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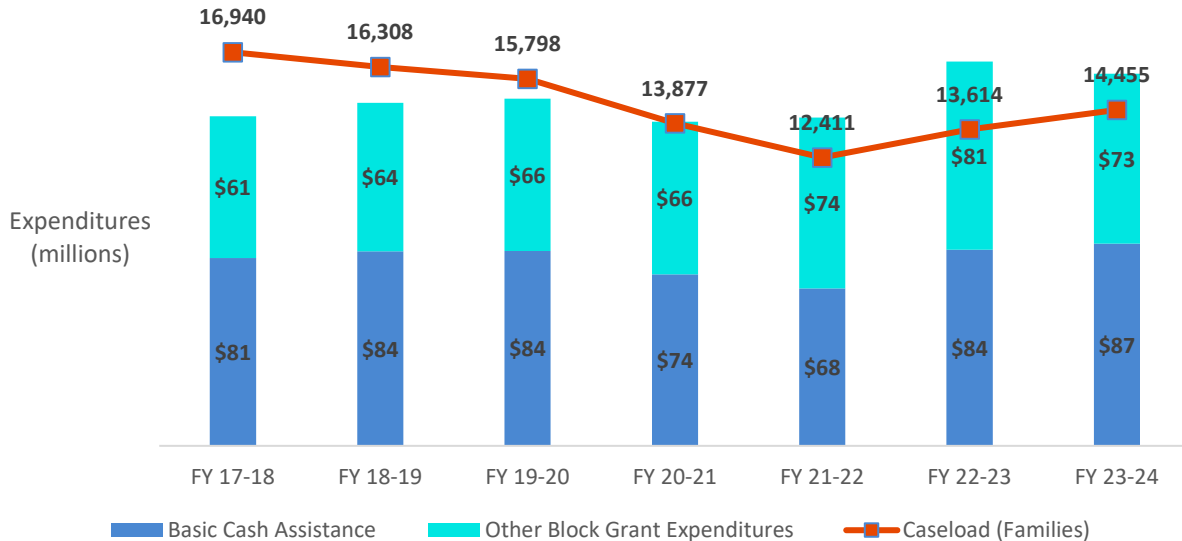
Memorandum

To: Joint Budget Committee
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As required by Sections 26-2-709 (1)(b)(IV) and (1)(e), C.R.S., the Joint Budget Committee is provided the following analysis regarding the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve (LTR), created in Section 26-2-721 (1), C.R.S., for the funds received under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant. The Reserve consists of unappropriated Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds, state General Fund, and other money transferred to the Reserve pursuant to statute.

The Colorado Works Program implements the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant program created in the 1996 welfare reform law. The program provides financial and other assistance to families to enable children to be cared for in their own homes and to assist needy parents in achieving self-sufficiency. Pursuant to federal law, the State receives a fixed amount of \$136.1 million per year in federal TANF block grant funds. The majority of the TANF funds received are allocated as block grants to counties for the provision of basic cash assistance payments and to support related programs that assist families, including employment and training opportunities and child care assistance.

Absent policy interventions, TANF Basic Cash Assistance payments mirror the rise and fall of caseload.



In FY 2023-24, TANF expenditures total \$161.4 million and include \$128.8 million in federal funds for County Block Grants. As seen in the previous chart, TANF caseload has rebounded from a low in FY 2021-22 to 14,455 in FY 2023-24. Basic cash assistance expenditures were \$87.0 million in FY 2023-24, while and other block grant expenditures increased to \$73.1 million.

Federal law allows states to retain any unexpended TANF funds for future use in the event of an economic downturn or caseload growth. Section 26-2-721, C.R.S., allows the Department of Human Services to maintain a Long-term Works Reserve (LTR) fund. The FY 2024-25 beginning balance in the State’s LTR totaled \$53.6 million, with a minimum required balance of \$33.9 million. State statute also allows county departments of human/social services to maintain a reserve fund, up to 40.0 percent of its annual TANF block grant, or \$100,000 whichever is greater. The FY 2024-25 beginning balance of all county TANF reserves totaled \$35.6 million.

The three following tables are provided by the Department in response to their Request for Information #2, which is annually delivered on November 1 (preliminary) and January 2 (updated).

TANF Long-term Reserve Analysis			
TANF Funds Available to Appropriate	FY 2023-24 Actuals	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Projected
Prior Grant Year Funds Available (as of June 30)	\$133,450,948	\$53,642,085	\$48,114,708
Less Minimum State LTR Balance (Quarter of Award)	-33,901,926	0	0
State Family Assistance Grant	135,607,703	135,607,703	135,607,703
Contingency Fund	15,457,382	12,000,000	12,000,000
Sub-total TANF Funds Available	\$250,614,108	\$201,249,788	\$195,722,411
Less County Reserves (as of June 30)/ Net Change in out-year	-47,683,426	12,087,658	0

TANF Long-term Reserve Analysis			
TANF Funds Available to Appropriate	FY 2023-24 Actuals	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Projected
Total TANF Funds Available to Appropriate	\$202,930,682	\$213,337,446	\$195,722,411
TANF Spending/Appropriations			
<u>Administration and execution</u>			
General & Administrative & Prior Year Adjustments	\$3,762,325	\$6,395,060	\$6,395,060
OIT Common Policy	374,561	972,485	972,485
Colorado Benefits Management System	2,922,513	3,047,880	3,047,880
Colorado Works Administration	5,111,733	4,538,455	4,538,455
County Block Grants	128,765,084	132,095,877	132,095,877
Subtotal – Administration and execution	\$140,936,216	\$147,049,757	\$147,049,757
<u>TANF Transfers to SSBG (Title XX)</u>			
State Long Term Utilization (HB 18-1306)	\$44,418	\$0	\$0
Foster Transportation TANF Transfer	2,750,328	2,803,645	2,803,645
Kinship Foster Care Homes (SB 24-008)	0	5,516,580	4,561,004
Subtotal - Transfers to SSBG	\$2,794,746	\$8,320,225	\$7,364,649
<u>State Supportive Services</u>			
County Training	\$44,176	\$430,092	\$430,092
Domestic Abuse Program	626,349	629,677	629,677
Stable Housing for Survivors of Abuse Program	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
Works Program Evaluation	305,164	495,440	495,440
Workforce Development Council	58,217	111,211	111,211
Employment Opportunities with Wages (CW STEP)	1,229,922	2,000,000	2,000,000
Child Support Services Program	682,865	1,149,064	1,149,064
Refugee Assistance	2,529,813	2,824,023	2,824,023
Electronic Benefits Transfer Service	68,043	205,406	205,406
System Alien Verification for Eligibility	13,087	7,843	8,039
JBC staff refinance of General Fund	0	0	2,000,000
Subtotal - State supportive services	\$5,557,634	\$9,852,756	\$11,852,952
<u>County Reserves</u>			
Block Over Expenditures	\$10,855,426	n/a	n/a
Transfers to CCDF	973,114	n/a	n/a
Transfers to SSBG	259,118	n/a	n/a
Subtotal – County reserves	\$12,087,659	\$0	\$0
Total TANF Spending/Appropriations	\$161,376,255	\$165,222,738	\$166,267,358
State Long-term Reserve Balance	\$53,642,085	\$48,114,708	\$29,455,053

In FY 2024-25, 80.0 percent of Colorado’s TANF appropriations are allocations to counties per the County Block Grant and 9.0 percent of the appropriations are for State administration and operations. The remaining 11.0 percent of the appropriations are for additional support services approved by the General Assembly for poverty prevention programming managed at the State level. These proportions are anticipated to remain relatively the same in FY 2025-26. All of this spending meets federal guidelines to serve TANF-eligible households or allowable transfers to the Social Services Block Grant (Title XX).

County Reserves	
Ending Balance as of 6/30/2023	\$47,683,426
Ending Balance as of 6/30/2024	35,595,768
Net increase/-decrease	-\$12,087,658
Statutory minimum (Section 262-709 (1)(b)(III)(b))	19,814,382
Surplus/-deficit	\$15,781,386

TANF MOE ANALYSIS			
MOE Source	FFY 2023-24 (Actual)	FFY 2024-25 (Projected)	FFY 2025-26 (Projected)
<u>Child Welfare</u>			
Child Welfare Services Line	\$15,792,588	\$26,561,075	\$26,561,075
Family and Children's Programs (Core)	11,419,397	13,443,661	13,443,661
<u>Colorado Works</u>			
County Share Of Block Grant	18,769,212	18,662,444	18,662,444
<u>Child Care</u>			
Child Care MOE	13,633,190	10,681,503	10,681,503
County Share Of Admin Costs In Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP)	1,484,046	2,359,036	2,359,036
<u>State Administration</u>			
General Fund Expenditures On MOE Grant	4,812,439	4,812,439	4,812,439
General Fund Used to Match TANF Dollars	0	4,812,439	4,812,439
CBMS Modernization	56,089	66,648	66,648
<u>Nurse Home Visitor Program</u>			
General Fund Expenditures	9,485,330	9,304,515	9,304,515
<u>Department of Education</u>			
GF Spent on Colorado Preschool Program (CPP) (185% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and below)	31,520,263	41,888,851	41,888,851
GF Spent on (CPP) for households up to \$75K (Direct Costs)	89,233,490	43,978,165	43,978,165
<u>Low Income Energy Assistance Program</u>			
Funding from Energy Outreach Colorado	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Add'l Funding from Severance Tax Fund	0	0	0
<u>Refugee - CRSP 3rd Party</u>			
General Fund Expenditures	3,191,906	3,035,181	3,035,181
<u>Domestic Violence Program</u>			
General/Cash Fund Expenditures	275,578	629,677	629,677
<u>Tax Credits</u>			
Child Care Tax Credit	6,117,164	5,118,908	5,118,908
Earned Income Tax Credit	127,014,431	70,000,000	70,000,000
<u>Other Sources</u>			
County DSS Program Exp's-TANF Elig Recip's	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
Foundation Expenditures-TANF Elig Recip's	29,564,459	14,000,000	14,000,000
ReHire	216,050	200,000	200,000
Total	\$362,585,629	\$263,250,027	\$263,250,027
Base MOE Requirement	88,395,624	88,395,624	88,395,624
Surplus/(Deficit) MOE Expenditures	\$274,190,005	\$174,854,403	\$174,854,403

TANF State and County Reserves Projections

Using the data from *TANF Long-term Reserve Analysis* and *County Reserves* tables, staff projects the county, state, and total TANF reserve from FY 2023-24 through FY 2027-28. This projection assumes that the FY 2025-26 TANF block grant awards and expenditures remain flat, with the exception of the appropriation for the Employment Opportunities with Wages program. This appropriation is reduced to zero in FY 2027-28 in accordance with the Committee’s approval of the Department’s FY 2023-24 (BA1 CO Works STEP). Staff also assumes that the county expenditures remain at their current levels, which results in an annual reserve expenditure of \$12.1 million.

The projection takes into account Section 26-2-709 (1)(b)(III and IV), C.R.S., which establishes a minimum reserve for the State’s Colorado Long-term Works Reserve of 25.0 percent of the annual TANF Block Grant award (\$33.9 million). Statute also establishes a minimum reserve for all county reserves in total of 15.0 percent of full amount allocated to counties (\$19.2 million). If either the state or the counties reserves fall below their respective minimum, the other reserve must backfill up to the statutory minimum. If neither reserve has sufficient balance above their minimum to backfill, then the state General Fund is used to cover the balance of the backfill.

Staff anticipates that by the end of FY 2026-27 counties will fall below their reserve minimum requirements, requiring the state reserve to backfill. This backfill will draw down the state reserve to a balance of approximately \$9.0 million above its minimum. By the end of FY 2027-28, after backfilling the counties’ reserve, the state reserve will be below its own minimum by approximately \$3.7 million. The General Fund will need to backfill the state TANF reserve by an equal amount, presuming state revenue exceeds the TABOR cap.

Projected County and State TANF Reserves (millions), FY Ending Balance				
Fiscal Year	County Reserves Above Min. (\$19.2 million)	State Reserves Above Min. (\$33.9 million)	Backfill from State	Adjusted State Reserve
2023-24	\$35,595,768	\$53,642,085	\$0	\$53,642,085
2024-25	15,781,386	48,114,708	0	48,114,708
2025-26	3,693,728	29,455,053	0	29,455,053
2026-27	-8,393,930	17,356,401	-8,393,930	8,962,471
2027-28	-12,087,658	8,406,812	-12,087,658	-3,680,846

Several factors are contributing to the recent increases in TANF expenditures. The Department reports that county administrative costs are the largest driver of increased spending, increasing 29.5 percent from FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24. Based on anecdotal data reported to the Department from counties, this increase is primarily due to higher staff salaries to retain employees, rising insurance premiums, and other operating expenses.

The basic cash assistance caseload has gradually increased from its historic low in September 2021, nearing pre-pandemic levels in FY 2023-24. As basic cash assistance caseload rises, expenditures follow suit. House Bill 22-1259 implemented a one-time 10.0 percent increase to TANF basic cash assistance benefits to households, beginning in July 2022. Benefit levels did not

change again until July 2024 when the first annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) was applied, as directed by H.B. 22-1259. Statute prescribes that the annual COLA shall be the average of the last three calendar years Social Security Administration cost of living adjustments or 2.0 percent, whichever is higher. In July 2024, a 5.93 percent COLA was applied. In July 2024, the County Block Grant is \$149,918,087. Based on data available in the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS), counties spent the following amounts of the block grant allocation on basic cash assistance in the last three fiscal years:

- FY 2021-22: 45.2 percent (\$67.7 million),
- FY 2022-23: 51.4 percent (\$77.1 million), and
- FY 2023-24: 58.0 percent (\$87.0 million).

Considerations for Reserve Sustainability

There are two primary paths to address the financial sustainability of the state and county TANF reserves. The most immediate path available to the Joint Budget Committee is through the management of appropriations for state supportive services. However, this management simply extends the proverbial runway for the drawdown of reserves. The more meaningful and long-term path is to address the growth in basic cash assistance expenditures. The policy changes implemented by H.B. 22-1259, in particular the required increases in basic cash assistance rates, are putting increasing pressure on county TANF block grant allocations and reserves. The downstream impacts of the drawdown of the county reserves is to increase the obligations of the state reserve and the General Fund. Addressing these pressures, particularly in an environment of constrained General Fund, will be essential to stabilizing state and county TANF reserves.

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Staff Figure Setting FY 2025-26

Department of Human Services

(Office of Economic Security and Office of Adults, Aging, and
Disability Services)

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To find decision items, look at the Decision Items Affecting Multiple Divisions or the most relevant division. This applies to both decision items requested by the department and recommended by the staff. Decision items appear in the requested priority order within sections.

Department Overview

This Joint Budget Committee staff figure setting document includes the following offices and agencies within the Department of Human Services.

The **Office of Economic Security** provides income, nutritional, and support services to assist families and individuals in need. The programs administered by this unit include Colorado Works, the Colorado implementation of the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), child support services and enforcement, Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP), which provides heating-bill assistance to needy families and individuals during the winter months, services for refugees, and disability determination services.

This office also provides the 64 county departments of human services with money to administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP; formerly known as food stamps) and a variety of smaller programs, including child support services and the Low-income Energy Assistance Program. Additionally, this section funds the County Tax Base Relief initiative to assist counties, with the highest social services needs and lowest property tax values, meet the obligation of the local match required by the state for certain public assistance programs. The Office is responsible for the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS), which is the computer system used to determine a citizen's eligibility for public assistance programs like Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and several others. CBMS is developed and maintained by the state for use by county social services departments and various medical assistance sites.

The **Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services** includes Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, the Work Therapy Program, the Brain Injury Trust Fund, and Veterans Community Living Centers. Regional Centers are state operated facilities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and as such are the provider of last resort. They provide residential services, medical care, and active treatment programs based on individual assessments and habilitation plans. The Work Therapy Program provides sheltered training and employment workshops for individuals receiving services at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan and the Regional Centers at Grand Junction and Wheat Ridge. The Colorado Brain Injury Program provides funding for direct services for individuals with a brain injury, research related to brain injuries, and education related to brain injuries. Veterans community living centers provide skilled nursing care to honorably discharged veterans, spouses of veterans, and parents of deceased veterans who were killed in action.

This office also provides funding for assistance and support for needy elderly and disabled adult populations in Colorado. This section funds several programs, including the Old Age Pension (OAP) program, which provides cash assistance to eligible individuals age 60 and older, and the Aid to the Needy Disabled and Home Care Allowance programs, which provide cash assistance for low-income disabled adults. This section also funds the State Ombudsman Program, Adult Protective Services (APS) programs, which intervene on behalf of at-risk adults to address abuse, neglect, or exploitation and Older Americans Act services, such as home-delivered meals

and transportation to medical appointments that are offered to older Coloradans across the state through the 16 regional Area Agencies on Aging (AAA).

