

**PREVENT CHILD ABUSE AMERICA**  
**HFA/HOME VISITING FUNDING SURVEY - 2002**

*This survey is intended to assist Prevent Child Abuse America/Healthy Families America and the larger home visiting field gather information about funding for Healthy Families America in your state. The survey asks for State, Local, and Federal funding information. Please list funding amounts from the original source of funds only. (Please list federal monies that pass through state entities in the federal section only.) In addition, please make your answers HFA specific to the greatest extent possible. If there are no HFA programs in your state, and/or there are other home visiting programs and efforts underway, answer all applicable questions to the best of your knowledge.*

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Name of Organization</b>	
<b>Title/Role</b>	
<b>Full Address</b>	
<b>Phone and Fax</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Other Individuals that Assisted in Completing the Survey</b>	

<b>My responses are based on:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HFA specifically
<input type="checkbox"/>	HFA in combination with other home visiting programs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Visiting (HV) in general

**Part I: State Funding:** *Please answer the following questions regarding state funding sources for HFA/Home Visiting in your state. Please list monies that originate from the state level only. Please do not list federal monies that pass-through a state entity in this section.*

<b>1. Please list the total FY '03 Budget for HFA/HV in your state:</b>
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<b>2. Please list sources and amount of state funding for each of the following categories. Please list monies that originate from state sources <u>only</u>.</b>	
<b>State Funding Source</b>	<b>Amount Allocated for HFA/HV in FY'03</b>
General Revenue	
Children and Family Services	
Children's Trust Fund	
Criminal Justice	
State Department of Human Services	
State Department of Public Health	
State Department of Education	
State TANF dollars (MOE)	
State Tobacco Monies	
State Domestic Violence Funds	
Foundation Dollars (excluding local community foundations).	
Other (please list)	

<b>3. Did your state government face budget shortfalls in FY '03?</b>	
	If yes, by how much (dollar amount and percentage of total budget):
	No

<b>4. Were HFA/HV programs able to maintain FY '02 funding levels in the FY '03 budget?</b>	
	Yes (Go to #7)
	No (list amount of FY '03 HFA/HV budget cuts by dollar amount and percentage of total HFA/HV budget):

<b>5. Were these budget cuts:</b>	
	Direct cuts to HFA/HV programs in the state budget
	The effect of cuts to a specific state department (check all that apply):
	Education
	Dept. of Public Health
	Dept. of Children and Family Services
	Dept. of Economic Security (welfare/state TANF dollars)
	Dept. of Human Services
	Dept. of Social Services
	Other (please list):
	Part of a uniform cut across all program (i.e. all state services were cut by a specific percentage)
	Other (please explain):

<b>6. What was the nature of these budget decreases?</b>	
	Money was shifted from HFA/HV to another budget line item
	State was unable to leverage as many federal funds
	Money was diverted to another source
	Other (please list):

<b>7. Did your HFA/HV state system request an increase over the FY '02 Budget?</b>	
	No
	Yes (please list amount of proposed increase from FY '02):
<b>7a. Did your state receive all of the proposed monies?</b>	
	No
	Yes, in the full amount
	Yes, but not at full proposal level (please list amount passed):
<b>7b. What was the source of HFA/HV budget increases?</b>	
	Money was shifted to HFA/HV from another budget line item
	State was able to leverage more federal funds
	Money was supplanted from another source
	Other (please list):

<b>8. What activities has your Governor undertaken to support HFA/HV in your state?</b>	
	Signed HFA/HV legislation
	Included HFA/HV increases in the Governor's proposed budget
	Made public statements in support of HFA/HV
	Made public appearances in support of HFA/HV
	Assisted in HFA/HV fundraising efforts
	Other (please list):
	None of the above, our Governor is neutral toward the issue of HFA/HV
	None of the above, our Governor is unsupportive of HFA/HV

