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WHAT'S IN THE STATE BUDGET

People First Wisconsin is a statewide self-advocacy organization for people with disabilities. This document tells you what is in the 2019-2020 state budget.

TRANSPORTATION



The budget includes more money for specialized transportation. This is money that pays for vans and other vehicles to provide rides in rural and other small towns and cities.

The budget also includes funding for buses and more money for paratransit funding that will help in larger cities where bus routes have been cut.

DIRECT CARE WORKERS

The Governor's budget includes an increase in money for direct care workers in Family Care. It includes a small increase for workers who help people with personal cares like bathing and dressing.

The budget does not include money for workers in IRIS or people who hire their own workers (do not use an agency) in Family Care. It does not include money for job coaches. The increase for personal care workers does not help enough.





DENTAL CARE

The Governor's budget includes money to pay dentists more when they treat people with disabilities and when they help more people who use Medicaid/a Forward Card.

EMPLOYMENT



The Governor's budget includes more money for two programs that will help schools get jobs for youth with disabilities or help them go to college. Schools do not have enough money now to buy vans to get students to jobs or to hire job coaches.

The budget does not include money to help sheltered workshops support more people to get jobs in the community. \$7 million would help 30 providers.

HEALTH CARE



The Governor's budget would expand Medicaid so that more people can have health care they can afford. This will help some people with disabilities who do not have Medicaid or Medicare and will help many direct care workers who do not earn a lot of money and cannot afford insurance.