

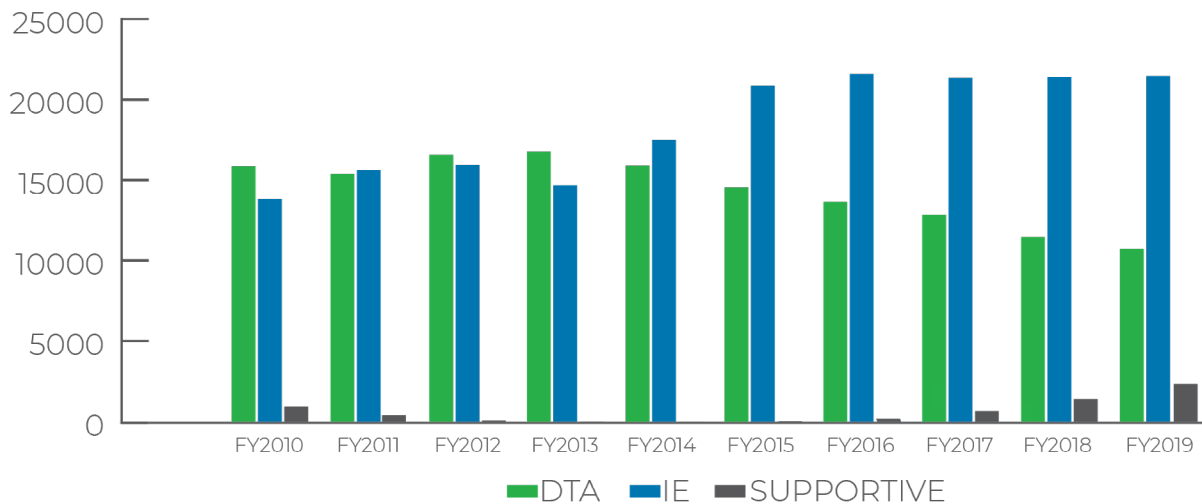
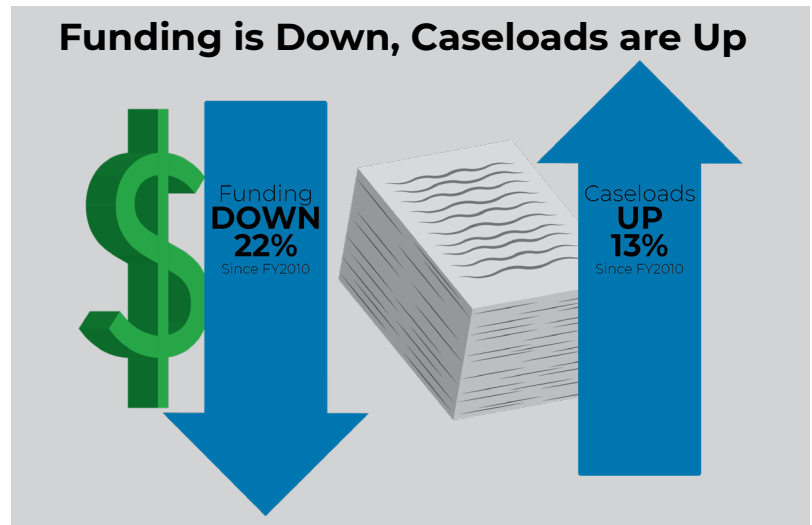
# Funding CCR&Rs Supports Our Youngest Massachusetts Residents

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&Rs) agencies across the state provide vital services to families with young children. CCR&Rs support families by helping them find quality, accessible child care that fits their needs as well as provide guidance for families using child care vouchers. In order to provide quality services, caseloads need to be manageable and agencies need to be funded appropriately in order to fulfill their state and federal requirements.

## Caseloads are Getting More Complex

Not only is the number of cases increasing, the complexity of these cases is increasing as well. There has been a 55% increase to

Income Eligible cases and DCF subsidized vouchers are at over 40% of the original utilization. These cases are more time consuming and costly for caseworkers.



## It's Time to Increase our Support for CCR&Rs

In order to provide quality, family-centered services, a financial commitment to CCR&Rs from the state is necessary. It is vital to build off of the state's historic \$2 million funding increase for CCR&Rs in 2018. An increase in funding would allow CCR&Rs to better serve their clients, lower caseloads, and ensure federal and state dollars are being efficiently and effectively spent.

**Support CCR&Rs. Support Families.**