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April 15 Agenda Items and Community Services

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Dear Members of the Board,

Regarding your April 15 agenda, it is encouraging to see an initiative to expand Senior Nutrition services, but of concern that the budget process may place other Community Services programs at risk. In recent years some programs have struggled to make ends meet. The primary cause, after decades of stability, has been a substantial increase in administrative costs associated with being under a super agency. This is a fixable problem.

Please know the loss of even one of these services, through elimination or contracting out, would weaken our County's continuum of care for elders and families. It would create a hole in our safety net for our most vulnerable citizens.

For seniors seeking to remain independent, the Community Services programs can be the most important assistance the County provides. El Dorado County's excellent continuum of care took four decades to build. Please make every effort to keep it strong.

Thank you for your consideration.

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