

Become One of Our State Fiscal Mapping Partners

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Do you want better information about the funding streams that support children- and youth-focused programs in your state and clarity about where that money goes? Do you represent a state-based nonprofit organization committed to serving kids and advocating for improved programs? Do you work at a state government agency tasked with managing comprehensive programs and services for children and youth? If you answered “yes” to any of these questions we invite you to become one of our state child and youth fiscal mapping partners.

[Children’s Funding Project](#) is a nonprofit social impact organization that helps communities, states, and Native nations expand equitable opportunities for children and youth through strategic public financing. We collaborate with local leaders and advocates to help them understand the multiple sources of funding for children and youth, identify sustainable ways to fund their goals for kids, and develop customized financing solutions tailored to their needs.

We are seeking state partners who are enthusiastic about exploring funding data, identifying trends, and building internal capacity for fiscal mapping. As we continue to expand with a fourth group of state participants, we will have nearly half of the states in the country as a part of our [state fiscal map database](#). Each participating state will collaborate with our staff and partners to create a [fiscal map](#) that analyzes that state’s current funding sources and budget allocations for children- and youth-serving programs. The fiscal map will include a core spreadsheet that documents all public appropriation data.

State partners will learn how to sustain the fiscal mapping process beyond their time working with us. They also will receive tailored recommendations for managing and shaping their funding landscape to inform future state budget decisions. Participants who successfully complete the fiscal mapping process may have an opportunity to receive [cost analysis and modeling](#) and [revenue generation support](#) as well in subsequent years.



Connect with Us!

To learn more or join our next group of state child and youth fiscal mapping partners, contact amelia@childrensfundingproject.org. To view previous state cradle-to-career fiscal maps, view our [state and local fiscal map database](#).

State partners will be part of a learning community to help state leaders build their own fiscal mapping skills through training from our team and collaboration with fellow state partners. Additionally, this project will track state financing data from 2019 through the present to identify trends that participants can use to compare investments in children and youth across states and to inform budget decisions.

Conditions of Participation

To qualify, state partners must commit to the following:

- Each state partner will designate a staff member to serve as the primary contact for the project. That person will dedicate six to 10 hours per month to support data collection, collaboration, and training between the state, Children’s Funding Project, and our partners.
- State partners agree to learn the fiscal mapping process, follow our standardized fiscal mapping methodology during their time working with us, and provide feedback about our tools and process to inform future improvements. They also must demonstrate an intent to update and maintain their state’s fiscal map after they conclude their training with us.

