

Joint Civil Society Submission to the Y2022 State Budget

Coordinated by Lagos State Participation
for Development (LACSOP)

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INTRODUCTION

This presentation is being made by the Lagos Civil Society Participation for Development (LACSOP) formerly known as Lagos State Civil Society Partnership (LACSOP) in collaboration with civil society networks and associations in the State.

This is a CIVIL SOCIETY consensus submission for key sectors provided by 59 nongovernmental organisations and community based organisations.



What we are up to

The Lagos State Civil Society Partnership (LACSOP) is a forum of the major civil society networks and coalitions working for the effective implementation of critical development issues

We are driven by a commitment to enable people of Lagos add voice and therefore value to the fiscal policy process



What we are up to

Placing people's needs at the centre of governance.

- Knowledge
- Community
- Demand driven

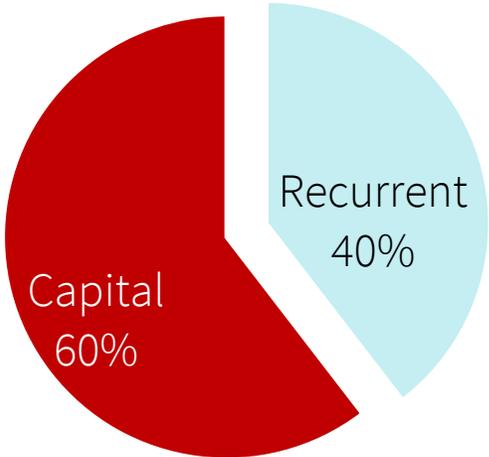
The Y2021 Appropriation Act

- The total budget size for the year 2021 is **One Trillion, One Hundred and Sixty-Three Billion, Five Hundred And Twenty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Sixty Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventeen Naira (N1,163,522,460,717.00)**
- **N460, 587, 043,741 - Recurrent**
- **N702,935,416, 976 - Capital**

