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# Introduction – Full Budget Review - Placements



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# Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship

Foster care and permanency programs are open-ended entitlement programs. The federal government provides partial reimbursements to states for the cost of providing assistance to children and placements that meet federal eligibility criteria.

- Placement Types
- Placement Funding
- Projection Methodology and Results
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# Placement Types



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# Placement Types

## Foster Care

- Foster and Kinship Care
  - Therapeutic Foster Care
- Congregate Care
  - Shelter Care, Group Home, Therapeutic Group Home
  - Acute Hospital, Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility

## Post-Permanency

- Adoption
- Guardianship

# Foster Care Placement Process

## Kinship Placement

- 45% of our kids are in kinship placements
- Process
- Challenges
- TANF
- Licensing

# Foster Care Placement Process (cont.)

## Foster Family Placement

- 45% of our kids are in foster family placements
- Process
- Challenges
- Licensing

# Congregate Care Placement Process

## Congregate Care Placement

- 10% of our kids are in foster family placements
- Process
  - Shelter Care, Therapeutic Group Home, Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility, Acute Hospitals
- Challenges
- Referrals



# Impacts of FFPSA on Congregate Care

Section 50741 of the Families First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) is titled “Limitation on Federal Financial Participation for Placements that are not in Foster Family Homes”.

- Restating Section 50741: Effective 10/1/2021, federal Title IV-E funds cannot be used for a placement after 14 days that is not a family type setting unless the facility has been approved as a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP) per the federal requirements.

## What this means for CFSD:

- Title IV-E funds can only be used for the first 14 days of any congregate care placement.
- Children that were in a facility on 9/30/2021 are considered “grandfathered in”, therefore Title IV-E funds for that placement could be used.
  - If the child has ANY break in the placement or moves from one facility to another, the 14-day Title IV-E reimbursement restarts.

# Impacts of FFPSA on Congregate Care (cont.)

- Requirements for Qualified Residential Treatment Center
- Therapeutic Group Homes
- Requirements for Courts
- Requirements Child and Family Services Division
- Build into CCWIS

# Impacts of FFPSA on Congregate Care (cont.)

- Licensed for 25 or less children
- Uses trauma-informed treatment model
- Must be accredited by independent or not-for-profit (CARF, Joint Commission or COA)
- Facilitates outreach to family members, including siblings, documents outreach and maintains records
- Performs 30-day assessment by a *Qualified Individual* using age-appropriate evidence-based validated functional assessment tool
- *Qualified Individual* is defined as trained professional or Licensed clinician who is not employee of state or provider
- Works with family and permanency team in conjunction with the qualified individual completing the assessment and documents child case plan
- Has a registered or licensed nursing staff on-site according to the treatment model, and are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week
- Provides discharge planning and family-based aftercare support for at least 6 months post-discharge
- Court Hearing and approval within 60 days of placement in a QRTP and at additional hearings

# Impacts of FFPSA on Congregate Care (cont.)

- Qualified Individual – a trained professional, youth Targeted Case Manager (TCM) or licensed clinician, who completes a Child and Adolescent Services Intensity Instrument (CASII) on a youth. This assessment will address the strengths and needs of the child, will make a recommendation on the most appropriate placement setting for the child, and will recommend short and long-term goals
- CASII – Child and Adolescent Services Intensity Instrument, it is the functional assessment used to determine if a child needs to be placed at the Therapeutic Group Home level of care.
- Level of Care Assessment Team - appropriate professionals who are working with the child and/or the family, as well as all appropriate biological family members, relatives, and fictive kin of the child. In the case of a child who has attained age 14, the assessment team shall include the members selected by the child that are included in the Permanency Planning Team.

# Impacts of FFPSA on Congregate Care (cont.)

## Role of the Courts – Legal Templates

- Montana has created legal templates to address FFPSA Requirements
- Motion for 60-day hearing
- Affidavit in support of Motion for 60-day Hearing
- Order following 60-day Hearing
- QRTP required language has been inserted into templates for Permanency Approval

# Placement Funding



# IV-E Determination and Eligibility

**Title IV-E of the social security act provides much of the federal funding associated with maintenance payments and support services.**

Provides partial reimbursement for eligible children in out-of-home care

- Annually appropriated with quarterly estimates
- Open-ended entitlement
- Funding contingent on:
  - Approved Title IV-E plan
  - Eligibility of the child
  - Eligibility of the placement

# IV-E Determination and Eligibility (cont.)

## Foster Care Title IV-E Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for foster care title IV-E assistance, a child:

- Must be in a licensed out-of-home placement due to abuse or neglect;
- Removed from families considered “needy” based on 1996 Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) resource eligibility
  - For a household of four, monthly gross income cannot exceed \$1,032;
- Have entered foster care by way of a voluntary placement, voluntary relinquishment or through a court order sanctioning the removal and a judicial determination of remaining at home would be contrary to the child’s welfare; and
- The state has made reasonable efforts to prevent removal from the home or due to the child’s circumstances no reasonable efforts could be made to prevent removal from the home.



# IV-E Eligibility (cont.)

## To continue to access title IV-E funds after initial determination:

- Within 12 months after the date the child entered foster care, a judicial determination that the state has made reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan for the child and no less than every 12 months afterwards for the foster care episode.
- If a continuance of the hearing does not include the language that the state has made reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan, access to title IV-E funds is lost until the court issues a judicial determination. Title IV-E funds cannot be claimed retroactively.
- Voluntary placement agreements must have a court order sanctioning the child's removal within 30 days.

## Title IV-E eligibility redetermination:

- A change in placement occurs; or
- A court hearing is not done in a timely manner, the title IV-E funding for the child is interrupted.

# IV-E Eligibility (cont.)

## **Guardianship Assistance Title IV-E Eligibility Requirements:**

The child must have been in a licensed kinship foster care title IV-E eligible placement for at least six months preceding the guardianship agreement. The child must have been removed from a family considered “needy” based on 1996 Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) resource eligibility.

- For a household of four, monthly gross income cannot exceed \$1,032

# IV-E Eligibility (cont.)

## **Adoption Assistance Title IV-E Eligibility Requirements:**

The Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 delinked eligibility for the title IV-E adoption assistance program from the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) requirements. This was phased in between 2010 and 2018. In 2018 the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) delayed the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act for children under the age of two.

