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Budget Highlights for FY'2019

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By Leo V. Sarkisian Day and Employment Services, Autism Omnibus, Transportation, and the Autism Children's Waiver line items all greev relative to the 2018 budget. Not significant increases are the increases for last year's Turning 22 students in the employment and residential line items. The additional \$1.5 Million for Family support should assist 750

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AGENCY SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM



Through advocacy, education, and outreach, The Arc of Massachusetts gives individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), their families, and the agencies that serve them a powerful voice.

The Arc of Massachusetts fights for increased funding and supports, encourages legislators to pass effective laws, and affirms the rights of individuals with disabilities. As a member of The Arc's Agency Sponsorship Program, you join forces with a well-known, respected statewide organization to ensure that the people we serve have the opportunities and resources they need to lead fulfilling lives in the community. We also are leading the charge to find solutions to the workforce shortage crisis.

Your voice will be heard in the State House, on Capitol Hill, and in the community.

The Arc of Massachusetts works closely with local, state, and federal elected officials to form public policy and educate decisionmakers on important disability issues. As an agency sponsor, you will learn how to mobilize your constituents and how to better advocate for funding and programs that serve them.

You have a seat at the table.

Your organization will receive comprehensive and timely information about key issues impacting human services and people with IDD. We will assist you on scheduled State House visiting sessions and how to address proposed legislation with State Senators and Representatives. Plus, agency staff, volunteers, and constituents will be invited to attend advocacy trainings.

Promote your agency to The Arc's growing constituent base.

You will be known as a champion for disability rights and have the opportunity to be recognized in The Arc's multiple communications vehicles. Depending on your sponsorship level, your agency could receive exposure on The Arc of Massachusetts website, in articles in the weekly electronic newsletter *Notes from The Arc*, advertising in the quarterly *Advocate* newsletter, across social media platforms, and at events. The Arc has, and will continue to, invest in growing our constituency and organizing people whose lives are touched by IDD, thereby expanding your agency's reach.

FAST FACTS

The Arc of Massachusetts has growing email, social media, and website reach. As of August 17, 2021:

- Email Subscribers 16,011
- Facebook 8,277
- Instagram 1,543
- Twitter 2,593
- LinkedIn 561
- Lombined Social Media Reach 12,974
- FY21 Website Users 55,136

Notes from The Arc is the weekly electronic newsletter of The Arc of Massachusetts. It is sent a growing list of subscribers, including self-advocates, family members, concerned citizens, decisionmakers, press, and human service agencies. As of August 17, 2021, we have **16,011** subscribers.

Advocate is our <u>quarterly printed</u> <u>newsletter</u>. Circulation is **3,000** households, agencies, and decisionmakers, with an estimated readership of **6,000**. Advocate also is published online. Ads in the printed version are black and white; ads for the online publication can be color and clickable to a specified page on your website.

Agencies with budgets of less than \$1 million can become sponsors at the Supporter level with a contribution of \$750.

ALL SPONSORS WILL RECEIVE:

Notices about advocacy trainings to which you can invite agency staff and constituents. News and updates on important legislative, budget, and policy issues via The Arc Insider emails and can request information on bills and laws.

Assistance on legislative outreach, as resources allow.

The opportunity to have a representative join The Arc's Government Affairs Committee.

- Acknowledgment in the annual report.
- A subscription to *Advocate*.

HERO

- » Four articles in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.
- Three large (720x380 pixels) clickable ads in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.
- Your ads in three issues of Advocate two half page ads and one quarter page ad (value = \$2,070).
- » Opportunity to be listed as a webinar sponsor.
- >> Link and listing on The Arc homepage and agency sponsors page.
- » Eight acknowledgments and links on the social media platform of your choice.
- >> Clickable logo in three issues of Notes from The Arc.
- » Special promotion to be arranged between agency and The Arc.

CHAMPION

Three articles in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.

- Two large (720x380 pixels) clickable ads in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.
- Your ads in three issues of Advocate one half page ad and two quarter page ads (value = \$1,710).
- » Link and listing on The Arc homepage and agency sponsors page.
- >> Six acknowledgments and links on the social media platform of your choice.
- >> Clickable logo in two issues of Notes from The Arc.
- » Special promotion to be arranged between agency and The Arc.

LEADER

» Two articles in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.

- >> One quarter page ad in *Advocate* (value = \$500).
- » Link and listing on The Arc homepage and agency sponsors page.
- » Four acknowledgments and links on the social media platform of your choice.
- » Clickable logo in one issue of Notes from The Arc.

PATRON

» One article in Notes from The Arc. Material provided by sponsor.

- >> Link and listing on The Arc homepage and agency sponsors page.
- >> Three acknowledgments and links on the social media platform of your choice.
- » Clickable logo in one issue of Notes from The Arc.

PARTNER

- » Link and listing on agency sponsors page.
- » Two acknowledgments and links on the social media platform of your choice.
- » Clickable logo in one issue of Notes from The Arc.

SUPPORTER

» Link and listing on agency sponsors page.

- » Clickable logo in one issue of Notes from The Arc.
- >> One acknowledgment and link on the social media platform of your choice.

Custom packages including sponsorship of the Building Brighter Futures Gala on April 7, 2022 and Advocate advertising are available. Contact Katrin Aback, Director of Development, at aback@arcmass.org.

\$5,000 - 7,499

\$7,500 - 9,999

\$1,000 - 2,499

\$2,500 - 4,999

\$10,000 - 14,999