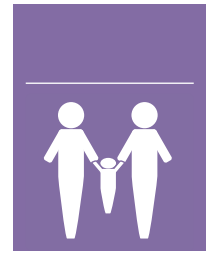


# ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

David Hansell, Commissioner



## WHAT WE DO

The Administration for Children's Services (ACS) is responsible for protecting the safety and promoting the well-being of New York City's children and strengthening their families by providing child welfare, juvenile justice, child care and early education services. In child welfare, ACS contracts with private nonprofit organizations to support and stabilize families at risk of a crisis through preventive services and with foster care agencies for children not able to remain safely at home. Each year, the agency's Division of Child Protection conducts nearly 60,000 investigations of suspected child abuse or neglect. In youth and family justice, ACS manages and funds services including detention and Close to Home placement, intensive community-based alternatives for youth and support services for families. In the new Division of Child and Family Well-Being created in September 2017, ACS coordinates and funds programs and vouchers for close to 100,000 children eligible for subsidized child care and promotes child well-being, family stability and quality integrated services.

## FOCUS ON EQUITY

ACS is responsible for serving children and families of every race and ethnicity in New York City. ACS aims to secure safe and nurturing family environments and strong communities for all of New York City's children as it strives over the long term to counter the disproportionately damaging impact of poverty and chronic stress on the City's children of color. ACS is deeply committed to an equitable and fair approach to providing child care, early education and family supports and to ensuring that interventions—including child protection, family court services, foster care and juvenile detention—are performed in a manner that is respectful of the racial, cultural and economic character of each family involved. Through the agency's early education programs, community-building and family support services, ACS is helping families create a stable foundation of opportunity on which children will thrive throughout their lives.

## OUR SERVICES AND GOALS

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### **SERVICE 1 Protect children from child abuse.**

- Goal 1a Respond quickly to every allegation of abuse and neglect and perform thorough assessments of safety and risk.
- Goal 1b Reduce the risk of child maltreatment occurring in at-risk families through the provision of high-quality preventive services.
- Goal 1c Provide safe and stable foster care placements for children who cannot remain safely at home.
- Goal 1d Encourage and support family-based foster care.
- Goal 1e Reduce time to reunification, kinship guardianship and/or adoption and maintain strong family connections for children.

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### **SERVICE 2 Ensure access to quality early child care and education services in all communities.**

- Goal 2a Ensure access to quality early child care services in communities of need and achieve maximum capacity enrollment at all participating centers.

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### **SERVICE 3 Provide custody and care of youth in secure and safe detention and placement facilities while providing casework services.**

- Goal 3a Assure that detention facilities are safe and secure.
- Goal 3b Provide youth in detention and placement with appropriate health and mental health services.
- Goal 3c Provide services to prevent youth from returning to the juvenile justice system.

