

Appropriations are in balance with the projected revenue for the coming fiscal year. The total FY 2001-2002 budget is approximately \$15.3 billion, of which \$6.4 billion is State General Fund. Compared to the beginning budget for last year, this represents an increase of \$1.5 billion. However, about half of this increase reflects spending adjustments that were added by budget adjustments during FY 2000-2001.

In addition to providing for these continuing expenditures, the most important growth items include increases in Medicaid (\$569 million), teacher and faculty pay (\$135 million), capital outlay (\$96 million), and TANF expenditures (\$70 million). Increases in State General Fund spending account for about \$300 million of the total increase. The remainder is primarily from federal funds or dedicated revenues.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Office of Urban Affairs and Development reflects a 30% reduction in funding	\$ 6.9 million
Office of Rural Development reflects a 30% reduction in funding	\$ 6.7 million
Restoration of cuts to Senior Centers and Parish Councils on Aging	\$ 0.9 million
Additional state and federal funding for the Youth Challenge Program, including operation and maintenance of Carville Complex	\$ 3.4 million
Funding and 2 positions in DNR to develop a plan for management of the groundwater resources of the state	\$ 538,000
Increased federal and statutory dedication funding in DNR for coastal projects	\$ 39.4 million

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

State General Fund for expenses related to "Service Zone" facilities	\$ 7.5 million
State General Fund for the LA Technology Park and Solid Systems in Baton Rouge	\$ 5.8 million
Funding for the Economic Development Award Program	\$ 4.0 million
State General Fund for technology-based economic development initiatives through the Lafayette Economic Development Authority	\$ 5.0 million
State General Fund for reorganization and "e-ready" conversion	\$ 2.5 million
State General Fund support for the following sporting events: Sugar Bowl (\$1,000,000), Independence Bowl (\$375,000), the New Orleans Bowl (\$300,000) and Super Bowl XXXVI(\$1,000,000)	\$ 2,675,000

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

Reduction to Sheriffs Housing of State Inmates due to changes in sentencing guidelines (funded at \$135 million)	(\$6.6 million)
Juvenile Justice Settlement Agreement	\$ 10.8 million
Correctional Security and Probation and Parole Officers base salary increase	\$ 16.8 million
Implementation of the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) and Forensic DNA program in Office of State Police	\$ 2.7 million
Customer service programs and implementation of new technology in the Office of Motor Vehicles	\$ 4.9 million

TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Purchase of a replacement airplane	\$ 1.5 million
Contracts for Interstate rest area security and maintenance	\$ 1.6 million
Additional statewide signal crew	\$ 1.1 million
Improvements to department communications equipment	\$ 2.0 million
Upgrade of the PERBA permitting system to allow remote and E-commerce access for obtaining permits for oversize, overweight vehicles that require special routing on state highways	\$ 1.0 million
Net increase in equipment acquisitions, including over \$2.9 million in the District Operations Program for heavy equipment used by district maintenance crews	\$ 4.9 million
General Aviation and Reliever Airport Maintenance program	\$ 200,000
Support for Louisiana Airport Authority	\$ 220,000

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Medicaid

Funding to offset Medicaid cuts required by the recommended funding in the Executive Budget. Through Legislative action, the Medicaid Private Providers Program is funded to the full level identified by DHH for anticipated costs of existing services	\$ 215 million
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The FY 2001-02 Medicaid Budget also includes the following enhancements and expansions affecting private health care providers:

Medicaid eligibility for children under Section 4913 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997	\$ 11.9 million
Children's Choice Waiver Program for annualization of costs and up to 500 new slots	\$ 9.0 million
Adult Day Care/Elderly Waiver Programs for annualization of costs and filling allocated but vacant slots	\$ 3.7 million
Rate adjustments for non-emergency transportation services by certified ambulance providers	\$ 1.3 million
Rate adjustments for emergency medical transportation services by certified ambulance providers	\$ 600,000
Cost report payments for various providers	\$ 25.7 million
Payment of state matching share of uncompensated care payments to small rural hospitals	\$ 8.9 million
Additional uncompensated care payments to small rural hospitals and to public community hospitals, if intergovernmental transfers to DHH exceed \$53.4 million	\$ 17 million
Additional rebasing costs and other payment increases to Nursing Homes	\$ 43.5 million
Expansion of the Elderly/Disabled Assistance, Adult Day Health, and Personal Care Assistant Waiver Programs to increase alternatives to long-term residential care	\$ 25.9 million
Expansion of LaCHIP to include parents of eligible children with family incomes up to the Federal Poverty Level, and pregnant women from 185% to 200% of poverty. Implementation of this expanded eligibility is contingent on DHH collecting self-generated revenue for the state match cost	\$ 29.8 million

