Department of Systems Management for Human Services



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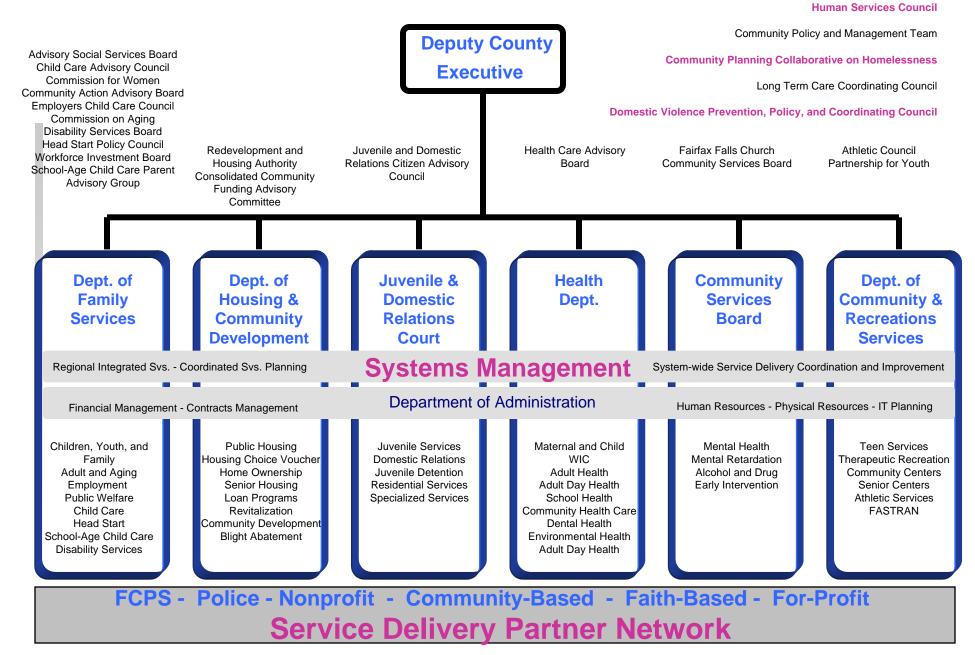
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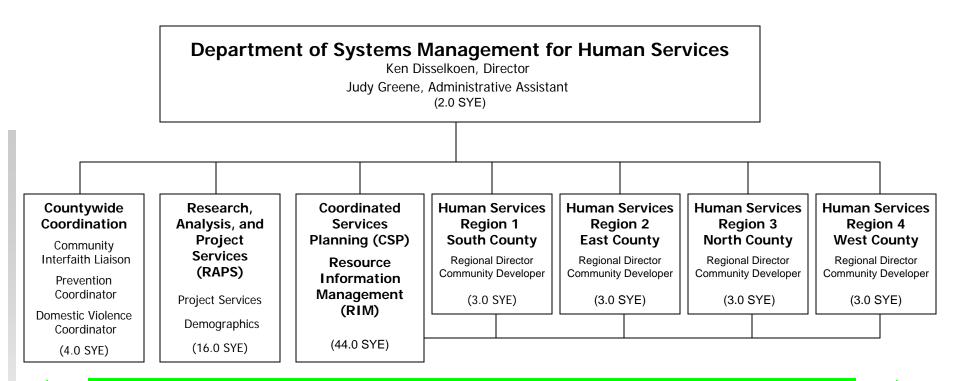
# Agency Mission



 To engage and connect individuals, communities, and organizations, building upon their collective strengths and developing creative solutions to enhance the quality of life in Fairfax County.

