

# FROM PROPOSAL TO PASSAGE: NAVIGATING THE PA STATE BUDGET PROCESS



Pennsylvania's budget is where the biggest decisions for health and human services are made, and where timely advocacy can move the needle—in typical years, and in years with big delays!

This practical session demystifies the PA budget cycle and explains the players who matter most along the way. We'll translate the jargon, highlight what makes Pennsylvania unique, and map concrete advocacy tactics to each phase.

You'll leave with a clear roadmap to prioritize your asks, tailor outreach to your legislators' roles, and plug in at the right moments. We'll also touch on what 2025 delays may mean for the 2026 budget and lessons learned for nonprofit advocates.



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12:00-1:15pm



Zoom

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Aaron Zappia has two decades of experience serving in legislative, political, and government relations roles with expertise in the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

Working for over a decade in the Senate of Pennsylvania for the late Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf, Aaron helped lead efforts to pass landmark legislation including the Clean Indoor Air Act of 2008 and the Criminal Justice Reform Act of 2012.

Most recently, as Director of Government Affairs for the Housing Alliance of PA, Zappia lobbied for historic state investments in affordable housing, blight remediation, increases to the state housing trust fund, and creating the first ever Whole Home Repair Program.

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