Summary of Staff Recommendations

Department of Human Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$807,454,749	\$137,918,880	\$218,017,600	\$85,046,757	\$366,471,512	1,773.3
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	406,444	326,024	267,026	-259,188	72,582	0.0
Other Legislation	5,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	1.3
Total FY 2024-25	\$812,861,193	\$141,244,904	\$220,284,626	\$84,787,569	\$366,544,094	1,774.6
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$812,861,193	\$141,244,904	\$220,284,626	\$84,787,569	\$366,544,094	1,774.6
R1 County public assistance resources	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
R10 Communication services for people with disabilities	615,268	-103,214	0	718,482	0	0.0
R14 Teen Parent Driver’s License Program	-100,000	-100,000	0	0	0	0.0
R16 HCA reduction	-1,050,000	-1,000,000	-50,000	0	0	0.0
R17 Transitional Jobs Program reduction	-250,000	-250,000	0	0	0	0.0
BA3 NSLP fund source correction and cash fund waiver	100,000	0	100,000	0	0	0.0
Statewide BA1 SSA-MOE and PTC Rebate	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-3,537,413	-5,526,414	1,997,992	0	-8,991	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-732,655	-31,296	-684,374	-5,104	-11,881	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	2,436,165	1,109,514	113,035	27,354	1,186,262	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	1,629,804	-2,559,812	340,476	1,897,247	1,951,893	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	1,511,258	0	164,289	539,074	807,895	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation	-7,716,327	180,000	0	240,000	-8,136,327	-9.8
Technical adjustment	-640,000	0	-640,000	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$805,127,293	\$132,963,682	\$221,626,044	\$88,204,622	\$362,332,945	1,764.8
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$7,733,900	-\$8,281,222	\$1,341,418	\$3,417,053	-\$4,211,149	-9.8
Percentage Change	-1.0%	-5.9%	0.6%	4.0%	-1.1%	-0.6%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$809,946,937	\$138,863,208	\$221,795,561	\$84,820,157	\$364,468,011	1,751.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$4,819,644	-\$5,899,526	-\$169,517	\$3,384,465	-\$2,135,066	13.8

Description of Incremental Changes

R1 County public assistance resources: The recommendation is denial. The request seeks an increase of \$4.2 million total funds, including \$1.3 million General Fund, in FY 2025-26 and ongoing for county administration of public assistance programs, primarily the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. With the concern regarding General Fund availability in the near-term, staff does not believe it advisable to recommend these ongoing increases. Additionally,

staff has concerns regarding the underlying assumptions and calculations driving the timeliness, call center, and staffing adjustments identified in the S.B. 22-235 funding model.

R10 Communication services for people with disabilities: The recommendation includes an increase of \$615,268 total funds, including a decrease of \$103,214 General Fund and an increase of \$718,482 reappropriated funds, for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind in the Department of Human Services. The reappropriated funds originate from the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Further, staff recommends a total appropriation of \$3,413,703 cash funds (an increase of \$829,050) from the Telephone Users with Disabilities Fund to the Department of Regulatory Agencies' *Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Cash Fund* line item. This increase aligns the Department of Regulatory Agencies' appropriation with the total appropriation for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind in the Department of Human Services because the two are inextricably linked.

Staff recommends denial of all non-prioritized decision items in the Departments of Education and Regulatory Agencies associated with the enterprise conversion of the CCDHHDB, as this conversion is being pursued through legislation sponsored by other members of the General Assembly.

R14 Teen Parent Driver's License Program: The recommendation is approval of the requested reduction of \$100,000 General Fund to the Teen Parent Driver's License Program in FY 2025-26 and ongoing. This proposal would eliminate funding for the program, while retaining the program's statutory authorization.

R16 Home Care Allowance (HCA) reduction The recommendation is approval of the requested reduction of \$1,050,000 total funds, including \$1.0 million General Fund, in FY 2025-26 and ongoing to the Home Care Allowance program. The reduction aligns appropriations more closely with anticipated caseload.

R17 Transitional Jobs Program reduction: The recommendation includes a reduction of \$251,250 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and ongoing to the Transitional Jobs Program. The reduction aligns appropriations more closely with anticipated caseload.

BA3 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) fund source correction and cash fund waiver: The recommendation includes an increase of \$300,000 cash fund from the Food Distribution Program Service Fund; however, staff notes that the Food Distribution Program Service Fund is continuously appropriated pursuant to Section 26-1-121 (4)(b), C.R.S., and is shown in the Long Bill for informational purposes only. Staff recommends denial of the cash fund waiver request, as it is currently unnecessary.

Statewide BA1 Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort (SSA-MOE) and the Property, Tax, Heat, and Fuel (PTC) Rebate [requires legislation]: The request seeks to change the methodology by which the State meets its Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirements for adult financial assistance programs, a related conversion of the Property Tax, Heat, and Fuel rebate to a tax credit, and commensurate appropriations to ensure successful implementation of the policy changes. The recommendation includes:

- 1 Approval for the Department of Human Services to pursue changes in the methodology for the Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort for adult financial assistance programs.
- 2 Move to draft legislation for the conversion of the Property Tax, Heat, and Fuel rebate to a tax credit.
- 3 Approval of \$2,086,294 General Fund in FY 2025-26 for the Aid to the Needy Disabled program in the Department of Human Services, with permission for future technical adjustments to ensure compliance with Maintenance of Effort requirements.
- 4 An increase of \$100,000 General Fund in FY 2025-26 only for the Department of Revenue for programming costs to implement the conversion of the rebate to a tax credit.

Further, staff recommends that the appropriations for the Departments of Human Services (3) and Revenue (4) be part of the legislation converting the rebate to a tax credit. It is standard practice that the fiscal impact of any policy change be included with the legislation enacting that change.

Staff initiated Office of Economic Security (OES) reductions: The recommendation includes the following reductions in the Office of Economic Security:

- \$2.0 million General Fund from *Food Assistance Grant Programs*;
- \$1.0 million General Fund from the *Colorado Diaper Distribution Program*;
- \$400,000 General Fund from *Child Support Payment Pass-through Reimbursements*;
- \$106,326 General Fund from *Home Care Allowance SEP Contracts*; and
- \$31,087 total funds, including \$20,088 General Fund, from program cost and administration line items.

Further, staff recommends a one-time refinance of \$2.0 million General Fund with an equivalent amount of TANF reserves from the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve.

Staff initiated Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services (OAADS) reductions [requires legislation]: The recommendation includes the transfer of \$680,000 from the State Funding for Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund to the General Fund, representing 50.0 percent of the anticipated FY 2025-26 beginning balance of the fund. This transfer requires legislation.

Further, staff recommends the following reductions in the Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services:

- \$680,000 cash funds from the Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund to align spending authority with staff's recommended balance transfer;
- \$47,674 total funds, including \$26,314 General Fund, from program cost and administrative line items; and
- \$6,005 General Fund from Grand Junction and Pueblo Regional Centers waiver funding.

Impacts driven by other agencies: The recommendation includes decision items originating in other departments. The following table summarizes these "nonprioritized" requests, which will be addressed in separate staff figure setting presentations.

Impacts driven by other agencies						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
HCPF Convert Contracts to FTE	\$1,939,233	\$907,526	\$88,402	\$0	\$943,305	0.0
BANP4 HCPF CMBS	412,271	193,024	17,686	0	201,561	0.0
NP1 Annual fleet vehicle	40,074	0	1,307	11,992	26,775	0.0
NP2 OAC staffing	25,441	0	4,819	15,362	5,260	0.0
HCPF County Admin/CBMS	19,146	8,964	821	0	9,361	0.0
Total	\$2,436,165	\$1,109,514	\$113,035	\$27,354	\$1,186,262	0.0

Annualize prior year budget actions: The recommendation includes the out-year impact of prior year budget actions described below.

Annualize prior year budget actions						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 24-25 Salary survey	\$4,276,795	\$386,862	\$235,812	\$1,665,894	\$1,988,227	0.0
FY 24-25 Step pay	1,233,813	255,786	371,690	582,242	24,095	0.0
FY 24-25 R6 SAVE fee increase	57,872	9,260	0	36,459	12,153	0.0
FY 24-25 State funding for senior serv	-2,000,000	-2,000,000	0	0	0	0.0
FY 24-25 Targeted 24/7 compensation	-1,032,232	-385,696	0	-646,536	0	0.0
FY 24-25 CCDHHDB one-time funding	-500,000	-500,000	0	0	0	0.0
SB 25-095 Supplemental	-406,444	-326,024	-267,026	259,188	-72,582	0.0
Total	\$1,629,804	-\$2,559,812	\$340,476	\$1,897,247	\$1,951,893	0.0

Indirect cost assessment: The recommendation includes adjustments to the Indirect cost assessment assessed to divisions to fund centralized activities in the Executive Director’s Office.

Annualize prior year legislation: The recommendation includes the out-year impact of prior year legislation described below.

Annualize prior year legislation						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
SB 22-235 County admin public assist	\$600,000	\$180,000	\$0	\$240,000	\$180,000	0.0
HB 24-1431 Stable housing	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	0.2
HB 24-1407 Community food assist	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	0.0
HB 23-1283 Refugee services	-8,316,327	0	0	0	-8,316,327	-10.0
Total	-\$7,716,327	\$180,000	\$0	\$240,000	-\$8,136,327	-9.8

Technical changes: The recommendation includes a reduction of \$640,000 to the cash funds spending authority for the Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund to align appropriations with the anticipated FY 2025-26 beginning fund balance.

Major Differences from the Request

The biggest difference between staff’s recommendations and the Department’s request is the denial of R1 (County public assistance resources) and the staff initiated reductions for budget balancing purposes in the divisions fully addressed in this document.

Decision Items Affecting Multiple Departments

→ Statewide BA1 – SSA-MOE and the PTC Rebate [requires legislation]

Request

The request seeks to reduce General Fund expenditures by \$220,925 in FY 2025-26 and \$7.2 million in FY 2026-27. The request assumes further General Fund expenditure reductions in FY 2027-28 and ongoing. To accomplish these reductions, the request seeks the following adjustments.

- 1 A change to the methodology by which the State meets its Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirements for adult financial assistance programs, moving from a total expenditure method to a payments level method.
- 2 The conversion of the Property Tax, Heat, and Fuel (PTC) rebate to a tax credit, which requires legislation to implement.
- 3 An increase of \$2,086,294 General Fund in FY 2025-26 for the Aid to the Needy Disabled program to account for adjustments in the Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort methodology. The request seeks permission for technical adjustments to the Aid to the Needy Disabled Program appropriation in FY 2026-27 and ongoing to ensure Maintenance of Effort requirements are met.
- 4 An increase of \$178,194 General Fund and 1.0 FTE in FY 2025-26 for the Department of Revenue for programming costs and a call center staff position to assist individuals seeking to use the new tax credit. The request annualizes to \$80,102 General Fund and 1.0 FTE in FY 2026-27 and ongoing.

Recommendation

Staff recommends:

- 1 Approval for the Department of Human Services to pursue the change in methodology for the Social Security Administration Maintenance of Effort for adult financial assistance programs.
- 2 Move to draft legislation for the conversion of the Property Tax, Heat, and Fuel rebate to a tax credit.
- 3 Approval of \$2,086,294 General Fund in FY 2025-26 for the Aid to the Needy Disabled program in the Department of Human Services, with permission for future technical adjustments to ensure compliance with Maintenance of Effort requirements.
- 4 An increase of \$100,000 General Fund in FY 2025-26 only for the Department of Revenue for programming costs to implement the conversion of the rebate to a tax credit.

Further, staff recommends that the appropriations for the Departments of Human Services (3) and Revenue (4) be part of the legislation converting the rebate to a tax credit. It is standard practice that the fiscal impact of any policy change be included with the legislation enacting that change.

Analysis

In the short-term, the proposal is projected to reduce General Fund expenditures by \$299,119 in FY 2025-26. In FY 2026-27 and ongoing the proposal is projected to produce significantly deeper General Fund expenditure reductions. The significant out year expenditure reductions are a result of the phasing out of prior year PTC rebate payments, as the rebates are allowed to be claimed for a two-year period. For instance, rebates for tax year 2024 can be claimed through December 2026.

The proposed conversion of the rebate to a tax credit carries some risk to the state budget. The conversion will reduce state General Fund revenue. In those years when state revenue exceeds the TABOR cap, this policy change will reduce the amount of TABOR refunds. However, if state revenue falls below the TABOR cap, this policy will have the effect of reducing available General Fund revenue. The December 2024 Legislative Council Staff forecast predicts that General Fund revenue subject to TABOR will exceed the Referendum C cap by \$1.2 billion in FY 2026-27.

Projected Impact of SSA-MOE Change and PTC Rebate Conversion						
Element	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	FY 2028-29	FY 2029-30	FY 2030-31
MOE methodology Change	\$1,594,587	\$925,478	-\$445,138	-\$1,828,834	-\$3,218,353	-\$4,677,603
Reduction from PTC Conversion	-4,080,000	-10,353,000	-10,508,295	-10,665,919	-10,825,908	-10,988,297
Aid to the Needy Disabled	2,086,294	2,128,020	2,170,580	2,213,992	2,258,272	2,303,437
Conversion programming cost	100,000	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditure increase/-decrease	-\$299,119	-\$7,299,502	-\$8,782,853	-\$10,280,762	-\$11,785,990	-\$13,362,462
General Fund revenue impact of PTC conversion ¹	-\$6,500,000	-\$13,195,000	-\$13,392,925	-\$13,593,819	-\$13,797,726	-\$14,004,692

¹ In years when state revenue exceeds the TABOR cap, these amounts reflect reductions in TABOR refunds.

Maintenance of Effort for Supplemental Security Income

The Department of Human Service must meet a Maintenance of Effort requirement under an agreement with the Social Security Administration to support vulnerable populations who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI), like low-income elderly and disabled residents. The current MOE is structured as a total expenditure model, meaning the state has to spend a specific dollar amount under the program in order to receive federal contributions.

Expenditures for the Property Tax, Rent, and Heat rebate contribute to this obligation, along with the Old Age Pension (OAP), Aid to the Needy and Disabled (AND), Home Care Allowance (HCA) and Child Support Pass-through expenditures.

The Maintenance of Effort threshold is set annually by the Social Security Administration. The MOE threshold consists of two parts: the base and an annual adjustment. The current MOE base is \$27,538,626. In any year that the total expenditures exceed the MOE threshold, the over-expenditure is added to the following year's threshold. In any year where the total

expenditures are under the MOE threshold, the dollar amount that the State is short must be made up in the following year. Thus, the Department attempts to get as close to the threshold as possible.

Colorado has been short of meeting the threshold for the last several years. Under the current total expenditure methodology, when caseload declines, the per capita payments typically increase to offset projected shortfalls in meeting the MOE requirement. Declining adult financial programs caseloads over the last few years have significantly increased MOE payments to compensate for those declines. A key strategy to close the gap in years when the MOE obligation is projected to be missed through planned spending is by making additional lump sum payments from available appropriations to participants in qualifying programs. This creates a high degree of variability and inconsistency with program payments to recipients.

Only seven of the 45 states operating a State Supplementary Payment program utilize the total expenditures method for its MOE obligation. This is likely because this methodology is challenging; as Colorado has experienced, the MOE target continually increases and is very difficult to hit exactly in a caseload-driven process. Alternatively, states can choose to use the payments level method to meet their MOE obligation. The other 38 states operating a State Supplementary Payment program use this methodology. For this option, the amount of payments provided to SSI recipients must be above the amount issued in March of 1983.

The conversion from a total expenditure method to a payments level method is projected to provide savings to the state starting in the third year after the change. In the first two years, expenditures will increase in large part due to the request to set a payment floor that ensures no program participant receives less than they otherwise would have under the total expenditure model. However, starting in FY 2027-28, staff anticipates the method change to result in net savings as expenditures follow more closely the caseload trends the state is experiencing in adult financial assistance programs.

Property Tax, Rent, and Heat (PTC) Rebate Conversion

During the 2024 legislative session, the General Assembly passed H.B. 24-1268 (Financial Assistance for Certain Low-Income Individuals) to convert a portion of the Property Tax, Rent, and Heat rebate into an income tax credit. The PTC rebate is a program available to low-income Colorado residents who are older or who have disabilities to help with the cost of those expenses. House Bill 24-1268 changed the rebate for applicants with a disability into an income tax credit beginning in Tax Year 2025, shifting that share of program cost from a General Fund expenditure into a state revenue reduction. According to the Department of Revenue, just over 20,000 applicants received the PTC rebate in FY 2022-2023, costing a total of \$10.5 million General Fund. In calendar year 2022, applicants with a disability represented just under 40.0 percent of the total population receiving the rebate.

The conversion of the rebate to a tax credit impacts the ability for the state to remain in compliance with its Maintenance of Effort requirements. The PTC rebate is currently used to meet MOE expenditure requirements. However, by converting the rebate to a tax credit, those PTC expenditures no longer exist. This means that other adult financial assistance programs will need to make up the foregone expenditures. The proposal assumes that the Old Age Pension

program and Aid to the Needy Disabled program would make up the difference to ensure MOE compliance.

The Old Age Pension program is constitutionally mandated and is continuously appropriated. The Aid to the Needy Disabled program is annually appropriated. In order to meet the MOE expenditure requirements, the Aid to the Needy Disabled program would require an increase of \$2.1 million General Fund to support the increased payments. Assuming recent caseload trends for the Aid to the Needy Disabled program, expenditure requirements will increase marginally over the next five to six years as caseload increases. Payments made through the Old Age Pension program are anticipated to grow as well; however, expenditures are anticipated to grow slower under the payments level method than the total expenditure method.

In order to implement the conversion of the rebate to a tax credit, the Department of Revenue will require additional resources. The request identifies \$100,000 for programming costs and \$78,194 for 1.0 FTE to provide customer assistance with accessing the new tax credit. The fiscal note for H.B. 24-1268 identifies \$158,403 General Fund and 1.6 FTE for FY 2025-26 to implement a partial PTC rebate-to-tax credit conversion, annualizing to \$88,350 General Fund and 1.1 FTE for FY 2026-27 and ongoing. Given the identification of ongoing appropriations for substantially similar work under H.B. 24-1268, which by practice are annualized into the budget in out years, staff does not believe additional FTE resources are necessary for the implementation of this request.

