

**DHHS - DIVISION OF CHILD CARE AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
(AGENCY 772) - 2007-09 BIENNIUM
BUDGET INFORMATION ACCORDING TO ACT 1226 of 2007**

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education was created within the Department of Human Services to accommodate a Transfer of the Early Childhood Commission and the admin. of the Arkansas Better Chance Program from the Department of Ed. This division also replaced the Child Care Facility Review Board and became the entity responsible for child care facilities in the State. The Division has 6 sections, including one administrative section, Compliance Unit, Program Development, Family Support, Special Nutrition, and Child Care Licensing.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget of the 2007-09 biennium is \$119,674,616 for FY2008 and \$122,200,093 for FY2009.

FUNDING SOURCES

The budget is funded by general revenues (6%), federally funds (91%), child care provider license fees (1.5%), and alcoholic beverage taxes (1.5%).

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

- The Food Program appropriation, funded by federal funds, provides for an additional appropriation of \$2,550,000 in FY08 and \$5,291,250 in FY09 for the Special Nutrition Program for anticipated growth.
- The Operation appropriation, funded by General Revenues, Federal and Other funds, provides for the continuation of appropriation currently authorized by a Miscellaneous Federal Grant that supports the Special Nutrition Program, which includes:
 1. Restore two (2) positions with salary and matching appropriation each year.
 2. Operating Expenses increased by \$384,661 each year to support the Special Nutrition Program for data processing supplies, wireless telecommunications, printing, office supplies and travel related expenses of \$97,376 each year; and support the Arkansas Better Chance (ABC) program by providing software licensing, data processing supplies and printing expenses of \$287,285 each year.
 3. Professional Fees increased by \$1,232,501 in FY08 and \$881,501 in FY09 to support the Special Nutrition Program and provide professional and administrative expenses related to the (ABC) Program.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2007-09: 171

Total positions for FY 2007: 169

Increase(Decrease): 2

* 2 Restorations - DHHS Program Coordinator, Grade 20 &
Accounting Supervisor, Grade 20

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

None.