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Profile of Federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Funding: Maryland

Federal Funding Overview:

In Maryland, the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention (GOCCP) is the State Administering Agency authorized to administer federal funding granted under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) in collaboration with the Juvenile Grant Planning and Review Council ("Juvenile Council"), Maryland's State Advisory Group.

The Juvenile Council's strategy, rooted in the best evidence on how to produce positive outcomes for youth, is to limit out-of-home placements and to develop and strengthen community-based interventions for at-risk youth and system-involved youth. Although these interventions cost significantly less than secure detention, Maryland will face an uphill battle to take these proven approaches to state scale if the federal investments in state and local juvenile justice programs continue their downward trend.

**Formula & Block Grant
Funding FY10:
\$1.9 million**

**Formula & Block Grant
Funding FY18*:
\$745,742**

**Decrease of 61% so far this
decade.**

*This number only includes Title II funds; JABG has been zeroed out & Title V funds have been earmarked

Diminishing Funds:

The federal allocation of grant funding to Maryland has decreased dramatically in recent years. Nationwide, during the 16 years that the JJDP went unauthorized, **federal juvenile justice funding decreased by nearly 48%**.¹ In FY10, the federal investment in Maryland's juvenile justice system through the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act was \$1.9 million. Over the past eight years, this figure has dwindled to \$745,742, **reducing federal funding allocations by 61%**.

Federal Dollars in Action:

Maryland invests JJDP funding into programs that help the state save money in the long run, including using funding to assist with diverting youth from entering the system and from going deeper into the

¹ Act4JJ. (2018). Juvenile Justice Federal Funding Chart. Retrieved from, <http://www.act4jj.org/sites/default/files/resource-files/Historic%20Funding%20Chart%20-%20FY19.pdf>

system. JJDPa funding has also helped the state to provide necessary trainings to grantees and advisory group members to ensure providers are providing trauma-informed care and approaching work with an equity lens.

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