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Alternatives for Dads Services (DADS) to fund advocates who would assist parents in overcoming barriers that would prevent them from reclaiming their children from Child Protective Services.

Specifically, advocates would:

- identify barriers and equip parent(s) to remove barriers that would prevent them from meeting the court's legal requirements;
- provide services that would reduce reliance on state aid;
- help parents to navigate the administrative and legal system to decrease back child support;
- provide outreach, community engagement and interagency collaboration; and
- provide information, support, training and consultation to parents, family members, community members and professionals supporting parents.

This reduction reflects the cost of Mayor's Office Staff positions but does not cut position authority. The Proposed 2018 Budget includes 29.5 FTEs for the Mayor's Office, excluding Office of Policy and Innovation staff. This is five FTEs more than was provided, on average, to the three former Mayors. These numbers exclude policy office staff. This reduction will free up funding for other Council priorities.

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### Budget Action Transactions

**Budget Action Title:** Add \$150,000 GSF to HSD to assist parents in overcoming barriers to regaining custody of their children and reduce \$150,000 from the Mayor's Office budget

| # | Transaction Description  | Position Title | Number of Positions | FTE | Dept | BCL or Revenue Source         | Summit Code | Fund  | Year | Revenue Amount | Expenditure Amount |
|---|--|----------------|---------------------|-----|------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------|------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Increase GSF support for assistance for overcoming barriers to regaining child's custody       |                |                     |     | FG   | Human Services Operating Fund | Q5971620    | 00100 | 2018 |                | \$150,000          |
| 2 | Increase revenues from GSF for assistance for overcoming barriers to regaining child's custody |                |                     |     | HSD  | General Subfund Support       | 587001      | 16200 | 2018 | \$150,000      |                    |
| 3 | Increase appropriation for assistance for overcoming barriers to regaining child's custody     |                |                     |     | HSD  | Youth and Family Empowerment  | H20YF       | 16200 | 2018 |                | \$150,000          |
| 4 | Reduce appropriation for staffing in the Mayor's Office  |                |                     |     | MO   | Office of the Mayor           | X1A00       | 00100 | 2018 |                | (\$150,000)        |