

Strengthen Families by Investing in Home Visiting

The statewide home visiting workgroup, comprised of New York State **maternal, infant and early childhood home visiting** programs and advocates, has compiled a joint budget ask to better support children and families across New York State in the 2016-17 SFY budget.

Maintain \$26.8 million and invest an additional \$11.5 million in maternal, infant, and early childhood home visiting to adequately fund a continuum of supports and services for families.

▶ Healthy Families New York (HFNY):

- **Maintain \$23.3 million** in funding.
- **Add \$4.5 million** in new funding to:
 - » restore \$3.5 million to 2008 funding levels. This funding will cover increased capacity at existing sites, workforce development and local level service enhancements (mental health, fatherhood, community coordination).
 - » \$700,000 to expand services in unserved areas (200 slots).
 - » \$300,000 to support a site not currently funded.

▶ Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP):

- **Maintain \$3.5 million** in funding.
- **Add \$2.5 million** to preserve current program sites as well as to support growth in new communities and/or expand existing teams.

▶ Parents as Teachers (PAT):

- **Invest \$3 million** in new funding to expand capacity to 1,000 families across the state.

▶ Parent-Child Home Program, Inc.:

- **Invest \$1.5 million** in new funding to expand capacity to 300 additional families across the state.



Home Visiting Makes a Difference



PARENT-CHILD HOME PROGRAM
50 YEARS OF PROVEN SUCCESS

A story about Parent-Child Home Program

Ida Ehdah Htoo came to the US in 2008 after seven years in a Thai refugee camp. She began Parent-Child Home Program with her two young children and quickly discovered that PCHP was going to be just as important to her as a parent as it was for her children. After completing the two years, Ida was asked to train as a Home Visitor. During her four years in this role, she served over 30 families in the Buffalo Burmese refugee community. During that time she also worked hard to obtain her US citizenship as well as her GED. Ida is now a Jericho Road Site Manager, training and supervising PCHP Home Visitors working on Buffalo's West Side. She is a great asset to our Program and her community, speaking three Burmese languages and remaining very involved in school and church activities. She sums up her work best by saying, ***“my job is to help others grow. My dream is to see PCHP in Burma someday!”***

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