### Fairfax County Human Services System





Access – Service Integration – Civic Engagement – Capacity Building

#### Contact Information

Citizen Access to Human Services - Coordinated Services Planning– 703-222-0880 TDD – 703-803-7914 Human Services Resource Guide Online – <u>www.fairfacounty.gov/rim</u> Agency Web page- <u>www.fairfacounty.gov/dsm</u>

Demographic Information- www.fairfaxcounty.gov/aboutfairfax/

Director's Office and Countywide Coordinators- 703-324-5638 Community and Interfaith Liaison – 703-324-5185 Human Services Regions- Region 1 – 703-704-6797 Region 2 – 703-533-5701 Region 3 – 703-787-4962 Region 4 – 703-324-5285 Research, Analysis, and Project Services – 703-324-7283



# Agency Growth Since FY 2001



### No growth in position count or overall operating costs

### Growth in Expenditures:

- FY 2009: \$5.94 million FY 2001: \$4.75 million
  - An increase of \$1.19 million or 24.99%
  - An average annual increase of just 2.83%
  - Entirely attributable to routine annual compensation increases

### • Growth in Positions/Staff Year Equivalency (SYE):

- FY 2009: 78/78.0 FY 2001: 79/78.5
  - A decrease of 1/0.5

# New Programs Since FY 2001

### No new programs

- Expanded role support and coordination of countywide cross-functional initiatives:
  - Community Interfaith Liaison Office
  - Domestic Violence Coordination
  - Prevention Services System Coordination
  - Strengthening Neighborhoods & Building Communities

- Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness
- Josiah H. Beeman Commission
- Gang Prevention
- Disproportionality in Foster Care & Juvenile Justice System
- Code Enforcement
- Our agency is structured and managed to be <u>flexible and responsive to the changing needs</u> of the county and the human services system.

## Agency Strategic Focus



### Access

- Service Integration
- Civic Engagement
- Capacity Building

- Coordinate access to needed services, information, and resources
- Promote effectiveness and efficiency in service delivery
- Foster collaboration between agencies and with the community
- Build organizational and community capacity
- Identify data trends to guide decision-making

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### LOBS Summary Table: FY 2008 Adopted Budget Plan Data

Number	LOB Title	Net LOB Cost	LOB Number of Positions	LOB SYE
69-01	Citizen Access to Services	\$2,577,132	43	43.0
69-02	Regional and Neighborhood Capacity Building and Service Integration	\$1,024,055	13	13.0
69-03	System-wide Service System Coordination	\$654,473	5	5.0
69-04	Countywide Strategic Support, Service Integration and Information Services	\$1,736,422	19	19.0
TOTAL		\$5,992,082	80	80.0

#### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

- Coordinated Services Planning (CSP) and the Internet-based Human Services Resource Guide
- 69-02: Regional and Neighborhood Capacity Building and Service Integration
  - Four Regional Directors/Community Developers: Southeastern County, Central County, North County, and Western County

#### 69-03: System-wide Service System Coordination

- Countywide Coordinators: Strengthening Neighborhoods and Building Communities, Community Interfaith Liaison, Prevention, Domestic Violence
- 69-04: Countywide Strategic Support, Service Integration & Information Services
  - Director's Office and the Research, Analysis, and Project Services group, which includes survey and demographic research

### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

### **Coordinated Services Planning**

- "The 222 Number" 703-222-0880
- One-stop front door to the human services system
- Easy for residents efficient for staff – prevents duplication
- Gang & Youth Violence Helpline
- Currently 13 different languages
- Entry point for many county services and most nonprofits providing emergency assistance

### FY 2008 DATA

- 81,439 calls handled
- 358 Average daily call volume.
  Up 21% over FY 07 and rising.
  - Many days more than 400 and even 500 calls per day, most for urgent basic needs
- 28,000 unique requests for help
- 5,400 <u>new</u> individuals/families helped that have never contacted CSP before
- \$1,492,532 raised from community nonprofits to meet client emergency financial assistance needs

### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

### Human Services Resource Guide (HSRG)

- A comprehensive online resource guide to public and community-based services information
- 24/7 Internet access at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rim</u>
- Self-help tool for residents and providers to navigate human services information
- Reduces demand on CSP and other human services staff for basic service questions

### FY 2008 DATA

- A top 10 county Web destination
- More than 4,800 services referenced
- More than 600 organizations referenced
- Nearly 2.5 million Web hits
- 6,632 average <u>daily</u> Web hits, a 56% increase from FY 2006
- 626,127 Web visits
- 187,727 unique visitors

- Four Human Services Regions, each about 250,000 residents
- Mid-1990s human services redesign
- Scales down a large system and makes it more accessible
- One Regional Director serving as the point person, troubleshooter, and leadership resource for human services in each region
- A Regional Director and one Community Developer in each region



- Increase access to services through outreach to isolated communities
- Foster leadership skills, community connectedness, and civic participation among residents
- Engage residents in the development of solutions to community concerns
- Provide nonprofit organizations with more than 600 hours per year of technical and programmatic assistance

#### Neighborhood Colleges

- In FY 2008 95 graduates 5 colleges
- Since 2001 637 graduates 37 colleges
- Targeted participants:
  - Senior citizens
  - Teens
  - Cultural/language groups
  - Nonprofit leaders
  - Businesses
  - Specific neighborhoods

- Convene regional provider forums, cross-functional teams, and stakeholder groups to:
  - Learn and share expertise and perspectives
  - Build partnerships to improve service delivery
  - Respond to issues as they arise and plan proactively for issues ahead
  - Identify, build, and leverage community assets
  - Support community-driven initiatives

- Police
- Schools
- Elected officials
- Community residents
- Homeowners/Tenant Associations
- Apartment Property Managers and Resident Councils
- Community Center Advisory Boards
- Nonprofit service providers
- Faith-based organizations
- Businesses
- Other county agencies

For more information, please see FY 2008 LOBS Volume 2, Page 126

### Cross-Agency Initiatives:

- Evening Reporting Program for delinquent youth
- Neighborhood Enhancement Partnership Program
- McLean Access to Child Care
- Huntington flood postemergency response
- Revitalization and Economic Development Initiatives:
  - Southeast Quadrant
  - Hunter Mill Taskforce
  - South County Human Services Building Design
  - Herndon Neighborhood Resource Center

### Neighborhood Strategic Areas

- Kings Park Community
- Central Springfield
- Southgate Communities
- Annandale
- Route One Corridor
- Cedar Ridge Apartments
- Chantilly Mews
- Culmore
- Sacramento
- Island Walk Village
- Janna Lee
- Lincolnia Community
- Lorton
- Pimmit Hills
- Buckman Road Communities
- Crescent Apartments

### 69-03: System-Wide Service System Coordination

#### **Countywide Coordinators**

- Lead and manage the county response to high priority cross-cutting issues
- Develop a more responsive, efficient, and effective <u>system of</u> <u>services</u>
- Work across disciplines and boundaries to create and organize collaborative action among county, nonprofit, faith-based, and advocacy organizations
- Anticipate emerging trends, reduce duplication of efforts, identify system gaps, and integrate services
- Leverage resources to meet the needs of the community in flexible and nontraditional ways

#### **Community Interfaith Liaison**

- Partnership and resource information to 100's of faith communities, county agencies, and other community organizations
- Extended consultation for 41 houses of worship and 8 faith networks on accessing services, developing programs, and leveraging funding
- Faith Communities in Action initiatives and partnerships:
  - Programs for at-risk youth, such as suicide prevention and after-school services
  - Homelessness & hypothermia prevention
  - Culturally appropriate responses to domestic violence
  - Multicultural dialogues
- Nationally recognized for interfaith emergency preparedness model

### 69-03: System-Wide Service System Coordination

#### **Prevention Services Coordinator**

- Leads the multidisciplinary effort to build a comprehensive system of prevention
  - Results Accountability
    Framework nine countywide
    prevention system goal areas
  - Prevention Symposium more than 150 participants
  - Partners in Prevention Fund
  - Evidenced-based prevention programs
- Promotes Youth Risk Survey data to inform, improve, and effectively target programs and services
- Integrates prevention concepts and strategies into services and programs across the system

#### **Domestic Violence Coordinator**

- Brings together stakeholders from public safety, the legal system, and the human services system to collectively address domestic violence issues
  - Fatality Review Team
  - Court Advocacy Program
  - Trainings for medical staff
  - Interactive Community Assistance Network
  - Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault (DASA) services redesign
- Assists nonprofit organizations to successfully leverage resources through grant applications
- Provides critical technical expertise and support for the Domestic Violence Prevention, Policy, and Coordinating Council (DVPPCC)

#### Research, Analysis, and Project Services (RAPS)

- Process redesign and improvement
- Cross-agency service integration
- System-wide planning and support initiatives
- Demographic, Census, and land use analysis and forecasting
- Survey research, data analysis, and qualitative research
- Operates in a project-based "consulting services" model
  - Flexible and responsive to changing needs
- Supports data-driven decision making at the program, agency, and system-wide levels
  - Brings a countywide view of challenges, trends, and opportunities

#### A cost-effective, professional resource to the county

- Expertise in process redesign, data collection, analysis, and facilitation
- At least 40% 50% less expensive than external consulting
- At current rates, same service provided by contract consultants would cost between \$.63 and \$1.04 million more
- Focused on the <u>county's</u> needs and interests
- Provides institutional knowledge with long-term continuity and support
- Skills, expertise, and knowledge of RAPS staff could not be efficiently replicated in every agency

### Process Redesign Projects

 Support agencies in improving customer service, efficiency, and effectiveness through process redesign and improvement

#### Cross-Agency Service Integration

 Manage cross-agency projects and initiatives of the Human Services Leadership Team, the County Executive's Office, and the Board of Supervisors Over the past five years:

- 39 process redesign and improvement projects managed
  - Utilized by all human services agencies
  - Other county agencies and programs
  - 17,340 direct staff hours of redesign support to agencies
- Supported more than 20 cross-agency service integration projects
  - Domestic Violence
  - Gang prevention
  - Regional HIV/AIDS service coordination
  - Jail Diversion
  - Prevention System development
  - 5,084 direct staff hours of project support

#### System-wide planning and support initiatives

 Provides leadership, project management, and key staff support for most major cross human services work

- Demographic, Census, and land use analysis and forecasting
  - Supports entire Fairfax County Government – not just human services

Over the past 5 years:

- Manage system-wide planning and support initiatives
  - Ending Homelessness
  - Beeman Commission
  - Long-Term Care Planning
  - Human Services Council
  - Community Funding Pool
  - Continuum of Care planning process for services to the homeless
  - 12,855 direct staff hours of project support
- Provides annual demographic, land use and population forecasts, as well as Census, and other data analysis for the entire county government, residents, businesses, and academics

- Survey research, data analysis, and qualitative research
  - Supports data-driven decision making
  - Key countywide studies
  - Data for program planning, community planning, and evaluation
  - Benchmarking analysis
  - Best practices research

#### **Products and Resources:**

- Countywide Youth Survey
- "Anticipating the Future"
- "A Community Sampler" (Immigrant and Refugee Study)
- Point In Time Survey of Homeless Persons
- "An Account of Day Laborers in Fairfax County"
- Demographics Web site
- Household Survey
- Annual Rental Housing Survey
- Community Assessment

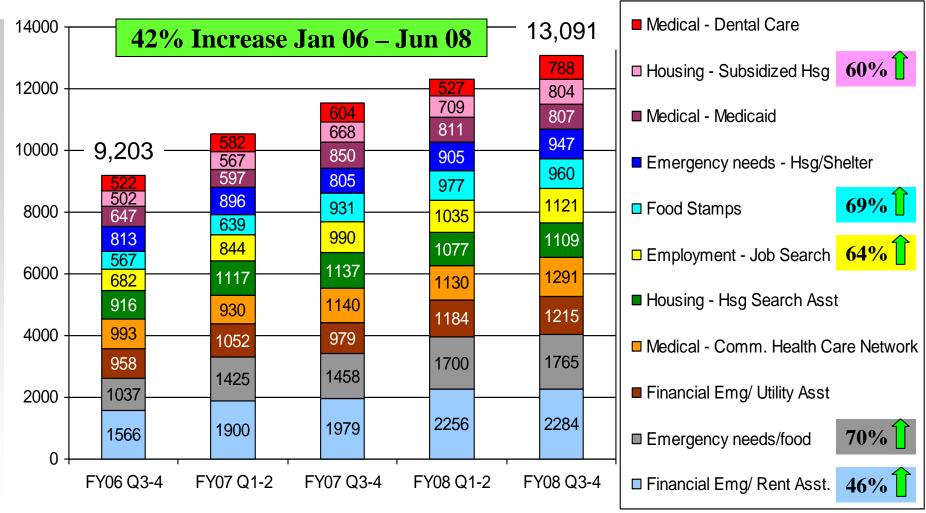
## Strategic Challenges



- 1. Significant increase in client demand
- 2. Constraints in nonprofit sector capacity
- 3. Need for progress on major cross-system initiatives
- 4. Need for redesign and process improvement support to agencies as they tighten their belts
- 5. Growing demand for cross-system data and information to inform decision-making
- 6. Need to meet budget reduction targets in a small agency with few "scalable" functions and a flat organizational structure
  - Minimize impact on the agency's mission
  - Maintain flexibility to respond to priorities and opportunities that present themselves

### Reduction 7: Coordinated Services Planning

### **Increase in Requests for Assistance**



# **Reduction Priorities**



### **Reduction Philosophy and Approach**

- Guided by our strategic planning process
- Emphasis placed on customer/stakeholder information collected during the planning process
- All senior DSMHS staff collectively considered every position, function, and activity in the agency to generate reduction options
  - No LOB or activity within the agency was "off the table" in this review
- Reductions were identified and prioritized in light of the strategic focus and challenges we face

# **Reduction Priorities**



### Reduction Philosophy and Approach

- 1<sup>st</sup> Improved stewardship with little or no mission impact (Reductions 1,2)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Activities not deemed critical to agency mission, although significantly valued by our customers (Reduction 3)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Reductions in scalable functions that would have the least impact on direct resident services and that would not excessively impair the agency's mission (Reductions 4,5,6)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Reductions in functions with enough staffing depth to sustain cuts, where we could still operate meaningfully but at greatly reduced resident service levels (Reduction 7)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Reductions that would eliminate a significant component of the agency's mission, and would only be made to meet reduction targets (Reduction 8)

## **Reduction Priorities**

Priority Ranking	<b>Reduction Description</b>	Positions	SYE	Net Reduction
1	Align Baseline Personnel Budget for Retirements and Historical Position Turnover	0	0.0	\$130,000
2	Operating Expense Savings from Technology Improvement	0	0.0	\$32,000
3	Eliminate DSMHS GIS Support Services to Human Services Agencies	1	1.0	\$92,077
4	Reduce Redesign and Service Integration Project Support Capacity	1	1.0	\$80,403
5	Reduce Internet-Based Resource Information Management Capacity	1	1.0	\$66,768
6	Eliminate Specialized Statistical and Survey Research Capacity	1	1.0	\$80,403
7	Reduce Coordinated Services Planning (CSP) Services to Residents	5	5.0	\$333,840
8	Eliminate Countywide Coordination of Domestic Violence Initiatives	1	1.0	\$112,364
TOTAL REDUCTION		10	10.0	\$927,855

# **Reduction Priority 1** -



Align Baseline Personnel Budget for Retirements and Historical Position Turnover.

### \$130,000 Reduction, 0/0.0 SYEs

 Permanent reduction in baseline personnel services funding to reflect recent retirements of long-term employees and historical natural position turnover

- No service reductions or position abolishment
- Actual position turnover has consistently resulted in end of year balances
- Aligns budget with historical long-term operating experience
- Loss of flexibility and potential "seed money" for crosssystem human services initiatives

# **Reduction Priority 2** -



### Operating Expense Savings from Technology Improvement

### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

- \$32,000 Reduction, 0/0.0 SYEs
- Elimination of recurring expenditures for existing call center telephone technology

- Current expenses include telephone technology to route and track calls
- New county telephone system (AVAYA) scheduled for CSP implementation in FY 2009
- New voice technology includes call routing and tracking capability, resulting in recurring savings estimated at \$32,000 annually

# **Reduction Priority 3** -



Eliminate Geographic Information System (GIS) Support Services to Human Services Agencies Provided by DSMHS

- 69-04: Countywide Strategic Support, Service Integration, and Information Services
- \$92,077 Reduction, 1/1.0 SYE
- Elimination of the Spatial Analyst II position, providing geographic data analysis and mapping services to county human services agencies

- Eliminate GIS support to human services agencies for mapping key data, such as caseload distribution, demographic characteristics, and service locations
- Loss of specialized resource for human services agencies to support program planning and decision-making, grant applications, and emergency preparedness
- Human services agencies will either forego analysis, develop internal GIS analysis capacity, or request services from DIT/GIS Services Branch to be prioritized with their other work

# **Reduction Priority 4** -



### Reduce Redesign and Service Integration Project Support Capacity

### 69-04: Countywide Strategic Support, Service Integration, and Information Services

- \$80,403 Reduction, 1/1.0 SYE
- Elimination of one of eight Service Integration Manager positions, providing project management, facilitation, and professional consultation services for agency and cross-agency service integration initiatives, business process redesign, research, and data analysis

- Reduced capacity to help other agencies do their work better, cheaper, and faster – at a time of heightened demand for process improvement and redesign work
- Inability to meet some agency requests for assistance, and less availability to support cross-agency and system-wide initiatives
- 1,500 fewer hours per year (3 5 major projects) of cost-effective consulting services (40% – 50% less expensive than external consulting)

# **Reduction Priority 5** -



### Reduce Internet-Based Resource Information Management Capacity

### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

- \$66,768 Reduction, 1/1.0 SYE
- Elimination of one of three Resource Information Manager positions supporting the Web-based Human Services Resource Guide

- Outdated or inaccurate information, as a result of decreased capacity to verify and update existing information - leading to less use of the guide, as the system is only as useful as the information is accurate
- Only 1% of Web visits redirected to CSP would result in more than 6,000 additional calls to 222-0880, nearly a month's worth of call volume
- Fewer information sessions, outreach events, and trainings to increase awareness and usage of the system by both current and potential county and community users
- Reduced access to newer providers or programs due to delays in data entry of new information, services, and resources

# **Reduction Priority 6** -



### Eliminate Specialized Statistical and Survey Research Capacity

### 69-04: Countywide Strategic Support, Service Integration, and Information Services

- \$80,403 Reduction, 1/1.0 SYE
- Elimination of the Statistical and Survey Research Analyst position, providing senior professional-level survey research and statistical analysis for human services and for the county as a whole

- Inability to conduct large and complex in-house survey research, such as:
  - Gang Prevention Study
  - Youth Survey
  - Annual Point-in-Time Survey of homeless persons
  - Countywide household surveys
- Elimination of additional statistical expertise and support for the county's demographics team, which is already understaffed
- Insufficient capacity to produce statistical analyses and reports to inform the decision-making of county agencies, elected officials, and the community

# **Reduction Priority 7** -



### Reduce Service Delivery Capacity in Coordinated Services Planning

### 69-01: Citizen Access to Services

- \$333,840 Reduction, 5/5.0 SYE
- Elimination of five of 36 Coordinated Services Planner positions, providing coordinated access to services and resources for residents in human services related emergency situations

- Longer call wait times Our goal of answering 70% of calls within 90 seconds is already well below best practice service levels
- Current average wait times are less than 1½ minutes, but peak demand wait times can reach 3-4 minutes. The proposed reductions would increase wait times by at least that amount
- Significant customer delays in accessing services, resulting in:
  - Call abandonment (hang ups), and residents discouraged from seeking services
  - Unmet needs, including emergency assistance with food, clothing, utility, and rent payments
  - Preventable evictions, with increased demand for emergency shelter and more expensive public services
- Reduction in call-taking capacity by 14% approximately 1,000 calls per month

# **Reduction Priority 8** -



### Eliminate Countywide Coordination of Domestic Violence Initiatives

### 69-03: System-wide Service System Coordination

- \$112,364 Reduction, 1/1.0 SYE
- Elimination of the Countywide Domestic Violence Coordinator position, which manages and facilitates initiatives to build a coordinated system of domestic violence services and supports

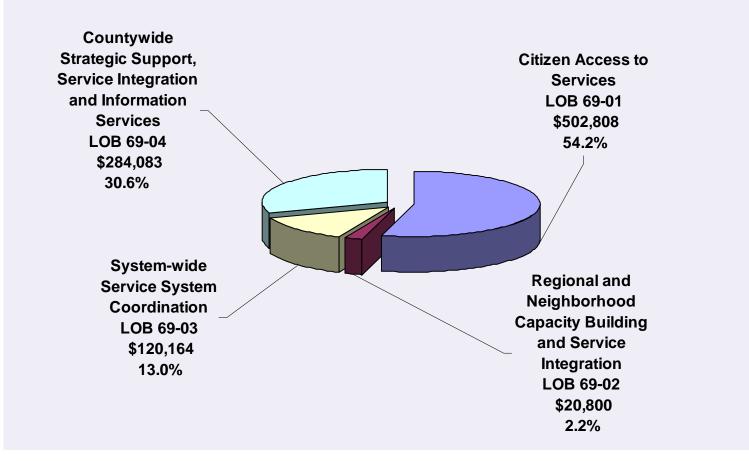
- Lost opportunity to improve the effectiveness of the county and community response to domestic violence
- Inability to work with nonprofit organizations to leverage grant funding opportunities for programs and services for victims
- No impartial point of contact to provide specialized resource information and consultation for stakeholders in domestic violence initiatives
- Stalled progress on bridging the gap and building partnerships between the legal system and human services

### **Reduction Summary**

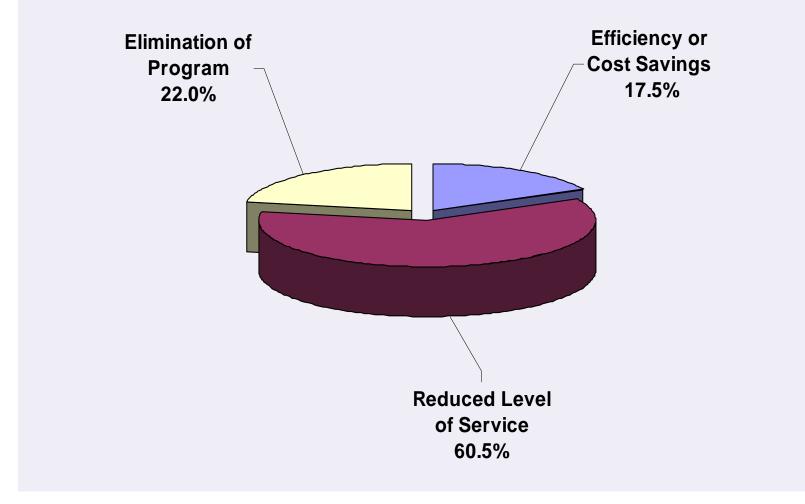
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1	Align Personnel Budget for Retirements & Historical Position Turnover	0	\$130,000	\$130,000	2.1%
2	<b>Operating Expense Savings from Technology Improvement</b>	0	\$32,000	\$162,000	2.6%
3	Eliminate DSMHS GIS Support Services to HS Agencies	1	\$92,077	\$254,077	4.1%
4	Reduce Redesign and Service Integration Project Support	1	\$80,403	\$334,480	5.4%
5	Reduce Internet Resource Information Management Capacity	1	\$66,768	\$401,248	6.5%
6	Eliminate Specialized Statistical and Survey Research Capacity	1	\$80,403	\$481,651	7.8%
7	Reduce Coordinated Services Planning (CSP) Services to Residents	5	\$333,840	\$815,491	13.2%
8	Eliminate Countywide Coordination of Domestic Violence Initiatives	1	\$112,364	\$927,855	15.0%
	TOTAL REDUCTION	10	\$927,855		

Limited External Impact Significant Capacity Reduction or Elimination Significant Resident Service or Mission Reduction

### Agency Reduction Priorities <u>Reductions by LOB</u>



## Agency Reduction Priorities Reductions by Classification



### Questions and Answers