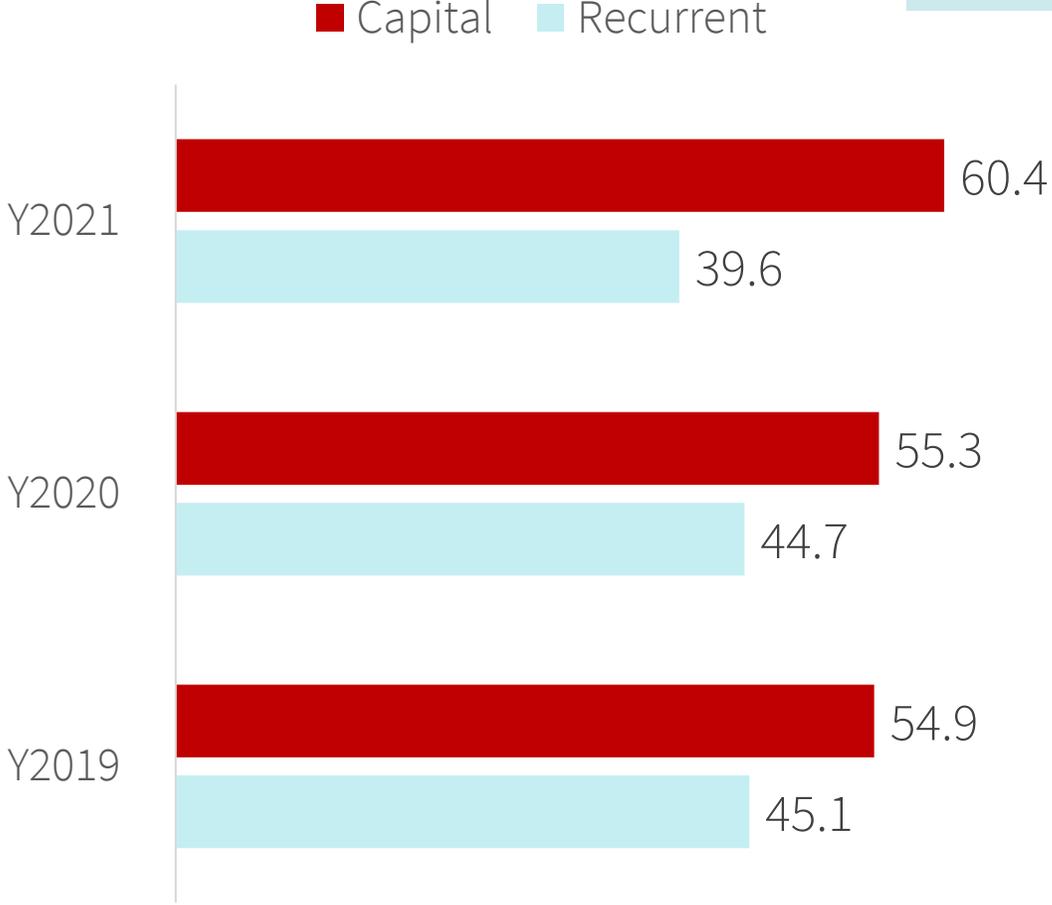
LASG 3 year budget trend

- Y2021 Budget N1 .163 trillion
 - Capital expenditure consistently higher over the last three years

2021 LASG BUDGET APPROPRIATION



LASG Recurrent Vs Capital Expenditure by %





**This
submission
focus**

1. Health
2. Education
3. Environment
4. Gender & Social Inclusion

Our first
ASK

Make SECTOR
BUDGET
MONITORS
PUBLICLY AVAILABLE.



HEALTH

Urgently improve TB funding approval and releases from the current 2% to 80% for 2022

PROBLEM

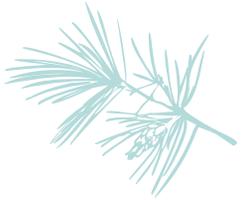
- Poor Budget performance from **0% in 2019** to **< 2% in 2020** and currently at **2% in 2021**.
- Poor political will on the part of government to provide necessary approval and corresponding releases

TAKE ACTION

- Improve political will and support for the approval and release of TB funds
- Increase TB funding release to **80% for 2022** in Lagos state.
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Releases have been slow with perceived weak political support on the part of the government actors towards releasing allocations for TB program in Lagos State

Release funding for AIDS Materials/HIV

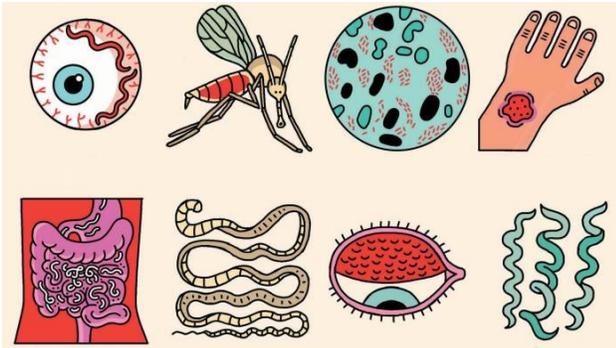


Improve budget performance

- **N100.630m allocated to HIV/AIDS Materials in 2020 with 0% budget performance.**
- **Three year consistent budget and a consistent underperformance**
- **Prioritize budget performance to ensure the supplies of materials needed for HIV/AIDS intervention**

Possible big wins for Lagos State Health Budget

- Direct funding towards research on tropical diseases and a proactive and preventative measure for Nigeria and Africa
- Clear budgetary provisions that would enhance accessibility to healthcare facilities for Persons with Disabilities



More

- There is an urgent need to increase the overall health budget allocation share to 15% in view of the glaring health infrastructure deficit exacerbated by the COVID pandemic.
- Detailed health budget spent on COVID should be made available for easy tracking of resources spent on health
- Each LG/LCDA should have a functional and maintained ambulance



EDUCATION



Increase budgetary allocation to inclusive schools in the state to close out-of-school gaps among children with disability

Out of School

- Analysis reveals that there are possibly **806,308** children with special needs out of school in Lagos State. This represents an 26% share of all children out of school in Lagos State.

