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## ***Financing and Sustaining State and Local Early Childhood Systems Reform***

Learn how **fiscal mapping** is helping leaders in South Hampton Roads, Virginia and Michigan to reach their goals for children and families

Leaders nationwide are seeking to maximize existing resources and to strategically seek additional resources to finance and sustain strong systems to support young children and their families. A **fiscal mapping** study is a critical tool for state and local government leaders, public-private partnerships and task forces, community coalitions and others to:

- Develop better coordinated systems of supports and services;
- Fund new policy initiatives; and
- Address budget shortfalls or increased demand for services.

A thorough understanding of current resources is the first step in the development of a strategic approach to financing and sustainability. Armed with solid data on the use and effectiveness of resources, leaders are well positioned to implement the early childhood systems they envision for young children and their families.

This webinar shares how **fiscal mapping** is helping leaders in South Hampton Roads, Virginia and Michigan to reach their goals for children and families. Presenters include:

- Lisa Howard, Executive Director, Smart Beginnings South Hampton Roads
- Joan Blough, Vice President of Strategic Planning and Evaluation, Early Childhood Investment Corporation, Michigan
- Lori Connors-Tadros, Vice President of Children and Family Services, The Finance Project
- Amanda Szekely, Senior Program Associate, The Finance Project

Resources from the webinar available for download include:

- Adding It Up: A Guide to Mapping Public Resources for Children, Youth, and Families  
[http://forumfyi.org/files/Adding\\_It\\_Up\\_Guide\\_0.pdf](http://forumfyi.org/files/Adding_It_Up_Guide_0.pdf)
- Mapping Fiscal Resources in South Hampton Roads Virginia to Support School Readiness: Regional Summary  
<http://www.financeproject.org/publications/RegionalSummary.pdf>
- Financing A Great Start for Michigan's Children: Analysis of Existing Resources for the Great Start System (Executive Summary)  
<http://www.financeproject.org/publications/GreatStart.pdf>
- PowerPoint presentation on fiscal mapping  
[www.financeproject.org/publications/FMWebinarSlides.pdf](http://www.financeproject.org/publications/FMWebinarSlides.pdf)