



NorthStar ADVOCATES

2023 ADVOCACY AGENDA

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	CHAMPION	LEGISLATION/BUDGET/ALIGNMENT
Prevent youth homelessness & other system involvement	Provide early supports to families to avoid deeper crisis.	Senator Nguyen Rep Callan	Budget Only \$20m biennium Aligns with OHY State Prevention Plan;
SB 5397/HB 1405: Prohibit the State from Taking SSI from Children & Youth	Children & youth in foster care deserve to have their SSI payment in an authorized fund to be used for non-foster care related needs	Senator Wilson Rep Alvarado	Legislation & Budget Impact DCYF supports this legislation Very complex issue
Continue funding the Bridge Program	YYA discharged from inpatient behavioral health treatment have safe housing and supportive recovery services	Senator Saldana Rep Cortes	Budget Only \$200,000 biennium 6560 Rapid Response Team
Continue the Lifeline Project	No wrong door to support those who have exited a system of care	Rep Chopp	Budget Only: \$750,000 6560
Continue Pacific Tower project	Repurpose Pacific Tower Buildings 3-10 for housing & services	Rep Chopp	Capital Budget 6560
Preserve Mockingbird Family	Expansion of MF within DCYF	Governor's Budget	Budget Only

SUPPORT ITEMS: EFC+ , Barriers To Housing, GBI, DCYF lawsuit and other requests (not 11m FTDM)

Extended Foster Care Expansion SB 5230

Barriers Shelter HB 1406

Capital Budget: Support: YouthCare Broadway and Pine Project