# HOW SHOULD MASS. RESPOND TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS?

Public policy can provide economic relief and recovery for vulnerable populations and children.

#### INCOME BOOSTS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

We must find the best way to provide direct cash assistance to everyone in need, from both the state and federal level, regardless of immigration status.



# THE RAINY DAY FUND IS A VIABLE POLICY TOOL

This crisis will **substantially impact revenue collections**. Luckily, Mass. has
a healthy Rainy Day Fund balance
(approximately **\$3.5 billion**) to help us
get through the storm.



# OUR CHILDREN NEED SUPPORT

We must ensure that our state's

1.4 million children are safe, fed, and don't fall behind. Our schools and childcare providers must be able to fully support them when they return.



# OUR STATE BUDGET IS A MORAL DOCUMENT

Investment in the **public good** has never been of greater importance. **Progressive revenues** are needed to meet our public health and economic needs, and those of the future.





POLICY IS THE LEVER THAT WE CAN PULL TO BRING COLLECTIVE WELL-BEING AND ECONOMIC SECURITY TO THE COMMONWEALTH.



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