## HOW WE PERFORMED

- The number of investigations conducted in response to reports of suspected child abuse and/or neglect continued the upward trend that began in Fiscal 2016. During the first four months of Fiscal 2018 the number of investigations rose by six percent from 16,179 to 17,173. Following a large increase in Fiscal 2017, the percent of investigations that were substantiated (meaning that child protective caseworkers identified some credible evidence of alleged child maltreatment) declined from 41.7 percent during the first four months of Fiscal 2017 to 40.2 percent during the same period in Fiscal 2018. While the percent of children in complete investigations with repeat investigations within a year rose 1.7 percentage points from 23.6 to 25.3, the percent of children with repeat substantiated investigations rose 3.2 percentage points from 15.6 during July through October of Fiscal 2017 to 18.8 during the same period in Fiscal 2018. ACS continues to work on reducing the rate of repeat reports and substantiated investigations by better matching of families to services, improving targeted efforts towards enhanced overall assessments, and family engagement through training and coaching of front line staff and with other City agencies serving ACS clients. The average child protective caseload declined from 12.4 in Fiscal 2017 to 10.9 cases per caseworker during the first four months of Fiscal 2018, well below the nationally-recommended standard of 12.
- During July through October of Fiscal 2018, the daily average number of children receiving child welfare preventive services rose 4.5 percent from 22,776 to 23,805, compared to the same period in Fiscal 2017. To ensure that families receive services to meet their needs and improve service utilization, ACS has implemented a new, more targeted and timely referral process. In addition, to address vacancies at provider agencies that limit acceptance of new preventive cases, ACS has made substantial investments to strengthen the capacity of contract providers to retain frontline staff and develop their professional skills.
- The number of children entering foster care continued the upward trend that began in Fiscal 2017 as the number of reports and investigations of suspected maltreatment increased. Compared to the same period in Fiscal 2017, during the first four months of Fiscal 2018 the number of children entering foster care rose by 16.2 percent from 1,335 to 1,551. During the first four months of Fiscal 2018, the total number of children in foster care declined slightly to 8,845 from 8,924 during the same period in Fiscal 2017. The total number of days all children spent in foster care declined from 1,369,898 to 1,365,117.
- The number of children in family foster care, per 100,000 care days, for whom a child protective investigation found some credible evidence that maltreatment by the foster parents may have occurred declined from 6.2 during the first four months of Fiscal 2017 to 5.8 during the same period in Fiscal 2018. ACS is working to further reduce maltreatment in foster care by providing intensive monitoring, training and technical assistance to foster care providers, as well as developing new methods for foster and adoptive parent recruitment, retention and support.
- During the first four months of Fiscal 2018, the percent of children entering foster care who were placed with relatives increased four percentage points from 28.4 percent to 32.2 percent, and the percent of siblings placed in the same foster home rose two percentage points from 91.2 percent to 93.1 percent. ACS is implementing strategies to increase the safe use of kinship placements when appropriate.
- Reflecting a continuing trend, the number of children who achieved permanency through Kinship Guardianship Assistance (KinGap) increased by 16.7 percent during the first four months of Fiscal 2018, rising from 114 to 133. The number of children in care who are eligible for adoption declined 10.3 percent from 945 to 848 and the number of adoptions fell 22.6 percent from 266 to 206. The number of children reunified with their families fell 7.6 percent from 725 to 670. ACS has set permanency targets for all provider agencies. Provider performance against these targets is being closely monitored and intensive technical assistance is being provided. The percent of children who achieved permanency through reunification or KinGAP but later re-entered foster care rose from 6.6 percent to 8.4 percent. To address this ACS is amending provider agency contracts to provide additional funding for discharge supports services focused on preparing families for reunification and preventing re-entry into care.
- EarlyLearn NYC contract enrollment in July through October of Fiscal 2018 was below the target of 31,300. Average EarlyLearn NYC contract enrollment during the first four months of Fiscal 2018 declined by less than one percent from 28,260 to 28,076. This decrease was the result of a two percent decline in average center-based enrollment from 21,080 to 20,699. At the same time average home-based family child care enrollment rose 2.7 percent, from 7,180 to

7,377. Center-based childcare utilization declined from 74.9 to 73.5 percent and family child care utilization increased from 83.5 to 85.8 percent.

