

# CHAPA's FY20 Budget Update

Note: The Network will provide an update on House Budget outcomes for its complete list of FY20 priorities within the next couple of days. For now, we are pleased to offer you this update from CHAPA, which includes many of the Network's priorities as well:

Last week, the Massachusetts House of Representatives concluded debate on its FY2020 state budget. For a table showing the final funding amounts in the House Budget for CHAPA's budget priorities, click [here](#). During budget debate, the House approved additional funding for two programs:

Alternative Housing Voucher Program (AHVP) (7004-9030) – The House approved \$400,000 more for AHVP, for a total of \$7,550,000 for the program in the House budget, through an amendment sponsored by Rep. Decker.

Housing Consumer Education Centers (HCECs) (7004-3036) – The House approved \$250,000 more for HCECs, for a total of \$375,000 for the program in the House budget, through an amendment sponsored by Rep. Honan.

Thank you for all your advocacy during the budget debate! We gathered many co-sponsors, demonstrating broad support for these affordable housing and homelessness prevention programs. For a final look at the outcome of CHAPA's amendment priorities, including the number of co-sponsors, please click [here](#). If you can, please reach out to thank Speaker DeLeo, Rep. Michlewitz, Rep. Honan, Rep. Decker, and all amendment

sponsors.

SAVE THE DATE – Wednesday, May 8th, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

We've heard that Senate Ways & Means may release its budget the week of May 6th. Amendments would be due by the end of that week with budget debate still scheduled for the week of May 20th. This would give the Senate a full week to consider amendments.

If that is the case, please hold Wednesday, May 8th, 3:00-4:30 p.m., for our next Building Blocks Meeting to discuss the Senate Ways & Means budget and amendment strategy. The meeting will be hosted at CHAPA.