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- Brief overview of process, timelines & related materials
- Facilitated walk-through by budget section
- Request for Recommendations (RFR)
- Discussion and deliberations
- Final Budget Approval



The Feedback Loop

ADVISORY BOARDS

BENEFICIARIES

COMMUNITY,
TRIBAL,
LOCAL, STATE
PARTNERS

Reaffirmation of Focus Areas / Other Concentrated Work

Review Focus Area Goals & Allocations

TRUST COMP Plan
STAFF

Data & Evaluation of Impacts

Consider Advocacy Priorities

Consider Trustee Comments / Direction

DRAFT BUDGET FOR TRUSTEE CONSIDERATION



Budget Development & Timeline

Two-year budget cycle (FY27 is year two of the FY26/27 cycle)

- The first year of the budget cycle is the state's fiscal year ending in an even-numbered year
- The annual budget is always revisited in the second year of the cycle (we are here)

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Ongoing Trust staff engage with stakeholders to discuss priorities and the

FY27 budget recommendations are finalized by staff

April - July 2025

July 2025 Program & Planning Committee meeting: presentation of proposed

FY27 budget

August 2025 Board meeting: Trustees approve FY27 budgets

September 2025 FY27 budget transmitted to the Governor and LB&A

Spring 2026 Staff begin work on draft FY28/29 budgets











Core Budget Development Materials

Stakeholder Engagement

- Stakeholder meetings (Summary Notes)
- Stakeholder Budget Survey
- Meetings with advisory boards and key department leads

Grant information

- FY24 MHTAAR Performance Summary
- FY27 Proposed Budget Detail Narrative Report
 - Includes description, analysis, 5-year funding history

Data

- Alaska Scorecard, 2024
- Program Evaluations
- Economic and Demographic data







FY27 Budget Format – Updated for FY27

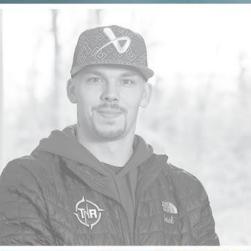
The FY27 budget format has been updated and streamlined

Changes include:

- To more clearly identify funding sources, the budget is now broken into 2 clear sections: MHTAAR and Authority Grant spending
 - Prior to this year, the budget was organized by focus area, regardless of fund source
- Reduction in the number of "buckets" of unallocated funds
 - Focus area buckets removed, rolled into a single "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line on page 4, line 5
 - This simplifies budget, and increases flexibility in allocating these funds to projects that will be identified by staff and brought to the board









Trust Budget Terminology

Trust funding allocations approved by the Trustees during budgeting:

- MHTAAR Grants* = Mental Health Trust Authorized Receipts (grants to SOA agencies)
 - The Dept/RDU/Component column indicates the receiving agency
 - MHTAAR grants will either be "O" (operating) or "C" (capital)
- Authority Grants = grants to named recipients (grant funds awarded directly from the Trust)
- MHT Admin = Mental Health Trust Admin. (*Trust agency spending*)
 - This fund type is only for the Trust Authority Agency budget

Trustee-approved recommendations to the Governor and Legislature for the state budget:

• GF/MH Recommendations = General Fund/Mental Health (Recommendations for the use of state general funds as required by AS47.30.046)

Other Terms:

- Contract Services = if approved, funds will be awarded through contracts awarded via the state procurement process
- Unallocated Funding = unallocated funding that will be used for grant-supported projects that will be identified and brought to the board for approval in the future

^{*}MHTAAR funds require legislative receipt authority to the state agency

Budget Presentation Approach

The budget presentation is sectioned per focus/priority area, as well as non-focus area allocations.