- The number of reports of suspected abuse and/or neglect for children in child care during July through October rose 15.9 percent from 214 in Fiscal 2017 to 248 in Fiscal 2018. During this period, the substantiation rate for these reports declined from 16.4 percent to 14.2 percent. ACS continues to educate child care providers about their obligations as mandated reporters.
- The average daily population in juvenile detention has decreased steadily for many years, and declined an additional 24 percent from 129 in the first four months of Fiscal 2017 to 98 during the same period in Fiscal 2018. This reduction was driven by a 16.3 percent decrease in admissions from 735 to 615 and a 28.6 percent decrease in the average length of stay from 28 to 20 days.
- Driven by improvements in programming and decreases in idle-time, the rate of youth on youth assaults and altercations with injury in detention decreased during the first four months of Fiscal 2018 from 0.40 to 0.29 per 100 average daily population. The rate of youth on staff assaults with injuries fell from 0.09 to 0.04 per 100 average daily population. There was also a decrease in the child abuse and/or neglect allegation rate from 0.13 per 100 average daily population in the first four months of Fiscal 2017 to 0.12 during the same period in Fiscal 2018. Additionally, the abscond rate from non-secure detention fell substantially from 0.15 to 0.02 during this period. Re-training for staff on escort techniques was responsible for this improvement.
- As a result of large increases in scheduled searches the weapon and illegal substance recovery rates in detention increased during the first four months of Fiscal 2018. The weapon recovery rate increased from 0.06 per 100 average daily population in Fiscal 2017 to 0.14 in Fiscal 2018 (representing an increase from nine to 17 weapon recoveries), and the illegal substance recovery rose from 0.06 to 0.09 per 100 average daily population (representing an increase from nine to 11 illegal substance recoveries).
- Consistent with the decline in admission to detention, the number of young people entering Close to Home placement during the first four months of Fiscal 2018 declined 30.2 percent from 86 to 60. However, the average number of youth in Close to Home placement fell more modestly from 148 to 143. The small decrease in the Close to Home census was driven by a 63 percent decline in releases to aftercare from 73 to 27, as young people are spending more time in residential care while appropriate individualized need driven services are put in place. It is expected that implementation of the Risk/Needs/Responsivity framework will result in youth needs being addressed in a more timely manner and ultimately in decreased lengths of stay.
- The absent without leave (AWOL) rate for youth in Close to Home placement fell 25 percent from 0.4 per 100 care days during July through October of Fiscal 2017 to 0.3 in Fiscal 2018. There was also a decline in the rate of youth on staff assault with injury per 100 care days during this period from 0.13 to 0.08. The rate of youth on youth assaults and altercations with injury rose from 0.09 to 0.14. It is expected that implementation of the Risk/Needs/Responsivity framework will ensure that youth needs are identified and treated in a more timely manner, thereby resulting in an overall decrease of incidents of aggression while youth are in placement.

## SERVICE 1 Protect children from child abuse.

### Goal 1a

Respond quickly to every allegation of abuse and neglect and perform thorough assessments of safety and risk.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Number of State Central Register consolidated investigations	54,926	55,337	59,329	*	*	16,179	17,173
★ Abuse and/or neglect reports responded to within 24 hours of receipt from the State Central Register (%)	98.8%	98.6%	98.2%	100.0%	100.0%	98.9%	98.4%
Substantiation rate	38.7%	36.1%	40.4%	*	*	41.7%	40.2%
Children in complete investigations with repeat investigations within a year (%)	24.4%	23.8%	23.9%	*	*	23.6%	25.3%
★ Children in substantiated investigations with repeat substantiated investigations within a year (%)(preliminary)	17.2%	16.8%	18.1%	14.0%	14.0%	15.6%	18.8%
★ Average child protective specialist caseload	10.5	10.6	12.4	12.0	12.0	9.9	10.9
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↕↔ Directional Target	* None			

**Goal 1b** Reduce the risk of child maltreatment occurring in at-risk families through the provision of high-quality preventive services.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Families entering child welfare preventive services	11,015	10,540	9,240	11,000	11,000	3,336	3,351
Families entering child welfare specialized teen preventive services	1,570	1,463	1,136	*	*	413	400
Children receiving child welfare preventive services (daily average)	24,889	23,545	23,383	*	*	22,776	23,805
Children who received child welfare preventive services during the year (annual total)	47,001	46,207	43,157	*	*	NA	NA
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

**Goal 1c** Provide safe and stable foster care placements for children who cannot remain safely at home.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
All children entering foster care (preliminary)	4,233	3,695	4,185	*	*	1,335	1,551
★ Children placed in foster care in their community	36.9%	36.3%	36.6%	38.0%	38.0%	39.2%	33.6%
★ Children in foster care (average)	11,098	9,906	8,921	↓	↓	8,924	8,845
– Children in foster kinship homes	3,636	3,230	2,761	*	*	2,804	2,805
– Children in nonrelative foster boarding homes	6,533	5,829	5,337	*	*	5,314	5,224
– Children in residential care	929	847	823	*	*	806	817
★ Children who re-enter foster care within a year of discharge to family (preliminary)	9.1%	7.8%	6.2%	6.0%	6.0%	6.6%	8.4%
School Attendance Rate - Children in Foster Care (%)	82.5%	82.5%	82.2%	*	*	83.7%	83.4%
Total days all children spent in foster care	4,710,116	4,379,682	4,062,642	*	*	1,369,898	1,365,117
★ Number of moves in foster care per 1,000 care days	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.7
★ Children maltreated during family foster care placement per 100,000 care days	4.0	5.2	7.6	5.0	5.0	6.2	5.8
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

