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Dear Mr. Albright, Ms. Allison, Mr. DeBerry, and Ms. Parks:

Enclosed is the agency's FY 2017 Monthly Financial Report as of March 2017. The following is a narrative summary of budget adjustments during the month, budget variances, significant changes from appropriated funding, capital budget issues, and other key budget issues at this time.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

The budget adjustments listed below apply to the appropriation year 2017 as of the end of March 31, 2017. Adjustments to Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) appropriation pattern as detailed in the Conference Committee version of H.B.1, 84th Legislature, Regular Session are described.

- A. Pursuant to Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants, adjustments have been made to align federal funds/block grants and re-budget federal funds/block grants between FY16 and FY17. Total amounts by CFDA are listed below. Additional detail is provided in Schedule 1 Supplemental.
- 93.556.001 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families (\$9,606)
 - 93.556.002 - Promoting Safe and Stable Families – Caseworker Visits (\$1,303,593)
 - 93.645 - Child Welfare Services State Grant \$3,032,841
 - 93.669 - Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants (\$224,692)

93.599 - Title IV-E Chafee Education and Training Vouchers Program (\$1,758,476)
93.603 - Adoption Incentive Payments \$1,858,665
93.674 - Chafee Foster Care Independence Program \$3,499,492
93.643 - Children's Justice Grants to States \$20,000
93.590 - Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants \$1,088,701
93.566 - Refugee and Entrant Assistance State Administered Programs (\$4,113,328)

B. Pursuant to Art II, Special Provisions, Sec. 10, Limitations on Transfer Authority, the following adjustments are reflected:

- The transfer of funding and FTE Authority for the Texas Home Visiting programs from HHSC to DFPS (letter dated December 1, 2015)
- The transfer of general revenue funding from HHSC for the critical needs request to support the increase in CPS Direct Delivery staff, support staff, and associated agency costs (letter dated November 22, 2016)

C. Pursuant to Art I Informational Listing, Sec 2, Transfer of Social Security Contributions and Benefit Replacement Pay (BRP), this adjustment transfers BRP to direct strategies. (The BRP adjustment was removed from the Monthly Financial Report beginning in November 2016 consistent with other state agencies. These adjustments do not increase the agency's budget and are required for CPA reporting purposes only.)

D. This adjustment reflects a transfer from Comptroller of Public Accounts for the estimated state and federal funds and/or budget authority required to fund the state employee salary increase legislated in Article IX, Sec. 18.02, Appropriations for a State Salary Increase for General State Employees.

E. This adjustment reflects changes in estimated federal entitlement funds (gains or losses) pursuant to Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants Fed Entitlements. Total amounts by CFDA are listed below. Additional detail is provided in Schedule 1 Supplemental. Shaded items reflect changes from prior month. Updates in projections affected these sources.
93.778.003 - Medical Assistance Program 50% \$2,019,623
93.659.050 - Title IV-E Adoption Assistance - Administration \$2,410,418
93.659.060 - Title IV-E Adoption Assistance - FMAP (\$1,476,122)
93.659.075 - Title IV-E Adoption Assistance-Training \$253
93.658.050 - Title IV-E Foster Care - Administration \$6,217,297
93.658.060 - Title IV-E Foster Care - FMAP (\$9,268,739)
93.658.075 - Title IV-E Foster Care -Training \$2,373,428
93.090.050 - Title IV-E Guardianship Assistance - Administration \$80,211
93.090.060 - Title IV-E Guardianship Assistance - FMAP (\$689,324)

F. This adjustment reflects changes in estimated interagency contracts pursuant to Art IX, Sec 8.02, Reimbursements and Payments.

G. This adjustment reflects transfers between appropriations within 20 percent limitation to cover projected expense pursuant to 84rd Legislature, SB1 Art IX, Sec 14.01, Appropriation Transfers (2016-17 GAA).
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- J. Pursuant to Art II, Rider 10, Appropriation Transfer between Fiscal Years (letter dated June, 23, 2016), this adjustment reflects the reversal of the carry back of TANF funds from FY 17 to FY 16 in Strategy B.1.9 Foster Care Payments due to TANF ECF being made available through approval of critical needs letter dated November 22, 2016.
- K. This adjustment reflects the approval to expend current unobligated TANF and TANF Emergency Contingency Fund balances pursuant to Art IX, Sec 13.10, Request to Expend TANF- Federal Funds/Block Grants (letter dated November 22, 2016).
- O. This adjustment reflects the carry forward of unexpended capital balances from FY 16 to FY 17 for Strategy B.1.1 Child Protective Services Direct Delivery Staff and Strategy G.1.1 Agency-Wide Automated Systems pursuant to Art IX, Sec 14.03(i), Limitation on Expenditures - Capital Budget UB (2016-17 GAA). Additional detail is provided in Schedule 1 Supplemental.
- T. This adjustment reflects the appropriation increase pursuant to Art IX, Sec. 18.35, Contingency for H.B. 19, Mental Health and Preventative Services Programs for Veterans' and Military families.
- V. This adjustment reflects Fiscal Size-up adjustments which transfers funds appropriated at HHSC to DFPS for CAPPs upgrades (\$1,695,882) and the Office of Inspector General lease (\$1,012,770).
- W. This adjustment reflects the transfer of funds from Strategy B.1.9 Foster Care Payments to Strategy B.1.1 Child Protective Services Direct Delivery Staff pursuant to Art II, Rider 6 (c) Foster Care Rates (letter dated November 22, 2016). Freed-up general revenue available from adjustment K above.

