

# THE IMPACT OF FEDERAL AND STATE BUDGET DECISIONS ON MICHIGAN FAMILIES

## POLICY AND BUDGET UPDATE FROM MICHIGAN LEAGUE FOR PUBLIC POLICY

Michigan's \$74.6 billion state budget was recently signed, narrowly avoiding a state shutdown. However, a federal government shutdown continues to loom, putting critical programs that support Michigan families at risk. At the October meeting, Jayme Vosovic from the Michigan League for Public Policy presented to Local Breastfeeding Supporters on the current budget landscape and its impacts on families.

### KEY IMPACTS ON FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES

#### HEALTHCARE ACCESS AT RISK

Cuts to Medicaid could mean fewer people covered, reduced benefits, and new work requirements. Hundreds of thousands of Michiganders could face higher healthcare costs or lose coverage entirely.

#### NUTRITION ASSISTANCE THREATENED

Proposed cuts to SNAP would restrict future benefits and shift about \$300 million in costs to the state while WIC funding is currently only guaranteed through October 2025, creating uncertainty for families who rely on it.

#### RIPPLE EFFECTS ON MICHIGAN RESIDENTS

Workers are missing pay, housing aid is threatened, public program cuts benefit the wealthiest 1%, and 738,000 Michigan immigrants face increased deportation risk.

#### COMMUNITY NEEDS RISING

Food pantries across Michigan have reported significant increases in families seeking help within just the past month.

#### WIDENING GAPS FOR LACTATING PEOPLE

Funding for Mama's Mobile Milk - which supported lactation services for incarcerated parents - was rescinded. Their work at the women's prison will end on October 31.

#### WHAT CAN WE DO?

- Contact your Members of Congress to share how these cuts and policies harm you, your clients, or your community.
- Document the impact and share stories with state lawmakers and Medicaid staff.
- Continue to uplift how programs like Medicaid, WIC, and SNAP are essential to Michigan families' health, dignity, and economic stability.