For each section, we will cover:

- A description of the area of work
- Total proposed amounts by allocation type (MHTAAR & AG)
- New items and changes from FY26





FY27 GF/MH Recommendations

The proposed budget includes the following GF/MH recommendations for the Governor and Legislature:

Operating Budget Items, FY27	Trustee Recommendations		
Project	MHTAAR	GF/MH	
Crisis Call Center (DOH)	\$ 750.0	\$ 750.0	
Subtotal	\$ 750.0	\$ 750.0	

Capital Budget Items, FY27	Trustee Recommendations	
Project	MHTAAR	GF/MH
Coordinated Community Transportation (DOTPF)	\$ -	\$ 700.0 *
Deferred Maintenance (DOH)	\$ 250.0	\$ 250.0
Special Needs Housing Grant (DOR)	\$ 200.0	\$ 1,750.0
Homeless Assistance Program (DOR)	\$ 950.0	\$ 2,850.0
Home Modifications & Upgrades (DOH)	\$ -	\$ 1,150.0*
Subtotal	\$ 1,400.0	\$ 6,700.0
FY27 GF/MH Recommendation TOTAL	\$ 2,150.0	\$ 7,450.0

^{*} Trustee GF/MH recommendations that were ultimately included in the FY26 enacted budget (at reduced amounts)





Non-Focus Area Allocations

FA Name FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$17,120.0

MHTAAR: \$1,356.0

Non-Focus Area Allocations support Trust partners, policy improvements and reduced stigma, a strengthened continuum of care, and address health care, basic needs, and quality of life for Trust beneficiaries.

This work supports beneficiaries through:

- Grantmaking programs including Partnership Grants & Mini-Grants
- Statutory Advisor Support
- Consultative & Technical Assistance Services
- Comp Plan / Data Evaluation
- Communications and Outreach
- Capital Requests







Non-Focus Area Allocations Budget Changes-FY26 to FY27

New items

- Trust Strategic Initiatives/Data Collection, \$5,000.0 AG
- Development & Facilitation of Trust Strategic Initiatives, \$200.0 AG
- Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation, \$5,000.0 AG
- Admin contract for BH, IDD Mini-Grants broken out in FY27, \$300.00 AG
- Conference Sponsorships, \$30.0 AG
- Deferred Mait., \$250.0 MHTAAR (typically funded every other year)

Changes

- The Comprehensive Program Planning and Consultative Services bucket (\$350.0 AG) was rolled into the Trust Strategic Initiatives/Data Collection bucket
- Increase: allocations for Mini-Grants increased by \$100.0 AG for ADRD, \$500.0 AG for others
- Moved 2 items, Flex Funds for MH Courts and ANDVSA Victim Transition, to the Non-FA section from Disability Justice section of the budget
 - Increase: Flex Funds for MH Courts, \$5.0 AG
- Reduction: Rural and Community Outreach amount updated (\$30.0 AG)
- Increase: Trust Conference, \$140.0 AG



Mental Health and Addiction Intervention (MHAI)

MHAI FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$612.5

MHTAAR: \$1,584.0

• This area focuses on the full continuum of care, from prevention and early intervention to treatment and recovery for Trust beneficiaries across the lifespan.

- This work supports beneficiaries by:
 - Ensuring beneficiaries experiencing mental health crises have someone to talk to, someone to respond, and somewhere to go in the least-restrictive setting (e.g., Crisis Now)
 - Changing social norms about mental health and substance use disorders
 - Reducing the stigma associated with mental health and substance use disorders







MHAI Budget Changes - FY26 to FY27

New items

Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies, UAA-COH, \$135.0

- These FY26 buckets were rolled into the "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line
 - Treatment Access and Recovery Supports (\$1,000.0 AG)
 - Crisis Continuum of Care (\$3,975.0 AG)



Disability Justice

Disability Justice FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$240.0

MHTAAR: \$1.956.9

• Disability Justice reduces Trust beneficiary involvement in the criminal justice system by focusing on evidence-based practices, data, strong partnerships, and advocacy for systemic change. It also focuses on reducing Trust beneficiary recidivism rates and enhancing/expanding access to clinical and case management resources for incarcerated Trust beneficiaries.

- This work supports beneficiaries by:
 - Equipping criminal justice staff with skills to recognize, de-escalate, and connect people in crisis to appropriate care.
 - Providing behavioral health services for Trust beneficiaries while incarcerated to prevent worsening symptoms.
 - Supporting reentry back into the community to reduce further justice involvement of Trust beneficiaries.



