

# Department of Health and Social Services

## Division of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDDS)

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## Accomplishments

- Supporting a growing service population
- Strengthening our workforce
- Strengthening community supports

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can do together.**

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PROFESSIONAL.**

**Coming together to ensure people with disabilities can:**

- Access support to thrive in their community
- Break down barriers and stereotypes of disability
- Achieve a more fulfilling life
- Unlock their fullest potential.

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Finding success, together.

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## FY 2026 Governor's Recommended Budget

(\$ in Thousands)

	GF	ASF	NSF	Total
FTEs	408.0	1.0	1.2	410.2
Dollars (\$)	\$153,326.5	\$5,382.2	\$12,886.4	\$171,595.1



### Budget Definitions:

GF – General Funds

ASF – Appropriated Special Funds

NSF – Non-Appropriated Special Funds

FTEs – Full Time Equivalent Positions

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## FY 2026 Governor's Recommended Budget

- \$1,108.9 - Services for School Graduates
- \$8,044.9 - Services for Community Placements
- \$1,131.3 - Alignment of DSP Minimum Wage Rate adjustments



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## Looking Ahead

- ❑ Strengthening access to employment
- ❑ Strengthening services across the continuum and in the community

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## Meyer Administration Values

### INTEGRITY

*Actions speak louder than words - actions build trust. We will lead with transparency and accountability to ensure every decision serves the public good.*

### EFFICIENCY

*Government should work smarter, not harder. We will eliminate waste, streamline services, and prioritize execution over excuses.*

### COLLABORATION

*Lasting change requires teamwork. We will break down silos, build strong partnerships, and deliver solutions that work.*

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