# IV-E Eligibility (cont.)

A child with special needs (as defined by each state) is title IV-E eligible if the child was two or older by the end of the federal fiscal year their adoption assistance agreement was entered into and

1. at the time of the initiation of the adoption proceedings, the child was in the care of a child placement agency by way of a voluntary placement, voluntary relinquishment, or a court-ordered removal with a judicial determination that remaining at home would be contrary to the child's welfare,
2. meets the disability or medical requirements of the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program,
3. was eligible for adoption assistance in a previous adoption in which the adoptive parents have died or had their parental rights terminated; and
4. the adoptive parents must meet the requirements of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 which are as follows:
  - Fingerprint-based checks of the national crime information databases for prospective adoptive parents, and
  - Checks of state child abuse and neglect registries in which the prospective adoptive parents and any other adults living in the home have resided in the preceding five years.

**Beginning July 1, 2024, the title IV-E adoption assistance eligibility requirements apply to children of any age.**

# IV-E Trends

## Foster Care:

The number of IV-E eligible children has decreased in the last few years but remains relatively steady at 34%. Conversely, the number of children placed in IV-E eligible settings has decreased resulting in increased pressure on the general fund.

SFY	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
<b>Adoption</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>3,337</b>	<b>3,343</b>	<b>3,420</b>	<b>3,499</b>	<b>3,579</b>
IVE	2,915	3,012	3,077	3,116	3,188	3,260
GFO	349	325	266	304	311	319
<b>Foster Care</b>	<b>2,825</b>	<b>2,456</b>	<b>2,183</b>	<b>2,139</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,055</b>
IVE	905	724	778	721	706	692
GFO	1,920	1,732	1,405	1,418	1,391	1,363
<b>Guardianship</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>1,854</b>	<b>1,956</b>	<b>2,064</b>
IVE	612	705	752	771	813	858
GFO	736	878	1,003	1,083	1,143	1,206
<b>TOTAL Children</b>	<b>7,437</b>	<b>7,376</b>	<b>7,281</b>	<b>7,413</b>	<b>7,552</b>	<b>7,698</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>
<b>Adoption</b>						
IVE	89%	90%	92%	91%	91%	91%
GFO	11%	10%	8%	9%	9%	9%
<b>Foster Care</b>						
IVE	32%	29%	36%	34%	34%	34%
GFO	68%	71%	64%	66%	66%	66%
<b>Guardianship</b>						
IVE	45%	45%	43%	42%	42%	42%
GFO	55%	55%	57%	58%	58%	58%
<b>TOTAL Children</b>						

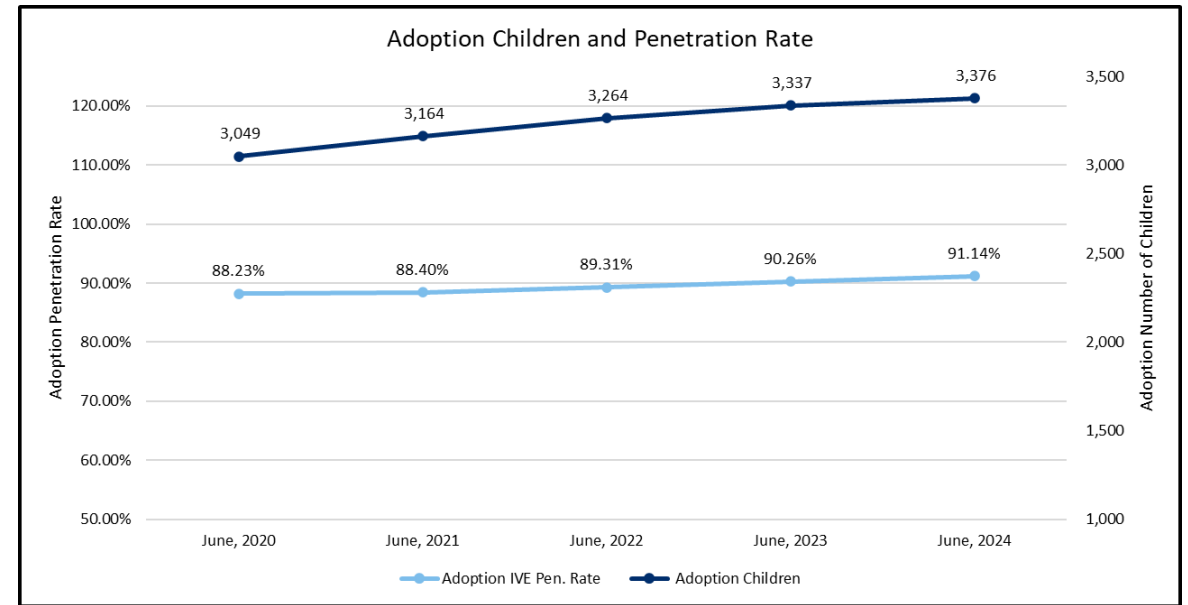
# IV-E Trends (cont.)

## Adoption:

Initial adoption assistance agreements are negotiated with each family based on the need of the family and child and can be modified at any time upon the request of the adoptive parents.

The monthly adoption assistance cannot exceed the daily foster care rate. During the 2023 legislation session the daily foster care rate increased which precipitated adoption assistance subsidy renegotiations. During state fiscal years 2023 and 2024, 732 (or 18.54%) of adoption assistance subsidies were renegotiated to the higher rate.

It is anticipated that the remainder of subsidy renegotiations will occur during state fiscal year 2025. The additional costs are included in the 2027 biennium adoption assistance caseload package.