**Goal 1d** Encourage and support family-based foster care.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
Siblings placed simultaneously in the same foster home (preliminary)	88.9%	91.4%	93.0%	*	*	91.2%	93.1%
★ Children entering foster care who are placed with relatives (preliminary)	29.5%	27.4%	30.1%	30.0%	30.0%	28.4%	32.2%
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

Goal 1e

Reduce time to reunification, kinship guardianship and/or adoption and maintain strong family connections for children.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Children discharged to permanency within a year of placement (%)	30.9%	32.0%	34.2%	35.0%	35.0%	NA	NA
★ Children in care 12-23 months discharged to permanency (%)	20.1%	24.4%	24.6%	27.0%	27.0%	NA	NA
★ Children in care 24 or more months discharged to permanency (%)	23.2%	24.9%	24.3%	27.0%	27.0%	NA	NA
Children adopted	1,004	1,052	899	*	*	266	206
Children eligible for adoption (average)	1,092	1,053	904	*	*	945	848
Kinship Guardianship Assistance discharges	275	343	381	*	*	114	133
Children returned to parents (reunifications)	2,506	2,507	2,111	*	*	725	670
★ Critical Indicator	“NA” Not Available		↕ Directional Target	* None			

**SERVICE 2** Ensure access to quality early child care and education services in all communities.

Goal 2a

Ensure access to quality early child care services in communities of need and achieve maximum capacity enrollment at all participating centers.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Average EarlyLearn contract enrollment	30,079	30,671	30,117	31,300	31,300	28,260	28,076
★ EarlyLearn - Average center-based enrollment	23,077	23,396	22,663	23,800	23,800	21,080	20,699
★ EarlyLearn - Average family child care enrollment	7,002	7,275	7,454	7,500	7,500	7,180	7,377
★ Average EarlyLearn Utilization (%)	81.8%	83.4%	81.9%	85.0%	85.0%	76.6%	76.4%
★ Average EarlyLearn Utilization - Center-based (%)	82.0%	83.1%	80.5%	85.0%	85.0%	74.9%	73.5%
★ Average EarlyLearn Utilization - Family child care (%)	81.4%	84.6%	86.7%	85.0%	85.0%	83.5%	85.8%
Average child care voucher enrollment	66,801	67,527	66,968	*	*	67,648	66,282
★ Average mandated children voucher enrollment	55,000	54,761	53,723	*	*	54,809	52,211
★ Average other eligible children voucher enrollment	11,801	12,659	13,245	*	*	12,839	14,071
★ Average center-based child care voucher enrollment	27,052	27,132	27,864	*	*	27,724	28,121
★ Average family child care voucher enrollment	22,177	24,119	24,786	*	*	24,722	25,455
★ Average informal (home-based) child care voucher enrollment	17,572	15,976	14,318	*	*	15,200	12,706
EarlyLearn - Fiscal year spending per child based on average enrollment in Contract Family Child Care	\$8,577	\$8,715	\$9,072	*	*	NA	NA
EarlyLearn - Budget per slot in contract family child care	\$9,347	\$9,522	\$9,537	*	*	NA	NA
EarlyLearn - Fiscal Year Spending per Child based on Average Enrollment in Contract Centers	\$15,598	\$16,754	\$19,755	*	*	NA	NA
Fiscal year spending per child - Center-based child care vouchers	\$8,936	\$9,280	\$9,149	*	*	NA	NA
Fiscal year spending per child - Family child care vouchers	\$7,575	\$7,659	\$8,322	*	*	NA	NA
Fiscal year spending per child - Legally exempt (informal child care) vouchers	\$4,119	\$4,140	\$4,234	*	*	NA	NA
Abuse and/or neglect reports for children in child care	492	584	621	*	*	214	248
Abuse and/or neglect reports for children in child care that are substantiated (%)	27.6%	15.1%	16.4%	*	*	16.4%	14.2%
★ Critical Indicator	“NA” Not Available		↕ Directional Target	* None			

## SERVICE 3 Provide custody and care of youth in secure and safe detention and placement facilities while providing casework services.

