

Community Action Council Agency Report and Information Items – April 2025

Agency Update

This month, Margaret Williams, Program Manager in HHSA's Community Services Division, will be attending her last CAC meeting with us and is set to retire at the end of the month. Margaret has spent nearly 31 years working with El Dorado County in various capacities and has provided so much support and wisdom to our staff. Margaret will be missed but we wish her well in her new adventures.

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, and submitting an application does not guarantee the applicant will receive funding.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

The County has begun expending the 2025 CSBG contract, and we are currently at 5% expended. We are waiting to hear from the State whether organizations such as ours will be receiving CSBG discretionary funds this year (these are funds in addition to our regular annual CSBG allocation). We will share any updates as we receive them from the State.

Senior Nutrition Program

During the month of March 2025, the Senior Nutrition Program provided 2,867 Congregate (Dine-In Meals) and 11,414 Home Delivered Meals. The average donation during these months was 1.71/meal for congregate and \$.74/meal for home-delivered meals with an average donation of \$0.94 a meal. The suggested donation is \$3.00/meal. In addition, 396 meals were prepared for The Clubs Older Adult Day Services.

Older Adult Information & Assistance

Senior Information and Assistance staff are working on outreach and advertising for the upcoming South Lake Tahoe educational miniseries on Aging and Caregiving scheduled for May. This miniseries is free and is open to all community members, case managers, paraprofessionals, IHSS caregivers, and staff. Additionally, the Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) offers Respite in-home care services to caregivers who need temporary support to care for themselves.

The Senior Health Education Program is finishing up our South Lake Tahoe Bingocize exercise series at the Tahoe Senior Plaza, then starting another 10-Week Course at the SLT Senior Center to combine the two locations and have a larger class. The Placerville Bingocize Class is also available. Anyone interested in the series may reach out to the Senior Information and Assistance office by calling (530) 621-6369 or (800) 510-2020.

Planning for the Older Adult System of Care El Dorado County Fair Booth is underway for June 12th-15th. This annual collaboration is with Adult Protective Services, In-Home Supportive Services, and the In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority, Commission on Aging, and the Area Agency on Aging Programs, supporting program exposure and education to all ages in our community. Staff and volunteers cover the booth during the Fair and support outreach efforts with over 88 hours of coverage and a reach of approximately 1200 fair attendees.

Public Housing Authority (PHA)/Housing & Homelessness Services

1. The PHA and Housing & Homelessness Services has a new Program Manager - Christopher Richardson. Chris joined the team on March 24th.
2. The El Dorado County Navigation Center celebrated their 2-year anniversary on February 7th. The Housing and Homelessness team is preparing the annual update to the Board of Supervisors for later this spring. As of the anniversary date, the Navigation Center has served 297 individuals.

3. The 2025 Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) is underway. This year we are only performing a sheltered PIT and HIC, therefore it's primarily collecting data from service providers. The PIT and HIC are reported to HUD annually. The PIT count includes data on the number of persons experiencing homelessness in emergency shelters or transitional housing on the night spanning 1/30-1/31. The HIC reports the number of beds we have dedicated to serve homeless individuals in emergency shelters, transitional housing, or permanent supportive housing on the same night.
4. El Dorado County Winter Shelters - We have winter shelters in operation on both slopes of the county, including shelters specific to youth on both slopes. Those interested in the winter shelters can be referred through Front Door Coordinated Entry - 530-600-2822
5. PHA waitlist still remains closed for the Housing Choice Voucher Program. |
6. For additional information or any questions please reach out via email at homeless.services@edgov.us

Information Items

March 25, 2025

7. 25-0123

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board: 1) Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 033-2025 for submission to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), which is required to apply for the 2024 Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program that funds Housing and Homelessness Programs including rapid rehousing, emergency shelter, and homeless service coordination; 2) Delegate authority to HHSA to submit an application on behalf of the County in the estimated amount of \$1,136,271, with a required one-to-one match, which will be met through existing HHSA Board approved grant funding, for the ESG Program State allocation of federal funding administered by HCD; 3) If awarded, delegate authority to the HHSA Director, or Chief Assistant Director, to accept the ESG Program State allocation funding and execute the resulting grant agreement, in the estimated amount of \$1,136,271, with an estimated term beginning in 2025 continuing through 2028, and further documents related to said award, including any extension(s) or amendment(s) which do not increase the Net County Cost of the agreement, contingent upon County Counsel and Risk Management approval; and 4) Authorize the Assistant Director of Administration and Finance, or Chief Fiscal Officer to serve as the appointed designee as indicated in the Resolution, to execute fiscal documents related to said award, including Fund Requests and all required reporting forms, and other documentation as may be required. FUNDING: 100% Federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), administered by HCD, with a required one-to-one cash match to be met with prior Board approved HHSA grant funding. This matter was Approved and Resolution 033-2025 was Adopted upon Approval of the Consent Calendar.

April 1, 2025

17. 24-2110

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), in collaboration with the El Dorado Opportunity Knocks (EDOK) Continuum of Care (CoC), 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 provision of Rapid Rehousing and Operating Subsidies in affordable housing units through Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless (TCH), require specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in County classifications are involved in the performance of the work; 2) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign, competitively procured by the EDOK COC, Funding Out Agreement 9234 with TCH for Rapid Rehousing services, in the amount of \$63,788.92, and for a term upon execution through March 31, 2027, and with the option to extend the term of the Agreement for three additional one-year terms through March 31, 2030, for a maximum five-year term, subject to EDOK CoC Board and HHSA Director approval; 3) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign, competitively procured by the EDOK COC, Funding Out Agreement 9239 with TCH to rehabilitate affordable housing units, in the amount of \$113,442.75, and for the term upon execution through April 30, 2027, and with the option to extend the term of the Agreement for three additional one-year terms through April 30, 2030, for a maximum five-year term, subject to the EDOK CoC Board and HHSA Director approval; 4) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute amendments relating to Agreements 9234 and 9239, contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or term of the agreements; and 5) Authorize the HHSA Director, or the Chief Assistant Director, to execute

programmatic, administrative, and fiscal documents relating to Agreements 9234 and 9239. FUNDING: 100% State Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 1 and Round 4 grant funding. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.