



California State Budget Update: May 20, 2026

To Our Community:

On May 14, 2026, Governor Newsom released a revision of his proposed state budget (called the “May Revise”) for the next fiscal year, which starts on July 1, 2026. Full details and a summary are posted on the [Department of Finance](#) website. The details for the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) portion of the proposed budget are on the [DDS website](#).

While the State continues to face long-term budget deficits, **the Governor has not proposed any reductions in funding for services for people with developmental disabilities and their families**. We are, however, concerned about **proposed reductions to Medi-Cal and IHSS (In-Home Supportive Services) that would impact many of those we serve**. This would impact Regional Center budgets as we are responsible for covering the cost of meeting needs of persons served.

The next step in the budget process is for the Legislature to consider the Governor’s budget proposal. Hearings where legislators discuss the proposed budget provisions have been scheduled, and negotiations between the Legislature and Governor will result with the State Legislature passing a balanced budget by June 15, 2026. The Governor has until June 30 to sign the budget agreement into law.

RCOC will continue to monitor the budget proceedings and advocate on behalf of people with developmental disabilities, as part of our commitment to help ensure the people and families we serve continue to have access to essential services and supports.

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