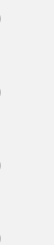


# WHAT DO WE WANT TO ACHIEVE THROUGH BUDGET ADVOCACY?

- Improved access to equitable quality timely relevant ECD services?
- Transparent and Accountable use of budgets?
- Predictable and Sustainable funding for ECD from Government and Development Partners?
- Increased budgets? From what to what?
- Equitable prioritization of ECD needs for equitable budget allocation?
- Evidence of impact of budget utilization? Which Outcomes are progressing well as a result of increased budgets and accountable utilization of budgets?



# PENDING QUESTIONS

- How much money does Kenya require for ECD services?
- What is the Status of Costing the IECD policy? How much does Kenya require to ensure full implementation of the IECD policy?
- How much does Kenya invest currently for ECD services?
- What is the deficit and how should it be raised?
- Are there ECD planning gaps especially in the 4th Medium Term Plan of Vision 2030, the 3rd generation County Integrated Development Plans, and the Sectoral Plans at the National and County levels? Could the gaps in these plans be affecting how ECD services are being prioritized and budget for?
- Are there ECD Indicator gaps in the 4th MTP Handbook of Indicators and the related CIDPs Handbook of Indicators?

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- ❑ Beyond the Constitution and other laws, there is need for documentation with precision on which Ministry, Department and Agencies (MDAs) has the mandate to do what in regards to ECD service delivery, as that will help with clarity on which MDAs are to plan and budget for what, at the National and County levels.
- ❑ For clarity in the current circumstance, there may be need to review most recent Executive Order on the Organization of the Government of the Republic of Kenya, and also the County Specific Executive Orders on Organization of the respective County Governments.
- ❑ In the context of the Government's Programme Based Budgets (PBB), there is need for clarity on Outcomes and Outputs to be achieved
- ❑ Need for clarity and consensus on the priority Indicators to be tracked and reported (at the County and National levels as part of the Non-Financial Information). PBB require that there is clarity on which Indicators and targets are budgets being allocated for, and utilized on.

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUDGET ADVOCACY

- ❑ Monitoring the implementation of the recommendations from previous Audit Reports (e.g. the FY2022/2023) and generating evidence for budget advocacy.
- ❑ Engagement in the auditing of the FY2023/2024 Budgets. (The Office of the Auditor General in place the Citizens Accountability Audit Engagement Framework) and generating evidence for budget advocacy.
- ❑ Engagement and influencing the implementation of the FY2024/2025 Budgets, and advocating for timely disbursement of funds to the MDAs, timely transparent procurement, spending and timely reporting.
- ❑ Advocacy from within, especially for those involved in ECD service delivery (joint implementation plans and budgets, that may include co-financing agreements)
- ❑ Influencing the Budget guidelines for FY2024/2025 that should be ready by latest end of August 2024. We may need a Prototype Budgeting guideline for ECD in Kenya.
- ❑ Engagement and influencing the formulation of the FY2024/2025 National and County Government Budgets.