LACSOP internal analysis



Drop out rates

- Dropout rates are exceptionally high among children with special needs. The Annual School Census (ASC) 2018/19 school session witnessed 7 out of 10 children with special needs, drop out of school by JS3.
- After COVID, it is likely worse

Intellectual disability

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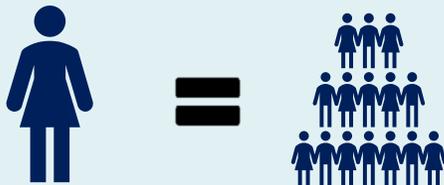
Address Teacher Inadequacy

Current Teacher to Pupil Ratio

Ojo – 1: 96 pupils

Ibeju Lekki – 1: 87 pupils

Ajeronmi Ifelodun LGA – 1 : 75 pupils



From the field

- *“the children are distracted. There is not a lot to hold their attention and improve their learning. The school also lacks enough subject teachers and consequently does not maintain the actual teacher student ratio of 1-25 students what we practice now is 1-100 students.”* Head Teacher at a School at Alimosho

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Consider increasing funding to infrastructure & furniture at schools

Total number of schools	1,365
Number of pupils in all schools	840,190
Average number of pupils per school	616
Number of OOSC in Lagos	3,050,189
Average number of schools needed	4955
Rate at which Lagos State builds schools	23
Number of years it will take Lagos to build schools needed for OOSC	215

- Lagos State will need 4, 944 schools to accommodate 3,050,189 children who are currently out of school in the State.
- The ASC records that Lagos State builds an average of 23 schools per year. Given the number of schools that needs to be built, it will take Lagos State over a century to provide schools that will leave no one behind.

Each year shows recurring needs from seats to blackboards. In the Junior secondary section, there are consistent indication that 80% of the schools lack chairs and over a quarter of them lack basic learning aids such as blackboards. In 2019, more than half of the classrooms (62%) state-wide, have insufficient seats available. It is not clear if the pace of infrastructure development for schools is slow or if the available ones quickly slip into disrepair.

Urgently address the Out of School (OOSC) incidents in the State

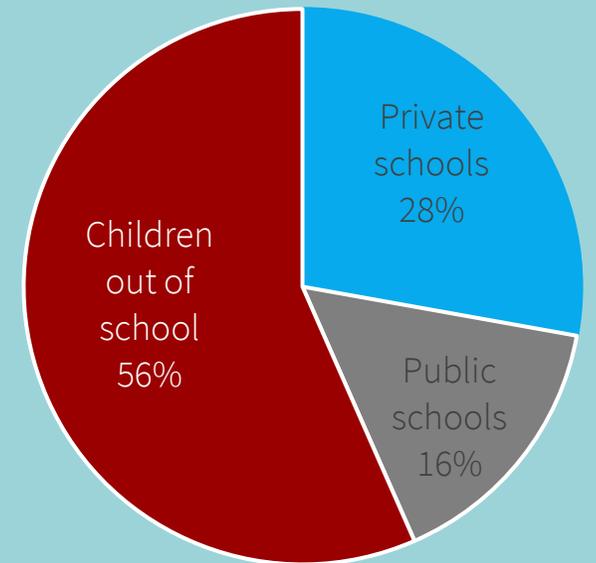
“there is a high influx of people to Lagos State and I don’t know where they coming from exactly. They come in with their families, they come to find work or other economic opportunities and with the crisis in the North East we have noticed that more than before, many displaced people from that axis come to the State. Now I don’t know if their children are enrolled in schools or not!”

