

Equitably Fund Northwest LA Human Services District

KNOW THE FACTS

- **There are 10 Human Services Districts/ Authorities created legislatively throughout the state.**
- **Some districts/ authorities receive nearly three times the state funding per capita than Northwest LA Human Services District (NLHSD).**
- **Per capita state general funding ranges from \$13.38 to \$38.11, with NLHSD at \$13.38.**

What Can Legislators Do?

Appropriate an additional \$4.7 million in State General Funds (SGF) to Northwest LA Human Services District (NLHSD) to bring its SGF per capita to \$22 for FY19.

Why Do This?

The Human Services Districts/Authorities provide vital community supports and services for people with developmental disabilities and behavioral health needs. These services help keep people at home and out of more costly institutional settings.

However, not all individuals/families have equal access to these supports because the inequitable funding of the districts/authorities has created the “haves” and “have nots” depending on where a person lives.

Increasing budget parity among the districts/ authorities will provide individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in Northwest Louisiana with levels of supports and services available in other regions of the state.

Total State General Fund (SGF) per Capita Allocated to Districts/Authorities in Fiscal year 2018

Human Services District/Authority	2016 Estimated Population	FY18 SGF Budget*	FY18 SGF* Per Capita Budget	Additional SGF Needed for \$22 Per Capita
Metropolitan (MHSD)	460,647	\$17,544,030	\$38.11	—
Capital Area (CAHSD)	684,525	\$15,709,022	\$22.95	—
South Central LA (SCLHSA)	404,424	\$14,644,995	\$36.21	—
Acadiana Area (AAHSD)	609,120	\$13,667,559	\$22.44	—
Imperial Calcasieu (IMCAL)	301,507	\$7,513,736	\$24.92	—
Central LA (CLHSD)	285,824	\$9,371,414	\$32.79	—
Northwest LA (NLHSD)	543,453	\$7,272,478	\$13.38	\$4,683,488
Northeast Delta (NEDHSA)	354,451	\$9,578,625	\$27.02	—
Florida Parishes (FPHSA)	581,272	\$11,257,771	\$19.37	\$1,530,213
Jefferson Parish (JPHSA)	436,523	\$13,320,369	\$30.51	—
Total	4,661,746	\$119,889,999	\$25.72	\$6,213,701

* Includes State General Fund (Discretionary & Non-Discretionary) as allocated in HB1 (Act 3 of 2017 Second Extraordinary Session).