Background

Old Age Pension Program

The Old Age Pension (OAP) Program, authorized by the State Constitution (Section 1 of Article XXIV of the State Constitution), provides cash assistance to low-income individuals ages 60 and over. It is funded through excise and state sales taxes that are deposited into the OAP cash fund in lieu of the General Fund. The movement of revenue in the OAP is as follows:

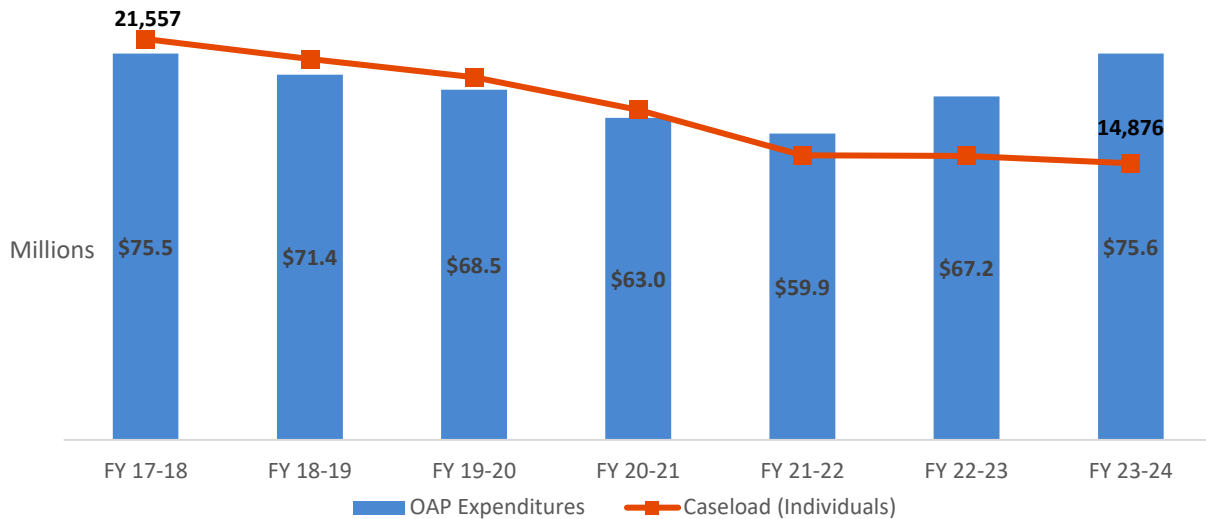
- 1 85.0 percent of net revenue from all excise taxes are deposited in the Old Age Pension Fund, which supports the basic minimum awards given through the pension program.
- 2 After basic minimum awards are funded, any remaining balance in the OAP Fund is transferred to the Stabilization Fund, which is required to maintain a \$5.0 million balance.
- 3 Once the Stabilization Fund is fully funded, the balance of the revenue is transferred to the Health and Medical Care Fund, which is required to maintain a balance of \$10.0 million.
- 4 The remaining revenue is transferred to the General Fund.

Program costs are driven by the size of the benefit (i.e., grant standard) and the number of qualified individuals. The General Assembly has limited control over OAP expenditures, as the state constitution guarantees the benefit, and grant amounts are set by the State Board of Human Services. The Long Bill appropriation, \$78.9 million cash funds in FY 2024-25, reflect anticipated expenditures and is shown for *informational purposes only*. Expenditures for the OAP Program are driven by cost-of-living (COLA) increases approved by the State Board of Human Services, caseload, and the grant standard. The Stabilization Fund, authorized by

Section 7 of Article XXIV of the State Constitution, is utilized to ensure the stability of basic minimum awards.

The OAP Program total caseload decreased to 14,876 in FY 2023-24, the lowest level in the past seven years. However, actual expenditures increased in FY 2023-24 to \$75.6 million due to federal expenditure requirements. The Maintenance of Effort agreement between the Social Security Administration and the State of Colorado (20 CFR 416 et seq.) requires spending at least the same amount in non-federal benefits to SSA-eligible individuals in the current year as the prior year. In Colorado, this includes recipients of Adult Financial assistance (i.e., Old Age Pension (OAP), Aid to the Needy Disabled-Colorado Supplement (AND-CS), and Home Care Allowance (HCA)) who receive Supplemental Security Income. Failure to comply with the terms of the MOE could jeopardize Medicaid Federal Financial Participation funds. Passing along the SSA cost of living adjustments to OAP benefits annually in January is an important component of meeting the MOE threshold. However, decreasing caseloads among Adult Financial programs typically requires the State to issue additional payments to OAP, AND, and/or HCA cases in order to meet the MOE obligation. The significant decrease in the HCA caseload and expenditures has widened the MOE gap and shifts more of the MOE burden to OAP.

Old Age Pension caseload continues to decline, though federal requirements have resulted in a recent increases in expenditures.



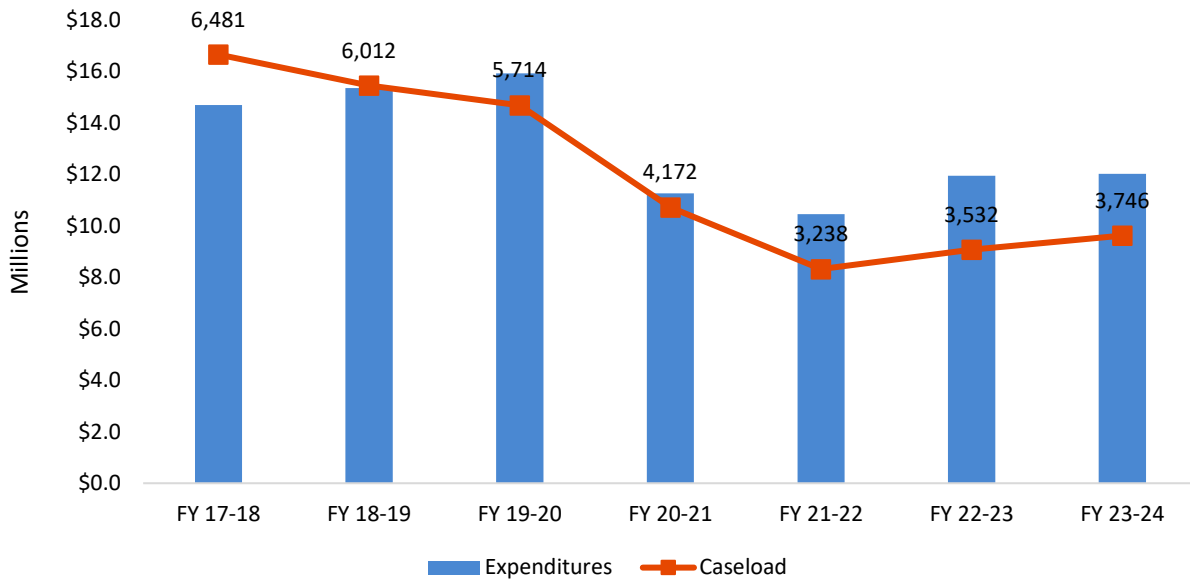
Aid to the Needy Disabled Program

The Aid to the Needy Disabled (AND) program provides cash assistance to low-income Coloradans with a disability lasting six months or longer that prevents them from working, as documented by a licensed physician. For some beneficiaries, these funds supplement federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. Other beneficiaries either do not qualify for federal SSI or have pending applications for federal SSI. Funding for this program is comprised of General Fund, county matching funds, and federal reimbursements for payments to

individuals who initially receive a state-only subsidy but are ultimately deemed eligible for federal SSI.

The Aid to the Blind program provides cash assistance to low-income Colorado residents, age 18 and over, who have at least a six-month total disability that precludes them from working, and who meet the Social Security definition of blindness. The caseload for AND has recovered slightly after a multi-year decline. This recovery, when considered in the context of this request, provides a level of assurance that the State will be able to meet its MOE requirements.

Aid to the Needy Disabled Program expenditures and caseloads are decreasing over time, but have recovered slightly since a low in FY 2021-22.



(2) Administration and Finance – 2 line items

The Administration and Finance budgetary section is responsible for developing and maintaining the major centralized computer systems of the Department, including systems that link to all 64 counties in the state. This section supports centralized databases, and provides support and training to users, including county staff and private social service providers.

This figure setting document addresses only two line items that are related to the Office of Economic Security and Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, but located in this budgetary subdivision.

Decision Items

None.

Line Item Detail

(D) Special Purpose

SNAP Quality Assurance

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Quality Assurance Unit (SNAPQA) is responsible for meeting the federal requirements that ensure accuracy and timeliness of the eligibility, benefits, and noticing for the SNAP program in Colorado. This line item appropriation is for the SNAPQA Unit.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-301 (1), C.R.S.

Administration and Finance, Special Purpose, SNAP Quality Assurance						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,351,559	\$653,706	\$0	\$0	\$697,853	15.3
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,351,559	\$653,706	\$0	\$0	\$697,853	15.3
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,351,559	\$653,706	\$0	\$0	\$697,853	15.3
Annualize prior year budget actions	100,133	40,465	0	0	59,668	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,451,692	\$694,171	\$0	\$0	\$757,521	15.3
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$100,133	\$40,465	\$0	\$0	\$59,668	0.0
Percentage Change	7.4%	6.2%	n/a	n/a	8.6%	0.0%

Administration and Finance, Special Purpose, SNAP Quality Assurance

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,451,692	\$694,171	\$0	\$0	\$757,521	15.3
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

2-1-1 Human Services Referral Service

This line item was created by H.B. 22-1315 (Colorado 2-1-1 Collaborative Funding) to provide appropriations for the administration and finance for grants for operational expenses related to the Colorado 2-1-1 Collaborative.

Statutory Authority: 29-11-203 (4)(a), C.R.S.

Administration and Finance, Special Purpose, 2-1-1 Human Services Referral Service

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,560,581	\$1,560,581	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,560,581	\$1,560,581	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,560,581	\$1,560,581	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,560,581	\$1,560,581	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,560,581	\$1,560,581	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0

(4) Office of Economic Security

The Office of Economic Security provides income, nutritional, and support services to assist families and individuals in need. The programs administered by this unit include Colorado Works, the Colorado implementation of the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), child support services and enforcement, Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP), which provides heating-bill assistance to needy families and individuals during the winter months, services for refugees, and disability determination services.

This office also provides the 64 county departments of human services with money to administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP; formerly known as food stamps) and a variety of smaller programs, including child support services and the Low-income Energy Assistance Program. Additionally, this section funds the County Tax Base Relief initiative to assist counties, with the highest social services needs and lowest property tax values, meet the obligation of the local match required by the state for certain public assistance programs. The Office is responsible for the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS), which is the computer system used to determine a citizen's eligibility for public assistance programs like Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and several others. CBMS is developed and maintained by the state for use by county social services departments and various medical assistance sites.

Office of Economic Security						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$549,058,325	\$96,113,868	\$147,817,423	\$7,720,309	\$297,406,725	182.7
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	\$640,419	\$326,024	\$326,893	-\$87,696	\$75,198	0.0
Other Legislation	\$5,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.3
Total FY 2024-25	\$554,698,744	\$99,439,892	\$150,144,316	\$7,632,613	\$297,481,923	184.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$554,698,744	\$99,439,892	\$150,144,316	\$7,632,613	\$297,481,923	184.0
R1 County public assistance resources	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
R14 Teen Parent Driver's License Program	-100,000	-100,000	0	0	0	0.0
R16 HCA reduction	-1,050,000	-1,000,000	-50,000	0	0	0.0
R17 Transitional Jobs Program reduction	-250,000	-250,000	0	0	0	0.0
BA3 NSLP fund source correction and cash fund waiver	100,000	0	100,000	0	0	0.0
Statewide BA1 SSA-MOE and PTC Rebate	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-3,537,413	-5,526,414	1,997,992	0	-8,991	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	2,413,047	1,109,514	107,120	10,410	1,186,003	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	886,636	0	4,195	157,710	724,731	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	700,761	147,706	-207,737	124,749	636,043	0.0
Centrally appropriated line items	100,527	0	500	24,686	75,341	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation	-7,716,327	180,000	0	240,000	-8,136,327	-9.8

Office of Economic Security						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Total FY 2025-26	\$546,245,975	\$94,000,698	\$152,096,386	\$8,190,168	\$291,958,723	174.2
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$8,452,769	-\$5,439,194	\$1,952,070	\$557,555	-\$5,523,200	-9.8
Percentage Change	-1.5%	-5.5%	1.3%	7.3%	-1.9%	-5.3%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$553,083,303	\$99,868,928	\$150,935,551	\$8,197,178	\$294,081,646	174.2
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$6,837,328	-\$5,868,230	\$1,160,835	-\$7,010	-\$2,122,923	0.0

Decision Items

→ R1 County public assistance resources

Request

The Department requests an increase of \$4.2 million total funds, including \$1.3 million General Fund, in FY 2025-26 and ongoing for county administration of public assistance programs, primarily the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Recommendation

Staff recommends denial of the request. With the concern regarding General Fund availability in the near-term, staff does not believe it advisable to recommend these ongoing increases. Additionally, staff has concerns regarding the underlying assumptions and calculations driving the timeliness, call center, and staffing adjustments identified in the S.B. 22-235 funding model.

Analysis

Senate Bill 22-235 (County Administration of Public Assistance Programs) requires the development and implementation of a funding model for the administration of public and medical assistance programs. This funding model is to be used to inform the funding of the administration of public and medical assistance programs in each county for FY 2025-26. The Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) and Human Services (DHS) completed and submitted this funding model on November 1, 2024.¹ For the Department of Human Services, the total cost of county administration is split 30/20/50 between state, county, and federal governments, respectively.

¹ Colorado Department of Human Services, *SB 22-235 County Administration Funding Model Final Report and Results of the Model*, Nov. 1, 2024, <https://drive.google.com/file/d/17ux2Hqg-3BWjqUzWPoGGvaApgTWt1sQn/view>.

County Administration Funding Model

The November 1, 2024 report regarding the county administration funding model for public and medical assistance programs provides a description of the processes for identifying and hiring the contractor responsible for developing the funding model and the process and methodology of the contractor in developing the funding model. The report discusses the stakeholder and engagement processes underpinning the collection of data and the approval of the funding model by the state and counties. Lastly, the report provides a summary of the base funding model, additional adjustments to the model, and assessed funding levels for HCPF and DHS.

The report cites research of similar administration models in six other states² to assess funding formulas and standards proved inconclusive. However, no funding model from another state will function as the basis for implementation of a funding model in Colorado. The development of the funding model uses 10 model counties: three large, four medium, and three small.³ The model counties are considered high performers whose inclusion helps to ensure the funding model promotes effective and efficient operations. However, the report notes that none of the model counties meet all state and federal performance indicators.

The development of the funding model uses workload data from 2023 taken from the Colorado Benefits Management System. The assessment of county workload and the time it takes eligibility technicians to process cases is extrapolated from a 2017 study authorized by S.B. 16-190 (Improve County Administration Public Assistance Programs), a JBC bill. The 2017 study provides the basis for a county-to-county comparison of workload and FTE ratios, but does not reflect the current time it takes to process cases. The report acknowledges this weakness.

The report outlines a five-step calculation for determining county administration funding.

- 5 County tasks x Time per task = Total eligibility work
- 6 County staff / Total eligibility work = Staff per eligibility work
- 7 Calculate average staff per eligibility work per small, medium, large counties = Average staff per eligibility by county size
- 8 Total eligibility work x Average staff per eligibility by county size = Staff for each county
- 9 Staff for each county x Salary per FTE/role = Funding need

In addition to the base funding calculation, the funding model includes increases for timeliness, accuracy, call center staffing, and salary funding for county eligibility technicians. The timeliness adjustment is to fund county efforts to meet federal requirements for processing time for Medicaid and SNAP applications and renewals. The accuracy adjustment provides funding to counties to improve Medicaid error rates and applies only to the HCPF funding allocation. The call center adjustment provides funding for an updated FTE-per-minute ratio that applies to all counties for call center or customer support staff; this funding is split evenly between HCPF and DHS. The salary adjustment funds compensation enhancements for eligibility technicians based on an annual salary of \$75,305. While the report provides a summary of each of these

² The six states are Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, and Oregon.

³ The ten counties are: Garfield, Ouray, Summit, Larimer, Boulder, Arapahoe, Fremont, Alamosa, Logan, and Yuma.

adjustments, it does not detail the data, assumptions, or calculations that underpin the identified costs of these additional elements.

The following tables summarizes the model results, the Department’s request, and staff’s recommendation. The Department requests 50.0 percent funding for each adjustment identified in the funding model.

County Administration Funding for Dept. of Human Services			
Adjustment	Model Results	Request	Recommendation
Base funding	\$1,340,462	\$670,231	\$0
Timeliness	3,603,630	1,801,815	0
Accuracy	0	0	0
Call center	2,009,613	1,004,807	0
Salaries	1,416,445	708,223	0
Subtotal	\$8,370,150	\$4,185,075	\$0
FY 2024-25 appropriation	100,319,500	100,319,500	100,319,500
Total	\$108,689,650	\$104,504,575	\$100,319,500

JBC Staff Assessment of Funding Model Adjustments

The funding adjustments included in the model for timeliness, call center staffing, and eligibility technicians provide the opportunity to isolate funding requirements for specific elements of public assistance administration by counties. The Department shared the spreadsheet tool developed for the funding model with JBC staff, which allowed for an evaluation of the assumptions and calculations underpinning the funding model results and the Department’s request. Through this evaluation, several assumptions and calculations drew concern from staff. Broadly, these concerns are about the ability to implement the specific adjustments to ensure fidelity with the funding model.

Timeliness Adjustment

The timeliness adjustment calculates county funding needs to meet processing timeliness standards for applications and renewals for the SNAP program. The federal government requires that households have the opportunity to participate in SNAP within seven days for expedited cases and 30 days for regular cases; the State must achieve 95.0 percent performance for meeting this standard. Currently, the State is under a Corrective Action Plan for application processing timeliness. The SNAP Corrective Action Plan and federal notice of non-compliance applies only to initial application processing timelines and not to renewals and redeterminations.

The funding adjustment for timeliness uses the 95.0 percent performance standard for both initial applications and renewals and redeterminations. The application of that performance standard to renewals and redeterminations exceed federal requirements. The effect of using the 95.0 percent performance standard for renewals and redeterminations is an increase in the funding for the timeliness adjustment. Their inclusion accounts for approximately 71.8 percent of the total adjustment.

Call Center Adjustment

The call center adjustment calculates the funding requirement to employ sufficient call center or customer service staff to support the calls that come in for the SNAP program. The

adjustment creates an updated FTE-per-minute ratio that is applied to all counties total workload to get a new FTE count for call center or customer support staff. The model identifies a need of 13.0 additional FTE across all counties for call center or customer support staff. The total funding for this adjustment is split 50/50 between the SNAP and Medicaid programs.

While the report indicates this adjustment is for call center or customer support staff, the modeling is based on an analysis only using call center staff. If the modeling were adjusted to account for the customer support staffing level of the sample counties, the funding adjustment would be reduced by approximately 12.8 percent. Additionally, the model uses call center volume data from the ten biggest counties, but only the staffing averages from the three large counties included in the study sample; staff wonders if this is the best method for modeling this adjustment. Lastly, the Department does not have a mechanism to ensure funding for this adjustment is actually applied to these specific staff. This opens the model to a risk that funding would be provided for, but not applied to, these county staff.

Salaries Adjustment

The salary adjustment calculates the funding necessary to create a baseline salary (\$75,305) for eligibility technicians across all counties. The study indicates that the disparity between eligibility technician compensation across counties, as well as the relatively low compensation for this position, impedes the ability of counties to hire and retain these critical staff. The base salary used in the funding model was agreed upon by both State and county representatives involved in the study, though the salary amount was generally agreed to be at the low end of the range for compensation.

Evaluating the salary adjustment assumptions and calculations show the identified amount is based on total county staffing costs, not just eligibility technician staffing costs. The salary adjustment is the sum, across all counties, of the difference between the current total base funding and the calculated base funding need. The base funding includes the costs of other FTE. Targeting this adjustment using only eligibility technician staffing costs would reduce the adjustment by approximately 35.0 percent. Additionally, the Department does not have a mechanism to ensure funding for this adjustment is actually applied to this specific staff. This opens the model to a risk that funding would be provided for, but not applied to, these county staff.

County Administration Funding History

The General Assembly provided a substantial increase to the base appropriation for the administration of public assistance program by counties in FY 2024-25. Since FY 2020-21, the appropriation for county administration of public assistance program has grown by \$23.7 million total funds, including \$7.3 million General Fund. In large part, this growth was the result of Committee taking proactive action to address county concerns regarding growing caseload and employee hiring and retention. The growth period also coincides with the COVID-19 pandemic and public health emergency, which saw a loosening of federal requirements for public assistance program renewals and redeterminations.

County Administration Funding History				
Fiscal Year	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Federal Funds
FY 2018-19	\$75,890,989	\$25,262,780	\$15,178,197	\$35,450,012
FY 2019-20	76,649,899	25,515,408	15,329,979	35,804,512
FY 2020-21	76,649,899	25,515,408	15,329,979	35,804,512
FY 2021-22	84,280,485	27,841,760	16,856,096	39,582,629
FY 2022-23	96,010,197	31,411,825	19,202,039	45,396,333
FY 2023-24	98,390,279	32,204,112	19,678,056	46,508,111
FY 2024-25	100,319,500	32,835,564	20,063,901	47,420,035
7-year rate of growth	32.2%	30.0%	32.2%	33.8%

Background

In addition to this funding model, pursuant to Section 26-1-121.5 (2)(c), C.R.S., the departments delivered an assessment and recommendations on best practices in the administration of public and medical assistance programs in states with a state-supervised, county-administered model on June 30, 2023.⁴ This assessment includes the identification of three “quick win” recommendations. These recommendations are:

- **create opportunities for state and county collaboration** to improve the communications and processes surrounding policy and case questions;
- **increase communication and collaboration between the DHS and HCPF** through regular meetings focused on how to best engage counties; and
- **align administrative requirements** across public and medical assistance programs to create operational efficiencies for counties.

In addition to the aforementioned recommendations, the June 30th report details six recommendations on best practices.

- 10 **Develop business process standards for public and medical assistance programs** for both HCPF and DHS to encourage consistency and equity in customer experience, and to reduce the barriers for counties to share work.
- 11 **Make work accessible and portable** through a single statewide document and work management system to allow counties to manage their work more efficiently.
- 12 Improve hiring and retention practices for eligibility workers by:
 - a Updating their classification from clerical to professional,
 - b Create a job classification series to improve career progression,
 - c Update pay ranges to promote statewide comparability, and
 - d Enable continuous recruitment and centralized online job posting.
- 13 **Optimize the Program Eligibility and Application Kit (PEAK)** software to improve its usability by eligibility workers and clients. PEAK is the client facing online portal for Coloradans to screen and apply for medical, food, and cash assistance programs.

⁴ Colorado Department of Human Services, *Assessing Best Practices in the Administration of Public and Medical Assistance Programs in Count-Administered States*, June 30, 2023, <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t5JJq1EgutkuMSGXQK9fpg46DZk4Mibv/view>.

- 14 **Improve policy documentation and dissemination** to ensure policies, regulations, and training materials are easily accessible to and understood by those using the materials.
- 15 **Continue with improvement to the current training model** to standardize both the materials created and the methods trainings are delivered to ensure consistency across counties.

Best Practices Fiscal Assessment

On November 1, 2023, the departments submitted the required fiscal assessment of the recommendations on best practices (Section 26-1-121.5 (2)(d), C.R.S).⁵ The November 1, 2023, fiscal assessment report itemizes the fiscal impact of three recommendations:

- improve policy dissemination and case review collaboration;
- service delivery standards; and
- training.

The report identifies the state staffing resources and cost estimates for each of these three elements. It is important to note that the cost estimates are a year old and intended to help HCPF and DHS *inform* any funding requests. In total the report identifies \$1.7 million total funds and 15.0 FTE across both departments; 50.0 percent of the total cost would be covered by federal funds due to cost sharing with the federal government. For HCPF, the assessment recommends \$994,852 total funds and 8.0 FTE. For DHS, the assessment recommends \$708,639 total funds and 7.0 FTE.

Fiscal Impacts as Identified in Nov. 1, 2023 Report			
	HCPF	DHS	Total
Policy Dissemination and Case Review Collaboration			
Total Funds	\$472,426	\$236,213	\$708,639
FTE	4.0	2.0	6.0
Service Delivery Standards			
Total Funds	255,514	255,514	511,028
FTE	2.0	3.0	5.0
Training			
Total Funds	216,912	216,912	433,823
FTE	2.0	2.0	4.0
Total	\$944,852	\$708,639	\$1,653,490
FTE	8.0	7.0	15.0

The assessment summarizes four other recommendations, but does not itemize their fiscal impact. These four additional recommendations align with the quick wins and best practices detailed in the June 30, 2023 report.

⁵ Colorado Department of Human Services, *Feasibility of Comprehensive Assessment of Public & Medical Assistance Programs*, Nov. 1, 2023, https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a7k3sFPGjncS52mu-F1fLSBfaT1JZ_l-/view.

→ R14 Teen Parent Driver’s License reduction

Request

The Department requests a reduction of \$100,000 General Fund to the Teen Parent Driver’s License Program in FY 2025-26 and ongoing. This proposal would eliminate funding for the program, while retaining the program’s statutory authorization.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the request.

Analysis

The Teen Parent Driver’s License Program was created by H.B. 22-1042 and has been appropriated \$100,000 in each of the two fiscal years since its creation. The program covers the cost of driver’s education training and the cost to obtain a driver’s license or permit for pregnant and parenting teens between the ages of 15 and 21 years old. The Department contracts with teen parent organizations to administer the program to serve eligible Colorado teens. Low program participation indicates that these services are not required at this time. The Department reports that in FY 2022-23 the program expended \$50,000 and in FY 2023-24 it expended \$66,131. Since its inception, the program has served 63 individuals with 26 receiving driver’s training, 37 obtaining a driver’s permit, and 26 obtaining a driver’s license.

→ R16 Home Care Allowance (HCA) reduction

Request

The Department requests a reduction of \$1,050,000 total funds, including \$1.0 million General Fund, in FY 2025-26 and ongoing to the Home Care Allowance program.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the request.

Analysis/Background

The Home Care Allowance (HCA) program provides financial assistance to disabled Coloradans, ages five years and older, to pay a home care provider for services. HCA can pay for an array of services to help clients with daily living activities (e.g. bathing, dressing, meal preparation, shopping) so they can remain in their homes. Eligibility is based on the client’s financial need (i.e. income and resources) and functional capacity. Functional capacity is determined through a standard assessment of the client’s ability to complete Activities of Daily Living (ADL) and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL) and the frequency that assistance is needed in completing those activities. Needed services are provided to clients by a home care provider of the client’s choice. The HCA program is administered by county departments and contracted

agencies, known as Single Entry Points (SEPs). SEPs are responsible for clients’ functional assessments and case management; counties are responsible for the financial eligibility determination.

Effective April 2022, the State Board of Human Services approved a rule change that makes the Home Care Allowance program a program of last resort for people with disabilities seeking home care services in order to divert them to more robust benefits available through other home care programs. The new rule requires SEPs to evaluate clients for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) functional eligibility before considering HCA eligibility. If the client is determined functionally eligible for HCBS (as determined through completion of a Long Term Care assessment), they are not eligible for HCA. This change intends to increase the level of services and enhance independence among disabled Coloradans by directing clients seeking home care services to more substantial, and partially federally-funded, Medicaid waiver services in lieu of the HCA program.

Home Care Allowance Caseload and Expenditure Data and Projections				
Fiscal Year	Caseload	General Fund Appropriation	General Fund Expenditure	General Fund Reversion
2021-22	1,235	\$8,218,473	\$8,059,514	-\$158,959
2022-23	479	8,218,473	3,372,429	-4,846,044
2023-24	77	8,218,473	432,878	-7,785,595
2024-25 ¹	70	1,850,370	393,525	-1,456,845
2025-26 ^{1,2}	70	850,370	393,525	-456,845

¹ Expenditure projections are assumed to be from the General Fund and are provided by the Department.

² General Fund appropriations reflect JBC staff recommendation.

This rule change is anticipated to decrease the HCA caseload up to 90.0 percent as existing clients transition to HCBS. The process will take time to phase-in, as existing HCA clients will remain on the program until their current eligibility period ends and their case is redetermined. Meanwhile, clients who are not eligible for HCBS can remain on the HCA caseload and new applicants who do not qualify for HCBS can receive HCA services.

→ R17 Transitional Jobs Program reduction

Request

The Department requests a reduction of \$250,000 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and ongoing to the Transitional Jobs Program (a.k.a., ReHire Colorado). The reduction will be accomplished through reductions to state administrative costs and renegotiating contractors’ budgets.

Recommendation

Staff recommends a reduction of \$251,250 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and ongoing to the Transitional Jobs Program. This reduction results in a Long Bill appropriation of \$2,609,078 General Fund and 2.0 FTE.

Analysis

The Department’s request is to reduce the Program’s budgeted caseload from 350 participants to 320 in FY 2025-26. This reduction would leave room for the program’s caseload to grow, as the current two-year caseload average is approximately 300 participants. Based on a program cost of \$7,375 per participant, the Department requests a reduction of \$220,000 General Fund to align with the caseload reduction. Further, the Department’s request a \$30,000 General Fund reduction to administrative costs, setting the administration appropriation at \$249,078.

The staff recommendation differs slightly from the request based on the calculated cost of the identified caseload. The per participant rate cited in the Department’s request is \$7,375. For a caseload of 320, the payments to the Local Area Contractors totals \$2,360,000. Accounting for the requested administrative appropriation of \$249,078, the total recommended appropriation for a caseload of 320 participants is \$2,609,078.

Transitional Jobs Program Reduction Assessment			
Element	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Recommendation	2-year average caseload
Clients served	350	320	300
Average cost per client	\$7,375	\$7,375	\$7,376
Local Area Contractors	\$2,581,250	\$2,360,000	\$2,212,800
State administration	279,078	249,078	221,280
Total	\$2,860,328	\$2,609,078	\$2,434,080
<i>Ongoing reduction</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>-\$251,250</i>	<i>-\$426,248</i>

If the Committee desires a greater reduction for this program, the caseload can be adjusted to the 2-year average and a commensurate reduction in state administration costs can be applied. In this case, staff has calculated the state administration costs at 10.0 percent of the caseload cost.

Background

The Transitional Jobs Program, created in Section 26-2-1103, C.R.S., has existed since FY 2013-14 to help low-income adults facing barriers to employment re-enter the workforce via wage-paid work, job skills training, and supportive services. In accordance with statute, the program prioritizes serving noncustodial parents, veterans, and displaced workers over the age of 50. General criteria for program eligibility includes being lawfully in the United States and a resident of Colorado, at least 18 years of age, have a household income less than 150 percent of the federal poverty level, and be unemployed or underemployed. Underemployment is defined as working no more than 20 hours per week for at least four consecutive weeks.

The program provides a tailored approach to help participants overcome significant barriers to employment prior to connecting them with subsidized employment opportunities. Since 2017 the program has served more than 3,000 Coloradans through partnerships among program vendors, employers, and training providers. The Department reports that program participants are 21.0 percent more likely to work in formal employment and earn an average of \$345 more each quarter than non-program participants. The program is run through Local Area Contractors (LACs) who operate the program in communities, including recruiting employers

and participants, job coaching, case management, and reporting to the Department. This model enables the services to be customized to communities' unique labor market needs.

During the 2023 legislative session, the Joint Budget Committee sponsored, and the General Assembly passed, S.B. 23-226 (Extending Transitional Jobs Program) to allow the program to continue operations through FY 2029-30. The program has been appropriated \$2.9 million General Fund annually since FY 2023-24. The reduction proposed in this analysis would bring the program back to a level of funding commensurate with its FY 2022-23 appropriation.

→ BA3 NSLP fund source correction and cash fund waiver

Request

The Department requests an increase of \$300,000 cash funds from the Food Distribution Program Service Fund to rent delivery trucks for the administration of the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, the Department and the Office of State Planning and Budgeting request the Committee grant a cash fund waiver, pursuant to Section 24-75-402 (8), C.R.S., for the Food Distribution Program Service Fund.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the increase in cash fund appropriations from the Food Distribution Program Service Fund; however, staff notes that the Food Distribution Program Service Fund is continuously appropriated pursuant to Section 26-1-121 (4)(b), C.R.S., and is shown in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

Staff recommends denial of the cash fund waiver request.

Analysis

National School Lunch Program Fund Source Correction

The Department acknowledges that the Food Distribution Program Service Fund is continuously appropriated pursuant to Section 26-1-121 (4)(b), C.R.S., and that this request was submitted to ensure transparency in the budgeting process. Federal law requires states to provide safe, consistent food resources for school districts and child care providers. The Department is responsible for receiving, storing, and distributing \$20.0 million of commodities to about 230 public and private K-12 schools and child care centers, throughout the State, that participates in the NSLP. The commodities are purchased using federal funds from Colorado's federal entitlement. Nutrition directors from participating institutions select frozen and shelf-stable foods from a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) catalog of foods. These commodities equate to about \$0.20 per meal of food value, which represents significant saving to institutions feeding Colorado children.

This request is related to a FY 2021-22 request (R5) in which the Department anticipated purchasing trucks to deliver USDA foods statewide using available federal funds reallocated from other states. Specifically, the Department proposed using \$425,000 federal funds to

purchase two food delivery trucks before June 30, 2022 to accommodate both long- and short-haul deliveries throughout Colorado. However, amid the pandemic and ensuing supply chain issues, the Department has not been able to acquire the delivery trucks. The proposed solution is to enter into a long-term contract for delivery trucks, while awaiting receipt of the delivery trucks that are being built to program specifications. The contracted trucks enable the program to deliver the USDA commodities to school districts across Colorado, including many rural school districts that rely on these deliveries for 20.0 percent of their school food budget.

Cash Fund Waiver

Cash funds are subject to reserve requirements detailed in Section 24-75-402, C.R.S. The current statutory reserve requirement is 16.5 percent of a cash fund's fiscal year expenditures. This requirement is applied to a fund's uncommitted reserve balance, excluding any long-term assets, amounts associated with multi-year appropriations (e.g., capital construction), nonmonetary assets, and revenue from non-fee sources. Waivers are generally considered and granted for cash funds that have excess uncommitted reserves for three or more fiscal years in a row because cash funds that meet this criterion are subject to a spending restriction place by the State Controller, pursuant to Section 24-75-402 (12), C.R.S. The Joint Budget Committee may grant a cash fund waiver to temporarily exempting a cash fund from the statutory maximum reserve or set an alternative maximum reserve.

The Office of the State Auditor identified the Food Distribution Program Service Fund as being out of compliance with the excess uncommitted reserve requirement for FY 2023-24.⁶ The State Auditor reports that the Food Distribution Program Service Fund began FY 2024-25 with an excess uncommitted reserve of \$62,790. This was the first year the fund fell out of compliance since FY 2012-13. As FY 2023-24 is the first year for which the fund is out of compliance with statute, the Department has two more fiscal years to address this excess reserve through fee reductions, increasing expenditures, or both, before any adverse action is taken by the State Controller.

The Food Distribution Program Service Fund is continuously appropriated and the Department recently entered into multi-year contract with a truck rental agency for the provision of delivery trucks. This multi-year contract makes a large encumbrance on the cash fund. Accordingly, the Department anticipates the cash fund will continue to make positive progress towards compliance year over year. JBC staff will monitor this fund and its reserve, and will make recommendations in accordance with the findings of the State Auditor's annual report. At this time, a cash fund waiver of the excess uncommitted reserves is not necessary or warranted.

⁶ Colorado Office of the State Auditor, *Cash Funds Uncommitted Reserves Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*, November 2024, pg. 20-21, <https://leg.colorado.gov/audits/cash-funds-uncommitted-reserves-fiscal-year-ended-june-30-2024>.

