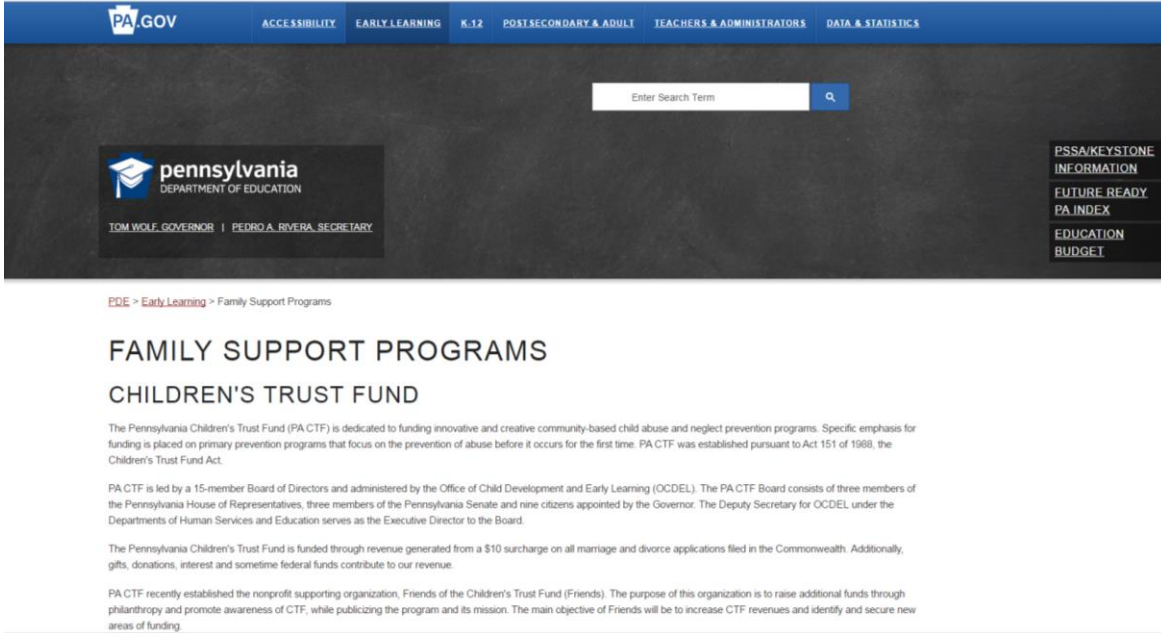


# Family Support Programs



The screenshot shows the Pennsylvania Department of Education website. The top navigation bar includes links for ACCESSIBILITY, EARLY LEARNING, K-12, POSTSECONDARY & ADULT, TEACHERS & ADMINISTRATORS, and DATA & STATISTICS. A search bar is located in the center. The main content area features the Pennsylvania Department of Education logo and the text "FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND". Below this, there are three paragraphs of text providing information about the Pennsylvania Children's Trust Fund (PACTF), its funding, and its mission.

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## FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

### CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND

The Pennsylvania Children's Trust Fund (PACTF) is dedicated to funding innovative and creative community-based child abuse and neglect prevention programs. Specific emphasis for funding is placed on primary prevention programs that focus on the prevention of abuse before it occurs for the first time. PACTF was established pursuant to Act 151 of 1988, the Children's Trust Fund Act.

PACTF is led by a 15-member Board of Directors and administered by the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL). The PACTF Board consists of three members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, three members of the Pennsylvania Senate and nine citizens appointed by the Governor. The Deputy Secretary for OCDEL under the Departments of Human Services and Education serves as the Executive Director to the Board.

The Pennsylvania Children's Trust Fund is funded through revenue generated from a \$10 surcharge on all marriage and divorce applications filed in the Commonwealth. Additionally, gifts, donations, interest and sometime federal funds contribute to our revenue.

PACTF recently established the nonprofit supporting organization, Friends of the Children's Trust Fund (Friends). The purpose of this organization is to raise additional funds through philanthropy and promote awareness of CTF, while publicizing the program and its mission. The main objective of Friends will be to increase CTF revenues and identify and secure new areas of funding.

## Web Link:

<http://www.education.pa.gov/Early%20Learning/Family%20Support%20Programs/Pages/default.aspx#tab-1>

Please visit this website for more information regarding the following family support programs in PA:

- Children's Trust Fund
- Early Head Start
- Healthy Families America
- Nurse-Family Partnership
- Parents as Teachers
- Parent-Child Home Program