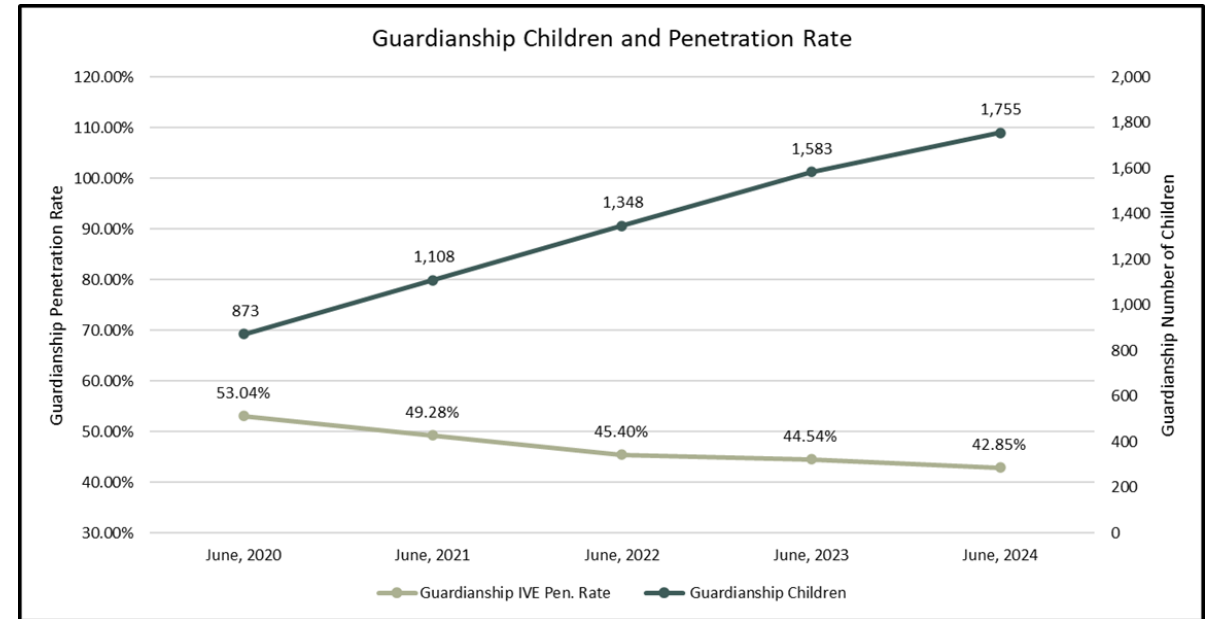
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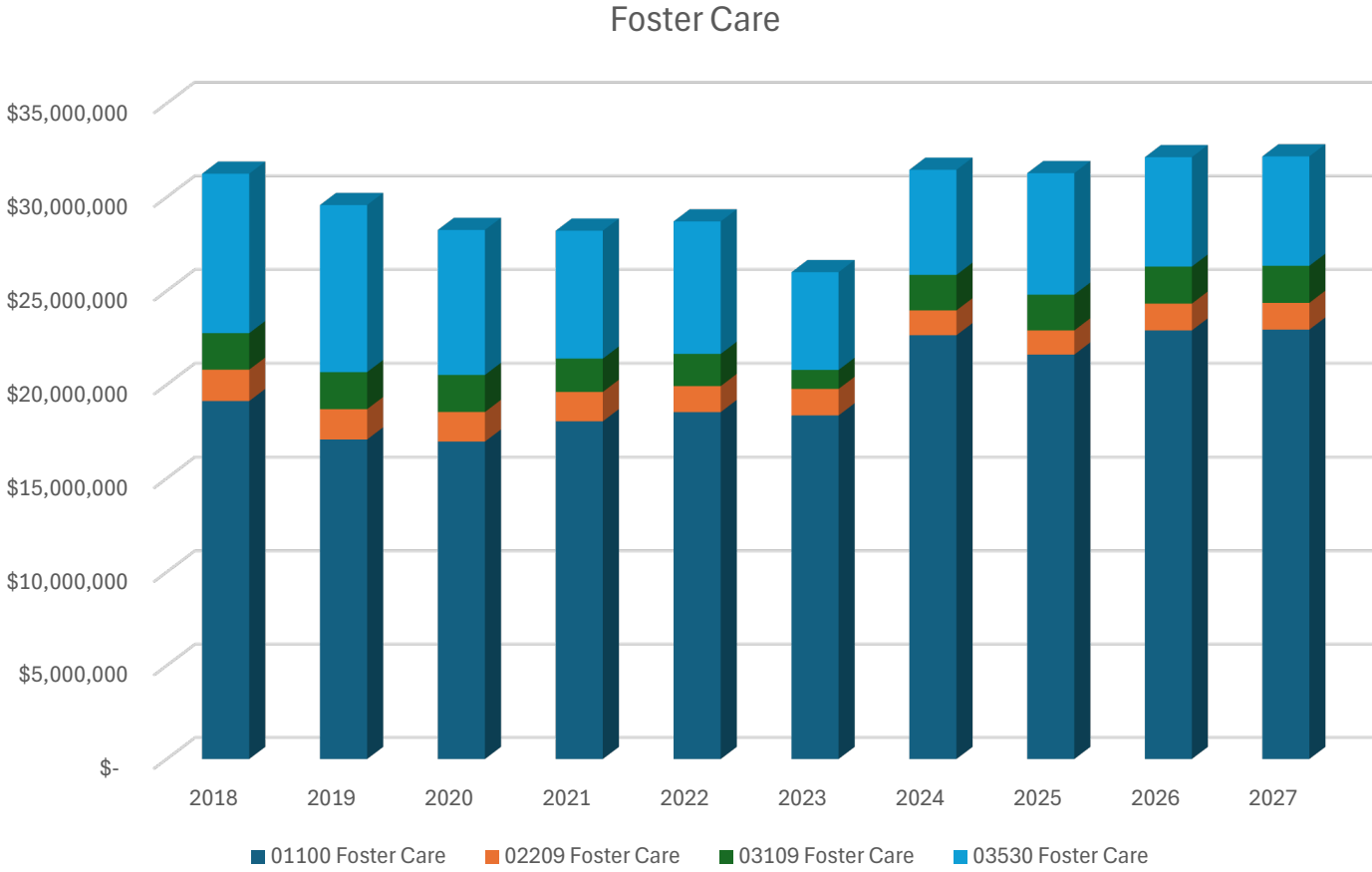
Guardianship eligible IV-E payments will continue to decline. Initial guardianship assistance agreements are negotiated with each family based on the needs of the family and child and can be modified at any time upon request of the guardianship parents.

The monthly guardianship assistance subsidy cannot exceed the daily foster care rate. During the 2023 legislation session, the daily foster care rate was increased which precipitated guardianship assistance subsidy renegotiations.

During state fiscal years 2023 and 2024, 175 (or 11.50%) of guardianship assistance subsidies were renegotiated to the higher rate. It is anticipated that the remainder of the renegotiations will occur during state fiscal year 2025. The additional costs are included in the 2027 biennium guardianship assistance caseload package.

