

Community Action Council Agency Report and Information Items – September 2024

Agency Update

- a) A recruitment was conducted by the Health and Human Services Agency to fill a vacancy for the Deputy Director of Community Services position. A candidate has been selected and they are currently going through the background process.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

- a. The 2024 LIHEAP contract for El Dorado and Alpine Counties is 72% expended to date. The program is still processing applications and anticipates notice of next year's grant funding in November.
- b. The LIHEAP Weatherization Program, through El Dorado County Procurements and Contracts, has opened a competitive Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process to solicit proposals from local companies to subcontract with the County for Residential Weatherization Services. Contracted companies will provide services such as repair and installation of home heating and cooling systems, water heaters, etc. Information about the RFQ and how to apply is posted on the County's website - <https://vendors.planetbids.com/portal/48157/bo/bo-detail/121741>.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

- a. The County's 2024 CSBG contract is 64% expended at this time, covering administrative costs for the community action programs within HHSA. The CSBG grant also received \$26,000 in discretionary funds, which are being used to support the Family Caregiver Support program in assisting low-income families with respite care. The funds will also provide the Veteran Services office with some updated and much-needed furniture, as well as support staff training.

Senior Nutrition Program

- a. June Statistics: In June 2024, approx. 14,108 meals were served through the County's Senior Nutrition Program. The total number of daily meals served was 705 through the program. The average donation was \$0.72 meal for home-delivered meals and \$1.93 for congregate dining meals. The suggested donation is \$3.00/meal.
- b. Senior Nutrition is grateful for our many volunteers! We currently utilize between 150-200 volunteers per. We continue to have a high need for additional volunteers.

Older Adult Information & Assistance

- a. Older Adult Information & Assistance (I&A) staff has been very busy conducting community outreach throughout the County. I&A staff attended the VA Stand Down Event on Friday the 13th and Saturday the 14th. To reach I&A program staff, call (530) 621-6369 or (800) 510-2020.
- b. Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) staff attended and presented at the "On Two Fronts" Caregiver Symposium. FCSP will also hold a Fall Caregiver Miniseries at the Placerville Senior Center in October in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association of Northern California.
- c. FCSP is finishing up their current Bingocize Exercise Class series at the Placerville Senior Center. These class series are conducted as a ten-week course and designed to focus on fun and strength training.

Public Housing Authority/Housing & Homelessness Services

- a. HUD has validated El Dorado County's Point in Time (PIT) count numbers for the 2024 PIT Count. The Continuum of Care (CoC) received a presentation on the data at their September CoC Board meeting and is working to wrap up the full PIT Report. The PIT Report will be released by the CoC once it's finalized.

Information Items

July 23, 2024

24-1169

Health and Human Services Agency, on behalf of the Commission on Aging, recommends the Board receive and file an annual report from the Commission on Aging. FUNDING: N/A. The Board received and filed an annual report from the Commission on Aging.

July 30, 2024

24-1091

Health and Human Services Agency, acting as the Governing Board of the El Dorado County Area Agency on Aging (AAA), recommends the Board: 1) Approve the four-year Local Area Plan on Aging ("Area Plan") prepared by the El Dorado County AAA, covering Fiscal Years 2024-2028 for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2028; and 2) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Transmittal Letter for submission of this 2024-2028 Area Plan to the California Department of Aging. FUNDING: State 31%, Federal 19%, Charges for Services 1%, Donations 6%, and General Fund 43%. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

August 13, 2024

24-1102

Health and Human Services Agency 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 specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in County classifications are involved in the provision of proprietary LIHEAP supporting software system "ServTraq"; 2) Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute Purchase Contract 8666 with Central Coast Energy Services, Inc., in the amount of \$73,800 and for the retroactive term of three years from June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2027; and 3) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute further documents relating to Purchase Contract 8666, 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: 100% Federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar