United Neighborhood Houses Budget & Policy Priorities
State Fiscal Year 2018-19

Settlement Houses
- **Settlement House Program**— Restore $2.45m and increase to $5.0m to help settlement houses around the State respond to diverse programming needs in their neighborhoods not supported by traditional contracts.

Aging Services
- **Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities** – Restore $2.0m and increase to $7.05m to stabilize and expand the NORC program to underserved areas in the State with high populations of older adults.

Early Childhood Education
- **Child Care Subsidies**: Increase investment in child care subsidies by $24m to $617m as part of a larger child care investment package of at least $100m to expand access to working families.

Election Reform
- **Modernize Elections** – Pass a package of modernized election measures—including an investment of $6.4m in Early Voting—that will making voting a more fair and accessible process for all New Yorkers.

Housing Affordability
- **Home Stability Support**— Establish the Home Stability Support program in order to help close the gap between the current state shelter allowance and the true cost of housing in the State.

Literacy Programs
- **Adult Literacy Education** – Restore $1.0m and increase to $15.3m to serve 8,000 immigrants and adult learners, offsetting $8m in programming shifts in NYS under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.
- **Family Literacy**— Launch innovative $10m Family Literacy initiative to serve 900 families across the state in a whole-family success model.

Nonprofit Human Services Sector
- **Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program** – Restore $20m and increase to $100m and expand eligibility for nonprofit human service providers located in publicly owned facilities.
- **Nonprofit Wages** – Amend State contracts with human services providers to cover the costs associated with the scheduled minimum wage increase to $15/hour ($23m in FY2019).
- **Indirect Costs** – Increase indirect costs on all human service contracts to at least 15% to cover the true cost of services and promote organizational stability.

Youth Programs
- **Advantage After-School Programs** - Restore $2.5m and increase to $22.3m in order to preserve after-school programs for 1,800 children and youth.
- **Empire State After-School Programs** – Support the Governor’s proposal to allow community based organizations to apply directly for Empire State After-School programs.
- **Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)** – Increase SYEP funding from $40m to $44m to create 3,000 new summer jobs statewide.

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