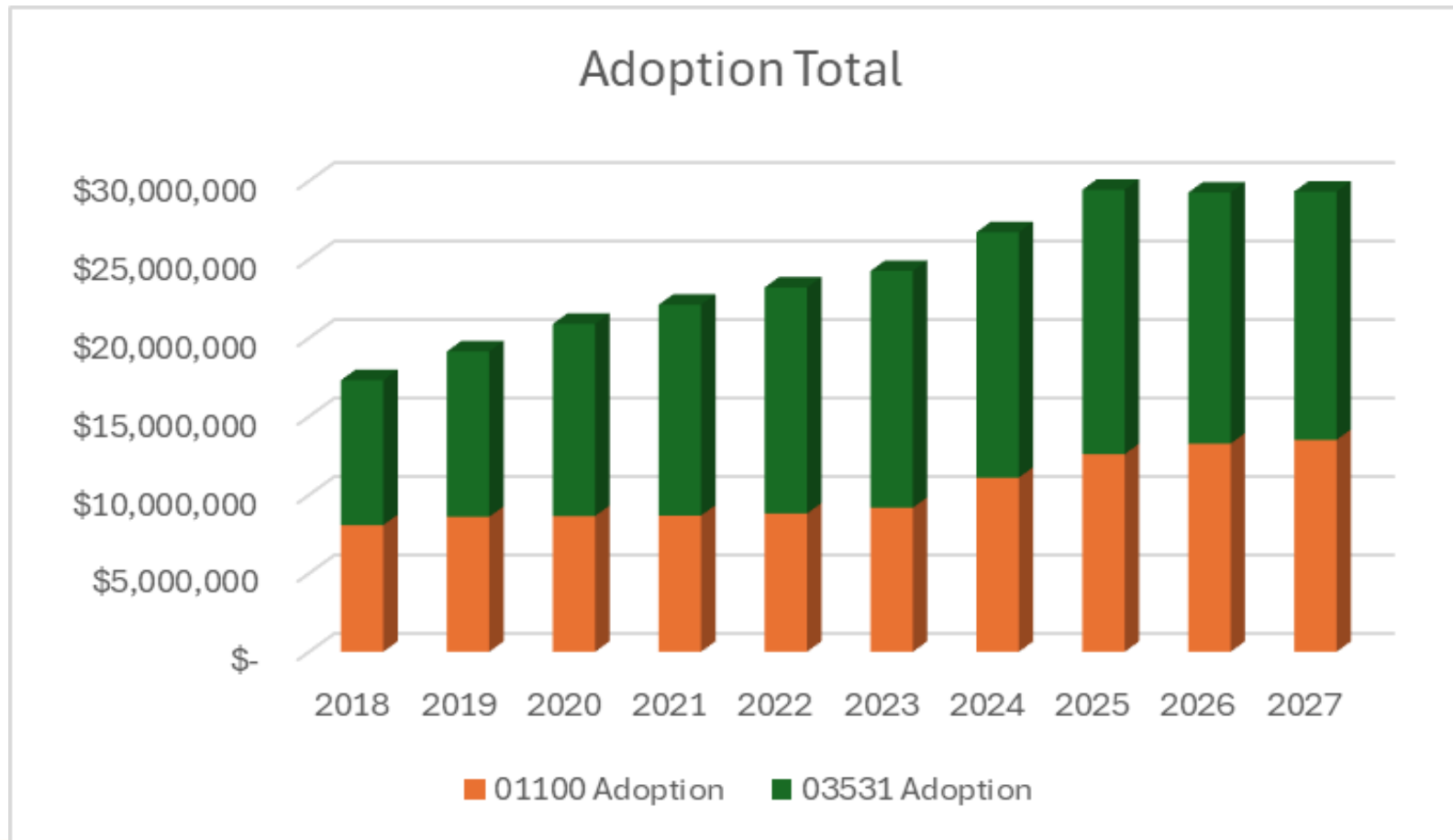


# 10-Year History – Foster Care

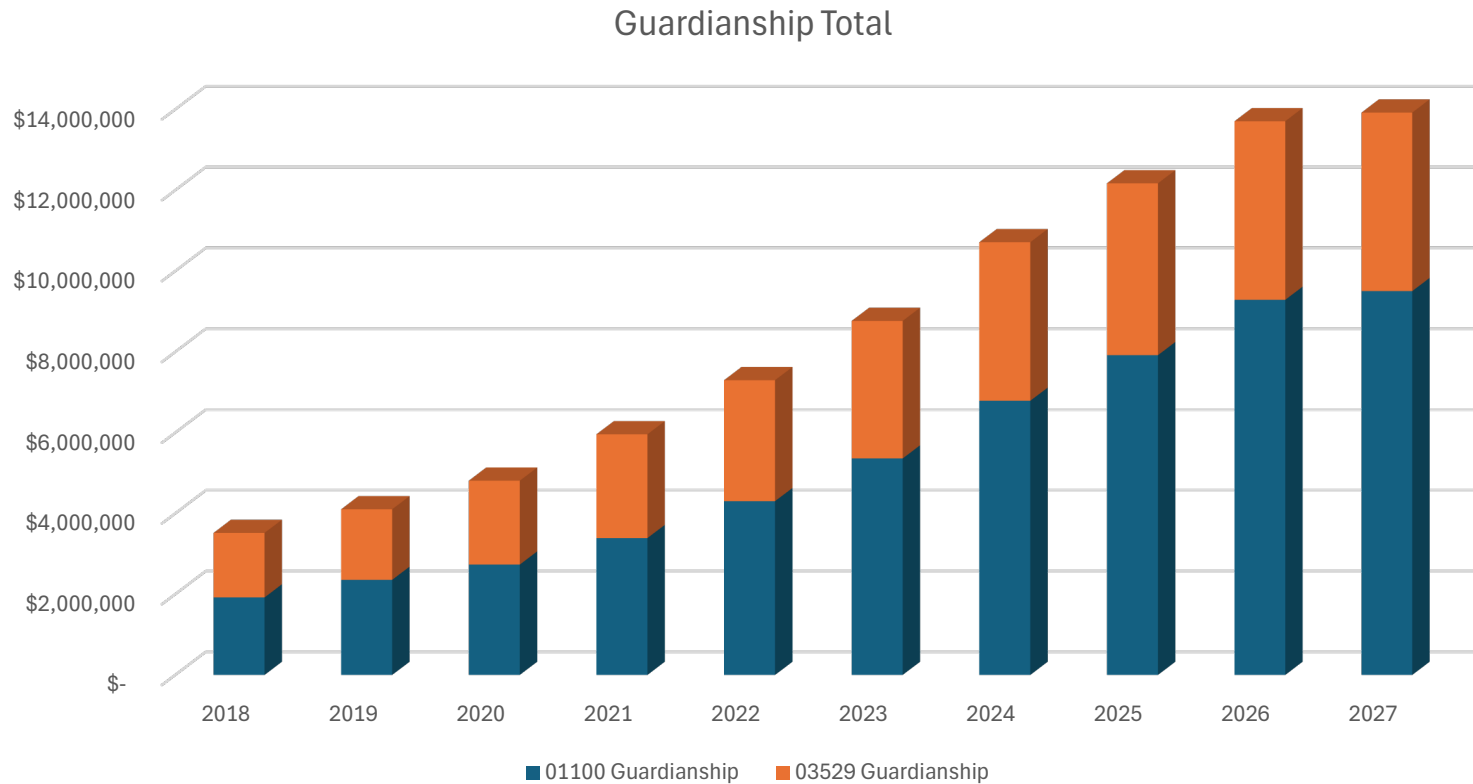




# 10-Year History - Adoption



# 10-Year History - Guardianship



# Rate Matrix

MONTANA FOSTER CARE RATES BY SERVICE CODE SFY 2018 - SFY 2027									
SERVICE CODE	SERVICE CODE DESCRIPTION	AGE	SFY 2018 & SFY 2019	SFY 2020	SFY 2021	SFY 2022 & SFY 2023	SFY 2024	SFY 2025 through SFY 2027	
PFRS1	Family Foster Care Rate	0 -12	19.05	19.22	19.57	21.07	30.16	31.36	
PFRS1	Family Foster Care Rate	13 -21	22.70	22.91	23.33	24.83	30.16	31.36	
PRRS1	Kinship Foster Care Rate	0 -12	19.05	19.22	19.57	21.07	30.16	31.36	
PRRS1	Kinship Foster Care Rate	13 -21	22.70	22.91	23.33	24.83	30.16	31.36	
PFTB1	Therapeutic Family Foster Care -Supervision Matrix, Medicaid	N/A	34.30	34.61	35.24	36.74	38.21	39.74	
PGRS4	Group Home - Supervision Matrix, Level 4 - Model Rate	N/A	85.09	85.86	87.43	88.93	97.82	107.60	
PGRS5	Group Home - Supervision Matrix, Level 5 - Model Rate	N/A	145.20	146.52	149.20	150.70	165.77	182.35	
PGTL1	Group Home Support Services Level 1 - Treatment Matrix, Basic	N/A	13.90	14.03	14.29	15.79	16.42	17.08	
PMAT8	Transitional Living for Parent + Child	N/A	238.75	240.92	245.33	246.83	256.70	266.97	
PSRS4	Shelter Care - Supervision Matrix, Level 4	N/A	85.09	85.86	87.43	88.93	97.82	107.60	
PSRS5	Shelter Care - Supervision Matrix, Level 5	N/A	145.20	146.52	149.20	150.70	165.77	182.35	
PSTL1	Shelter Care Supportive Services - Level 1 - Treatment Matrix, Basic	N/A	13.90	14.03	14.29	15.79	17.37	19.11	
