Community Action Council

Health and Human Services Agency Report and Information Items – May 2025

Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026 Budget Update

The County Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025 ends June 30, 2025. The Board of Supervisors (BOS) is scheduled to adopt the Fiscal Year 2025 – 2026 budget at a June BOS meeting. The County is facing large budget shortfalls in FY 2025 – 2026 and has been working the last several months to determine where County spending will be decreased in the new fiscal year. The Board has already approved consolidating the two Senior Day Care Clubs into one site in Placerville. The El Dorado Hills Senior Day Care site will be closed beginning July 1st. The Board voted on May 20, 2025 to increase the Senior Day Care fees beginning on July 1, 2025. The new fees will be phased in over a three-year period, with an annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) added beginning in FY 2026 – 2027. Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is also winding down its participation in the Community Corrections Collaborative (CCC). Two CCC staff will transition to Senior Services on July 1st.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The 2025 LIHEAP contract is open and currently serving clients. Applications for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) and Weatherization services can be submitted via in-person drop-off at the HEAP office during regular business hours, secure drop box at the Placerville HEAP office 24/7, U.S. mail, or online submission at the HEAP website: www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/HEAP. LIHEAP funding is limited. Applying does not guarantee the applicant will receive funding.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

The County received the 2025 CSBG contract in January of 2025. The contract is currently 18% expended. The state has notified each Local Service Provider that the full grant will be issued. We have not heard if additional discretionary funds will be made available. We have now fully expended the 2024 CSBG grant along with the 2024 Discretionary funds.

Senior Nutrition Program

During the month of April 2025, the Senior Nutrition Program provided 3,150 Congregate (Dine-In Meals) and 12,534 Home Delivered Meals. They also provided 332 meals to the Senior Day Club members. The average donation in April was \$2.04 per meal for congregate and \$.80 per meal for home-delivered meals. The suggested donation is \$3.00 per meal.

Older Adult Information & Assistance

- Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) has respite in-home care services available to caregivers who need temporary support to care for themselves. Support groups for caregivers can be found on the El Dorado County Family Caregiver Support Program website (also attached).
- To support transportation services for older adults, Information & Assistance (I&A) will be offering Assisted Transportation for Essential needs, this is part of the APRA grant through September 2025. I&A recently submitted a grant proposal to Friends of Seniors seeking additional funding for transportation in FY 2025 – 2026.
- El Dorado County Fair Outreach in partnership with Adult Protective Services and IHSS PA reaches over 1200 community members, most of whom have never heard of our services. We will be working to recruit volunteers as well.
- For any questions you may reach out to the Senior Information and Assistance office by calling (530) 621-6369 or (800) 510-2020.

Public Housing Authority/Housing & Homelessness Services

• El Dorado County (EDC) Housing and Homelessness Services, acting as the Administrative Entity for the El Dorado Opportunity Knocks Continuum of Care (EDOK CoC), is in the process of developing the

application for Round 6 of the California Housing and Community Development (HCD's) Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program funding. The CoC is required to hold a public stakeholder meeting to receive public review and feedback for general topics covered in the application's Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan. This public meeting will be held on June 6th at 10 AM. For information on how to attend, please see the meeting schedule on the CoC website at www.edokcoc.org

- The EDC Navigation Center Annual Report was presented to the Board of Supervisors on April 29th. The video of the presentation, and slide show, can be accessed through the Board of Supervisors Agenda, Minutes and Videos link on the County website: <u>Board of Supervisors El Dorado County</u>.
- The EDOK CoC has established a Homelessness Prevention program that provides flexible funding assistance to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness and/or housing instability who are engaged with a community provider for housing support services. Community providers can reach out to Housing El Dorado at (530) 497-0242 for more information on the program.
- All El Dorado County residents who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness should contact The Front Door coordinated entry at (530) 600-2822 to submit an intake and be eligible for referrals to services available in our region.
- The Public Housing Authority (PHA) waitlist for the Housing Choice Voucher program remains closed.
- For additional information or any questions please reach out via email at <u>homeless.services@edcgov.us.</u>

Information Items

April 1, 2025

16. 25-0342

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board: 1) Make findings pursuant to Section 3.13.030 (B) of the El Dorado County Ordinance Chapter 3.13, Contracting Out, that the Specialty Mental Health Services Short-Term Residential Treatment Program services provided by the County of Fresno requires specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in County classifications are involved in the performance of the work; 2) Make findings in accordance with Procurement Policy C-17 Section 3.4(3) exempting the competitive bidding process, with Purchasing Agent concurrence, because "competitive bidding would produce no economic benefit to the County"; 3) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 9405 with County of Fresno, with a \$15,000,000 million obligation that includes other California counties use of the Agreement, HHSA is only anticipating expending \$600,000 under this Agreement, and for the term of execution through June 30, 2027, with the option to extend the agreement for no more than two one-year periods, for a term not to exceed five years; and 4) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute further documents relating to Agreement 9405, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, including amendments which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement. FUNDING: 50% State Mental Health Services Act and 50% State Realignment. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

April 22, 2025

6. 25-0205 Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board: 1) Make findings pursuant to Section 3.13.030 (B) of the El Dorado County Ordinance Chapter 3.13, Contracting Out, that the emergency shelter care services provided by New Morning Youth and Family Services, Inc. (NMYFS) requires specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in County classifications are involved in the performance of the work; 2) Make findings in accordance with Procurement Policy C-17 Section 3.4(2)(f) exempting the competitive bidding process, with Purchasing Agent concurrence, because the procurement is for services where the continuity of providers will provide efficiency or critical knowledge, and other providers of the services cannot provide similar efficiencies or critical knowledge; 3) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 9335 with NMYFS, in the amount of \$150,000 and for the term of June 25, 2025, through June 24, 2028; 4) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute amendments relating to Agreement 9335, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, which do not increase

the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement; and 5) Authorize the HHSA Director, or the Chief Assistant Director, to execute programmatic, administrative, and fiscal documents relating to Agreement 9335. FUNDING: 28% Federal Funding including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Foster Care (Title IV-E), Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program (Title IV-B Subpart 1 of the Social Security Act), and 72% County Realignment Funding. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

15. 25-0029 Planning and Building Department, Economic Development and Administration Division, Affordable Housing Unit, recommending the Board consider the following: 1) In accordance with Board Policy A-6, accept a HOME Investment Partnerships Program grant award from the Department of Housing and Community Development, in the amount of \$500,000, for the County's ongoing First-Time Homebuyer Loan Program; 2) Delegate authority to the Director of the Planning and Building Department to execute the Standard Agreement and subsequent amendments thereto that do not affect the dollar amount or term and to sign other grant-related documents, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management; and 3) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a budget transfer amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget increasing revenue and appropriations by \$500,000 in the Affordable Housing Unit Budget. (4/5 vote required) FUNDING: Federal Home Investment Partnerships Program Grant Funds - 100%. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.