

## Community Action Council

### Health and Human Services Agency Report and Information Items – January 2026

#### **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Program**

The 2026 LIHEAP program is open and now accepting applications for both Utility Assistance and Weatherization Assistance. Applications 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 [California Online Application Portal - Application Details](https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/ HEAP). Visit [www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/ HEAP](https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/ HEAP) for full details.

#### **Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)**

The 2025 CSBG contract is currently 81.29% expended as of the end of December 2025. The 2025 CSBG funding expires April 30, 2026. The 2026 CSBG contract has been received in the amount of \$330,268. However, the initial spending authorization under the contract is \$112,291. The California Department of Community Services and Development (CSBG) will update the spending authority as additional funds are released by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

#### **Senior Nutrition Program**

During the month of December 2025, the Senior Nutrition program provided 2,553 Congregate (Dine-In Meals) and 11,709 Home Delivered Meals. An additional 299 meals were provided to the Senior Day Club members. The average voluntary contribution in December was \$0.89 per meal. The suggested voluntary contribution currently is \$5.00 per meal. The cost to make each meal averages to \$11.17.

#### **Older Adult Day Services**

The Adult Day Care Program, also known as The Club, currently has 33 participants enrolled as of the end of November. It is in Placerville at 935 A Spring Street. The Club is designed to be a respite service for families who are caring for loved ones that have some cognitive impairments, dementia and other chronic health issues: For full details you can go to the website, <https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/Services/Assistance-Programs/Seniors/Senior-Services/Adult-Day-Services> or call at (530) 621-6180.

#### **Older Adult Information & Assistance**

- The Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) offers respite in-home care services to caregivers who require temporary support to care for themselves. Support groups for caregivers can be found on the El Dorado County Family Caregiver Support Program website (<https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/Services/Assistance-Programs/Seniors/Senior-Services/FCSP>).
- To support transportation services for older adults, Information & Assistance (I&A) will offer Assisted Transportation for Essential Needs, a component of the Friends of Seniors Grant, through June 2026. This transportation service is made possible through the Friends of Seniors Grant, which awarded \$3,000.00 to the Area Agency on Aging to support seniors.
- In-Home Care and Transportation is available to residents 18 years and older through the CSBG grant with I&A. These grants support those requiring additional supports and services that may not have access to other programs.
- If you have any questions, you can contact the Senior Information and Assistance office by calling (530) 621-6369 or (800) 510-2020.

#### **Public Housing Authority/Housing & Homelessness Services**

- 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) general waitlist for the Housing Choice Voucher program remains closed. However, the waitlist has opened for the Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) targeted population who meet the following eligibility:
  - Have attained at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age.
  - Left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act; and
  - Is homeless or is at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older.
- Interested households may schedule an eligibility screening between August 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027 to be considered for the wait list. Eligible households will then be added to the wait list. To schedule a screening, email [cps.clerical@edcgov.us](mailto:cps.clerical@edcgov.us) or call (530) 642-7100, Monday – Fridays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.
- The 2026 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count will take place January 29, 2026. The PIT Count is a Federally required, nation-wide count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness.
- For additional information or any questions please reach out via email at [homeless.services@edcgov.us](mailto:homeless.services@edcgov.us).