PSTL2	Shelter Care Supportive Services - Level 2 - Treatment Matrix, Intermediate	N/A	33.79	34.10	34.72	36.22	39.84	43.82	
PSTL3	Shelter Care Supportive Services - Level 3 - Treatment Matrix, Intensive	N/A	49.18	49.63	50.54	52.04	57.24	62.96	
PTGHI	Therapeutic Group Home - Intensive - Supervision Matrix, Level 6	N/A	48.29	48.73	49.62	51.12	56.23	61.85	
SDALL	Diaper Allowance	0-2	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.67	1.67	
SRESP	Foster Care Respite Hourly Rate	N/A	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	20.16	20.16	

PFSSI	Social Security Foster Care Rate The rate is updated annually each calendar year with the Social Security Administration with the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) increase.	CY 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021
		25.10	25.80	26.10	26.47
		CY 2022	CY 2023	CY 2024	CY 2025
		28.03	30.47	31.45	32.24

# Projections



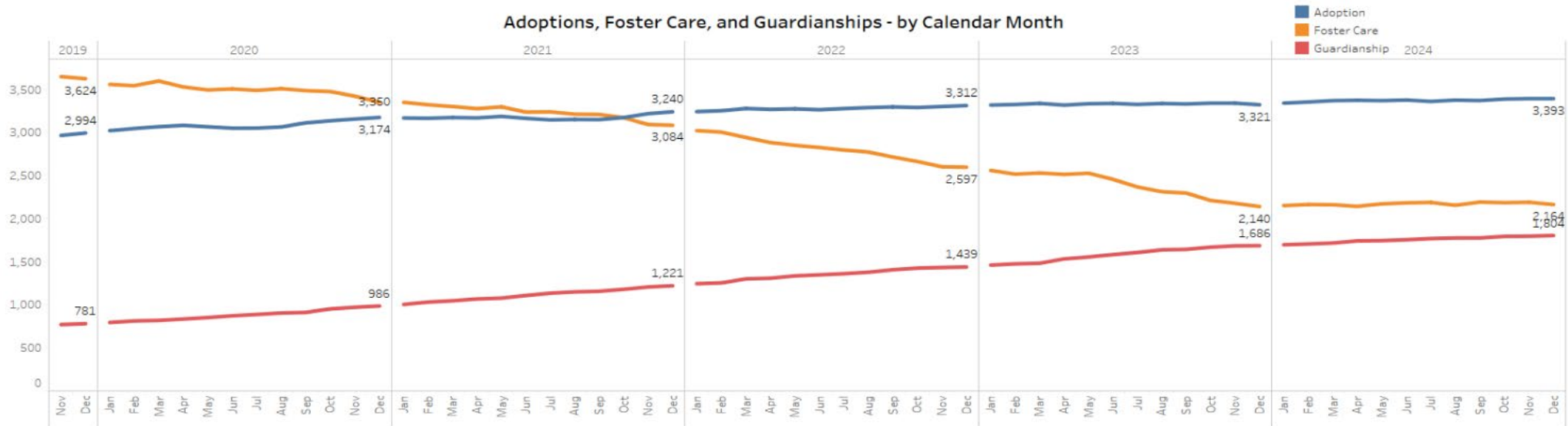
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# Placements Projection Methodologies

## Caseload assumptions:

- Number of kids in care
- Placement types

The division uses long-term growth trends to project future funding needs. Historically, there was an increase in the number of children in foster care leading to the highest number of children in foster care placements in 2018. The foster care caseload has been consistently declining since that date, with fewer children entering care. The adoption and guardianship caseloads have experienced long-term slow growth. The department expects these trends to continue into 2026 and 2027.

