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State of Florida

Agency for Persons with Disabilities Update

House Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee

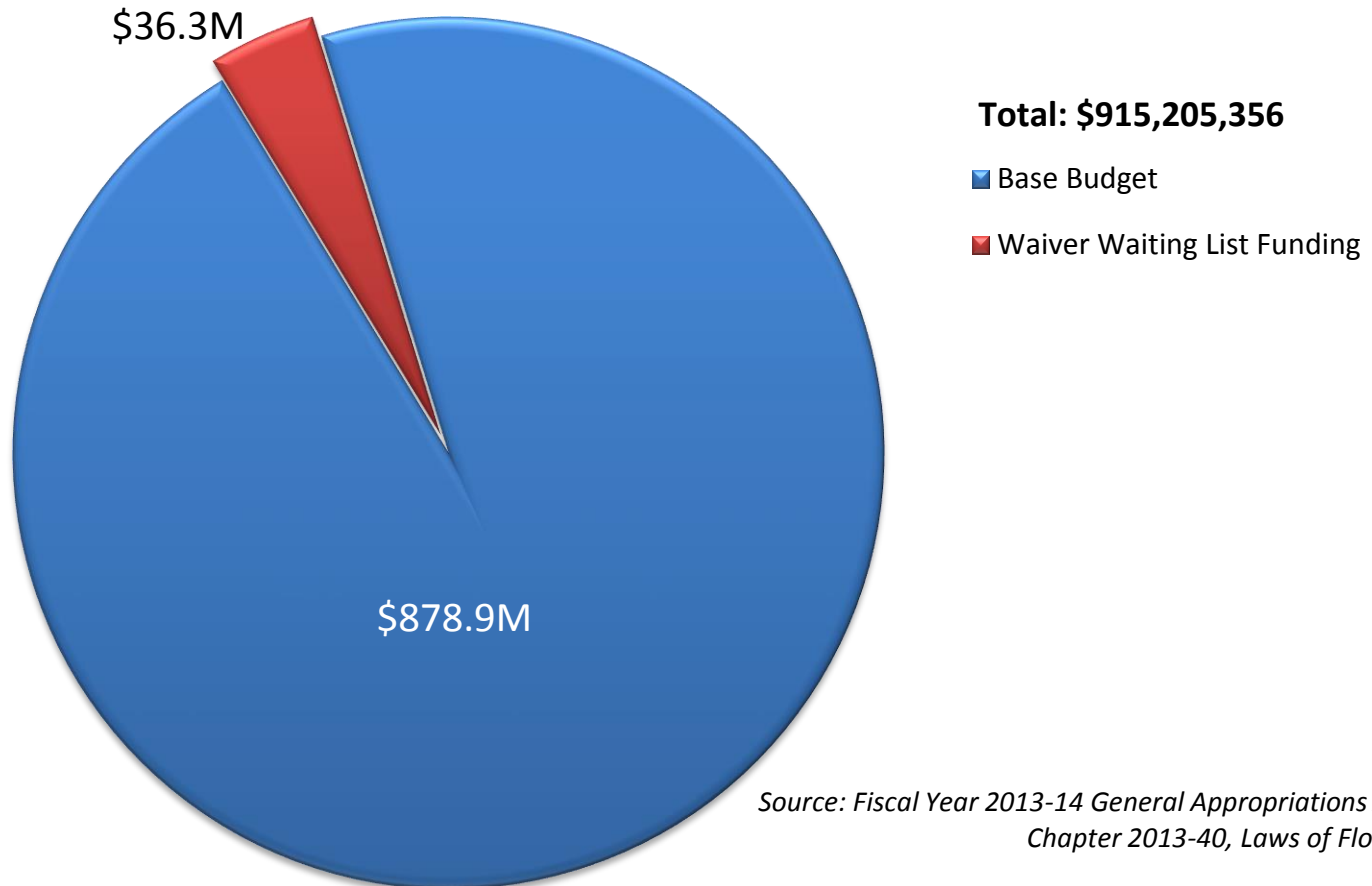
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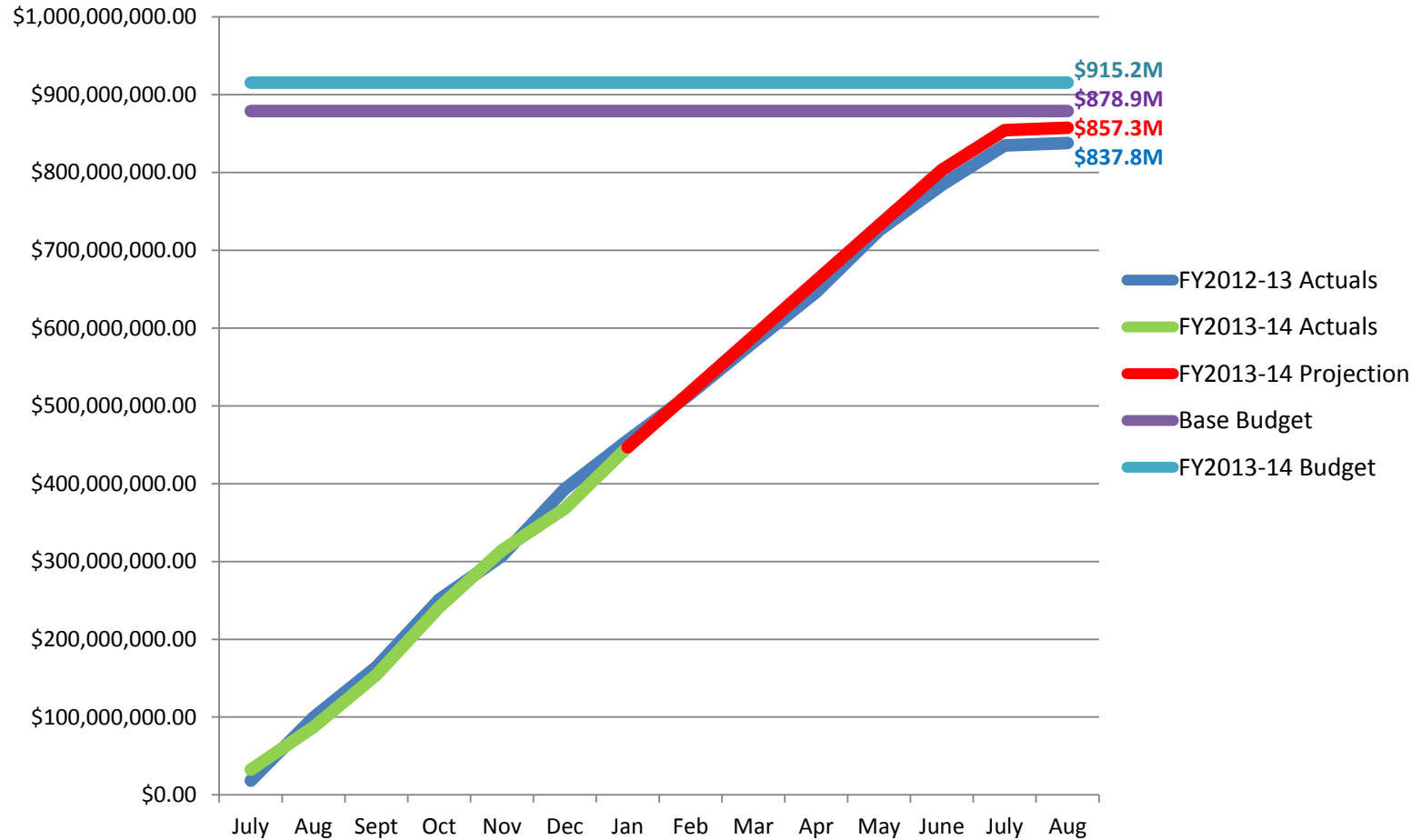
**Waiver Program Budget Authority
All Funds
Fiscal Year 2013-14**