→ Staff-initiated Office of Economic Security budget reductions

Recommendation

Staff recommends the following reductions in the Office of Economic Security:

- \$2.0 million General Fund from *Food Assistance Grant Programs*;
- \$1.0 million General Fund from the *Colorado Diaper Distribution Program*;
- \$400,000 General Fund from *Child Support Payment Pass-through Reimbursements*;
- \$106,326 General Fund from *Home Care Allowance SEP Contracts*; and
- \$31,087 total funds, including \$20,088 General Fund, from program cost and administration line items.

Further, staff recommends a one-time refinance of \$2.0 million General Fund with an equivalent amount of TANF reserves from the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve.

Analysis/Background

During the briefing for the Department of Human Services' Office of Economic Security on December 4, 2024, JBC staff presented several preliminary budget balancing options for consideration by the Committee. In the January 2, 2025 budget transmittal letter, the Office of State Planning and Budgeting provided a list of those options with which they agreed would be acceptable for implementation. The following balancing options are a reflection of these agreed upon expenditure reductions.

Food Assistance Grant Programs

Description: A reduction to the Community Food Assistance Provider Grant Program of \$2.0 million General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The Community Food Assistance Provider Grant Program, which provides grants to food pantries and food banks, was created by H.B. 24-1407 and merged two separate food assistance grant programs. The bill was sponsored by the JBC.

Additional background: The JBC staff FY 2024-25 figure setting recommendation for funding the Community Food Assistance Provider Grant Program was \$3.0 million General Fund for five years. The funding for the grant program is at the complete discretion of the General Assembly.

Diaper Distribution Program

Description: A reduction to the Colorado Diaper Distribution Program of \$1.0 million General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The Colorado Diaper Distribution Program was created in by S.B. 21-027, and codified in Section 26-2-140, C.R.S., and provides funding to diaper distribution centers for the purchase of diapering essentials.

Additional background: Section 26-2-140 (6), C.R.S., directed the General Assembly to appropriate \$2.0 million General Fund in FY 2021-22, but is silent regarding ongoing funding

requirements. The Department may use up to 7.5 percent of any appropriation for administrative costs associated with the program. The funding for the program is at the complete discretion of the General Assembly.

Child Support Payment Pass-through

Description: A reduction to the Child Support Payment Pass-through line item of \$400,000 General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction sets the appropriation for child support payment pass-through at approximately 90.0 percent of full funding for the program.

Additional background: In 2015, the General Assembly passed S.B. 15-012 (Colorado Works Pass-through Child Support Payment) to implement a full child support pass-through program. This legislation changed state policy to allow the full amount of child support payments made on behalf of children whose family received monthly cash assistance through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program to go directly to those children and families. Previously, the State, on behalf of the federal government, and counties retained a portion of the child support payments to recover the cost of providing public assistance.

A provision of the current policy allows for reimbursement of counties “for fifty percent of child support collections and the federal government for its share of child support collections” that would have otherwise been siphoned from the child support payments. An additional provision provides for the reinstatement of the partial pass-through of child support in the event that the General Assembly does not appropriate at least 90.0 percent of a fiscal year’s reimbursements. (Section 26-2-108 (1)(b)(II)(B), C.R.S.)

Home Care Allowance Contract Reduction

Description: A reduction to the Home Care Allowance single entry point contracts of \$106,326 General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The option is a 10.0 percent reduction to current appropriations and is based on reversions reported in FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24.

Additional background: Effective April 2022, the State Board of Human Services approved a rule change that makes the Home Care Allowance program a program of last resort for people with disabilities seeking home care services in order to divert them to more robust benefits available through other home care programs. This rule change is anticipated to decrease the Home Care Allowance caseload up to 90.0 percent.

Office of Economic Security (OES) Administration Costs Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to various administrative line items in the Office of Economic Security of \$31,087 total funds, including \$20,088 General Fund, starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction is calculated at 1.0 percent of FY 2024-25 appropriations for various administrative line items. The 1.0 percent target was chosen by staff for ease of scaling.

TANF refinance of General Fund for Basic Cash Assistance

Description: A refinance of \$2.0 million General Fund with an equal amount of federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families dollars for increase in basic cash assistance expenditures.

Key Considerations: The reduction recommended as a one-time balancing solution, to be reevaluated on an annual basis. This options accelerates the use of unappropriated TANF funds and could lead to triggering the statutory requirement to backfill the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve.

Additional background: The Colorado Long-term Works Reserve, created in Section 26-2-721 (1), C.R.S., consists of unappropriated Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds, state General Fund, and other money transferred to the Reserve pursuant to statute. Section 26-2-709 (1)(b)(III and IV), C.R.S., establishes a minimum reserve for the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve of 25.0 percent of the annual TANF Block Grant award, which equals \$33.9 million for FY 2024-25. If the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve falls below this balance, either excess county TANF reserves or the state General Fund must backfill the Reserve.

Line Item Detail

(A) Administration

Administration

This line item supports the base salary, state PERA contributions, and contracts for program managers and administrative oversight. This line item funds the operating expenses of the Office. Common operating expenses include postage, equipment maintenance, and in-state travel.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-201 (d)(v)(w), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Administration, OES Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,471,243	\$500,864	\$71,320	\$0	\$899,059	4.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,471,243	\$500,864	\$71,320	\$0	\$899,059	4.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,471,243	\$500,864	\$71,320	\$0	\$899,059	4.0
Annualize prior year legislation	600,000	180,000	0	240,000	180,000	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	36,238	36,238	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-24,416	-14,712	-713	0	-8,991	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,083,065	\$702,390	\$70,607	\$240,000	\$1,070,068	4.0

Office of Economic Security, Administration, OES Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$611,822	\$201,526	-\$713	\$240,000	\$171,009	0.0
Percentage Change	41.6%	40.2%	-1.0%	n/a	19.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,107,481	\$717,102	\$71,320	\$240,000	\$1,079,059	4.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$24,416	-\$14,712	-\$713	\$0	-\$8,991	0.0

(B) Colorado Benefits Management System

(1) Ongoing Expenses

Personal Services

This line item provides funding for employees' salaries and wages, as well as the associated state contribution to the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and the state share of federal Medicare taxes, for staff supporting the operations and maintenance of the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS). This money is transferred to the Governor’s Office of Information Technology where the staff members are employed.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-112, 26-1-118, 26-1-121, 24-37.5-109, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Personal Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,009,671	\$455,572	\$70,162	\$0	\$483,937	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,009,671	\$455,572	\$70,162	\$0	\$483,937	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,009,671	\$455,572	\$70,162	\$0	\$483,937	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	-121,434	-57,268	0	0	-64,166	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$888,237	\$398,304	\$70,162	\$0	\$419,771	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$121,434	-\$57,268	\$0	\$0	-\$64,166	0.0
Percentage Change	-12.0%	-12.6%	0.0%	n/a	-13.3%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$888,237	\$398,304	\$70,162	\$0	\$419,771	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Centrally Appropriated Items

This line item provides funding for employees' centrally appropriated benefits (health, life, and dental, salary survey, etc.) for staff supporting the operations and maintenance of the CBMS. This money is transferred to the Governor’s Office of Information Technology where the staff members are employed.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-112, 26-1-118, 26-1-121, 24-37.5-109, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Centrally Appropriated Items

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$117,046	\$52,812	\$8,134	\$0	\$56,100	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$117,046	\$52,812	\$8,134	\$0	\$56,100	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$117,046	\$52,812	\$8,134	\$0	\$56,100	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$117,046	\$52,812	\$8,134	\$0	\$56,100	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$117,046	\$52,812	\$8,134	\$0	\$56,100	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Operating and Contract Expenses

This line item provides funding for the operating and contract expenses associated with the operation of CBMS. Contracts are awarded to vendors for maintenance, operation, and enhancements to CBMS. The money is transferred to the Governor’s Office of Information Technology.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-112, 26-1-118, 26-1-121, 24-37.5-109, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Operating and Contract Expenses

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$26,400,697	\$12,525,654	\$711,225	\$27,544	\$13,136,274	0.0
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	\$697,541	\$326,024	\$28,669	\$0	\$342,848	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$27,098,238	\$12,851,678	\$739,894	\$27,544	\$13,479,122	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$27,098,238	\$12,851,678	\$739,894	\$27,544	\$13,479,122	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	2,472,938	1,157,818	106,088	0	1,209,032	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	-697,541	-326,024	-28,669	0	-342,848	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$28,873,635	\$13,683,472	\$817,313	\$27,544	\$14,345,306	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$1,775,397	\$831,794	\$77,419	\$0	\$866,184	0.0
Percentage Change	6.6%	6.5%	10.5%	0.0%	6.4%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$28,873,635	\$13,683,472	\$817,313	\$27,544	\$14,345,306	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

CBMS Emergency Processing Unit

The initial deployment of the Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS) was contested in court. The court allowed the deployment to go forward, but issued a temporary order that

required the State to meet several conditions. An emergency processing unit (EPU) to support benefit applicants was created to meet one of the conditions. Continued operation of the EPU was included in a subsequent agreement between plaintiffs and the state during negotiations toward a settlement of the lawsuit, and is part of the final order that was issued when the case was settled. The unit was initially staffed with contract workers, but those positions were converted to state employees when it became clear that the function would be ongoing.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-112, 26-1-118, and 26-1-121, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, CBMS Emergency Processing Unit						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$255,296	\$92,256	\$0	\$0	\$163,040	4.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$255,296	\$92,256	\$0	\$0	\$163,040	4.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$255,296	\$92,256	\$0	\$0	\$163,040	4.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	3,574	3,574	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$258,870	\$95,830	\$0	\$0	\$163,040	4.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$3,574	\$3,574	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	1.4%	3.9%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$258,870	\$95,830	\$0	\$0	\$163,040	4.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(2) Special Projects

Health Care and Economic Security Staff Development Center

This line item provides personal services and operating expenses funding for 11.0 FTE who staff the Health Care and Economic Security Staff Development Center, established via H.B. 12-1339 (Colorado Benefits Management System Project). The Staff Development Center is the training connection between the Department of Human Services, the Department of Health Care Policy and Finance, and the Governor’s Office of Information Technology to the 64 county departments of social/human Services. Note, in addition to the 11.0 FTE funded by the Department of Human Services, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing funds an additional 11.0 FTE for the Center.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-112, 26-1-118, 26-1-121, 24-37.5-109, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Health Care and Economic Security Staff Development Center						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						

Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Health Care and Economic Security
Staff Development Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$771,879	\$260,601	\$42,556	\$167,924	\$300,798	13.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$771,879	\$260,601	\$42,556	\$167,924	\$300,798	13.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$771,879	\$260,601	\$42,556	\$167,924	\$300,798	13.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	37,246	23,836	1,708	594	11,108	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	19,146	8,964	821	0	9,361	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$828,271	\$293,401	\$45,085	\$168,518	\$321,267	13.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$56,392	\$32,800	\$2,529	\$594	\$20,469	0.0
Percentage Change	7.3%	12.6%	5.9%	0.4%	6.8%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$828,271	\$293,401	\$45,085	\$168,518	\$321,267	13.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(C) Employment and Benefits Division

(1) Administration

Administration

This line item supports the base salary, state PERA contributions, and contracts for program managers and administrative oversight. This line item funds the operating expenses of the Office. Common operating expenses include postage, equipment maintenance, and in-state travel.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-201 (d)(v)(w), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Administration, Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$4,538,455	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,538,455	23.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$4,538,455	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,538,455	23.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$4,538,455	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,538,455	23.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	163,163	0	0	0	163,163	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$4,701,618	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,701,618	23.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$163,163	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$163,163	0.0
Percentage Change	3.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.6%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$4,701,618	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,701,618	23.0

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Administration, Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(2) Colorado Works Program

County Block Grants

This line item provides funding to county departments of social services to administer the Colorado Works Program. Counties have the flexibility to use the funds for administration or program needs and to transfer up to 30 percent of funds to child welfare and child care programs. The allocation of funds among the counties is based on demographic and economic factors and is determined by the Department based on input from the Colorado Works Allocation Committee. Pursuant to Section 26-2-714, C.R.S., if the Department and the Colorado Works Allocation Committee do not reach agreement on allocations, alternatives are submitted to the Joint Budget Committee, which makes the final allocation determination.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-701 et. seq., C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Block Grants						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$172,816,036	\$14,886,272	\$25,833,887	\$0	\$132,095,877	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$172,816,036	\$14,886,272	\$25,833,887	\$0	\$132,095,877	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$172,816,036	\$14,886,272	\$25,833,887	\$0	\$132,095,877	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	0	-2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$172,816,036	\$12,886,272	\$27,833,887	\$0	\$132,095,877	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	-\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	-13.4%	7.7%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	-\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0

County Training

This line item funds training for case workers so that they are knowledgeable and may assist TANF participants in the following statutorily-mandated functions:

- Identifying goals, including work activities, time frames for achieving self-sufficiency, and the means required to meet these benchmarks;
- Obtaining supportive services such as mental health counseling, substance abuse counseling, life skills training, and money management or parenting classes;

- Providing ongoing support and assistance to the family in overcoming barriers to training and employment;
- Monitoring the progress of the family toward attaining self-sufficiency; and
- Addressing domestic violence situations.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-712 (7), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Training						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$430,092	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$430,092	2.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$430,092	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$430,092	2.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$430,092	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$430,092	2.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	2,585	0	0	0	2,585	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$432,677	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$432,677	2.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$2,585	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,585	0.0
Percentage Change	0.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.6%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$432,677	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$432,677	2.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Works Program Evaluation

This line item funds the ongoing evaluation of the Colorado Works program. This includes costs associated with collecting data on existing TANF participants and follow-up data about TANF participants after they leave the program, software licensing, and contracts with external evaluators to conduct specific analyses.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-723, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, Works Program Evaluation						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$495,440	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$495,440	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$495,440	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$495,440	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$495,440	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$495,440	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$495,440	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$495,440	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$495,440	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$495,440	0.0

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, Works Program Evaluation

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(3) Other Employment-focused Programs

Workforce Development Council

This line item represents the Department's share of funding for the Workforce Development Council managed by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment. The Council serves as the state's "work force investment board," as required under the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, and is responsible for statewide planning and coordination in the delivery of federal workforce development programs and associated federal block grant moneys received. The Council is required to develop and submit to the U.S. Department of Labor a statewide plan for workforce development, which coordinates federal, state, and local workforce development programs. The Council performs support functions and activities related to the eighteen workforce development centers throughout the state, which provide services to individuals seeking employment (including TANF participants).

Statutory Authority: Section 24-46.3-101, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Workforce Development Council

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$111,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,211	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$111,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,211	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$111,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,211	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$111,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,211	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$111,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$111,211	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Transitional Jobs Program

This line item funds the ReHire Colorado program created via H.B. 13-1004 (Colorado Careers Act Of 2013) and extended via H.B. 14-1015 (Extend Transitional Jobs Program) and H.B. 16-1290 (Extend Transitional Jobs Program) to provide unemployed and underemployed adults an opportunity to experientially learn, model, and practice successful workplace behaviors that help them to obtain long-term unsubsidized employment. Funds appropriated in this line item

are used to reimburse employers for wage-related costs, make payments to local agency contractors, and for staffing and administrative costs.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-1101 et seq., C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Transitional Jobs Programs						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,854,895	\$2,854,895	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,854,895	\$2,854,895	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,854,895	\$2,854,895	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	5,358	5,358	0	0	0	0.0
R17 Transitional Jobs Program reduction	-250,000	-250,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,610,253	\$2,610,253	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$244,642	-\$244,642	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-8.6%	-8.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,610,253	\$2,610,253	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Child Support Services Program

This line item provides funding for the Child Support Employment Pilot Program established in FY 2019-20. This evidence-based program aims to create a multi-year pilot program to provide employment services to low-income, non-custodial parents (NCPs). From FY 2023-24 through FY 2026-27, the Department plans to provide employment services to at least 300 low-income, non-custodial parents through the program. Recipients will receive a wide array of services in the areas of employment, supportive services related to employment, and workshops tailored to strengthening family stability and relationships. The Department reports that program participants between March 2021 and May 2022 averaged monthly child support obligations of \$450 and average child support arrears balances of \$14,617. Among those referred for services, 60.2 percent (106 of 176) engaged in services to increase monthly child support payments, enhance employment outcomes, and improve parent-child relationships.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-706 (1)(d), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Child Support Services Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,149,064	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,149,064	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,149,064	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,149,064	1.0

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Child Support Services Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,149,064	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,149,064	1.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	4,584	0	0	0	4,584	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,153,648	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,153,648	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$4,584	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,584	0.0
Percentage Change	0.4%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.4%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,153,648	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,153,648	1.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Food Stamp Job Search Units - Program Costs

This line item funds the personal services and operating expenses for the employment, job search, and training services associated with the Employment First program. Employment First is a federally-mandated program designed to ensure that all able-bodied food assistance participants are engaged in activities that will improve their ability to achieve long term employment. All individuals who apply for food assistance in Colorado, and who do not meet federal exemption criteria, must participate in Employment First activities. If individuals do not meet the work requirement, they are limited to three months of food assistance benefits in any 36-month period. Work is defined as work, workfare, or an educational activity (adult basic education, GED preparation, college courses, vocational training, vocational rehabilitation, or job search classes).

