

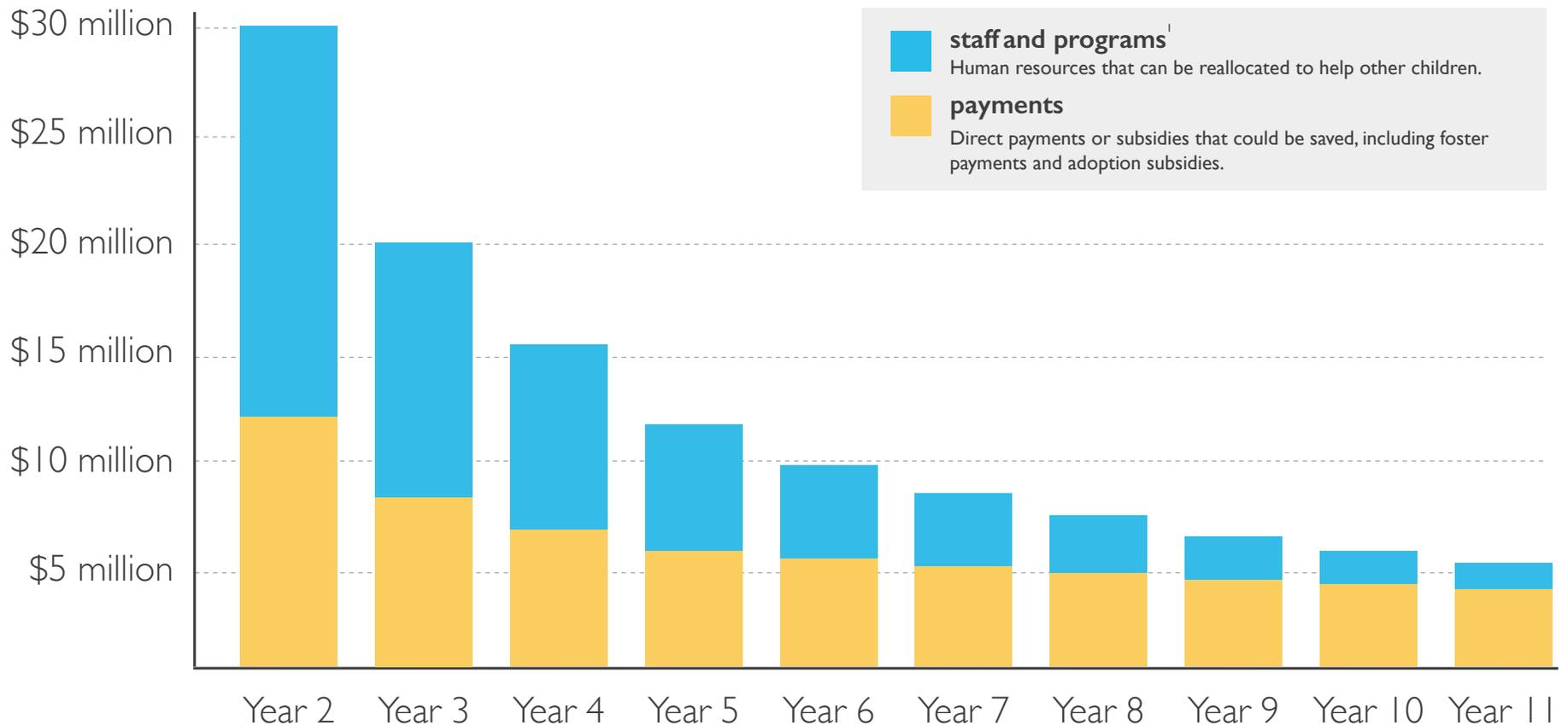
# Sample Costs Over 11 Years for One Cohort of Children

Based on children who had their first episode in 2000

Abuse and maltreatment carry terrible costs in the health and happiness of children. Prevention brings obvious benefits to children, families, and communities. It could also save Oregon millions of dollars.

In 2000, 3,412 children entered care for the first time. If these same 3,412 children entered care in 2015 and experienced the same

outcomes—months in care, episodes over 11 years, and adoptions—this would be the year-by-year cost of the cohort starting next year. (Direct costs to Oregon, without accounting for federal or other funding sources.) Note that costs persist long after first entry.



Source: ECONorthwest and Center for Evidence-based Policy analysis of Oregon Foster Care records; Oregon Department of Human Services cost estimates.

<sup>1</sup>These estimates assume 100% DHS workload. Costs are not discounted.