*Source: Fiscal Year 2013-14 General Appropriations Act,
Chapter 2013-40, Laws of Florida*



Waiver Program Budget and Expenditures





Waiting List Enrollment

Waiting List Enrollment as of February 11, 2014				
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Children in Welfare	Total
Number of Initial Enrollment Offers Made	757	693	190	1640
Number of Offers Not Accepted *	71	44	-	115
Number of Current Enrollment Offers	686	649	190	1525
Number Enrolled in Waiver	675	438	25	1138
Number Pending Enrollment	11	211	-	222
Number Pending Reunification or Adoption	-	-	165	165

* Offers not accepted due to clients receiving services from Medicaid State Plan that cover their needs, not Medicaid eligible at this time, receiving services from another waiver, or some clients who have moved out of state.



Litigation Update

Federal Case Regarding Notices – Moreland

- Class action lawsuit filed in federal court. Lawsuit claims the iBudget Notice provided to clients did not provide specific information regarding iBudget amount.
- Parties entered into a settlement for clients who had a reduction.
- As of January 15, 2014, 9,345 clients had their cost plans increased to their pre-iBudget level.
- The parties agreed to a new amended notice. The Agency anticipates sending the amended notices around April 1, 2014.
- Upon receipt of amended notice, clients will have 30 days to request a hearing. Pre-iBudget funding amounts will continue for clients who timely request a hearing.



Litigation Update (continued)

Federal Case Regarding Notices – Moreland

- At this time there are approximately 2,100 pending hearings on the previous iBudget notice. These hearings have been held in abeyance pending the delivery of the amended notices.
- The Agency estimates 2,000 to 5,000 additional hearing requests.
- These hearing requests are expected to be resolved by June 30, 2015 (pending legislative appropriation to fund necessary legal services.)
- The Agency received approval for a budget amendment of \$950,000 this year to begin the process of addressing the pending hearing requests.
- The Agency anticipates that these funds will start the process but the volume of hearings may require a additional appropriation for next year.



Governor's FY 2014-15 Budget

Eliminates Critical Needs Portion of Waiting List

- \$8.18 million in General Revenue, \$11.8 million in Trust Funds = **\$20 million total funds.**
- Funds are provided to transition individuals with critical needs remaining on the waiting list to the Home and Community-Based Services Medicaid waiver. Individuals with critical needs include:
 - Individuals with intensive behavioral and/or medical needs
 - Individuals with caregivers who are no longer able to provide care due to their own health issues
- It is estimated that the critical needs portion of the waiting list would be fully served with this appropriation.



Thank you

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