### Goal 3a Assure that detention facilities are safe and secure.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Total admissions to detention	2,755	2,528	2,126	↓	↓	735	615
★ Average daily population (ADP), detention	169.9	156.6	119.4	↓	↓	129.2	97.5
Secure detention - ADP	94.7	91.7	69.9	*	*	73.8	58.3
Non-secure detention - ADP	74.4	64.9	49.6	*	*	55.4	39.2
★ Average length of stay, detention (days)	23	21	23	↓	↓	28	20
★ Escapes from secure detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
★ Abscond rate in non-secure detention (average per 100 total ADP in non-secure)	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.15	0.02
★ Youth on youth assaults and altercations with injury rate (per 100 total ADP), detention	0.30	0.39	0.38	0.35	0.35	0.40	0.29
★ Youth on staff assault w/injury rate (per 100 total ADP), detention	0.05	0.08	0.11	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.04
★ Weapon recovery rate (average per 100 total ADP), detention	0.08	0.07	0.06	↓	↓	0.06	0.14
★ Illegal substance/prescription or OTC medication recovery rate (average per 100 total ADP), detention	0.09	0.07	0.07	↓	↓	0.06	0.09
★ Child abuse and/or neglect allegation rate (internal) (average per 100 total ADP), detention	0.15	0.11	0.14	0.10	0.10	0.13	0.12
Child abuse/neglect allegations cases (internal) reported as substantiated, detention	27.0	17.0	18.0	*	*	4.0	1.0
★ Average daily cost per youth per day, detention (\$)	\$1,065	\$1,431	\$1,684	*	*	NA	NA
Admissions to Close to Home placement	258	238	222	*	*	86	60
★ Number in Close to Home placement	176	151	156	↓	↓	148	143
AWOL rate, Close to Home placement	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
Discharges from Close to Home placement (dispositional order complete)	260.0	227.0	182.0	*	*	74.0	62.0
Number of releases from Close to Home placement to aftercare	283	201	194	*	*	73	27
Youth on staff assault with injury rate, Close to home placement	0.05	0.07	0.13	0.07	0.05	0.13	0.08
Youth on youth assault with injury rate, Close to home placement	0.12	0.10	0.13	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.14
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available	↑↓ Directional Target	* None				

### Goal 3b Provide youth in detention and placement with appropriate health and mental health services.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ In-care youth who were referred for mental health services, detention (%)	61%	50%	59%	*	*	39%	43%
★ In-Care Youth who received mental health services (%)	50%	46%	46%	*	*	45%	34%
★ Residents seen within 24 hours of sick call report (%)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
★ General health care cost per youth per day, detention (\$)	\$80	\$121	\$163	*	*	NA	NA
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available	↑↓ Directional Target	* None				

Goal 3c

Provide services to prevent youth from returning to the juvenile justice system.

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
★ Youth admitted to detention with previous admission(s) to detention (%)	63.3%	61.0%	64.0%	*	*	NA	NA
★ Number in Close to Home aftercare (average)	122	121	97	*	*	122	89
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

## AGENCY-WIDE MANAGEMENT

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
Collisions involving City vehicles	46	34	30	*	*	6	14
Workplace injuries reported	184	226	214	*	*	64	65
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

## AGENCY CUSTOMER SERVICE

Performance Indicators	Actual			Target		4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY17	FY18
Customer Experience							
Completed requests for interpretation	79,347	87,775	94,864	*	*	26,233	35,200
Letters responded to in 14 days (%)	85.4%	97.1%	88.4%	*	*	86.4%	88.4%
E-mails responded to in 14 days (%)	89.7%	97.8%	97.3%	*	*	98.5%	92.7%
★ Critical Indicator	"NA" Not Available		↑↓ Directional Target	* None			