<b>9. Please check off which of the following alternative revenue strategies have been proposed and passed in your state. <i>Strategies do not need to be specific to home visiting.</i> For an explanation of strategies, please see the glossary at the end of this document.</b>		
<b>Alternative Revenue Strategy</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Passed</b>
Increasing "sin taxes" including taxes on cigarettes, alcohol, and gambling		
Broadening sales tax base		
Increasing income taxes		
Increasing property taxes		
Reducing corporate loopholes/decreasing business tax incentives		
Tapping into reserve "Rainy Day" funds		
Increasing/instituting a lottery		
Borrowing money off Tobacco Settlement		
Borrowing money from other sources		
Delaying tax cuts		
Spending freezes		
Other (Please list):		

<b>10. Was HFA/HV part of advocacy efforts to pursue alternative revenue strategies?</b>	
	No
	Yes (please describe these efforts):

<b>11. Has access to new revenue alleviated budget constraints for your state's HFA/HV programs?</b>	
	Yes, new revenue streams have directly impacted the HFA/HV budget in my state.
	Unsure, new revenue streams have impacted the state general budget, which may have indirectly impacted HFA/HV
	No, new revenue streams have not impacted HFA/HV
	Too early to tell (please explain if necessary):

<b>12. How would you describe the stability of current <i>state</i> funding for HFA/HV programs in FY '03?</b>	
	Very Stable
	Somewhat Stable
	Somewhat Unstable
	Unstable

**Part II: Local and In-Kind Funding:** *Please answer the following questions on local sources of funding for HFA/HV in your state.*

<b>13. Please list amount of local match required for each of the following sources of state funding.</b>	
State Funding Source	Percentage of Local Match Required
General Revenue	
Children and Family Services	
Children's Trust Fund	
Criminal Justice	
State Department of Human Services	
State Department of Public Health	
State Department of Education	
State TANF dollars (MOE)	
State Tobacco Monies	
Domestic Violence Funds	
Foundations (excluding local community foundations)	
Other (please list)	

<b>14. Is your state currently able to track the amount and source of HFA/HV local funding sources?</b>	
	Yes, we are able to track local sources of revenue and/or amount (go to #15)
	No (go to #16)

<b>15. If yes, please list source and amount of local revenue for HFA/HV in your state. Please list funding that originates on the local level only. <i>Please skip this question if your state is unable to track HFA/HV local funding. Do not survey individual sites for answers to this question.</i></b>		
Local Funding Source	Does this source provide local funding?	Funding amount, if known
United Way		
Local Corporate Donations		
Local Individual Donations		
City Tax Money		
County Funds		
Local/Community Foundations		
Other (please list)		

<b>16. How would you describe the stability of <i>local</i> funding for HFA/HV in FY '03?</b>	
	Very Stable
	Somewhat Stable
	Somewhat Unstable
	Unstable

<b>17. Does your state use in-kind donations when calculating the total HFA budget?</b>	
	Yes
	No
	Don't Know

<b>18. Does your state use in-kind donations to fulfill local match requirements?</b>	
	Yes
	No
	Don't know

**Part III. Federal Funding:** *Please answer the following questions on Federal funding sources for HFA/HV in your state. Please list funding sources that originate from the federal government in this section only. Please include federal funds that pass through a state entity.*

<b>19. Please list sources and amount of federal funding for HFA/HV for each of the following categories:</b>	
<b>Federal Funding Source</b>	<b>Amount Allocated in FY '03</b>
Americorps	
Early Head Start	
Head Start	
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency	
Medicaid/CHIP/EPSDT	
Part C/Early Intervention	
Federal TANF Monies	
Title IV-B (Family Preservation)	
Title V/Maternal and Child Health	
CAPTA funds	
Federal Domestic Violence Funds	
Other (please list)	

<b>20. Please list any federal funding sources that reduced funding for HFA from FY'02 to FY'03:</b>
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<b>21. Does your state currently funnel HFA/HV state funds into one central fund (i.e. blended fund)?</b>	
	Yes
	No
	Don't know

<b>22. Are these "blended" funds helpful in leveraging federal monies?</b>	
	Yes (if yes, which funds?):
	No
	Don't Know

