

Community Action Council Agency Report and Information Items – December 2024

Agency Update

The El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency and its many programs have begun working on and preparing for the FY 25/26 Countywide budget process. The agency will also be working on a new strategic planning process beginning in 2025 that will complement the County's strategic plan.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The 2024 LIHEAP contract for El Dorado and Alpine Counties is 85% expended. The LIHEAP program anticipates fully expending these funds within the next several weeks. The 2025 LIHEAP contract will open in January and appointments will be accepted after the first of the year for Utility Assistance with these new funding dollars.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

The County's 2024 CSBG contract is currently 73% expended, and the State has allocated an additional \$1,989 to the budget. The State has provided an extension of the 2024 CSBG contract until April 30, 2025. The program expects to fully expend the contract funds prior to that date. For this contract, a portion of the County's 2024 CSBG funding has been set aside to purchase videoconferencing systems at the Senior Centers in Placerville and South Lake Tahoe. County staff are currently working on the logistics and purchase requests for these videoconferencing systems. Once these systems are installed, it will enhance the ability to conduct client education, staff training, meetings and more through these sites. This will greatly benefit both community members and staff.

Senior Nutrition Program

During the month of October 2024, the Senior Nutrition Program provided 3,151 Congregate (Dine-In Meals) and 12,284 Home Delivered Meals. The average donation during the month of October was \$1.82/meal for congregate and \$0.55/meal for home-delivered meals. The suggested donation is \$3.00/meal.

Older Adult Information & Assistance

The Winter Aging and Caregiving Miniseries will be picking back up in January 2025. The series includes several different presentation topics: Building Foundations of Caregiving; Scams and How to Prevent Being Scammed; What is a Mandated Reporter: Elder Abuse and Self Neglect; El Dorado County Senior Legal Services Program. Anyone interested in the series may reach out to the Information and Assistance office by calling (530) 621-6369 or (800) 510-2020.

Public Housing Authority/Housing & Homelessness Services

The 2024 Unsheltered Point-in-Time (PIT) Count report for El Dorado County has been posted to the El Dorado Opportunity Knocks Continuum of Care (CoC) website at <https://www.edokcoc.org/>. A Sheltered PIT Count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) will be performed in January of 2025.

Information Items

October 22, 2024, BOS Meeting

27. 24-1371

HEARING - Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Division, Tobacco Use Prevention Program, Planning and Building Department (Planning), and Environmental Management Department (Environmental Management) recommending the Board: 1) Receive a presentation summarizing the process and development of the local tobacco retail ordinances; 2) Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 177-2024 finding the well-established negative health impacts of tobacco use, particularly relating to El Dorado County's (EDC) youth and the recent expansion of tobacco retailers in EDC; 3) Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Ordinance 5210 adding Chapter 130.40.340 of Title

130 of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code, establishing tobacco retailer land use regulations, and amending Section 130.22.020, "Matrix of Allowed Uses," in Title 130 of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code by including Tobacco Retail, including the redline recommendation of the Planning Commission, to be read in title only, and waive the full reading of the Ordinance; 4) Approve the Introduction (First Reading) of Ordinance 5211 adopting a new Chapter 8.68 of Title 8 of the El Dorado County Ordinance Code to regulate tobacco retailers for all purposes within the unincorporated areas of the County of El Dorado and establish a Tobacco Retail License (TRL) and repeal Urgency Ordinances 5192 and 5197, waive reading of the full Ordinance, read by title only, and continue this matter to November 5, 2024 for Final Passage (Second Reading); 5) Find that the proposed ordinances are not a "project" within the meaning of Public Resources Code Section 21065 and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15378 because the regulations of tobacco retailers does not have the potential of resulting in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and, even if the adoption of the ordinances were a project, find that the ordinances are categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 because the ordinances adopt a regulatory process for the protection of the environment and there are no unusual circumstances under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2, and under the "common sense" exemption in CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that adoption of the ordinances would have a significant effect on the environment; and 6) Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 178-2024 adopting the EDC TRL Fee Structure.

November 12, 2024, BOS Meeting

31. 24-1796

Health and Human Services Agency recommending the Board receive and file an annual report from the El Dorado County Community Action Council. FUNDING: N/A The Board received and filed an annual report from the El Dorado County Community Action Council.

December 3, 2024, BOS Meeting

14. 24-1772

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board: 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Funding Out Agreement 9084 with El Dorado County Community Health Center (EDCHC) for the purchase of dental equipment for installment at a new EDCHC dental location in South Lake Tahoe, in the amount of \$400,000 and for the term upon execution through December 31, 2025; 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute amendments relating to Agreement 9084 which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or extend the term of the agreement beyond December 31, 2026, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management; and 3) Authorize the HHSA Director, or the Chief Assistant Director, to execute programmatic, administrative, and fiscal documents relating to Agreement 9084. FUNDING: 100% Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

15. 24-1785

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Extended Letter of Agreement (LOA) with Mountain Valley Health Plan (MVHP), also known as the Health Plan of San Joaquin (HSPJ), which continues the terms and rates of Medi-Cal reimbursement for authorized medically necessary services to MVHP/HPSJ members, for the effective period of January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, while a final master agreement is in development, to ensure HHSA and MVHP/HPSJ can meet implementation deadlines required by the California Department of Health Care Services. FUNDING: 100% Federal Medi-Cal. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar