

# Budget Advocacy

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## Project

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## Tools for Budget Advocacy

- *Brief analyses of FY 2006 budget:* DC ACT has prepared brief analyses of the FY 2006 proposed budget in the areas of child health, child care and early care and education. They are available by mail, fax and e-mail. Contact DC ACT at 234-9404 or [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org).
- *Budget hearing schedule:* The schedule is on-line at the City Council's web site, <http://dccouncil.us/>.
- *Tips for Preparing and Delivering Testimony:* This resource provides tips for preparing testimony as well as examples. Available on-line, at [www.dckids.org/resources/download.php](http://www.dckids.org/resources/download.php), or by mail (contact DC ACT, 234-9404, [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org)).
- *The District Budget Process -- Step-by-Step:* This budget map walks readers through the budget development process in the District. It is available on-line at [www.dckids.org/documents/downloads/TheDistrictBudgetProcess-Step-By-StepMap2003.pdf](http://www.dckids.org/documents/downloads/TheDistrictBudgetProcess-Step-By-StepMap2003.pdf).
- *Guide to Accessing Elected and Appointed Officials in the District of Columbia:* Available by mail -- contact DC ACT, 234-9404, [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org) for more information.
- *BANTA (Budget Advocacy News and TA):* BANTA is a resource distributed by e-mail on an as-needed basis. BANTA typically includes budget hearing information, news about the budget, surplus, government actions on the budget, and the like. This is a free service of DC ACT. For information about how to subscribe, contact DC ACT at 234-9404, [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org).
- *What's in it for kids? FY 2005:* This budget analysis includes information on child welfare, child health, early care and education, homelessness, welfare, and other issues. While the gist of the report focuses on FY 2005 and what that budget supports for children, youth and their families, there is also included valuable historical information. Available from DC ACT by calling 234-9404 or e-mailing [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org).
- *FY 2006 brief budget analyses:* DC Action for Children has compiled brief analyses in the areas of child welfare, child health and early care and education. For a copy of one or more issue analyses, contact DC ACT at 234-9404 or [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org).
- *Calling All Child Advocates:* "Calling All Child Advocates" is a way for those interested in public policies affecting children, youth and their families in the District of Columbia to take action on them. To sign up to receive calls to action (by e-mail and fax), contact DC ACT at 234-9404 or [dcaction@dckids.org](mailto:dcaction@dckids.org).

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