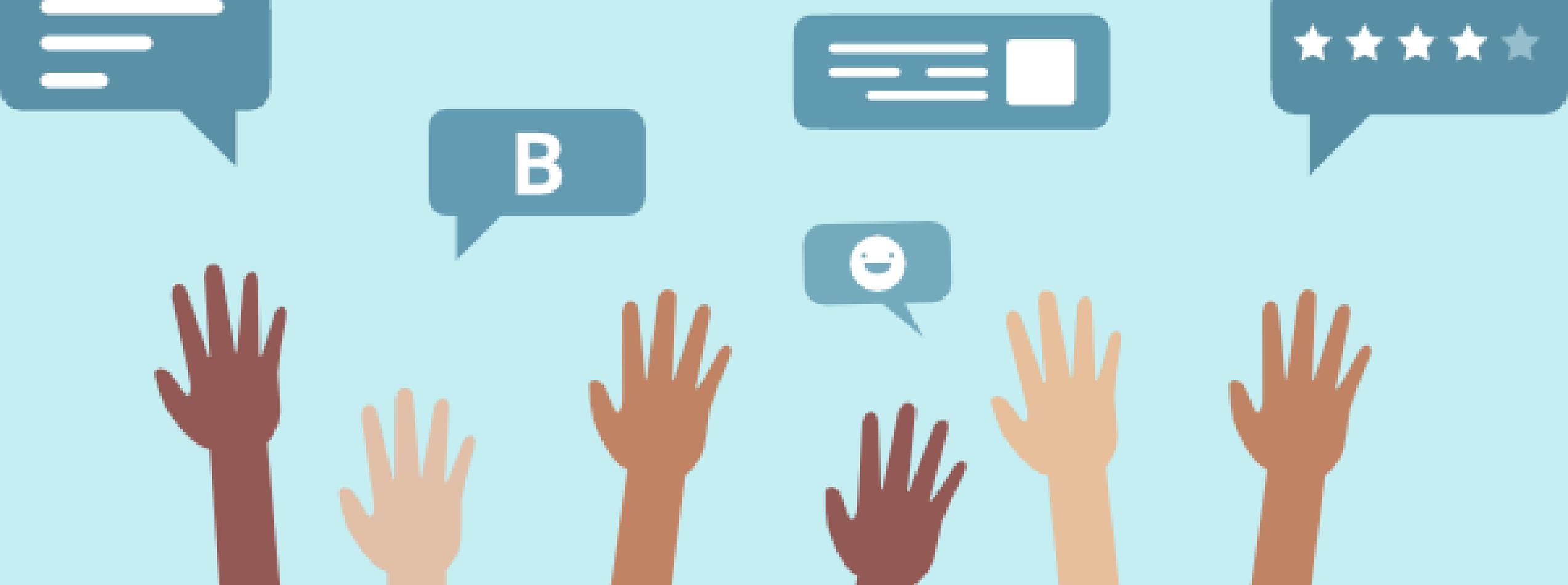


This study finds that there are about **3, 050, 189** children out of school in Lagos State. This measures up to **56%** of all children in Lagos State.

Relying on the current LBS 2020 data

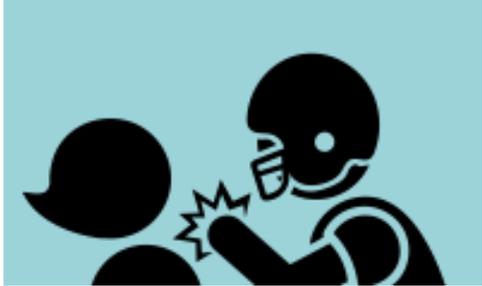
Percentage children of school age in school and out of school (2019)





Gender & Social Inclusion

LASG should adopt G&SI Specific budgeting



Create a budget line for safe spaces e.g. shelters for victims and survivors of domestic violence



Release of funds to Lagos State Office for Disability Affairs. Release the Y2021 budget provision for the Disability fund (N487,500,000)



Making health infrastructure and services accessible is a major concern for PWDs in terms of ramps , signages and sign language interpreters .



The health insurance/equity fund of N1,171,566,159, in the 2021 budget has had no direct impact on the persons with disability. And the health insurance for 2,500 people with disability in Lagos state is too small compared to the estimated number of 2 million people in this category .

- 1) CSACEFA-Civil Society Action Coalition on Education for All
 - 2)WARDC-Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre
 - 3) JONAPWD-Joint National Association of Persons with disabilities
 - 4) Leadership Empowerment and Development Innovation Initiative Africa (LEADIN AFRICA)
 - 5)Talent Plus Resources International(TRI)
 - 6)The Irede Foundation
 - 7) Glowing Splints Development Initiative
 - 8) Equitable Health Access Initiative (EHA) Nigeria)
 - 9) Greensprings Development Initiative
 - 10)**Mission To Save The Helpless (MITOSATH).**
- The Lagos State Accountability Mechanism on Maternal and New Born Child Health (LASAM)





THANK YOU

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