

Presentation to the Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee

Public Health and Safety Division

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Master Settlement Agreement Funding Distribution

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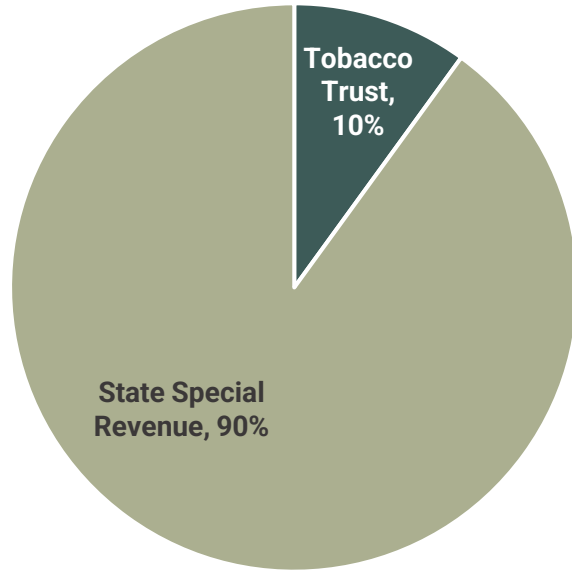
Master Settlement Agreement

- **What is it:** an accord reached in November 1998 between the state Attorneys General of 46 states (including Montana), five U.S. territories, the District of Columbia, and the four largest cigarette manufacturers in the United States to recover billions of dollars in health care costs associated with treating smoking-related illnesses.
- Montana receives annual payments in perpetuity.
- November 2000, Montana voters approved Constitutional Amendment 35 dedicating **40%** of the tobacco settlement to a permanent, income-producing **trust fund**.
- Initiative 146, approved by the majority (65%) of Montana voters in November 2002, dedicated **32%** of the tobacco settlement funds to go toward **tobacco prevention programs**.

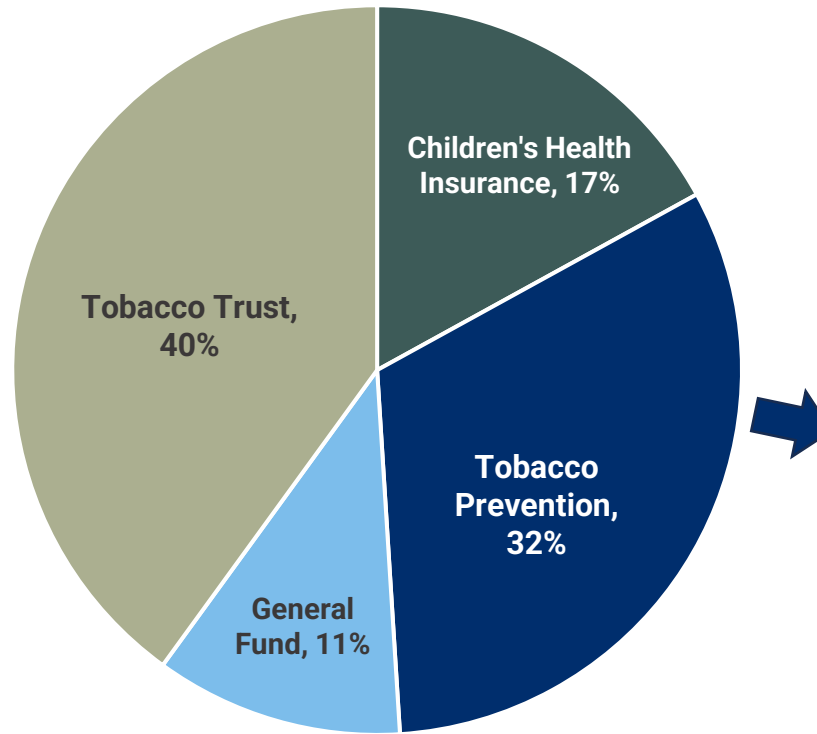


Tobacco Settlement Distribution

Tobacco Trust Interest Fund 02987



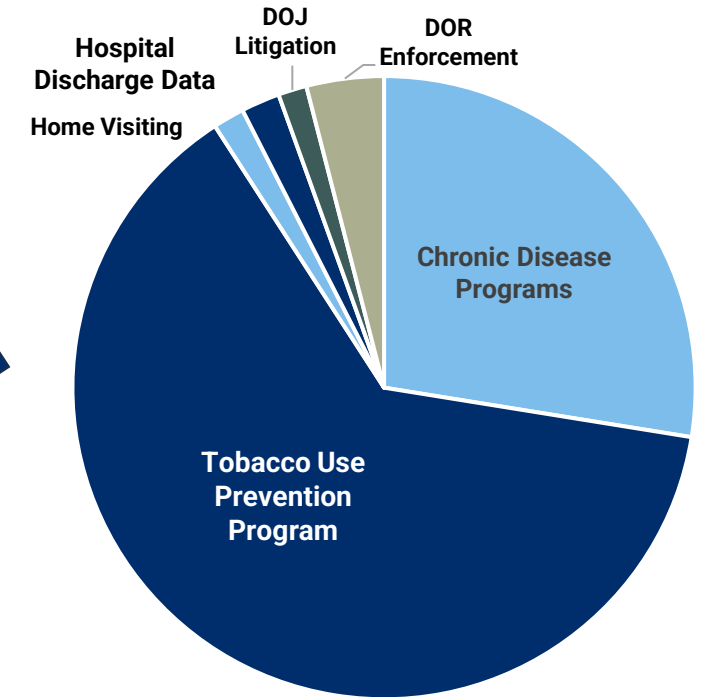
Tobacco Trust Interest- Fund 02987		\$7.59
Department of Public Health and Human Services		
Public Health & Safety Division		
Injury and disease prevention; immu	\$0.65	
Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division		
Medicaid services; suicide prevention	\$1.19	
Health Resources Division		
Medicaid services	\$3.56	
Senior and Long Term Care		
Medicaid Services	\$1.11	
Early Childhood and Family Support		
Genetics program; Part C Early Intene	\$0.88	
Health Care Facilities		
Division Administration	\$0.20	



Childrens health insurance (CHIP/HMK) - Fund 02789		\$4.86
Public Health and Human Services		
Healthy Montana Kids (CHIP)	\$4.86	

SFY2024 Actuals
 Source: Tobacco Settlement Financial Summary, Legislative Fiscal Division, January 2025.

Tobacco Prevention Fund 02790



Tobacco Settlement		\$8.18
Tobacco Prevention - Fund 02790		
Department of Justice		
Litigation	\$0.12	
Department of Revenue		
Enforcement	\$0.32	
Department of Public Health and Human Services		
Tobacco prevention; chronic illness; home visiting	\$7.74	

MSA Funds Support Chronic Disease Prevention Programs

MCA § 17-6-607: "Programs for tobacco disease prevention" means programs of services administered by the state for the purposes of informing individuals of the health risks of tobacco use and exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke, assisting persons in the avoidance of tobacco products use, and assisting individuals in cessation of tobacco use. Programs for tobacco disease prevention include:

- (i) community-based education programs;
- (ii) American Indian community tobacco education programs;
- (iii) general public awareness and education programs;
- (iv) tobacco cessation services;
- (v) chronic disease programs;
- (vi) a tobacco use resource center;
- (vii) special education and cessation programs to reach youth and women of childbearing age;
- (viii) smokeless tobacco user programs; and
- (ix) advertising issue programs.



Conclusion



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