



**04/17 BUDGET ENGAGEMENT SESSION
FOCUS: HEALTH CARE
DBH, DC HEALTH, & DHCF**

Issued: 23 April 2024

Purpose	Opportunities for Engaging ICH Member Agencies on the Mayor’s Proposed Budget.		
Details	Date: 17 April 2024	Time: 3:30 – 5 pm	Location: Webex Link
Attendees	Participants: 44	Organizations: 25	Detailed list below meeting notes
Key	■ Budget & Funding	■ Priorities, Policies, Procedures	■ Performance Management

I. WELCOME & AGENDA REVIEW

Theresa Silla (Executive Director, ICH) officially opened the meeting by recording to support compliance with the Open Meetings Act requirements. She greeted participants and reviewed the meeting agenda, introducing the purpose – the legislative mandate to comment on the Mayor’s Proposed Budget.

The government representatives of the ICH Full Council presenting the details of the Mayor’s Proposed budget introduced themselves. They included:

- Wayne Turnage (Deputy Mayor, Health and Human Services and Director, DC Health Care Finance) and Angelique Martin (Deputy Director, DC Health Care Finance)
- Richard Bebout (Chief of Crisis Services, DBH)
- Carl Filler (Chief of Staff, DC Health)

Director Silla also acknowledged the Community Representative from the ICH Full Council in attendance. Finally, she highlighted comments about the budget captured from prior Executive and Full Council meetings in anticipation of the Mayor’s Proposed Budget. Slide details below.











Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Agenda • Level Setting • ICH Full Council – DC Gov & Community Representatives • Comments – Compiling & Received To Date 	2 – 11

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes on Welcome & Agenda Review 	
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II. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE (DHCF)

Deputy Mayor Turnage (DMHHS, DHCF) provided an overview of the FY25 proposed budget for DHCF, highlighting the impact of Medicaid eligibility levels. Deputy Director Angelica Martin presented the details of the budget.

Comments and questions are captured on slides 23-24. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:










-    Evaluating behavioral health services in the District and to homeless service clients.
-    Quality of programs and staff, including adequate training.
-   Incentives for staff and programs delivering high-quality services.
-  Medicaid renewals/recertifications and options for streamlining the process.
-  Coordination with CMS

Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title slide – Department of Health Care Finance • Presentation Agenda • Human Services Programs Represent the Largest Component in the Mayor’s Proposed FY25 Operating Budget • The District’s Medicaid Eligibility Levels • Nearly Half of District Residents Rely on DHCF- Funded Health Care Coverage • DHCF’s Proposed FY25 Budget Safeguards Access to Care • FY25 Local Budget Increases to \$1 Billion to Maintain Eligibility for Public Health Care Coverage • No Medicaid Services Were Eliminated • Cedar Hill Regional Medical Center GW Health Construction Remains on Time and on Budget 	13-22

III. DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DBH)

Richard Bebout (Director of Crisis Services, DBH) presented the FY25 proposed budget for DBH starting with guiding principles and then highlighting increases and decreases to the budget.

Comments and questions are captured on slides 42-44. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

-   Urgent Care Clinic and implications of proposed cuts
-   Community Response Team staffing
-    Maintaining and evaluating housing supportive services
-  Interest in understanding school-based behavioral health funding
-  Difference between CRT and Emergency Mobile Crisis support






Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title slide – Department of Behavioral Health Budget Overview 	26-41

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Guiding Principles for Budget Formation • Proposed FY 2025 Gross Operating Budget • FY24-25 Gross Budget Comparison by Funding Source • Proposed FY25 Capital Budget • Our Partners • Proposed FY25 Budget Highlights • FY24 Behavioral Health Treatment • 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline • Proposed FY25 Budget Increases Investing in Priorities • Proposed FY25 Decreases to Achieve Savings • Intensive Care Coordination • Public Health Approach to Public Safety • Combating the Opioid Epidemic • Supporting Provider Network 	
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IV. DC HEALTH

Carl Filler (Chief of Staff, DC Health) presented the FY25 DC Health Proposed Budget, sharing an overview and details on budget increases.

Comments and questions are captured on slide 56. Topic areas are summarized here for easy reference:

-  Importance of prioritizing maternal health.
-   Importance of providing healthcare services to unsheltered clients.
-  Call to coordinate delivery of health services with public transportation and cooling/warming buses.
-  Call to provide sanitation and health training.

Reference Materials		
PPT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title slide – DC Health Budget Overview • Our Guiding Principles for Budget Formulation • Proposed FY25 Gross Operating Budget • Proposed FY25 Budget Highlights • Proposed FY25 Budget Increases Investing in Priorities 	46-55

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Director Silla quickly scanned the variety of announcements included in the PPT deck. Slide details below.

Reference Materials		
PPT	Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBH: Notice of Funding Opportunity for DC Opioid Responses • DC Council Budget Hearings • DHCD: Fair Housing Fridays • DHCF: 1115 Renewal Application Public Comments • DHS-FSA: Funding Opportunity: Youth Transitional Housing 	57-68

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOC: READY Center • DPR: Summer Jobs • H3: First Aid & CPR Training and Health Fair • ICH: Budget Engagement Sessions • NHL: Housing Not Handcuffs: Johnson v. Grants Pass Supreme Court Rally • Youth Homelessness Matters Day Event: Save the Date 	
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VI. SUMMARY & ADJOURNMENT

Director Silla adjourned the meeting and presented the opportunity to continue to engage with the DHS Budget with a briefing for Fair Budget Coalition & DCFPI tomorrow at 10 am. Additionally, extending the deadline for written comments to the Mayor’s Proposed Budget for the ICH to COB Friday (04/19).

Participant List (44 Attendees, 25 Orgs)		
<p>ICH Full Council- Gov Reps</p> <p>Alexa Turner (DHCF) Allie Liss (DHCF) Andrew Gall (OSSE) Carl Filler (DC Health) Ciana Creighton (DMHHS) Angelica Martin (DHCF) DaShawn Groves (DHCF) Eleni Salyers (DHCF) Jill Carmichael (ICH) Joe Weissfeld (DHS) Mark LeVota (DBH) Melanie Minges (DHCF) Nicole Lee-Mwandha (OSSE) Richard Bebout (DBH) Theresa Silla (ICH) Wayne Turnage (DMHHS)</p>	<p>ICH Full Council- Community Reps</p> <p>Angela Jones Hackley (Covenant House) Christy Respress (Pathways) Deborah Jones (Housing Up) Karen Cunningham (Everyone Home DC) Kate Coventry (DCFPI) Kelly Sweeney McShane (COH) Lynn Amano (Friendship Place) Nikkie Smith (Street Sense Vendor) Rachelle Ellison (PFFC) Roxanne Murray (Echelon) Rico Harris (CCNV)</p>	<p>Stakeholders</p> <p>Abby Sypek (Everyone Home DC) Abike Mohammed (US Vets) Beth (PFFC) Cybele Yadiberet (Healthy Babies Project) Cydnea Shearlds (COH) Florence B. Rozario (Pathways) Gary Hines (Thrive DC) Ginger Cabrera (Woodley House) Jakia Carroll (PFFC) Kelly Andreae (GMCCT) Leta Davis (Joseph’s House) Robert Warren (PFFC) Rebecca Kellett (GMCCT) Samantha LeBlanc (TCP) Tracy Cecil (Cecil Consulting) Chris Cole (PFFC) Regine Elie (Healthy Babies Project)</p>