Disability Justice Budget Changes - FY26 to FY27

New items

- Criminal Justice MHFA Train the Trainers, UAA, (\$50.0 MHTAAR)
- Behavioral Health Administrator Position, ACS, (\$102.0 MHTAAR)
- Holistic Defense Social Worker, DOA/PDA, (\$119.2 MHTAAR)

Increases/Decreases:

- Increase: Alaska Justice Information Center, UAA, \$68.0 MHTAAR
- Increase: adds \$10.0 MHTAAR to CIT Behavioral Health Training & Programs for 1st Responders
- Reduction: Holistic Defense, DOA/PDA, (\$63.2 MHTAAR)
- Reduction: APIC Discharge Planning Model in DOC, (\$90.0 MHTAAR)
- Reduction: Re-entry Coalition Coordinator positions (Anchorage, Mat-Su, Juneau, Fairbanks) reduced each by (\$60.0 AG)

Deletions

- Trust Beneficiaries in ADOC Study, DOC, (\$400.0 MHTAAR)
- CIT Behavioral Health Training & Programs for 1st Responders, MOA-APD, (\$50.0 AG)
- Training for DOC Mental Health Staff, DOC, (\$50.0 MHTAAR)
- Criminal Justice Sequential Intercept Model Summit, UAA, (\$100.0 MHTAAR)
- Interpersonal Violence Prevention for Beneficiaries, UAA, (\$50.0 MHTAAR)
- Holistic Defense for Alaska Legal Services (\$277.0 AG)



Beneficiary Employment and Engagement (BEE)

BEE FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$0 MHTAAR: \$400.0

Improve outcomes and promote recovery for beneficiaries through integrated, competitive employment and meaningful engagement opportunities.

This work supports beneficiaries by:

- Promoting successful, long-term employment for Trust Beneficiaries
- Increase recovery services
- Beneficiaries increase self-sufficiency







BEE Budget Changes - FY26 to FY27

Changes

- These FY26 buckets were rolled into the "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line
 - Mental Health Advocacy, Support, Education, and Public Awareness (\$400.0 AG)
 - Clubhouse Support for Rehabilitation and Recovery, (\$800.00 AG)
- Peer Supported Advocacy, Education, and Treatment, AYFN, (\$100.00 AG) also rolled into "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" for FY27



Housing & Home and Community Based Services (HHCBS)

FA Name FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$1,125.0

MHTAAR: \$2,409.0

This focus area concentrates on ensuring beneficiaries have access to housing and a continuum of services and supports that maximize independence in their home and community.

This work supports beneficiaries by:

- Assisting with attaining and maintaining housing stability
- Improving access to effective and flexible person-centered HCBS
- Enriching system capacity and infrastructure







HHCBS Budget Changes-FY26 to FY27

New items

- Dementia Education and Prevention, (\$130.0 MHTAAR)
- Statewide Dementia Training Project (\$150.0 MHTAAR)

These FY26 buckets were rolled into the "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line

- HCBS System Sustainability (\$150.0 AG)
- Beneficiary Housing Projects and Related Services (\$750.0 AG)
- TABI/ADRD Services and Supports (\$0.0 AG placeholder for FY27)

Reductions/increases

- Reduction: IDD System Capacity Development, AADD, (\$20.0 AG)
- Reduction: Affordable Housing Development Position, Juneau Housing First Collab., (\$25.0 AG)
- Reduction: TABI Phasic Implementation Plan for Identification, Intervention, and Enhanced Community Infrastructure, SCF, (\$150.0 AG)
- Increase: Care Coordination Liaison, DOH/SDS (\$5.7 MHTAAR)
- Increase: Self-directed HCBS, ILC, (\$100.0 AG)

Deletions

- Alaska Dementia Action Collaborative: (\$75.0) AG
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers (\$250.0) GF/MH
- Develop Targeted Outcome Data (\$45.0) GF/MH



Workforce Development

Workforce FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$325.0

MHTAAR: \$1,818.0

The Trust utilizes workforce development strategies to support engaging, recruiting, training, and retaining healthcare employees across Alaska who provide residential and community-based services to Trust beneficiaries.

