

# *By All Means Convening*

## Strategies for Funding Supports for Child, Youth, and Families during Crises

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# Blog Series on “Why Public Funding for Kids is More Important Than Ever”



## FIND

DOES YOUR COMMUNITY HAVE A CLEAR PICTURE OF ITS FULL SET OF INVESTMENTS IN CHILDREN AND YOUTH?



## ALIGN

HOW DO WE MAKE POLICY DECISIONS THAT ENCOURAGE THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE USE OF THE FUNDING WE ALREADY HAVE?



## GENERATE

WE HAVE BIG GAPS IN OUR FEDERAL, STATE AND PRIVATE FUNDING, HOW DO WE GENERATE NEW LOCAL RESOURCES?

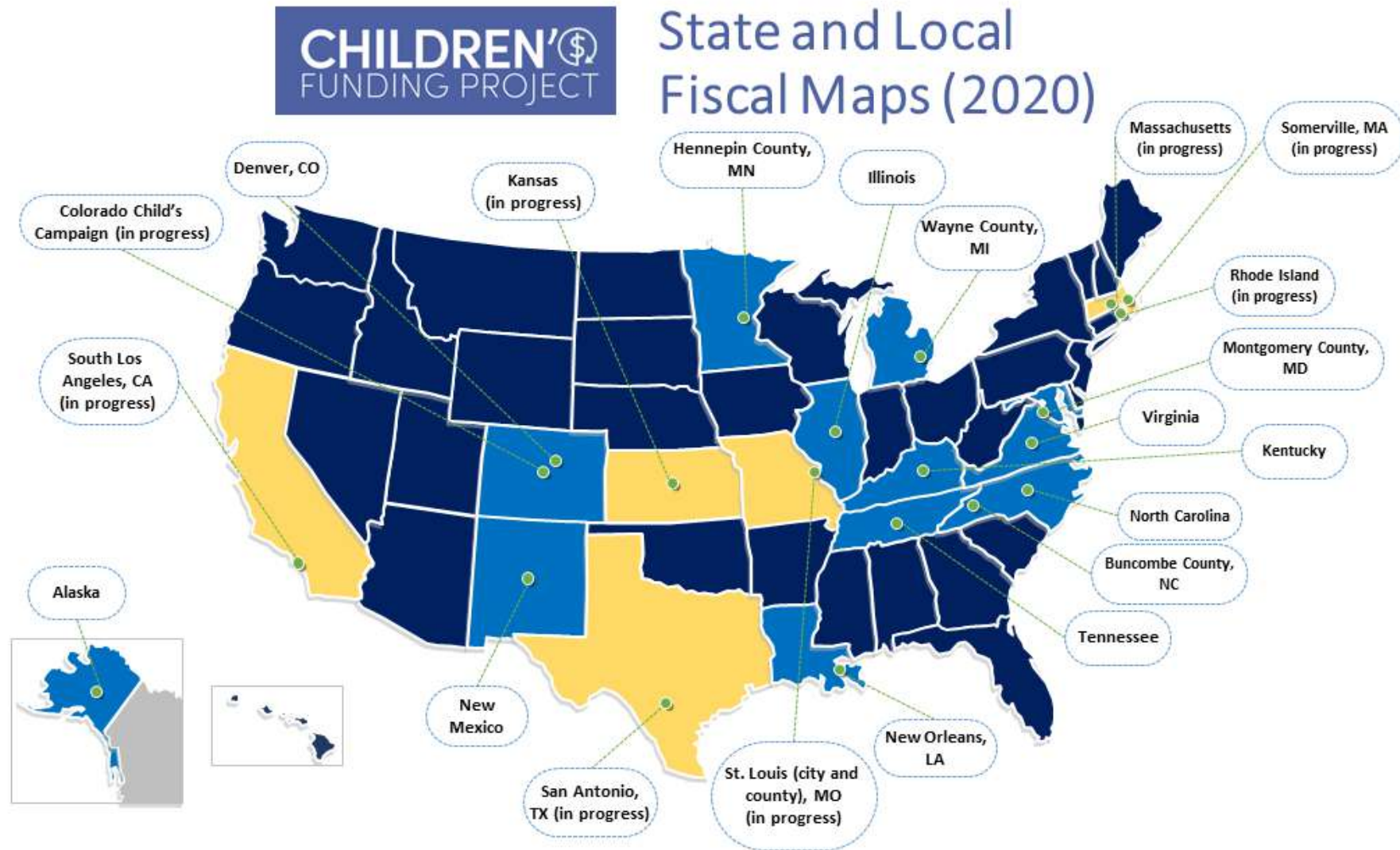


## ACTIVATE

WHAT METHODS CAN WE USE TO ADMINISTER FUNDS FOR MAXIMUM IMPACT?