Public Health

Restores state services for safe drinking water testing	\$ 900,000
Restores HIV prevention services	\$ 600,000
Expands the School Based Health Program in six parishes	\$ 820,000
Enhances the AIDS Drug Assistance Program at LSU hospitals	\$ 2.8 million

Mental Health

Restores civil inpatient and outpatient services and provides for court-ordered forensic service enhancements	\$ 8.3 million
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Developmental Disabilities

Restores developmental centers	\$ 1.9 million
Restores and enhances community-based programs	\$ 2.1 million

Addictive Disorders

Restores substance abuse prevention and treatment services, including Pines Treatment Center, Briscoe Detox, rural outpatient clinics, and other regional programs	\$ 2.6 million
Provides treatment for DWI offenders under home incarceration	\$ 2.2 million
Enhances compulsive gaming prevention and treatment services	\$ 1.5 million

HCSD Hospitals

Addresses nursing and medical education issues at E.K. Long Med. Center	\$ 2.6 million
Maintains outpatient clinic services at Leonard J. Chabert Medical Center	\$ 1.6 million
Provides for the merger of Washington-St. Tammany Medical Center and Bogalusa Community Hospital	\$ 1.6 million

SOCIAL SERVICES

(TANF) Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

Large balances in these federal block grant funds have prompted the creation of new programs and expansion of existing programs under TANF, including addition of \$69.9 million to support these initiatives. Major increases include:

New Energy Assistance program	\$ 17.5 million
New Pre-kindergarten program for at-risk four-year-olds	\$ 15.0 million
New PreGED, dropout prevention program	\$ 14.0 million
Expanded education and training services	\$ 10.0 million
Wrap-Around Child Care (decreased from \$24 million)	\$ 10.0 million
Criminal Justice initiatives and drug court expansion	\$ 10.0 million
Teen pregnancy prevention (increased from \$5.5 million)	\$ 7.0 million
Domestic Violence programs	\$ 4.0 million
Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)	\$ 3.6 million

Funding was also provided for transportation, housing support, faith-based education, up-front diversion, non-medical substance abuse treatment services for women with children, individual development accounts, truancy centers, fatherhood programs, micro-enterprise development, and research and evaluation.

Use of State General Fund made available through designation of \$9 million spent on LEAP remediation as "Maintenance of Effort" (MOE) required for receipt of the TANF grant:

Match for federal funds for Child Care Assistance Program	\$ 5.2 million
Expansion of drug courts	\$ 2.8 million
Expansion of Youth Challenge Program	\$ 1.0 million

Other Social Services

Additional payments in the Child Care Assistance Program to address the waiting list (\$5.2 million SGF)	\$ 17.6 million
Additional funding for eligibility staff salary reallocation (\$1.08 million SGF)	\$ 3.6 million
Enhancement of fraud detection activities including development of comprehensive case management and recovery account system	\$ 2.5 million

HIGHER EDUCATION

Formula enhancement funds to be distributed by the Board of Regents	\$ 15.0 million
Governor's Information Technology Initiative to enhance economic development and computer-related fields at public universities	\$ 22.5 million
Emerging community college pool funding for new community colleges	\$ 1.5 million
Community and technical college pool funding to address enrollment shifts anticipated as a result of selective admissions criteria	\$ 1.5 million
Faculty pay increases at postsecondary institutions from gaming revenues dedicated to the SELF Fund	\$ 38.7 million
From the Higher Education Initiatives Fund, for Library and Scientific Acquisitions	\$ 16.4 million
LSU School of Veterinary Medicine for accreditation necessities	\$ 400,000
Program enhancements at the LSU Senior College at LSU-Alexandria	\$ 891,000
Research and educational efforts for fire ants (\$400,000) and termites (\$800,000) through the LSU Agricultural Center	\$ 1.2 million
LSU School of Law to address personnel and library issues	\$ 700,000
Pennington Biomedical Research Center for a proteomics core lab facility and seed money for nutritional and genetic research	\$ 3.1 million
Louisiana Delta Community College as a separate institution	\$ 500,000

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Increase Minimum Foundation Program including \$2,060 pay raise for Teachers and Certificated Personnel (\$96.8 million from SELF fund)	\$ 137 million
Continue full-funding for TOPS	\$ 102 million
Enhancements to School Accountability Initiatives, including \$10 million for school rewards, \$5.6 million in additional remediation funding, \$3 million for summer school and \$2.6 million for distinguished educators, for a total \$52 million of accountability funding	\$ 26 million
Pre-K for At-Risk Four-year Olds (TANF)	\$ 15 million
Tuition Opportunity Program for Students	\$ 102 million

Effective July 1, 2001.