

# FY 2025 New York State Budget Recap

Child Poverty	
<b>Enhance the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)</b>	No progress.
<b>Strengthen the Empire State Child Credit</b>	\$350 million for a one-year supplement to the existing Empire State Child Credit.
<b>Establish and Fund the Healthy School Meals for All Program</b>	\$180 million to continue universal school meals.
<b>Ensure continuous Medicaid and Child Health Plus coverage for children from birth to age six</b>	Enables continuous Medicaid or Child Health Plus coverage without having to redetermining eligibility for children ages 0-6.
<b>Establish and fund Mothers and Infants Last Change (MILC) direct cash transfer pilot</b>	No funding for the Mothers and Infants Last Change (MILC) direct transfer pilot program.
Youth Justice	
<b>Establishing a Youth Justice Innovation Fund with \$50M of the \$250M RTA appropriation.</b>	No funding for the Youth Justice Innovation Fund.
<b>Pass Solutions Not Suspensions Act</b>	Solutions Not Suspensions failed to pass.
<b>Pass the Youth Justice and Opportunity Act</b>	Youth Justice and Opportunity Act failed to pass.
<b>Pass the Youth Interrogation Bill</b>	Youth Interrogation Bill failed to pass.
Child & Youth Mental Health	
<b>Invest \$195 million into children's behavioral health outpatient systems</b>	Failed to make needed investments in the outpatient behavioral health system.
<b>Require commercial insurers to pay Medicaid APG rates for in-network and out-of-network behavioral health services</b>	Requires commercial insurance to reimburse outpatient behavioral and substance use disorder treatment services at no less than the Medicaid rate. It also includes an \$84 million to increase reimbursement for services provided at certain sites treating mental health conditions.



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<b>Include a 3.2% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA)</b>	2.84% COLA for Human Services including 1.7% target for salaries.
<b>Fund and establish school based mental health clinics in every school that wants one</b>	\$20 million for school-based mental health clinic satellites.
<b>Child &amp; Youth Homelessness</b>	
<b>Fund the Housing Access Voucher Program</b>	No funding.
<b>Pass Statewide Right to Counsel (A1493/S2721) and allocate \$260 million to its implementation</b>	Statewide Right to Counsel failed to pass.