## AGENCY RESOURCES

Resource Indicators	Actual			Sept. 2017 MMR Plan	Updated Plan	Plan	4-Month Actual	
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY18 <sup>1</sup>	FY19 <sup>1</sup>	FY17	FY18
Expenditures (\$000,000) <sup>2</sup>	\$2,826.7	\$2,875.1	\$2,974.1	\$3,129.3	\$3,157.6	\$2,570.4	\$1,625.5	\$1,605.3
Revenues (\$000,000)	\$3.9	\$7.2	\$8.5	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$1.4	\$4.4
Personnel	5,972	6,000	6,362	7,216	7,217	7,032	6,208	6,435
Overtime paid (\$000,000)	\$30.1	\$33.9	\$49.1	\$17.2	\$17.2	\$17.2	\$9.4	\$16.9
Capital commitments (\$000,000)	\$5.8	\$10.2	\$10.0	\$372.1	\$413.2	\$49.4	\$6.5	\$14.4
Human services contract budget (\$000,000)	\$1,647.8	\$1,710.3	\$1,742.9	\$1,858.1	\$1,852.6	\$1,351.3	\$565.2	\$594.1
<sup>1</sup> February 2018 Financial Plan <sup>2</sup> Expenditures include all funds      "NA" - Not Available								

## SPENDING AND BUDGET INFORMATION

Where possible, the relationship between an agency's goals and its expenditures and planned resources, by budgetary unit of appropriation (UA), is shown in the 'Applicable MMR Goals' column. Each relationship is not necessarily exhaustive or exclusive. Any one goal may be connected to multiple UAs, and any UA may be connected to multiple goals.

Unit of Appropriation	Expenditures FY17 <sup>1</sup> (\$000,000)	February 2018 Financial Plan FY18 <sup>2</sup> (\$000,000)	Applicable MMR Goals <sup>3</sup>
Personal Services - Total	\$465.0	\$487.9	
001 - Child Welfare	\$319.5	\$343.8	1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e, 2a
003 - Head Start/Day Care	\$17.9	\$26.0	2a
005 - Administration	\$93.2	\$77.9	All
007 - Youth and Family Justice	\$34.3	\$40.2	3a, 3b, 3c
Other Than Personal Services - Total	\$2,509.1	\$2,669.7	
002 - Other Than Personal Services	\$78.7	\$80.3	All
004 - Head Start/Day Care	\$1,082.9	\$1,118.6	2a
006 - Child Welfare	\$1,189.3	\$1,307.6	1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e
008 - Youth and Family Justice	\$158.2	\$163.2	3a, 3b, 3c
Agency Total	\$2,974.1	\$3,157.6	

<sup>1</sup>Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2017. Includes all funds.      <sup>2</sup>Includes all funds.      <sup>3</sup>Refer to agency goals listed at front of chapter.

## NOTEWORTHY CHANGES, ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

- ACS revised Fiscal 2015 figures for the indicator 'Children entering foster care who are placed with relatives' to reflect corrected data.
- ACS revised Fiscal 2017 figures for the following indicators: 'All children entering foster care (preliminary) Children placed in foster care in their community,' 'Children who re-enter foster care within a year of discharge to family (%) (preliminary),' 'Total days all children spent in foster care,' 'Number of moves in foster care per 1,000 care days,' 'Siblings placed simultaneously in the same foster home (%) (preliminary),' 'Kinship Guardianship Assistance discharges' and 'Children returned to parents (reunifications).'
- ACS revised Fiscal 2016 and Fiscal 2017 figures for the following indicators: 'Children in foster care (average),' '– Children in foster kinship homes,' '– Children in nonrelative foster boarding homes' and '– Children in residential care.'
- ACS revised annual figures for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017 for the indicator 'Children entering foster care who are placed with relatives (%) (preliminary).'
- ACS set a more ambitious Fiscal 2018 target for the indicators 'Children in substantiated investigations with repeat substantiated investigations within a year (%) (preliminary).' ACS set more achievable Fiscal 2018 targets for the indicators 'Youth on staff assault with injury rate, Close to home placement' and 'Youth on youth assault with injury rate, Close to home placement.'

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For additional information go to:

- Statistics:  
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/acs/about/data-policy.page>
- Monthly flash report:  
<http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/acs/pdf/data-analysis/2016/FlashIndicatorAugust2016.pdf>

For more information on the agency, please visit: [www.nyc.gov/acs](http://www.nyc.gov/acs).