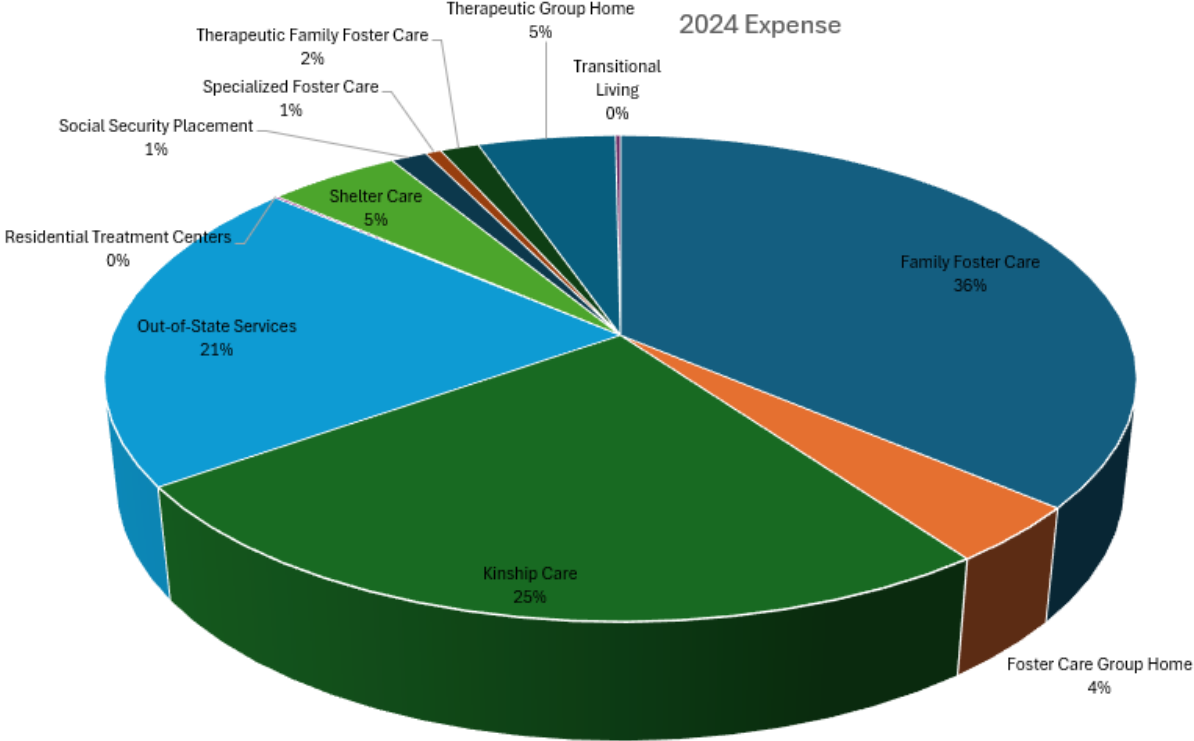


# Placements Projection Methodologies (cont.)

## Projected Growth Rates:

SFY	Foster Care	Subsidized Adoption	Guardianship	Children in Care	FC Growth	SA Growth %	GU Growth	TOTAL Growth
2020	3,505	3,049	873	7,427				
2021	3,236	3,164	1,108	7,508	-7.67%	3.77%	26.92%	1.09%
2022	2,825	3,264	1,348	7,437	-12.70%	3.16%	21.66%	-0.95%
2023	2,456	3,337	1,583	7,376	-13.06%	2.24%	17.43%	-0.82%
2024	2,183	3,343	1,755	7,281	-11.12%	0.18%	10.87%	-1.29%
2025	2,139	3,420	1,854	7,413	-2.02%	2.30%	5.64%	1.81%
2026	2,097	3,499	1,956	7,552	-1.96%	2.30%	5.50%	1.87%
2027	2,055	3,579	2,064	7,698	-2.00%	2.30%	5.50%	1.93%

# Placement Expenses – Foster Care



- Family Foster Care represented 36% of placement costs in SFY 2024 at \$8,192,730.
- Kinship Care represented 25% of placement costs at \$5,670,040.
- Out-of-State Facility services represented the third highest placement cost at 21% or \$4,772,395.

# Placements – Foster and Kinship

- Foster and Kinship Care
- Therapeutic Foster Care

Row Labels	2024 Expense	2025 Projected	2026 Request	2027 Request
<b>Placements</b>	<b>\$14,187,216</b>	<b>\$14,234,787</b>	<b>\$14,531,367</b>	<b>\$14,554,213</b>
Family Foster Care	\$8,192,730	\$8,202,848	\$8,219,500	\$8,233,847
Kinship Care	\$5,670,040	\$5,676,740	\$5,926,740	\$5,926,740
Therapeutic Family Foster Care	\$324,446	\$355,199	\$385,127	\$393,625
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$14,187,216</b>	<b>\$14,234,787</b>	<b>\$14,531,367</b>	<b>\$14,554,213</b>

Current projections indicate a leveling of Family Foster Care and Therapeutic Family Foster Care with slight increases to Kinship. Much of the continued growth in Foster and Kinship placements is rate driven. 2026 and 2027 are about 2% more than 2025 projected expenses. While the number of kids and care is projected to continue to decline foster care rate increases impact the projection.



# Placements – Congregate Care

The increase in projections in congregate care is primarily due to high cost out of state placements.

Row Labels	2024 Expense	2025 Projected	2026 Request	2027 Request
<b>Placements</b>	<b>\$7,976,514</b>	<b>\$8,062,729</b>	<b>\$8,295,907</b>	<b>\$8,296,396</b>
Foster Care Group Home	\$866,232	\$870,947	\$876,441	\$882,154
Out-of-State Services	\$4,772,395	\$4,772,395	\$4,872,395	\$4,872,395
Residential Treatment Centers	\$29,754	\$29,754	\$29,754	\$29,754
Shelter Care	\$1,110,033	\$1,129,657	\$1,165,026	\$1,173,335
Therapeutic Group Home	\$1,156,576	\$1,218,452	\$1,310,768	\$1,297,234
Transitional Living	\$41,524	\$41,524	\$41,524	\$41,524
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$7,976,514</b>	<b>\$8,062,729</b>	<b>\$8,295,907</b>	<b>\$8,296,396</b>

Sum of Payment_Amt Funding_Description	State_FY 2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Trend	Percent of Total
General Fund	214,176	110,935	109,308	883,019	2,052,226		36.2%
IV-E Foster Care Court Ordered	26,192	43,194	301,842	410,955	331,570		12.0%
SSI/State General Fund	476,480	651,021	692,798	798,153	1,752,381		46.9%
TANF Emergency Assistance	589	28,901	77,282	106,945	18,871		2.5%
Trust Account Cost of Care	22,889	26,135	22,027	51,056	74,579		2.1%
Trust Account Prior Adjustmen	12,426	5,607	1,577	6,473	8,461		0.4%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>752,751</b>	<b>865,793</b>	<b>1,204,833</b>	<b>2,256,599</b>	<b>4,238,088</b>		<b>100.0%</b>

Five-year growth in out-of-state placements.