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-301 through 306, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Food Stamp Job Search Units - Program Costs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,147,123	\$204,297	\$413,436	\$0	\$1,529,390	6.2
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,147,123	\$204,297	\$413,436	\$0	\$1,529,390	6.2
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,147,123	\$204,297	\$413,436	\$0	\$1,529,390	6.2
Annualize prior year budget actions	22,584	8,734	0	0	13,850	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,169,707	\$213,031	\$413,436	\$0	\$1,543,240	6.2
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$22,584	\$8,734	\$0	\$0	\$13,850	0.0
Percentage Change	1.1%	4.3%	0.0%	n/a	0.9%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,169,707	\$213,031	\$413,436	\$0	\$1,543,240	6.2
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Food Stamp Job Search Units – Supportive Services

This line item funds the provision of supportive services to eligible Employment First participants. Services include transportation assistance, clothing and grooming allowances, and childcare services.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-301 through 306, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Food Stamp Job Search Units - Supportive Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$261,452	\$78,435	\$52,291	\$0	\$130,726	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$261,452	\$78,435	\$52,291	\$0	\$130,726	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$261,452	\$78,435	\$52,291	\$0	\$130,726	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$261,452	\$78,435	\$52,291	\$0	\$130,726	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$261,452	\$78,435	\$52,291	\$0	\$130,726	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Employment Opportunities with Wages Program

This line item funds the Employment Opportunities with Wages Program (pilot) created via S.B. 17-292 to assist individuals receiving public assistance through the state's implementation of the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, known as Colorado Works, in attaining permanent jobs paying a living wage.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-706.6 (4)(a)(I) and 26-2-706.6 (9), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs, Employment Opportunities With Wages Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs,
Employment Opportunities With Wages Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Refugee Assistance

This line item funds the Colorado Refugee Services Program, which helps refugees become self-sufficient and adjust to living in the United States. The program is funded through a combination of federal funds from the Office of Refugee Resettlement (custodial funds included in the Long Bill for informational purposes) and federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families block grant funds that are appropriated by the General Assembly for services to TANF-eligible refugee families.

The TANF component of this line item provides for refugee social services analogous to the refugee social services funded by the Office of Refugee Resettlement, including pre-employment training, English as a second language (ESL) classes, transportation and child care (to enable refugees to attend pre-employment training and ESL classes), and case management services, which are contracted with refugee resettlement agencies.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-703, C.R.S. and Title 8, U.S.C., Chapter 14, Subchapter I, Sections 1612 and 1613

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Other Employment-focused Programs,
Refugee Assistance

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$11,140,350	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,140,350	10.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$11,140,350	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,140,350	10.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$11,140,350	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,140,350	10.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	121,714	0	0	0	121,714	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation	-8,316,327	0	0	0	-8,316,327	-10.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,945,737	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,945,737	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$8,194,613	\$0	\$0	\$0	-\$8,194,613	-10.0
Percentage Change	-73.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	-73.6%	-100.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,945,737	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,945,737	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Teen Parent Driver’s License Program

This line item was created by H.B. 22-1042 (Teen Parent Driving Instruction Course) creates the Teen Parent Driver's License Program to provide financial assistance for the cost of driver's education school training for eligible individuals and the cost to obtain a driver's license or permit. A person is eligible for the program if the person is a parent and 15 years of age or older and under 21 years of age.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-142, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Teen Parent Driver's License Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
R14 Teen Parent Driver’s License Program	-100,000	-100,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$100,000	-\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-100.0%	-100.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(4) Adult Financial Programs

Program Administration

This line item supports the base salary, state PERA contributions, and contracts for program managers and administrative oversight. This line item funds the operating expenses of the Office. Common operating expenses include postage, equipment maintenance, and in-state travel.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 106, 108, 110, 111.8, 119, 120, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Program Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$537,573	\$408,023	\$129,550	\$0	\$0	6.9
Total FY 2024-25	\$537,573	\$408,023	\$129,550	\$0	\$0	6.9
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Program Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$537,573	\$408,023	\$129,550	\$0	\$0	6.9
Annualize prior year budget actions	24,246	24,246	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-6,671	-5,376	-1,295	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$555,148	\$426,893	\$128,255	\$0	\$0	6.9
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$17,575	\$18,870	-\$1,295	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	3.3%	4.6%	-1.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$561,819	\$432,269	\$129,550	\$0	\$0	6.9
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$6,671	-\$5,376	-\$1,295	\$0	\$0	0.0

Cash Assistance Program

The Old Age Pension (OAP) Program, authorized by the State Constitution, provides cash assistance to low-income individuals ages 60 and over. It is funded through excise and state sales taxes which are deposited in the OAP cash fund in lieu of the General Fund (technically, all money is first deposited in the OAP cash fund and then all excess money is deposited in the General Fund). Costs for this program are driven by the size of the benefit and the number of qualified individuals. The General Assembly has limited control over OAP expenditures, as benefit levels are set by the State Board of Human Services. The funds are continuously appropriated by the State Constitution. The Long Bill appropriation reflects anticipated expenditures and is shown for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 111, 111.5, 111.8, 113-117, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Cash Assistance Programs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$78,905,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Refunds

This line item provides an offset to cash assistance program expenditures through the refunds of overpayments or payments made to ineligible clients. These collections are used to offset OAP Cash Assistance expenditures. The Long Bill appropriation reflects anticipated expenditures and is shown for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 111, 111.5, 111.8, 113-117, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Refunds						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$588,362	\$0	\$588,362	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$588,362	\$0	\$588,362	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$588,362	\$0	\$588,362	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$588,362	\$0	\$588,362	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$588,362	\$0	\$588,362	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

OAP Burial Reimbursements

This line item funds reimbursements of burial expenses for eligible OAP recipients, OAP Home Care Allowance recipients, or persons who are age 60 or older and are receiving Medicaid. The maximum burial payment is \$1,500. The Long Bill appropriation reflects anticipated expenditures and is shown for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-129, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, OAP Burial Reimbursements						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$918,364	\$0	\$918,364	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$918,364	\$0	\$918,364	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$918,364	\$0	\$918,364	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$918,364	\$0	\$918,364	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, OAP Burial Reimbursements

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$918,364	\$0	\$918,364	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

State Administration

This line item provides funds the administrative-related activities incurred by the state in implementing the OAP program. Expenditures are for personal services and operating expenses for the management of programs funded with OAP cash funds. The Long Bill appropriation reflects anticipated expenditures and is shown for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 111, 111.5, 111.8, 113-117, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, State Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$552,817	\$0	\$552,817	\$0	\$0	3.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$552,817	\$0	\$552,817	\$0	\$0	3.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$552,817	\$0	\$552,817	\$0	\$0	3.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	84,245	0	84,245	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$637,062	\$0	\$637,062	\$0	\$0	3.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$84,245	\$0	\$84,245	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	15.2%	n/a	15.2%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$637,062	\$0	\$637,062	\$0	\$0	3.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

County Administration

This line item funds the county costs of administering the OAP program. The Long Bill appropriation reflects anticipated expenditures and is shown for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 111, 111.5, 111.8, 113-117, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, County Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$0	0.0

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, County Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$2,566,974	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Administration - Home Care Allowance SEP Program

This line item funds the payment to Single Entry Point (SEP) contractors who assess individuals' eligibility, based on functional need, for the Home Care Allowance program. The money appropriated is based on a fixed annual payment to each contractor.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-114, 26-2-119, 26-2-120 and 26-2-122.3, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Administration - Home Care Allowance SEP Contract

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,063,259	\$1,063,259	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,063,259	\$1,063,259	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,063,259	\$1,063,259	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-106,326	-106,326	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$956,933	\$956,933	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$106,326	-\$106,326	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-10.0%	-10.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,063,259	\$1,063,259	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$106,326	-\$106,326	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Aid to the Needy Disabled Programs

The Aid to the Needy Disabled (AND) program provides cash assistance for low-income individuals with disabilities. For some beneficiaries, these funds supplement federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. Other beneficiaries either do not qualify for federal SSI or have pending applications for federal SSI. Funding for this program is comprised

of General Fund, county matching funds, and federal reimbursements for payments to individuals who initially receive a state-only subsidy, but are ultimately deemed eligible for federal SSI.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-104, 106, 108, 110, 111.8, 119, 120, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Aid to the Needy Disabled Programs						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$13,394,238	\$7,654,065	\$5,740,173	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$13,394,238	\$7,654,065	\$5,740,173	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$13,394,238	\$7,654,065	\$5,740,173	\$0	\$0	0.0
Statewide BA1 SSA-MOE and PTC Rebate	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$13,394,238	\$7,654,065	\$5,740,173	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$15,480,532	\$9,740,359	\$5,740,173	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$2,086,294	-\$2,086,294	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Stable Housing for Survivors of Domestic or Sexual Violence Program

House Bill 24-1431 (Stable Housing for Survivors of Abuse Program) creates the Stable Housing for Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence Program in the Department of Human Services. By January 1, 2025, the CDHS is required to contract with community-based organizations to distribute short-term assistance payments to survivors of abuse for stable housing. Recipients must also be eligible for assistance provided by the Colorado Works Program. Funding for the program is from the Colorado Long-term Works Reserve, which derives its revenue from unspent federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families dollars.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-726, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Stable Housing for Survivors of Domestic or Sexual Violence Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
Other Legislation	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.3
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.3
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.3
Annualize prior year legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0.2

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Stable Housing for Survivors of Domestic or Sexual Violence Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	15.4%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	1.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Other Burial Reimbursements

This line item provides funding in an amount up to \$1,000 to help defray the costs of burial expenses for Aid to the Needy Disabled/Aid to the Blind recipients. Of this amount, the state pays 80.0 percent and counties pay 20.0 percent.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-129, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Other Burial Reimbursements

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$508,000	\$402,985	\$105,015	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$508,000	\$402,985	\$105,015	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$508,000	\$402,985	\$105,015	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$508,000	\$402,985	\$105,015	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$508,000	\$402,985	\$105,015	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Home Care Allowance

The Home Care Allowance (HCA) is a cash assistance program for individuals that need help in daily living to prevent nursing home placement. There are three categories of HCA, determined by the level of personal care required. Depending upon the individual's score on a needs-assessment instrument, he or she receives a cash payment of \$200, \$342, or \$475 per month.

Three pieces of legislation have impacted the HCA program in recent years.

- Senate Bill 06-219 (HCPF Reorganization) transferred responsibility for this program to the Department of Human Services from the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

- House Bill 10-1146 (State-funded Public Assistance Programs) modified the program to expand eligibility to those on the federal SSI program while restricting individuals from being on both a Medicaid home- and-community-based services waiver program and HCA. These changes took effect on January 1, 2012.
- House Bill 17-1045 (Extend Home Care Allowance Grant Program) continued the HCA Grant Program, which was set to repeal on July 1, 2017. The bill extends the program indefinitely, except that the grant program will be repealed one year after the state has established a consumer-directed support service delivery option for providing homemaker, personal care, and medical support services for individuals who are receiving home- and community-based services through the waiver program under Medicaid.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-114 and 26-2-122.3, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, Home Care Allowance						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,017,171	\$1,850,370	\$166,801	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,017,171	\$1,850,370	\$166,801	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,017,171	\$1,850,370	\$166,801	\$0	\$0	0.0
R16 HCA reduction	-1,050,000	-1,000,000	-50,000	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$967,171	\$850,370	\$116,801	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$1,050,000	-\$1,000,000	-\$50,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-52.1%	-54.0%	-30.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$967,171	\$850,370	\$116,801	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

SSI Stabilization Fund Programs

House Bill 09-1215 (SSI Maintenance Stabilization Fund) created a stabilization fund to assist the Department in meeting the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement. Pursuant to Section 26-2-210, C.R.S., excess interim assistance reimbursements and other money recovered due to overpayment of recipients, plus any appropriations to the fund, are continuously appropriated to the Department to be expended on programs that count toward the SSI MOE in a year when the Department determines the state is at risk of not meeting the MOE. At the end of the fiscal year, any amounts in excess of \$1.5 million in the fund revert to the General Fund. Although the SSI Stabilization Fund is continuously appropriated, and additional Long Bill spending authority is not required, anticipated spending is reflected for informational purposes.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-210, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Adult Financial Programs, SSI Stabilization Fund Programs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(D) Food and Energy Assistance

Low Income Energy Assistance Program

This line item funds the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) that provides energy subsidies to low income households. Funding is used to help cover heating bills for low income individuals for the cold-weather months of the year and to avoid heating shut-offs. Additionally, a portion of funding is directed to assist low-income individuals facing a heating system emergency (e.g., a furnace failure) and to fund heating system repairs. Counties assist applicants and accept and forward applications to the Department.

Most of the funding for LEAP comes from the federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) block grant. LIHEAP was established in 1981 and is funded annually by Congress. These moneys are released directly to states, territories, tribes and the District of Columbia who use the funds to provide energy assistance to low-income households. LIHEAP offers financial assistance to qualifying low-income households to help them pay their home heating or cooling bills. Under federal law, a household must have income below either 150 percent of the federal poverty level or 60 percent of state median income level, whichever is higher. This block grant is considered a federal custodial funding source, and amounts are shown in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

In addition to federal funding, the Program also receives cash funds from two sources. First, Energy Outreach Colorado provides funding (roughly \$1,000,000) from utility companies' unclaimed overpayments and security deposits. Second, the Department receives a Severance Tax transfer as part of the Natural Resources and Energy Grant Program set at \$3,250,000 each fiscal year, subject to availability. This money is deposited in the Department of Human Services Low-income Energy Assistance Fund, and is continuously appropriated to the Department and shown in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-122.5, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Low Income Energy Assistance Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$43,998,898	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$43,998,898	5.2
Total FY 2024-25	\$43,998,898	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$43,998,898	5.2
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$43,998,898	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$43,998,898	5.2
Annualize prior year budget actions	20,532	0	0	0	20,532	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$44,019,430	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$44,019,430	5.2
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$20,532	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,532	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$44,019,430	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$44,019,430	5.2
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration

This line item funds the personal services and operating expenses for Department staff tasked with supervising the implementation of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-201 (d) and 26-2-301 (4)(a), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$4,697,136	\$2,261,477	\$0	\$0	\$2,435,659	22.6
Total FY 2024-25	\$4,697,136	\$2,261,477	\$0	\$0	\$2,435,659	22.6
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$4,697,136	\$2,261,477	\$0	\$0	\$2,435,659	22.6
Annualize prior year budget actions	182,581	98,895	0	0	83,686	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$4,879,717	\$2,360,372	\$0	\$0	\$2,519,345	22.6
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$182,581	\$98,895	\$0	\$0	\$83,686	0.0
Percentage Change	3.9%	4.4%	n/a	n/a	3.4%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$4,879,717	\$2,360,372	\$0	\$0	\$2,519,345	22.6
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State Staff Training

This line item funds training activities for Department staff related to the supervision of the implementation of the SNAP.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-201 (d), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State Staff Training						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Food Distribution Program

The Colorado Food Distribution Program provides the logistical support for getting the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s food from ranchers and farmers to school children, needy families, and homeless citizens. Currently, the Program arranges for the provision of foods through the following initiatives:

- National School Lunch Program;
- Child and Adult Care Food Program;
- Summer Food Service Program;
- Commodity Supplemental Food Program;
- Emergency Food Assistance Program; and
- Food Assistance for Disaster Situations.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-121, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Food Distribution Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,198,546	\$161,012	\$544,282	\$0	\$493,252	10.9
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,498,546	\$161,012	\$844,282	\$0	\$493,252	10.9

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Food Distribution Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,498,546	\$161,012	\$844,282	\$0	\$493,252	10.9
BA3 NSLP fund source correction and cash fund waiver	100,000	0	100,000	0	0	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	-237,568	3,433	-276,608	0	35,607	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,360,978	\$164,445	\$667,674	\$0	\$528,859	10.9
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$137,568	\$3,433	-\$176,608	\$0	\$35,607	0.0
Percentage Change	-9.2%	2.1%	-20.9%	n/a	7.2%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,360,978	\$164,445	\$667,674	\$0	\$528,859	10.9
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Food Assistance Grant Programs

This line item funds Community Food Assistance Provider Grant Program, which replaces the Food Pantry Assistance Grant Program and the Food Bank Assistance Grant Program. The program provides funding to food banks and food pantries to procure and distribute food, and for the operating expenditures of the organizations.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-145, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Food Assistance Grant Programs						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
Other Legislation	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Annualize prior year legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-2,000,000	-2,000,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-66.7%	-66.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Income Tax Offset

This line item funds the submission of information regarding individuals who are obligated to the state for overpayments of assistance payments. This appropriation covers the operational costs associated with matching Food Assistance program lists of overpaid recipients with Department of Revenue data in order to intercept corresponding income tax refunds.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-121, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Income Tax Offset						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$4,128	\$2,064	\$0	\$0	\$2,064	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$4,128	\$2,064	\$0	\$0	\$2,064	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$4,128	\$2,064	\$0	\$0	\$2,064	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$4,128	\$2,064	\$0	\$0	\$2,064	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$4,128	\$2,064	\$0	\$0	\$2,064	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Electronic Benefits Transfer Service

This line item funds Colorado's electronic benefits transfer system (EBT) that delivers Food Assistance, Colorado Works Program, Old Age Pension, Aid to the Needy Disabled, Child Welfare, Child Care, and Low Income Energy Assistance Program benefits to a debit-like card. The EBT program replaced the paper-based system of checks and Food Assistance coupons. The system distributes public assistance benefits and cash payments for services electronically by using the Colorado QUEST Card or Automated Clearing House direct deposit options for eligible clients and providers. The Department contracts with a vendor in the financial services industry for the provision of this service.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-122 (2) and 26-2-104, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Electronic Benefits Transfer Service						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,217,151	\$716,849	\$1,022,415	\$35,701	\$1,442,186	7.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,217,151	\$716,849	\$1,022,415	\$35,701	\$1,442,186	7.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,217,151	\$716,849	\$1,022,415	\$35,701	\$1,442,186	7.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	45,294	8,075	9,811	0	27,408	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,262,445	\$724,924	\$1,032,226	\$35,701	\$1,469,594	7.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$45,294	\$8,075	\$9,811	\$0	\$27,408	0.0
Percentage Change	1.4%	1.1%	1.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$3,262,445	\$724,924	\$1,032,226	\$35,701	\$1,469,594	7.0

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Electronic Benefits Transfer Service

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Systematic Alien Verification for Eligibility

This line item supports the state's interface with the federal alien verification database, which serves all programs for which citizenship or legal residence is a requirement. The federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 required that applicants for public assistance programs be verified as United States citizens or as legal immigrants. The Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing and Human Services verify the names and legal status of applicants for public assistance through use of the federal Systematic Alien Verification for Eligibility (SAVE) system. This line item supports the state's interface with this database.

