

**Safety Committee
Voices/Coalition Advocacy Agenda
Historical Review**

Child Welfare	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
ODJFS County base allocation for child welfare must be maintained at current levels.	State: 2004-2005, 2002-2003	Partial success
Provide access to guardianship subsidies and expanded eligibility for childcare for kinship care providers.	State: 2004-2005, 2002-2003	Partial Success- some 4E \$ were acquired; and 4E waiver is pending
Need separate line item to fund local programs that address unruly youth and divert children from the juvenile justice system.	State: 2004-2005, 2002-2003	Failure
\$19.5 million per year in TANF Family Stability Funds must continue to be directed for local child welfare/youth diversion purposes.	State: 2004-2005	Partial success- only \$1.2M was appropriated
Funding new staff to address intake, adoption and foster care caseloads.	County: 2004, 2003	Partial Success
Earmark additional \$10 million for a child welfare computer information system.	State: 2000-2001	Partial Success
Allocating dollars to restore funding for all types of adoption.	County: 2004	Success
Should focus Parenting services on families most in need and at risk. Should fund Parenting at current levels.	County: 2003	Partial success
DCFS Director should be named as soon as possible.	County: 2002	Success
Stop further budget cuts to this department, especially the Board & Care line item to prevent children from being sent out of the County or State to receive services.	County: 2002	Failure
Restore the entire \$14 million for the Board & Care line item.	County: 2002	Partial success
Request specific timeline and planning structure for Child Well Being Plan.	County: 2001	Partial success
Need additional residential placement for drug/alcohol treatment for adolescents.	County: 2000	Partial Success
Through PRC \$, fund Child Welfare Services like respite care, drug/alcohol abuse, domestic	County: 2000	Success

violence, placement prevention and family reunification services.		
Close government monitoring with more children moving into custody.	County: 1999	Partial success

Community-Based Services	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
Funding for an expansion of the family to family collaborative to an inner ring suburb.	County: 2004, 2003	Success
Restoring and expanding community based services for families in the DCFS system (wrap-around, Family Preservation & Parenting)	County: 2004, 2003	Partial Success- DCFS asked for \$3M, but only received \$300K.
Need TANF dollars to fund neighborhood/community based programs, especially during before and after school hours.	County: 2000, 1999	Pending: Study to be released soon
Increase and enhance rehabilitation services, including mental health and substance abuse treatment that are family based.	County: 2000	Partial Success

Juvenile Justice	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
Fund CWWV program at current levels.	County: 2003, 2002, 2001	Partial success, Failure
Should fully implement the recommendations issued by the Juvenile Justice Comprehensive Strategy Advisory Committee's report.	County: 2003, 2001	Pending
Increase funding for prevention/intervention programs to reduce child abuse, neglect and children's exposure to violence.	State: 1998-1999	Failure
Support funding to secure a full-time CWWV director	County: 2004	Partial Success
Additional drug court staff	County: 2004	Failure
Secure lead staff with national expertise in the justice prevention and diversion services for juvenile courts.	County: 2002	Partial Success
Involve advisory committee for Juvenile Justice Comprehensive Strategy.	County: 2002	Success

Poison/Lead Issues	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
Increase funding for Poison Center services to \$1.5 million annually to keep Ohio's Poison Centers open.	State: 2002-2003, 2000-2001	Success
Need to maintain current Poison Control Center.	County: 2002, 2000; State: 1998-1999	Success

Miscellaneous	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
Expand Early Start program by reallocating unused dollars; and remove the allocation cap.	State: 2002-2003	Partial Success
Revision of current Ohio Graduated Licensing Law to extend night time restricted driving hours to include 10pm -1am.	State: 1998-1999	Failure
Conduct an analysis of the financial systems within DCFS.	County: 2003	Success
A funding and service partnership between these three entities (MR/DD, MHB, DCFS) should be established to ensure that young adults are getting services they need from each system.	County: 2003	Success
Through TANF \$ fund programs that prevent and reduce out-of-wedlock pregnancies.	County: 2000	Partial Success
Fund additional alcohol/drug abuse programs for high risk pregnant and new mothers.	County: 2000	Partial Success
Gun access-prevention legislation.	State: 2002-2003, 1998-1999	Failure

Sexual Assault	Budget Years (State/County)	Outcome
Funding is needed for a coordinated countywide SANE initiative, and pediatric SANE unit.	County: 2004	Success