BUDGET VARIANCES

Schedules 1, 3, and 5 of this report reflect the agency's current projections for program expenditures as well as the February forecast for entitlement programs (Foster Care and Adoption Subsidy/PCA), Contracted Day Care services, and the Relative Other Designated Caregiver program. General revenue shortfalls may further be reduced with unobligated balances from FY 2016 (TBD) if approved.

This report reflects a net agency shortfall of \$58.3 million All Funds consisting of \$63.3 million in General Revenue, offset by a surplus of \$5.0 million Federal Funds. This is a net decrease from February of \$6.7 million GR of which \$23.4 million is capital lapse.

- Appropriations that are anticipated to result in lapsed budget authority are expressed as a positive variance:
 - 93.558 Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
 - 93.599 Title IV-E Chafee Education and Training Vouchers Program ETV
 - 93.674 Chafee Foster Care Independence Program
 - 93.505.000 MIECHV Home Visiting Program
 - 777 Interagency Contracts
 - 0758 GR-Medicaid Match

- Appropriations for which expense is projected to exceed the adjusted budget are reflected as a negative variance:
 - 0001 General Revenue
 - 0666 Appropriated Receipts

Based on current projections, the agency anticipates estimated general revenue shortfalls in Goal A (Statewide Intake Services), almost all Goal B (Child Protective Services), and Goal E (Child Care Regulation) Strategies (see Schedule 5); however, some of this may continue to be mitigated with unobligated balances from FY 16 and projected expense being less than anticipated. The projected general revenue variances are summarized as follows:

Entitlement Programs - \$50.6 million shortfall

Contracted Day Care Services - \$16.7 million shortfall

Non-Entitlement Programs - \$4.0 million surplus - Goals A, B and E still have projected GR shortfalls while Goals C, D, F, and G have projected GR surplus. The majority is in G.1.1, Agency-Wide Automated Systems (\$19.7 million). There is also a small capital lapse of \$1.2 million GR in Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS REPORT

This is the seventh Monthly Financial Report for FY 2017. The report reflects adjustments to align budget with federal grant award letters received. The report also reflects a correction to an appropriation transfer to bring the adjustment within transfer authority limitations.

OTHER KEY BUDGET ISSUES

This report includes updates to our forecasted entitlement programs (Foster Care Payments and Adoption Subsidy/Permanency Care Assistance) and TWC Contracted Day Care Services. Projection updates include an increase to the projected cost of care of \$2.1 million for Foster Care Redesign related to the reconciliation process.

CAPITAL BUDGET ISSUES

The budget in Schedule 7 (Capital Projects) reflect the DFPS 2016-2017 capital appropriation levels and adjustments to reflect changes in estimated federal entitlement funds (gains or losses) pursuant to Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants Fed Entitlements. Future adjustments will be reflected in Monthly Financial Reports as revenues are realized and/or actual adjusting entries are processed in the Uniform State Accounting System, including unexpended balances carried forward from FY 2016 into FY 2017.

E. This adjustment reflects changes in estimated federal entitlement funds (gains or losses) pursuant to Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants Fed Entitlements specific to capital budget items.

O. This adjustment reflects the carry forward of unexpended capital balances from FY 16 to FY 17 for Strategy B.1.1 Child Protective Services Direct Delivery Staff pursuant to Art IX, Sec 14.03(i), Limitation on Expenditures - Capital Budget UB (2016-17 GAA).

STATUS OF PENDING TRANSFERS AND AUTHORITY REQUIRING PRIOR APPROVAL

Letter Topic Appropriation Year 2016	HHSC/DFPS Letter Date	March 31, 2017	
		LBB	Governor
Request to Exceed FY 2016 Day Care Appropriation	December 7, 2016	N	N

Please feel free to contact me at 512/438-3089 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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