This work supports beneficiaries by:

- Strengthen workforce capacity
- Enhance the competency of the healthcare workforce
- Expand behavioral health disciplines







Workforce Budget Changes - FY26 to FY27

New items

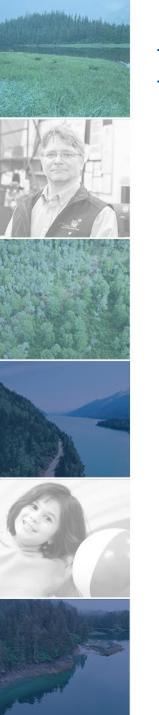
- Alaska Health Occupations Students of America, (\$100.0)
- Autism Awareness and Response for Public Safety, (\$150.0)
- Psychological Services Center Expansion, (\$103.0)
- Clinical Psychology Program APA Expansion, (\$50.0)

Changes

• The SHARP Access bucket (\$400.0 AG) was rolled into the "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line

Reductions/Increases:

- Decrease: Alaska Training Cooperative, UAA/CHD, (\$100.0 MHTAAR) & (\$400.0 GF/MH)
- Decrease: Direct Support Professional Training, DOH/SDS, (\$200.0 GF/MH)
- Increase: Alaska Area Health Education Centers, UAA/AHEC, (\$100.0)
- Increase: Alaska Psychology Internship Consortium, WICHE, (\$100.0)



Early Childhood & Youth

FA Name FY27 Budget Totals

Authority Grant: \$488.5

MHTAAR: \$892.6

This Trust priority area funds early screening and detection, intervention, and prevention strategies to connect infants, children, youth, and families to resources. The goal is to promote healthy development, prevent trauma, reduce and mitigate the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). It recognizes the importance of prevention across the lifespan for mental health and wellbeing.

This work supports beneficiaries by:

- Supporting early screening, detection, and intervention of developmental, mental health, substance use disorders and traumatic brain injury
- Supporting prevention strategies for children & youth to increase protective factors
- Strengthening families to build resilience and reduce risk factors for mental health and substance use disorders in children, youth, & adults.

Early Childhood & Youth Budget Changes-FY26 to FY27

New items

• Early Childhood Intervention: Pyramid Model, DOH, DPH, WCFH, \$151.0 MHTAAR

These FY26 buckets were rolled into the "Trust Focus Area Strategy Implementation" line

- Screening & intervention for infants, children or youth & their families (\$250.0 AG)
- Infant, Early Childhood, & Youth Mental Health Capacity Building (\$325.0 AG)
- Improve social determinants of health for children, youth, and their families (\$265.0 AG)
- Foster Care, Child Welfare, and Kinship Programs (\$250.0 AG)

Reductions/increases

- Reduction: Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program, DOH, DPH, WCFH, (\$135.0 MHTAAR)
- Increase: Trauma Engaged Schools PBIS Coaching, DEED-Health & Safety, \$20.0 MHTAAR
- Reduction: Reimagining Child Welfare Project/Alaska Impact Alliance, (\$100.0 AG)
- Increase: ACEs Data Linkage and Analysis, DOH, DPH, WCFH, \$75.0 MHTAAR

Deletions

- Intensive At-Risk Early Intervention Services (Foster/Child Welfare Involved Families), DOH/SDS, (\$460.0 MHTAAR)
- Youth Brain Injury Program Coordinator, SERRC, (\$246.8 AG)







Advisory – Request for Recommendations

Alaska Commission on Aging

- Senior Plan

Governor's Council on Disabilities & Special Education

- Project SEARCH Adult Expansion
- Adult Changing Tables





Budget Deliberation





Brief Recess



Budget Approval





FY27 Budget - Next Steps

• The final FY27 budget will be transmitted to the Governor and Legislature by Sept. 15, 2025.

• All FY27 MHTAAR increments, and GF/MH recommendations will go through the state budget process (Jan - May 2026).

• The approved FY27 budget will be enacted starting July 1, 2026.



Thank you!