# Placements – Total Foster Care

## Total Foster Care Projections

Row Labels	2024 Expense	2025 Projected	2026 Request	2027 Request
Placements	\$22,598,993	\$22,599,828	\$23,129,586	\$23,152,920
Services	\$8,856,660	\$8,676,185	\$8,998,583	\$9,019,010
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$31,455,653</b>	<b>\$31,276,014</b>	<b>\$32,128,169</b>	<b>\$32,171,930</b>

While the number of children in out-of-home placement is projected with a continuous small decline the total costs are projected to increase:

- Projected continued growth in out-of-state placements. SFY 2023 increased 47% over SFY 2022 and CFSD experienced another 47% increase in SFY 2024 over SFY 2023.

# Placement Expenses and Projection - Adoption

- Adoption saw a 9% increase in expenses in FY 2024 over 2025 while the number of children entering adoptive placements grew by less than 1%.
- Projections assume a 2.3% growth in number of adoptive placements while costs of adoption subsidies are expected to grow by 9% in 2025 and remain steady in 2026 and 2027.
- Increase in subsidy cost is based on projected increase in renegotiated subsidy.

Row Labels	2024 Expense	2025 Projected	2026 Request	2027 Request
Adoption	\$ 26,428,311	\$ 29,131,356	\$ 28,950,299	\$ 29,011,795
Adoption Finalization Expenses	\$ 307,726	\$ 310,804	\$ 310,804	\$ 310,804
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 26,736,037</b>	<b>\$ 29,442,160</b>	<b>\$ 29,261,103</b>	<b>\$ 29,322,599</b>

# Placements - Guardianship

SFY 2024 realized an almost 18% increase over 2023 guardianship assistance payments. The projection for guardianship takes into consideration the growth in number of children entering guardianship placements as well as the increase in guardianship subsidy payments as related to foster care rate increases.

Category	2024 Expense	2025 Projected	2026 Request	2027 Request
Guardianship	\$ 10,713,159	\$ 12,169,518	\$ 13,705,861	\$ 13,920,665
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$10,713,159</b>	<b>\$ 12,169,518</b>	<b>\$13,705,861</b>	<b>\$ 13,920,665</b>

# Total Caseload Package

RL	RL_DESCRIPTION	FUND	2024 Actual	2025 Base	2026 Request	2027 Request	2026 Change Package	2027 Change Package
69010-03-03-02	Foster Care	1100	\$ 21,352,352	\$ 18,299,294	\$ 22,889,601	\$ 22,933,169	\$ 4,590,307	\$ 4,633,875
		2209	\$ 1,325,219	\$ 1,433,000	\$ 1,428,781	\$ 1,426,720	\$ (4,219)	\$ (6,280)
		3109	\$ 1,895,310	\$ 1,976,440	\$ 2,169,430	\$ 2,171,684	\$ 192,990	\$ 195,244
		3530	\$ 4,855,561	\$ 7,224,855	\$ 5,640,357	\$ 5,640,357	\$ (1,584,498)	\$ (1,584,498)
	<b>Foster Care Total</b>		<b>\$ 29,428,442</b>	<b>\$ 28,933,589</b>	<b>\$ 32,128,169</b>	<b>\$ 32,171,930</b>	<b>\$ 3,194,580</b>	<b>\$ 3,238,341</b>
<b>69010-03-03-02 Total</b>			<b>\$ 29,428,442</b>	<b>\$ 28,933,589</b>	<b>\$ 32,128,169</b>	<b>\$ 32,171,930</b>	<b>\$ 3,194,580</b>	<b>\$ 3,238,341</b>
69010-03-03-03	Adoption	1100	\$ 11,093,392	\$ 10,984,330	\$ 13,261,019	\$ 13,497,674	\$ 2,276,689	\$ 2,513,344
		3531	\$ 15,425,277	\$ 16,074,824	\$ 16,000,084	\$ 15,824,925	\$ (74,740)	\$ (249,899)
	<b>Adoption Total</b>		<b>\$ 26,518,669</b>	<b>\$ 27,059,154</b>	<b>\$ 29,261,103</b>	<b>\$ 29,322,599</b>	<b>\$ 2,201,949</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,445</b>
<b>69010-03-03-03 Total</b>			<b>\$ 26,518,669</b>	<b>\$ 27,059,154</b>	<b>\$ 29,261,103</b>	<b>\$ 29,322,599</b>	<b>\$ 2,201,949</b>	<b>\$ 2,263,445</b>
69010-03-03-04	Guardianship	1100	\$ 6,790,339	\$ 7,519,481	\$ 9,287,792	\$ 9,503,998	\$ 1,768,311	\$ 1,984,517
		3529	\$ 3,878,435	\$ 5,299,928	\$ 4,418,069	\$ 4,416,667	\$ (881,859)	\$ (883,261)
	<b>Guardianship Total</b>		<b>\$ 10,668,774</b>	<b>\$ 12,819,409</b>	<b>\$ 13,705,861</b>	<b>\$ 13,920,665</b>	<b>\$ 886,452</b>	<b>\$ 1,101,256</b>
<b>69010-03-03-04 Total</b>			<b>\$ 10,668,774</b>	<b>\$ 12,819,409</b>	<b>\$ 13,705,861</b>	<b>\$ 13,920,665</b>	<b>\$ 886,452</b>	<b>\$ 1,101,256</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>\$ 66,615,885</b>	<b>\$ 68,812,152</b>	<b>\$ 75,095,133</b>	<b>\$ 75,415,194</b>	<b>\$ 6,282,981</b>	<b>\$ 6,603,042</b>

