45	18	\$55,009	Roll-Over	\$55,009	Roll-Over	COPS: Primary School Family Support
4-190	54	19	\$110,485	Roll-Over	\$110,485	Roll-Over	Locally-Funded STEHP Expansion
4-191	57	20	\$17,289	Target	\$17,289	One-Time	Replacement Computers
4-191	58	21	\$83,472	Target	\$83,472	One-Time	Replacement Fleet Vehicles
4-191	49	22	\$6,126	Target	\$6,126	Target	Information Aide in Family Treatment Court
4-192	50	23	\$17,276	Target	\$17,276	Target	Senior Typist