<b>23. How would you describe the stability of federal funding for HFA/HV in your state for FY '03?</b>	
	Very Stable
	Somewhat Stable
	Somewhat Unstable
	Unstable
	N/A

**Part IV: Program Impacts**

<b>24. Has HFA/HV experienced negative program impacts from state and federal cuts at this time?</b>	
	Yes, HFA/HV has experienced many negative impacts at this time
	Yes, HFA/HV has experienced some negative impacts at this time
	No, HFA/HV has not experienced impacts at this time
	Too early to tell

<b>25. Has your state system devised a plan should HFA/HV undergo large budget cuts?</b>	
	Yes, the plan is complete (go to question #26)
	No, but a plan is in progress
	No

<b>26. Please rank the order of actions your state plan outlines should HFA/HV undergo large budget cuts (i.e. 1 indicates the first action your state plans to take, 10 indicates the last action your state plans to take). Do not answer this question if your state does not have a plan of action.</b>	
<b>Systems Level:</b>	
	Increase advocacy efforts
	Increase fundraising efforts
	Attempt to access new revenue streams
	Reduce the total number of sites
	Reduce state system expenses
	Other (please list):
<b>Site Level:</b>	
	Reduce support/administrative staff at individual sites
	Reduce the number of families each program site will serve
	Increase caseloads of workers
	Halt proposed program expansion
	Other (please list):

Thank you for completing our survey! We appreciate your help.

**Comments:** Please list any additional information you would like us to have

**2002 Home Visiting Funding Survey: Description of Alternative Revenue Strategies**

Alternative Revenue Strategy	Definition/Explanation
<b>Increasing “sin taxes” including taxes on cigarettes, alcohol, and gambling</b>	Some states have passed measures to increase taxes on products that are believed to have negative social consequences. Commonly referred to as “sin taxes”, these taxes are usually applied to cigarettes, alcohol or gambling. Revenue raised is often targeted toward social service or public health programs.
<b>Broadening sales tax base</b>	Some states have increased their sales tax to include previously excluded items. For example, specific business purchases have previously been exempt from sales taxes. By expanding the number of taxable items, states can generate increased revenue.
<b>Increasing Income Taxes</b>	Many states have raised state income tax levels as a way to increase state revenues and decrease budget shortfalls.
<b>Increasing Property Taxes</b>	States have also increased rates of individual property taxes. These taxes are either streamlined back into the state fund or used to provide locally based services such as education.
<b>Reducing Corporate Loopholes/Decreasing business tax incentives</b>	Many states have explored ways to close loopholes in tax laws. Many companies are given tax breaks as a business incentive or to sway a company to locate in a particular area. Companies that were once granted exemption from certain business taxes years ago are now facing movements to have such incentives reversed, thereby increasing the amount state revenue.
<b>Tapping Into Reserve “Rainy Day” Funds</b>	States are required to keep reserve funds for use in times of crisis. States vary on their use of such funds. Some states have not used their reserve funds while others have taken money out of them. While some states are hesitant to use such funds, others have accessed them this year in order to avoid making large budget cuts.
<b>Increasing/Instituting a Lottery</b>	States have also chosen to use funds from a lottery system to raise money for either State General Funds or a specific state department, such as education.
<b>Borrowing money off Tobacco Settlement</b>	Some states are discussing ways to use future Tobacco settlement monies for immediate revenue. As such, they are “borrowing” off of future funds. While such measures result in a decrease in future Tobacco monies, they also keep states from having to make immediate large budget cuts.
<b>Borrowing money from other sources</b>	Many states have considered borrowing money in order to balance their state budgets. As such, states run into debt, but feel that keeping money in the economy is the best way to stimulate an economic recovery.
<b>Delaying Tax Cuts</b>	Some states have delayed scheduled tax cuts in order to avoid large budget shortfalls. Many states intend to re-institute the cuts at a later, more prosperous time.
<b>Spending Freezes</b>	Many states have tried to reduce expenses in State Government by limiting the amount of money the government can spend. Spending freezes allow governments to run on smaller budgets.