Statutory Authority: Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Systematic Alien Verification for Eligibility

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$130,073	\$20,405	\$2,541	\$80,345	\$26,782	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$130,073	\$20,405	\$2,541	\$80,345	\$26,782	1.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$130,073	\$20,405	\$2,541	\$80,345	\$26,782	1.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	57,872	9,260	0	36,459	12,153	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$187,945	\$29,665	\$2,541	\$116,804	\$38,935	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$57,872	\$9,260	\$0	\$36,459	\$12,153	0.0
Percentage Change	44.5%	45.4%	0.0%	45.4%	45.4%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$187,945	\$29,665	\$2,541	\$116,804	\$38,935	1.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Colorado Diaper Distribution Program

This line item supports the Colorado Diaper Distribution Program, which allows the Department to contract with a third party vendor to solicit, vet, award, and monitor food pantry assistance grants. Diapering essentials must be made available to all parents, guardians, or family members of a child who wears diapers and resides in Colorado.

Statutory Authority: 26-2-140, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Colorado Diaper Distribution Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,007,529	\$2,007,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Colorado Diaper Distribution Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,007,529	\$2,007,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,007,529	\$2,007,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	1,668	1,668	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-1,000,000	-1,000,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,009,197	\$1,009,197	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$998,332	-\$998,332	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-49.7%	-49.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,009,197	\$2,009,197	\$0	\$0	\$0	2.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$1,000,000	-\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program

This line item funds the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program, which is a federal program that provides a monthly food stipend of \$40 to eligible low-income students in summer months through an electronic benefits card. The benefit is entirely federally funded. Costs for administering the program is split evenly between state and federal funds. This program was created by S.B. 23B-002 (Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer Program).

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-2-309, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,600,654	\$1,800,327	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,327	4.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,600,654	\$1,800,327	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,327	4.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,600,654	\$1,800,327	\$0	\$0	\$1,800,327	4.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	4,234	1,560	0	0	2,674	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,604,888	\$1,801,887	\$0	\$0	\$1,803,001	4.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$4,234	\$1,560	\$0	\$0	\$2,674	0.0
Percentage Change	0.1%	0.1%	n/a	n/a	0.1%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$3,604,888	\$1,801,887	\$0	\$0	\$1,803,001	4.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(E) Child Support Services

Automated Child Support Enforcement System

This line item funds the computer system used by county staff to establish paternity, locate absent parents, manage child support enforcement caseloads, and track collection efforts. This line item also includes funding for contractor services associated with establishing and operating the State Directory of New Hires. This directory includes data reported by employers regarding each newly hired employee. The data is then compared to the database of parents with outstanding child support obligations.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-13-101 through 26-13.5-115, C.R.S. and Social Security Act, Title IV-D, Section 454.

Office of Economic Security, Child Support Services, Automated Child Support Enforcement System						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$10,097,906	\$2,867,358	\$877,141	\$0	\$6,353,407	22.9
Total FY 2024-25	\$10,097,906	\$2,867,358	\$877,141	\$0	\$6,353,407	22.9
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$10,097,906	\$2,867,358	\$877,141	\$0	\$6,353,407	22.9
Annualize prior year budget actions	240,244	141,347	0	0	98,897	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$10,338,150	\$3,008,705	\$877,141	\$0	\$6,452,304	22.9
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$240,244	\$141,347	\$0	\$0	\$98,897	0.0
Percentage Change	2.4%	4.9%	0.0%	n/a	1.6%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$10,338,150	\$3,008,705	\$877,141	\$0	\$6,452,304	22.9
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Child Support Services

This line item funds the performance evaluation of the state's Child Support Enforcement Program, as required by federal law, and the provision of technical assistance to county departments of social services. It also manages the In-hospital Paternity Establishment Program, which gives unmarried parents the opportunity to acknowledge paternity at the time of birth of a child. Federal law requires states to establish procedures for a simple civil process for voluntarily acknowledging paternity, including an in-hospital program.

The paternity program includes:

- Training to hospital medical records staff, vital records staff, hospital administrators, and pre-natal clinics;
- Outreach and technical assistance to hospital personnel and the general public;
- Interfacing with pregnancy prevention and father's advocacy groups; and
- Interfacing with middle school, high school, and alternative school staff.

Additionally, the 17-member Child Support Enforcement Commission reviews child support guidelines and general child support issues. The Commission makes recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly every four years. House Bill 16-1165 (CO Child Support Commission Statutory Changes) most recently implemented the recommended changes. This legislation did not have a fiscal impact.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-13-101 through 26-13.5-115, C.R.S. and Social Security Act, Title IV-D, Section 454.

Office of Economic Security, Child Support Services, Child Support Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,290,710	\$958,667	\$182,026	\$0	\$2,150,017	31.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,290,710	\$958,667	\$182,026	\$0	\$2,150,017	31.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,290,710	\$958,667	\$182,026	\$0	\$2,150,017	31.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	220,786	107,506	0	0	113,280	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,511,496	\$1,066,173	\$182,026	\$0	\$2,263,297	31.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$220,786	\$107,506	\$0	\$0	\$113,280	0.0
Percentage Change	6.7%	11.2%	0.0%	n/a	5.3%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$3,511,496	\$1,066,173	\$182,026	\$0	\$2,263,297	31.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Child Support Payments Pass-through Reimbursements

This line item funds the reimbursement of counties and the federal government for the share of child support collections that are passed through to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients pursuant to Section 26-2-108 (1)(b)(II). In 2015, the General Assembly passed S.B. 15-012 (Colorado Works Pass-through Child Support Payment) making Colorado the first state to implement a full child support pass-through program. This legislation changed state policy to allow the full amount of child support payments made on behalf of children whose family received monthly cash assistance through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program to go directly to those children and families. Previously, the State, on behalf of the federal government, and counties retained a portion of the child support payments to recover the cost of providing public assistance. The policy was implemented beginning in April 2017.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-2-108 (1)(b)(II)(B), C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, Child Support Services, Child Support Payment Pass-through Reimbursements						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Office of Economic Security, Child Support Services, Child Support Payment Pass-through Reimbursements						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Total FY 2024-25	\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff initiated OES reductions	-400,000	-400,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$4,800,000	\$4,800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$400,000	-\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-7.7%	-7.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$5,200,000	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$400,000	-\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(F) County Administration

County Administration

This line item provides funding for 64 county departments of human services primarily to administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-122 through 122.5, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$100,319,500	\$32,835,564	\$20,063,901	\$0	\$47,420,035	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$100,319,500	\$32,835,564	\$20,063,901	\$0	\$47,420,035	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$100,319,500	\$32,835,564	\$20,063,901	\$0	\$47,420,035	0.0
R1 County public assistance resources	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$100,319,500	\$32,835,564	\$20,063,901	\$0	\$47,420,035	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$104,504,574	\$34,091,086	\$20,900,916	\$0	\$49,512,572	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$4,185,074	-\$1,255,522	-\$837,015	\$0	-\$2,092,537	0.0

County Tax Base Relief

This line item provides funding that assists counties with the highest costs and lowest property tax values in meeting their obligations for the local match required by the State for certain public assistance programs. As statute indicates, this money shall be expended to supplement county expenditures for public assistance. These obligations include: county responsibility for

maintenance of effort expenditures for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant, the county 20 percent share for food assistance and Medicaid administration, the county share for child welfare services expenditures (20 percent for most services), and the county share for adult assistance programs (20 percent).

The current county tax base relief formula was established through H.B. 08-1250 (County Social Services Funds Relief), modifying the existing County Contingency Fund program established in 1973, and ensuring that the program targeted the neediest counties. Specifically, money is provided to counties that meet the provisions of a formula that takes into consideration the amount of property valued for assessment in a county and that county’s 20.0 obligation for public assistance programs. Money is provided in a tiered manner whereby a county may qualify for a distribution of moneys from one or more tiers. In this structure, Tier I provides funding for counties with the greatest need for financial assistance based on the formula and Tiers II and III represent steps down in terms of need for financial assistance. Money appropriated to the County Tax Base Relief Fund shall first be used to provide advancements to counties from Tier I. Any remaining money shall be used to provide advancements to counties from Tier II, then Tier III if funds are available.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-122 through 122.5, C.R.S. [Note...I believe this is now at 26-1-126 - Amanda]

Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Tax Base Relief						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,879,756	\$3,879,756	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,879,756	\$3,879,756	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,879,756	\$3,879,756	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,879,756	\$3,879,756	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$3,879,756	\$3,879,756	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

County Share of Offsetting Revenues

Statute indicates that when government authorities recover any amounts of support for public assistant recipients, such amounts may be used to reimburse public assistance paid in accordance with federal law. Funding in this line item reflects the county share of revenues earned through child support collections, fraud refunds, state revenue intercepts, and other refunds. The largest component is related to child support enforcement.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-13-108, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Share of Offsetting Revenues						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$2,986,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

County Incentive Payments

This line item represents the portion of the state's share of child support collections and other refunds and recoveries that are redirected to counties as incentives for their performance on child support enforcement activities. Statute provides that when government authorities recover any amounts of support for public assistant recipients, such amounts may be used to reimburse public assistance paid in accordance with federal law. The federal government receives 50.0 percent of recoveries, the state 30.0 percent, and the counties 20.0 percent.

Statute further provides that the state may redirect an unspecified portion of its share of such recoveries to counties as an additional child support enforcement incentives. In recent years, the General Assembly has indicated via a footnote on this line item what portion of the state's share is to be provided to counties. Senate Bill 12-113 (Direct Public Assistance Recoveries in Long Bill) requires the General Assembly to set the state's share of public assistance recoveries for child support and maintenance that is redirected to counties in a footnote.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-13-108, C.R.S.

Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Incentive Payments						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a

Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Incentive Payments						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$4,113,000	\$0	\$0	0.0

(G) Indirect Cost Assessment

Indirect Cost Assessment

This line item funds the Indirect cost assessment associated with the operation of the Department.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-1401, C.R.S

Office of Economic Security, Indirect Cost Assessment, Indirect Cost Assessment						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$30,170,579	\$0	\$149,999	\$7,408,795	\$22,611,785	0.0
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	-357,122	0	-1,776	-87,696	-267,650	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$29,813,457	\$0	\$148,223	\$7,321,099	\$22,344,135	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$29,813,457	\$0	\$148,223	\$7,321,099	\$22,344,135	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	929,033	0	4,406	168,120	756,507	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	357,122	0	1,776	87,696	267,650	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	42,397	0	211	10,410	31,776	0.0
R8 Increase county oversight and support	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$31,200,139	\$0	\$154,905	\$7,601,601	\$23,443,633	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$1,386,682	\$0	\$6,682	\$280,502	\$1,099,498	0.0
Percentage Change	4.7%	n/a	4.5%	3.8%	4.9%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$31,228,686	\$0	\$155,047	\$7,608,611	\$23,465,028	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$28,547	\$0	-\$142	-\$7,010	-\$21,395	0.0

(7) Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services

The Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services includes Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, the Work Therapy Program, the Brain Injury Trust Fund, and Veterans Community Living Centers. Regional Centers are state operated facilities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and as such are the provider of last resort. They provide residential services, medical care, and active treatment programs based on individual assessments and habilitation plans. The Work Therapy Program provides sheltered training and employment workshops for individuals receiving services at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan and the Regional Centers at Grand Junction and Wheat Ridge. The Colorado Brain Injury Program provides funding for direct services for individuals with a brain injury, research related to brain injuries, and education related to brain injuries. Veterans community living centers provide skilled nursing care to honorably discharged veterans, spouses of veterans, and parents of deceased veterans who were killed in action.

This office also provides funding for assistance and support for needy elderly and disabled adult populations in Colorado. This section also funds the State Ombudsman Program, Adult Protective Services (APS) programs, which intervene on behalf of at-risk adults to address abuse, neglect, or exploitation and Older Americans Act services, such as home-delivered meals and transportation to medical appointments that are offered to older Coloradans across the state through the 16 regional Area Agencies on Aging (AAA).

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$258,396,424	\$41,805,012	\$70,200,177	\$77,326,448	\$69,064,787	1,590.6
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	-\$233,975	\$0	-\$59,867	-\$171,492	-\$2,616	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$258,162,449	\$41,805,012	\$70,140,310	\$77,154,956	\$69,062,171	1,590.6
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$258,162,449	\$41,805,012	\$70,140,310	\$77,154,956	\$69,062,171	1,590.6
R10 Communication services for people with disabilities	615,268	-103,214	0	718,482	0	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	929,043	-2,707,518	548,213	1,772,498	1,315,850	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	23,118	0	5,915	16,944	259	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	458,233	0	142,742	308,404	7,087	0.0
Centrally appropriated line items	65,862	0	16,852	48,274	736	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-732,655	-31,296	-684,374	-5,104	-11,881	0.0
Technical adjustment	-640,000	0	-640,000	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$258,881,318	\$38,962,984	\$69,529,658	\$80,014,454	\$70,374,222	1,590.6
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$718,869	-\$2,842,028	-\$610,652	\$2,859,498	\$1,312,051	0.0
Percentage Change	0.3%	-6.8%	-0.9%	3.7%	1.9%	0.0%

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$256,863,634	\$38,994,280	\$70,860,010	\$76,622,979	\$70,386,365	1,576.8
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$2,017,684	-\$31,296	-\$1,330,352	\$3,391,475	-\$12,143	13.8

Decision Items

→ R10 Communication services for people with disabilities

Request

The Department’s November 1, 2024 request includes an increase of \$1.6 million total funds, including a decrease of \$0.1 million General Fund, and 1.0 FTE in FY 2025-26 and ongoing for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind (CCDHHDB). The Department additionally requests the Joint Budget Committee sponsor legislation to 1) create an enterprise to house the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind and 2) to transfer the Reading Services for the Blind program from the Department of Education to the newly formed enterprise. The request includes non-prioritized decision items in both the Department of Education and the Department of Regulator Agencies for the establishment of the enterprise.

At the start of the legislative session, the Department informed staff that legislators engaged them on the topic of creating the aforementioned enterprise with the intent to introduce a bill. On January 29 of this year, House Bill 25-1154 (Communication Services People with Disabilities Enterprise) was introduced by Representatives Brown and Froelich seeking to accomplish this programmatic change. As of the writing of this issue, H.B. 25-1154 has had a preliminary hearing in the House Committee on Health and Human Services for witness testimony and Committee discussion. Staff notes, however, that in addition to creating an enterprise, this bill creates two new continuously appropriated cash funds to support the efforts of the enterprise.

In light of this legislation, the Department of Human Services requests the withdrawal of the portion of this request associated with the creation of the enterprise and the Committee’s sponsorship of legislation to achieve that transformation. The revised request is for an increase of \$615,268 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and ongoing for the CCDHHDB.

Recommendation

Staff **recommends an increase of \$615,268 total funds**, including a decrease of \$103,214 General Fund and an increase of \$718,482 reappropriated funds, for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind in the Department of Human Services. The reappropriated funds originate from the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Staff **recommends a total appropriation of \$3,413,703 cash funds** (an increase of \$829,050) from the Telephone Users with Disabilities Fund to the Department of Regulatory Agencies’

Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Cash Fund line item. This increase aligns the Department of Regulatory Agencies' appropriation with the total appropriation for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind in the Department of Human Services because the two are inextricably linked.

Staff recommends denial of all non-prioritized decision items in the Departments of Education and Regulatory Agencies associated with the enterprise conversion of the CCDHHDB.

Analysis

Background

The Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind was created to facilitate the provision of state and local government services to the deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind. The Commission is tasked with serving as a liaison between the deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind and the governments of Colorado. It also services as an informational resource for those governments as they engage their constituents on issues affecting the deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind. The Commission is also statutorily required to serve as a referral agency for those seeking services from government agencies and institution, and private sector providers. (Section 26-1-101 et seq., C.R.S.)

The CCDHHDB is supported by the Colorado Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Cash Fund (Commission's Cash Fund), created in Section 26-21-107 (1), C.R.S. Revenue in the Commission's Cash Fund is derived from a portion of a monthly surcharge on telephone access lines. Pursuant to Section 40-17-103 (3), C.R.S., the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in the Department of Regulatory Agencies sets this monthly surcharge to generate revenue to "recover its costs and the cost to voice service providers in implementing and administering telecommunications relay services." Further, Section 40-17-103 (3)(a)(I)(D), C.R.S., requires the PUC to set the monthly surcharge at a level to "cover annual appropriations" to the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind. The monthly surcharge is currently 3 cents per telephone access line; the maximum allowable charge is 15 cents per line.

The appropriation for the CCDHHDB appears as cash funds in the Department of Regulatory Agencies and reappropriated funds in the Department of Human Services. The FY 2024-25 appropriation for the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind is \$3,184,187 total funds, including \$603,214 General Fund and \$2,580,973 reappropriated funds. Of the FY 2024-25 General Fund appropriation for the CCDHHDB, \$500,000 was one-time to address an anticipated short-fall in funding for services due to increased caseload and demand. This one-time funding was initiated and recommended by JBC staff as both an FY 2023-24 supplemental action and an FY 2024-25 budget action to address community and service recipient concerns regarding continued access to services. The Committee approved staff's recommendation, with the understanding that the Department would bring forth an FY 2025-26 request addressing the long-term funding needs of the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind.

