

A photograph of two young children, a girl on the left and a boy on the right, sitting at a table and playing with various wooden toys. The girl is wearing a purple long-sleeved shirt and a red skirt, and the boy is wearing a light blue shirt. They are both looking intently at the toys. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting. A semi-transparent blue horizontal band is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the title text.

Colorado's Automated Child Support Enforcement System (ACSES)

Presentation to JTC



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Table 1: <u>ACSES</u> Project Expenditures - <u>FFY 2022</u> Proposed			
EXPENDITURE CATEGORY	Expenditure Totals		
	Total Qtr1-Qtr4	FUNDING SPLIT	
	TOTAL PROPOSED	Federal Share	State Share
Maintenance & Operations			
State OIT Staff - FTE - Purchased Services (OIT and <u>ACSES</u> below)	\$2,500,000	\$1,650,000	\$850,000
*State OIT Staff	\$1,100,000	\$726,000	\$374,000
*State <u>ACSES</u> Staff	\$1,400,000	\$924,000	\$476,000
State OIT Staff - Interagency Agreement	\$1,040,000	\$686,400	\$353,600
Travel, training, and associated registration fees	\$100,000	\$66,000	\$34,000
Application Maintenance Maxenso Runtime	\$265,000	\$174,900	\$90,100
General Software, Licenses, and Maintenance (incl <u>Dephix</u>)	\$212,000	\$139,920	\$72,080
General Operating - supplies, materials, office, phones	\$60,000	\$39,600	\$20,400
System Infrastructure Maintenance	\$1,032,000	\$681,120	\$350,880
Hardware Rentals - DOCGEN desktops, other desktops	\$44,000	\$29,040	\$14,960
Professional Services - Wyant Data Systems	\$100,000	\$66,000	\$34,000
Professional Services - North Highland	\$960,000	\$633,600	\$326,400
Covendis - Project Manager	\$380,000	\$250,800	\$129,200
TOTAL	\$6,693,000	\$4,417,380	\$2,275,620



Proposed Legislation to Reinvest *Some* Federal Child Support Incentives into ACSES Enhancements

Current Regulation: Section §26-13-112.5, C.R.S and Volume 6.809 requires one hundred percent of the federal incentives received by the state to be passed through to the county departments. Incentives are earned based on program performance.

CDHS is proposing that the State may use *additional* incentives (est. 14% of total incentives), earned due to a case collections reporting change, to be reinvested into the ACSES.

- **Transparent and Collaborative Decision Making on Use of Funds:** The IV-D Task Force would determine priorities for ACSES and spending of this funding each year. The IV-D Task Force includes County Child Support Program Managers from each region of the state, CDHS Leadership, Child Support Liaison to the Judicial Department, IV-D Attorney Group Representative, and the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement.
- IVD-Task Force members would determine the project(s) that these funds would be used for each year. Any unspent funds would be distributed to counties using the existing process. The proposed legislation will clarify that only new incentive dollars that are expected to come into Colorado will be used and will not disrupt the \$5 million in federal incentives that counties currently receive annually
- Focus on new projects that would improve the county user experience, increase efficiency, and benefit our customers.
- This incentive money would not be used for large IT projects or significant system changes since that type of work would go through as a Capitol IT request.

Need for Legislation Now: DCSS anticipates receiving the first award letter that reflects the reporting change in Spring 2023, which is why legislation is required during the current session.



THANK YOU.
Questions?



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