# Placement Expenses by Region



# Foster Care Placements by Region FY 2024

PROGRAM TYP	Region	TYP	SFY 2024	Percent of Total	
= Foster Care	= Region 1	GFO	\$1,785,268.82	62.47%	
		IVE	\$1,020,760.70	35.72%	
		TANF	\$51,724.61	1.81%	
		<b>Region 1 Total</b>		<b>\$2,857,754.13</b>	<b>11.53%</b>
	= Region 2	GFO	\$2,002,703.70	59.68%	
		IVE	\$942,302.78	28.08%	
		TANF	\$410,760.24	12.24%	
		<b>Region 2 Total</b>		<b>\$3,355,766.72</b>	<b>13.54%</b>
	= Region 3	GFO	\$4,159,246.24	59.70%	
		IVE	\$2,015,145.64	28.92%	
		TANF	\$792,772.58	11.38%	
		<b>Region 3 Total</b>		<b>\$6,967,164.46</b>	<b>28.11%</b>
	= Region 4	GFO	\$2,824,993.38	78.08%	
		IVE	\$557,246.40	15.40%	
		TANF	\$235,767.18	6.52%	
		<b>Region 4 Total</b>		<b>\$3,618,006.96</b>	<b>14.60%</b>
	= Region 5	GFO	\$1,105,805.03	71.64%	
		IVE	\$321,430.69	20.82%	
		TANF	\$116,352.46	7.54%	
		<b>Region 5 Total</b>		<b>\$1,543,588.18</b>	<b>6.23%</b>
	= Region 6	GFO	\$2,595,714.90	88.01%	
		IVE	\$265,799.88	9.01%	
		TANF	\$87,933.27	2.98%	
		<b>Region 6 Total</b>		<b>\$2,949,448.05</b>	<b>11.90%</b>
		= Third Party	THIRD Party Reimbursement	\$1,214,005.17	100.00%
		<b>Third Party Total</b>		<b>\$1,214,005.17</b>	<b>4.90%</b>
		= Tribal	IVE Tribal	\$2,276,785.53	100.00%
	<b>Tribal Total</b>		<b>\$2,276,785.53</b>	<b>9.19%</b>	
	<b>Foster Care Total</b>		<b>\$24,782,519.20</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

# Adoption Placements by Region FY 2024

PROGRAM TYP	Region	TYP	SFY 2024	Percent of Total
Adoption	Region 1	GFO	\$543,172.10	14.64%
		IVE	\$3,165,965.82	85.36%
	<b>Region 1 Total</b>		<b>\$3,709,137.92</b>	<b>14.17%</b>
	Region 2	GFO	\$645,188.87	13.91%
		IVE	\$3,994,119.21	86.09%
	<b>Region 2 Total</b>		<b>\$4,639,308.08</b>	<b>17.72%</b>
	Region 3	GFO	\$571,176.29	9.43%
		IVE	\$5,487,326.77	90.57%
	<b>Region 3 Total</b>		<b>\$6,058,503.06</b>	<b>23.14%</b>
	Region 4	GFO	\$464,513.38	8.42%
		IVE	\$5,055,128.68	91.58%
	<b>Region 4 Total</b>		<b>\$5,519,642.06</b>	<b>21.08%</b>
	Region 5	GFO	\$455,047.52	14.46%
		IVE	\$2,691,650.13	85.54%
	<b>Region 5 Total</b>		<b>\$3,146,697.65</b>	<b>12.02%</b>
	Region 6	GFO	\$213,752.83	9.12%
		IVE	\$2,130,436.41	90.88%
	<b>Region 6 Total</b>		<b>\$2,344,189.24</b>	<b>8.95%</b>
	Tribal	IVE Tribal	\$761,335.14	100.00%
	<b>Tribal Total</b>		<b>\$761,335.14</b>	<b>2.91%</b>
<b>Adoption Total</b>			<b>\$26,178,813.15</b>	<b>100.00%</b>





# Guardianship Placements by Region FY 2024

PROGRAM TYP	Region	TYP	SFY 2024	Percent of Total
Guardianship	Region 1	GFO	\$608,539.79	51.46%
		IVE	\$574,073.45	48.54%
	<b>Region 1 Total</b>		<b>\$1,182,613.24</b>	<b>11.09%</b>
	Region 2	GFO	\$992,566.44	46.86%
		IVE	\$1,125,728.29	53.14%
	<b>Region 2 Total</b>		<b>\$2,118,294.73</b>	<b>19.87%</b>
	Region 3	GFO	\$1,744,401.01	46.18%
		IVE	\$2,033,319.49	53.82%
	<b>Region 3 Total</b>		<b>\$3,777,720.50</b>	<b>35.43%</b>
	Region 4	GFO	\$913,585.58	56.17%
		IVE	\$712,816.21	43.83%
	<b>Region 4 Total</b>		<b>\$1,626,401.79</b>	<b>15.25%</b>
	Region 5	GFO	\$473,931.12	51.02%
		IVE	\$454,975.62	48.98%
	<b>Region 5 Total</b>		<b>\$928,906.74</b>	<b>8.71%</b>
	Region 6	GFO	\$260,222.18	81.42%
		IVE	\$59,391.33	18.58%
	<b>Region 6 Total</b>		<b>\$319,613.51</b>	<b>3.00%</b>
	Tribal	IVE Tribal	\$709,851.25	100.00%
	<b>Tribal Total</b>		<b>\$709,851.25</b>	<b>6.66%</b>
<b>Guardianship Total</b>			<b>\$10,663,401.76</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

# Tribal Agreements



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# Tribal Social Services Structure

Each tribe is different

- Bureau of Indian Affairs or Tribal Social Services completes investigations
- Tribal Social Services manages foster care case
- Tribal Social Services Licenses Foster Families

Funding

- Tribal Task Orders
- IV-E
- IV-B

# Tribal IV-E Agreements

The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services entered into seven Title IV-E agreements with the following tribes:

- Blackfeet Nation
- Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Rocky Boy Montana
- Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation
- Crow Tribe of Montana
- Fort Belknap Indian Community
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe
- Fork Peck

Current agreements are identical and based off a template agreement that was originally negotiated in 2011 with terms no longer than seven years. The agreements cover administration, training, and reimbursement to the tribe for maintenance costs. The state has agreed to pay the non-federal matching costs for maintenance. The state will pay non-federal matching costs for administration and training out of state general funds up to a capped amount until the state funding is expended. The agreements provide mutual and shared obligations between the parties.

# Tribal Social Services Structure

- Blackfeet Nation
- Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Rocky Boy Montana
- Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation
- Fort Belknap Indian Community
  - Investigations, Foster Care and Licensing
- Crow Tribe of Montana and Northern Cheyenne Tribe
  - Foster Care and Licensing
- Fort Peck
  - Licensing
- Little Shell (no social services program)

# Conclusion

