



ON SOLID GROUND

FY2019 BUDGET PRIORITIES

On Solid Ground Coalition strives to create a path for economic mobility and housing stability to reduce family homelessness through a four-pronged approach:

- Advancing **system coordination** and efficiency to improve access to support services for families;
- Combating **cliff effects** by changing policies that cause families to lose benefits due to higher earnings;
- Supporting efforts for increasing resources and opportunities for **affordable housing**; and
- Establishing a **data collection and sharing** system to enable evidence-driven policy design.

By prioritizing the following line items, the Coalition aims to make progress on the four prongs to get families in Massachusetts on solid ground.

LINE ITEM	PROGRAM	FY19 REQUEST	GOVERNOR'S POST-VETO FY19 BUDGET	CONFERENCE FY19 BUDGET	SENATE FY19 BUDGET	HOUSE FY19 BUDGET	GOVERNOR'S FY19 BUDGET	FY18 BUDGET
7004-0108	HomeBASE	\$35,000,000	\$32,000,000	\$32,000,000	\$30,147,305	\$32,000,000	\$30,147,305	\$28,92,046
7004-9024	Mass. Rental Voucher Program (MRVP)	\$120,000,00	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000	\$97,469,569	\$100,000,000	\$97,469,569	\$92,234,677
3000-1042	Child-Care Reserve Fund	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$15,000,000
7002-1080	Learn to Earn	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$990,000
3000-5000	Headstart funding	\$12,000,000	\$9,600,000	\$9,600,000	\$9,100,000	\$9,600,000	\$9,100,000	\$9,100,000
Outside section	Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)	50% of the value of the federal EITC	30% of the value of federal EITC	30% of the value of federal EITC	30% of the value of federal EITC	30% of the value of federal EITC	30% of the value of federal EITC	23% of the value of federal EITC

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