

Add \$100 million from surplus dollars to community nonprofit funding

- Please add \$100 million from the state's surplus dollars to the funding for community nonprofits.
- Community nonprofits have had state funding reduced over the past decade and had had repeated mid-year rescissions.
- At the same time, the need for services has increased:
 - The nationwide opioid crisis has strained the state's treatment centers;
 - 2,000 families are on the waiting list for services from the Department of Developmental Services.
- Community nonprofits that contract with the state to provide vital services deserve to have the funds cut from programs restored.
- We fully appreciate the need to put money away in the Rainy Day Fund. What we're asking for is a very small percentage and would leave \$2.5 billion in it for future needs.
- Community nonprofits and the people they serve are a priority and they've already done more than their share of sacrifice during tough times. Using surplus funds for other purposes but not nonprofits would be a choice – a disappointing choice -- by the legislature.
- The state has a chance to make up some lost ground -- please help nonprofits and the people who need them!
- The state cut funding from nonprofits every year that there were deficits. Now, there is a surplus. If the state cannot restore some of those cuts this year, when can they be restored?