

Governor's Office for Children

MISSION

The Governor's Office for Children serves as a central coordinating office to support the well-being of children and families and reduce the number of children living in poverty, which requires a holistic, coordinated approach within state government and across public and private sectors at the federal, state, and local levels.

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To reduce childhood poverty in Maryland, the Governor's Office for Children will bring together often siloed efforts and programs at the community, local, and state levels in support of community-driven solutions designed to improve access to good schools, good jobs, and safe and healthy communities.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Advance Maryland's Commitment to Supporting High-Poverty communities through the ENOUGH Initiative.

Obj. 1.1 Provide Technical Assistance (TA) to ENOUGH communities to ensure successful completion of grant activities and improvements in selected outcomes.

Obj. 1.2 Ensure ENOUGH communities are resourced to implement their neighborhood action plans through state and private funding streams.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Percent of Implementation grantee programs achieving targets in outcomes for children and youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	74%	80%	85%
Percent of ENOUGH grant funds returned after their award period	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1%	2%	2%
Percent of ENOUGH Grantees demonstrating compliance with all program requirements	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	100%	100%
Number of trainings delivered to ENOUGH grantees	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21	12	12
Total private funds awarded to ENOUGH Communities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$106M	\$120M	\$130M
Total additional state funds outside of the ENOUGH grant program awarded to ENOUGH Communities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$20,598,348	\$25,000,000	\$30,000,000

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Goal 2. Improve State Agency and Intergovernmental Coordination to support efforts to reduce Child Poverty and Increase Economic Mobility.

Obj. 2.1 Design, launch, and coordinate high-priority, cross-agency initiatives to address systemic barriers.

Obj. 2.2 Ensure state agencies are effectively sending resources to communities with high concentrations of childhood poverty.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of cross-agency collaborations supported through the Children's Cabinet	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	97	97	97
Number of Children's Cabinet policy initiatives that move from policy development to implementation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	9	9
Number of schools participating in the Community Schools Delivery Program	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	26	40	60
Number of policies and programs that are developed and/or implemented that work to improve awareness of, access to, and use of public benefits and economic assistance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	12	12
Number of policies and programs that are developed and/or implemented that work to close measures underlying Maryland's racial wealth gap, including by strengthening community wealth, promoting asset accumulation, building savings, and reducing debt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	35	35	35
Number of policies and programs that are developed and/or implemented that work to support and uplift Maryland's young men and boys, particularly in areas where this population is falling behind, including strengthening mental and physical health, promoting family and community engagement, and improving readiness to compete in a dynamic economy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	9	9
Number of state agency grant programs providing prioritization to ENOUGH communities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23	30	30
Number of grants from state agencies awarded to ENOUGH communities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	56	60	60

Goal 3. Improve the well-being of Maryland's children, youth, and families through the Children's Cabinet Interagency Fund (CCIF).

Obj. 3.1 GOC will provide useful and sufficient technical assistance to LMBs.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Percent of CCIF-funded programs demonstrating improvements in outcomes for children and youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	84%	85%	90%
Percent of CCIF grant funds returned after their award period	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	13%	10%	10%
Percent of braided funding leveraged in support of CCIF-funded programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	20%	25%	25%