[Read the blog series here](#)

# ● Find: Getting a funding baseline for children and youth





# ● Align: New and Flexible Federal Funding



NAVIGATING NEW AND FLEXIBLE  
FUNDING STREAMS FOR KIDS  
DURING COVID-19

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A guide from **Children's Funding Project**  
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Read now!  
[“Navigating New and Flexible Funding Streams for Kids During COVID-19”](#)



# ● Overview of the guide

- **Part I: New Federal Funding for Kids During COVID-19**
  - Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act (HR-6074)
  - Families First Coronavirus Response Act (HR 6201)
  - Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act HR-748)
  - Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (HR – 266)
  - How can states, localities and providers access these funds?
- **Part 2: Federal Funding Flexibility During Emergencies**
  - OMB COVID-19 Guidance
  - Early Childhood Funding
  - Middle Childhood Funding
  - Older Youth Funding
  - General Funding for Children and Youth

# Part 1: New Federal COVID-19 Funding for Children

- Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act
  - \$8.3 billion for healthcare response
- Families First Coronavirus Response Act
  - \$500 million for WIC
  - \$400 million for the Emergency Food Assistance Program
- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)
  - \$150 billion to the Coronavirus Relief Fund
  - \$30.75 billion to the Education Stabilization Fund
  - \$3.5 billion for CCDF/CCDBG
  - \$5 billion for CDBG
  - \$15.8 billion for SNAP
  - \$1 billion for CSBG
  - \$750 million to Head Start
  - \$450 million for the Commodity Assistance Program
  - \$45 million for programs funded under Title IV-B, Subpart 1 of the Social Security Act
  - \$25 million in supplemental funding for programs funded under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act
- Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act
  - Supplements the Paycheck Protection Program for a total investment of \$660 billion and the EIDL for a total of \$130 billion



## ● Part 2: Early Childhood highlights

The biggest new direct investments in early childhood come in the form of the \$3.5 billion in CBDG dollars and the \$750 million investment in Head Start.

### Notable funding stream and program flexibilities:

- State CCDF Lead Agencies can use the CARES Act COVID-19 dollars to continue to pay childcare providers during closures.
- CCDF agencies may also apply for temporary waivers to relax certain licensure requirements in order to meet childcare demand during the emergency.



**Flexibility  
in action**

- Vermont is using CCDBG dollars to pay tuition for all providers, regardless of closures!

## ● Part 2: Middle Childhood highlights

### Notable funding stream and program flexibilities:

- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers are encouraged to continue paying staff with grant funds and providing services to youth virtually
- The Food and Nutrition Service has issued a wealth of waivers for the Child Nutrition Programs
- Project AWARE grantees are authorized by SAMHSA to purchase electronics for staff working remotely



- Washington is leveraging the Non-Congregate Feeding Waiver as well as a waiver that allows Summer Food Service Program operation in non-Area eligible schools and locations.



## ● Part 2: Older Youth highlights

### Notable funding stream and program flexibilities:

- States can leverage a number of waivers for WIOA Youth Programs
- The deadline for states to submit their Perkins V state plans has been extended to June 15, 2020.

The Dept. of Labor announced up to \$100 million in Dislocated Worker Grants. It is unclear whether any of that funding will go to WIOA Youth Training Programs

- The City of Orlando, FL's Families, Parks and Recreation Department is utilizing AmeriCorps volunteers to provide school day tutoring and perform wellness check-in calls with students and families.



