

# Equitably Fund Districts/Authorities

## KNOW THE FACTS

- **There are 10 Human Services Districts/ Authorities created legislatively throughout the state.**
- **Community services for people with developmental disabilities, behavioral health needs, and addictive disorders are administered by the districts/authorities.**
  - ♦ **These services help keep people at home and out of more costly institutional settings.**
- **Some districts/ authorities receive nearly three times less the state funding per capita than others.**

## What Can Legislators Do?

Appropriate an additional \$6.34 million in State General Funds (SGF) to the two Human Services Districts/Authorities with the lowest SGF per capita. This would bring their SGF per capita up to \$24 for FY20.

- Northwest LA Human Services District (\$5.34M)
- Florida Parishes Human Services Authority (\$1M)

## Why Do This?

It is clearly an issue of equity. One's zip code shouldn't determine their access to services.

The inequitable funding of the districts/ authorities prevents individuals/families from having equal access to services based on where they live in the state.

Increasing budget parity among the districts/ authorities will provide individuals with developmental disabilities, behavioral health needs, and addictive disorders - and their families - greater access to 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 2019

Human Services District/Authority	2017 Estimated Population	FY19 SGF Budget*	FY19 SGF Per Capita Budget*	Additional SGF Needed for \$24 Per Capita
Metropolitan (MHSD)	462,842	\$17,802,180	\$38.46	—
Capital Area (CAHSD)	685,568	\$16,799,920	\$24.51	—
South Central LA (SCLHSA)	401,658	\$15,383,850	\$38.31	—
Acadiana Area (AAHSD)	608,763	\$14,947,361	\$24.55	—
Imperial Calcasieu (IMCAL)	303,383	\$8,087,821	\$26.66	—
Central LA (CLHSD)	304,675	\$9,672,970	\$31.75	—
Northwest LA (NLHSD)	542,115	\$7,670,686	<b>\$14.15</b>	\$5,340,074
Northeast Delta (NEDHSA)	352,335	\$10,296,034	\$29.22	—
Florida Parishes (FPHSA)	584,048	\$13,021,287	<b>\$22.29</b>	\$995,865
Jefferson Parish (JPHSA)	439,036	\$14,888,604	\$33.91	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,684,333</b>	<b>\$128,570,713</b>		<b>\$6,335,939</b>

\* Budgets as reported by OCDD to the Council's Act 378 Subcommittee in October 2018