**Flexibility in  
action**

# Generate: Giving voters a say in dedicating funds for kids

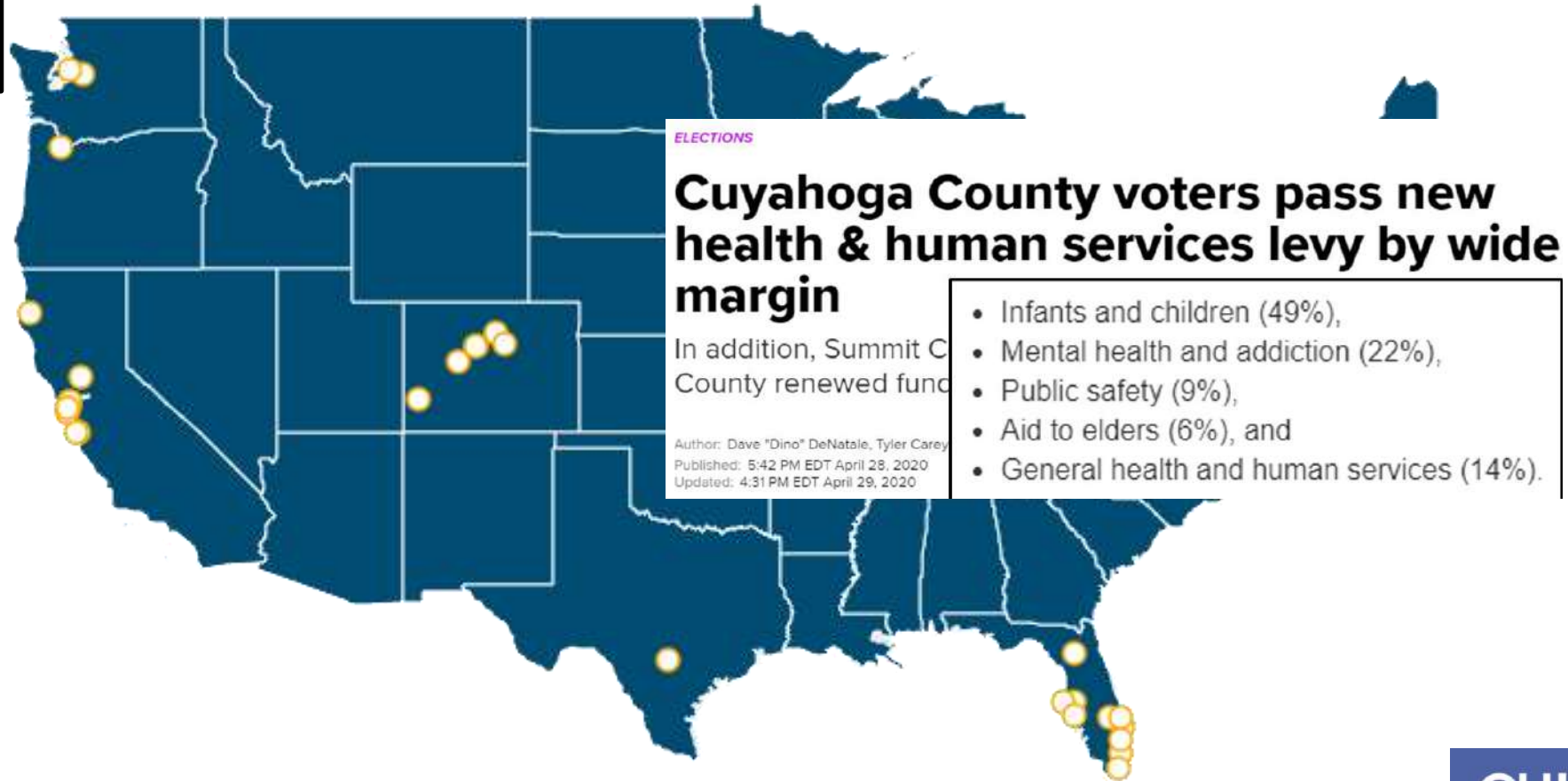


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# ● Activate: How LDFs are responding to COVID-19

## Broward County, FL

- Within days of the lockdown the Children's Services Council governing board designated a \$500,000 emergency fund and authority to the CSC to fast-track grants to fill immediate needs (normally the board must approve each individual expenditure).

## Kent County, MI

- First Steps Kent is supporting organizations that were awarded millage funding in January by continuing to fund their work as they pivot to providing virtual services that meet the immediate needs of families in the community.

*We have compiled this list of COVID specific responses from Local Dedicated Funds [for more examples](#)*