Ongoing Funding

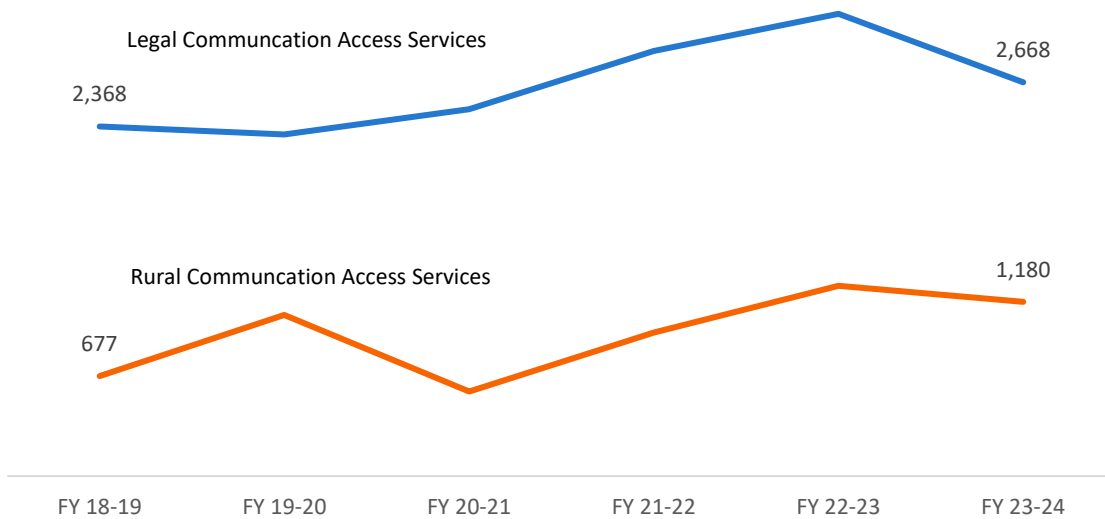
The Commission reports that 13.0 percent (approx. 764,000) of the State’s population is estimated to be deaf or hard of hearing, based on the State Demographer’s 2023 Population Summary Report published in January 2025. Deafblind statistics are not as readily available, but the Commission assumes 1.0 percent of the population (approx. 58,763) are deafblind. Communication services are essential tools for enabling individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deafblind to engage with their broader community. Communication services improve accessibility and, in many cases, provide the only means for individuals to interact with medical providers, businesses, community resources, government services, their friends and families. The Department’s assessment of the ongoing funding needs for the Commission are summarized in the table below.

Summary of Funding Increase for Services	
Program	Increase
Rural Communication Access Services	\$140,342
Legal Communication Access Services	196,474
Deafblind Services Support Service Providers	278,452
Total	\$615,268

Communication Access Services Programs

The Communication Access Services program, also referred to as Auxiliary Services, are services that assist in effective communication in situations involving a person who is deaf, hard of hearing, or deafblind. These services typically include, one or both, a qualified American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter and communication access real-time translation (CART) services, which entails a technician or stenographer converting speech to text during an interaction. The program provides equitable access to communication in the Colorado State Courts and state administrative proceedings, and in rural areas of the state. These services are provided through two programs: Legal Communication Access Services (LCAS) and Rural Communication Access Services (RCAS).

Demand has increase for communication access services, with the Rural Communication Access Services provision increasing by 74.3 percent.



The Legal Communication Access Services program provides communication access services for the Colorado state courts, including court-ordered services and treatment. LCAS also provides communication access services for state-level administrative proceedings. This program utilizes the subject matter expertise and accommodations coordination experience of the Commission for the benefit of providing access to effective communication for the Judicial Branch and other state-level administrative entities. All other state entities (i.e., state agencies and the Legislative Branch) are responsible for providing communication access services for their own consumers and employees. Additional funding would provide 8,448 hours of LCAS to fulfill 2,748 requests.

Element	Amount
Personnel and benefits	\$231,564
Staff travel and data system	15,000
Communication Access Services by vendors	659,676
Total	\$906,240
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	709,766
<i>Base adjustment</i>	<i>\$196,474</i>

The Rural Communication Access Services program supports Coloradans living in rural communities outside of the Front Range with communication access services for everyday purposes, including but not limited to: healthcare systems, employment, legal settings, businesses, and interactions with local government. RCAS provides information and referrals, and also schedules, delivers, and pays for communication access services where there is a need. Although the ADA mandates that certain entities are responsible for providing communication access services, a lack of available vendors make it difficult to fulfill these requirements due to the significant travel and mileage costs involved in bringing vendors from urban areas. Additional funding would provide 4,524 hours of RCAS to fulfill 1,404 requests.

Rural Communications Access Services (RACS) Costs Summary	
Element	Amount
Personnel and benefits	\$402,372
Staff travel and data system	26,600
ASL Interpreting scholarships and training	68,554
Communication Access Services by vendors	342,816
Total	\$840,342
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	700,000
<i>Base adjustment</i>	<i>\$140,342</i>

DeafBlind Services Program

The DeafBlind Services program oversees Support Service Provider (SSP) and Orientation and Mobility (O&M) services for deafblind individuals who experience difficulty in routinely accessing communication services and navigating their environment. Support Services Providers are trained professionals who enable a deafblind person to perform essential daily activities, such as reading mail, conducting bank transactions, and shopping for groceries. Orientation and Mobility specialists provide one-on-one training to deafblind individuals on how to travel safely, confidently, and independently in their environment in order to promote increased independence in their community. This program is not ADA-mandated, but arose out of an awareness of the significant needs of deafblind community members and a desire to provide equitable access to the activities of daily living.

DeafBlind Services Program Cost Summary	
Element	Amount
Program and travel costs	\$382,536
State FTE costs	75,000
Total	\$457,536
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	179,084
<i>Base adjustment</i>	<i>\$278,452</i>

→ Staff-initiated Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services budget reductions [requires legislation]

Recommendation

Staff recommends the transfer of \$680,000 from the State Funding for Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund to the General Fund, representing 50.0 percent of the anticipated FY 2025-26 beginning balance of the fund. This transfer requires legislation.

Staff recommends the following reductions in the Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services:

- \$680,000 cash funds from the Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund to align spending authority with staff’s recommended balance transfer;
- \$47,674 total funds, including \$26,314 General Fund, from program cost and administrative line items; and
- \$6,005 General Fund from Grand Junction and Pueblo Regional Centers waiver funding.

Analysis/Background

During the briefing for the Department of Human Services' Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services on December 4, 2024, JBC staff presented several preliminary budget balancing options for consideration by the Committee. In the January 2, 2025 budget transmittal letter, the Office of State Planning and Budgeting provided a list of those options with which they agreed would be acceptable for implementation. The following balancing options are a reflection of these agreed upon revenue enhancements and expenditure reductions.

State Funding for Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund Transfer to GF [requires legislation]

Description: Bill to transfer \$680,000 from the State Funding for Senior Service Contingency Reserve Fund, created in Section 26-11-208 (2), C.R.S., to the General Fund. The recommendation includes a commensurate decrease in cash funds spending authority appropriated through the Long Bill.

Key Considerations: The FY 2025-26 anticipated beginning balance of the Fund is \$1.4 million. The transfer does not negatively affect any existing program; however, the transfer reduces the amount of funding available to address unforeseen circumstances affecting the State's Area Agencies on Aging. This is a one-time option.

Additional background: The fund consists solely of legislative appropriations. It may be expended for unforeseen circumstances including:

- financial or operational emergencies caused by force majeure;
- a disruption in the delivery of eligible service do to an unexpected change in provider availability or operational capacity;
- an unintended delay or interruption of state or federal appropriations; and
- an emergency disaster declaration.

Fee impact: None. Revenue is from statutory transfers.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services (OAADS) Administration Costs Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to various administrative line items in the Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services of \$47,674 total funds, including \$26,314 General Fund, starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction is calculated at 1.0 percent of FY 2024-25 appropriations for various administrative line items. The 1.0 percent target was chosen by staff for ease of scaling.

Regional Centers Waiver Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to the Grand Junction and Pueblo Regional Centers waiver funding of \$6,005 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction is calculated at 1.0 percent of FY 2024-25 appropriations. The 1.0 percent target was chosen by staff for ease of scaling.

Additional background: The appropriations fund the Home and Community Based Services-Comprehensive Waiver licensed beds at the Grand Junction Regional Center and Pueblo Regional Centers. Regional Centers are state operated facilities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and as such are the provider of last resort. They provide residential services, medical care, and active treatment programs based on individual assessments and habilitation plans.

Line Item Detail

(A) Administration

Administration

This line item supports the base salary, state PERA contributions, and contracts for program managers and administrative oversight. This line item funds the operating expenses of the Office. Common operating expenses include postage, equipment maintenance, and in-state travel.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-201 (d)(v)(w), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Administration, OAADS Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,719,352	\$723,426	\$366,581	\$510,410	\$118,935	8.9
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,719,352	\$723,426	\$366,581	\$510,410	\$118,935	8.9
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,719,352	\$723,426	\$366,581	\$510,410	\$118,935	8.9
Annualize prior year budget actions	103,574	87,606	4,621	3,309	8,038	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-17,193	-7,234	-3,666	-5,104	-1,189	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,805,733	\$803,798	\$367,536	\$508,615	\$125,784	8.9
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$86,381	\$80,372	\$955	-\$1,795	\$6,849	0.0
Percentage Change	5.0%	11.1%	0.3%	-0.4%	5.8%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,822,926	\$811,032	\$371,202	\$513,719	\$126,973	8.9
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$17,193	-\$7,234	-\$3,666	-\$5,104	-\$1,189	0.0

(B) Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities

Developmental Disabilities Council

This line item funds the Developmental Disabilities Council, consisting of twenty-four appointed representatives, is responsible for providing advice and direction on public policy decisions regarding developmental disability services in Colorado.

Statutory Authority: Section 27-10.5-203, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities, Developmental Disabilities Council						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,081,969	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,081,969	6.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,081,969	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,081,969	6.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,081,969	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,081,969	6.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	22,149	0	0	0	22,149	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,104,118	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,104,118	6.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$22,149	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,149	0.0
Percentage Change	2.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,104,118	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,104,118	6.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deafblind

This line item funds the Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deafblind, that was created in FY 2000-01. The Commission has the following responsibilities:

- Distribution of assistive telecommunications equipment to individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing;
- Facilitation of the provision of general government services to persons who are deaf and hard of hearing;
- Provision of services to individuals who are deafblind;
- Administration of the Rural Interpreting Services Program; and
- Administration of the Legal Services Auxiliary Program which provides legal interpreters for individuals involved with the court system.

Statutory Authority: Sections 6-1-707 (1)(e), 13-90-201, and 26-21-101 through 108, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities,
Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deafblind

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,184,187	\$603,214	\$0	\$2,580,973	\$0	13.8
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,184,187	\$603,214	\$0	\$2,580,973	\$0	13.8
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,184,187	\$603,214	\$0	\$2,580,973	\$0	13.8
R10 Communication services for people with disabilities	615,268	-103,214	0	718,482	0	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	-385,752	-500,000	0	114,248	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,413,703	\$0	\$0	\$3,413,703	\$0	13.8
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$229,516	-\$603,214	\$0	\$832,730	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	7.2%	-100.0%	n/a	32.3%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$3,413,703	\$0	\$0	\$3,413,703	\$0	13.8

Appropriation to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund

The Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund receives revenue from a surcharge for DUI and related convictions and a surcharge for helmet convictions. Beginning in FY 2019-20, pursuant to H.B. 19-1147 (Revise Traumatic Brain Injury Trust Fund), the General Assembly was permitted to appropriate General Fund directly to the Trust Fund. General Fund appropriations made to this line item are subsequently reappropriated to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund line item.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-301 through 310, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities,
Brain Injury Program - Appropriation to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$450,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund

The Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund receives revenue from a surcharge for DUI and related convictions and a surcharge for helmet convictions. Beginning in FY 2019-20, pursuant to H.B. 19-1147 (Revise Traumatic Brain Injury Trust Fund), the General Assembly was permitted to appropriate General Fund directly to the Trust Fund. The Colorado Brain Injury Board may also accept gifts, grants, and donations. At least 55.0 percent of the money must be spent for direct services for people at least 25.0 percent for research, and at least 5.0 percent for education. The Board has discretion over the remaining 10.0 percent.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-301 through 310, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities, Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$3,561,861	\$0	\$3,111,861	\$450,000	\$0	1.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$3,561,861	\$0	\$3,111,861	\$450,000	\$0	1.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$3,561,861	\$0	\$3,111,861	\$450,000	\$0	1.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	30,281	0	30,256	25	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$3,592,142	\$0	\$3,142,117	\$450,025	\$0	1.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$30,281	\$0	\$30,256	\$25	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.9%	n/a	1.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$3,592,142	\$0	\$3,142,117	\$450,025	\$0	1.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

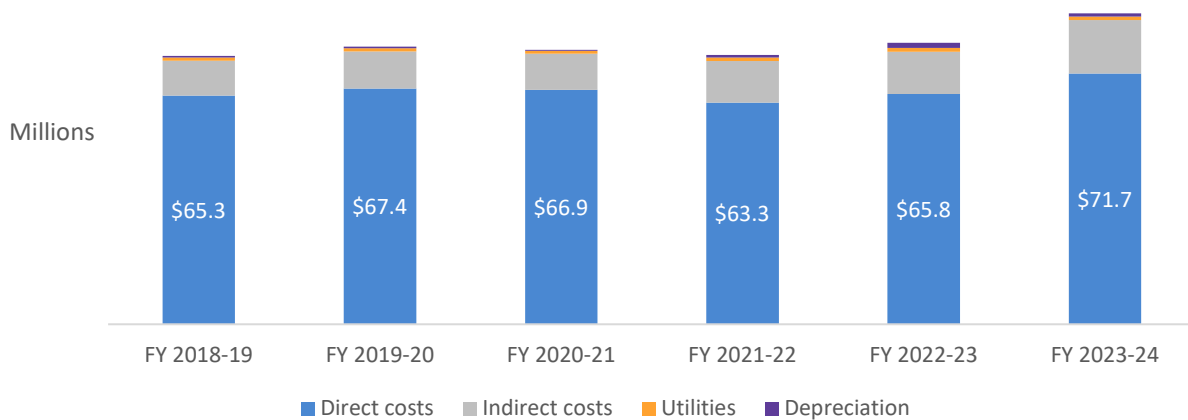
(C) Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities

Regional Centers are state operated facilities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and as such are the provider of last resort. They provide residential services, medical care, and active treatment programs based on individual assessments and habilitation plans. Services are provided in one of two settings: large congregate residential settings on a regional center campus, or group homes that serve four to eight individuals in a community setting. The campuses are licensed as Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). With the exception of the group homes in Wheat Ridge that are licensed as ICF/IID, group homes are licensed as comprehensive developmental disability waiver homes (waiver). This is the same license provided to community provider group homes.

Medicaid pays a daily rate based on the actual cost of services for individuals in ICF/IID beds. In community-based group homes, services are provided to individuals through the Adult Comprehensive waiver and the State is reimbursed for costs based on the individual's level of need and corresponding fee-for-service level, as adjusted for actual costs of operating the group home. The array of services offered for individuals in ICF/IID beds is more extensive than services offered directly through the Medicaid waiver. Individuals served through State-run waiver beds receive additional services through the State Medicaid Plan.

Only a portion of costs associated with the delivery of services through a regional center is appropriated in the line items for Regional Centers. Costs associated with the physical building and campus maintenance and housekeeping, among other components of the regional centers are distributed through the centrally appropriated line items in the Executive Director's Office, and the Administration and Finance budgetary division. Funding for the regional centers is primarily from Medicaid reappropriated funds and a small amount is from client cash funds.

Direct costs account for the majority of total cost at Regional Centers.



Pursuant to Section 27-10.5-312, C.R.S., the Department is in the process of vacating the Grand Junction Regional Center Campus and relocating its residents to regional center-operated homes in Grand Junction communities. As of the date of this presentation, the Department has moved administrative staff and day programming from the campus. Renovation and relicensing of the two existing homes complete and residents have been moved from the campus to the homes. The two remaining homes are under construction. Upon the completion of the new homes, the remaining residents will be moved from the campus to the community homes.

Work Therapy Program: This program provides sheltered training and employment workshops for individuals receiving services at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan and the Regional Centers at Grand Junction and Wheat Ridge. The Work Therapy Cash Fund receives revenue from contracts with area businesses and organizations for custodial services, printing, packaging, mailing, and other types of manual processing that can be performed by program clients. Enrolled clients are paid from funds received in proportion to the work performed. Funding for the Work Therapy Program is from the Work Therapy Cash Fund.

(1) Administration

Regional Centers Electronic Health Record System

The Department uses a manual, paper process for assessments and charting of client health records at its Regional Centers for individuals with development disabilities. The General Assembly appropriated \$2,342,771 General Fund for FY 2017-18 in the capital construction section of the budget to implement an electronic health record (EHR) system that meets federal regulatory and reimbursement standards. This project will implement a comprehensive, integrated EHR system, and install wireless and network infrastructure, along with personal computers, tablets, and scanners. It will also be integrated with other systems from outside providers, labs, pharmacies, and other entities. This line item funds the annual leasing fees for personal computers and tablets, network maintenance, annual vendor maintenance, and full-time employees in the Governor’s Office of Information Technology to support the system (network engineer, EHR manager, and deskside support).

Statutory Authority: Sections 27-65-118, 19-2-416, and 26-12-101, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Administration, Regional Centers Electronic Health Record System						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$698,688	\$0	\$0	\$698,688	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$698,688	\$0	\$0	\$698,688	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$698,688	\$0	\$0	\$698,688	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$698,688	\$0	\$0	\$698,688	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$698,688	\$0	\$0	\$698,688	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(2) Wheat Ridge Regional Center

Wheat Ridge Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility

This line item funds the costs of the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) at the Wheat Ridge Regional Center excluding the component of the ICF/IID provider fee attributable to the Wheat Ridge Regional Center. The cash funds are from two sources of client cash revenues: 1) room and board paid by clients, and 2) patient pay from ICF/IID clients who receive benefits and/or earn wages. Room and board rates reflect the Supplemental Security Income allocation less the monthly allowance for personal spending. Patient pay includes any funds a client earns above \$50 per month.

Statutory Authority: Sections 25.5-6-101 through 1206, 25.5-10-224, and 27-10.5-301 through 307, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Wheat Ridge Regional Center, Wheat Ridge Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$26,719,271	\$0	\$780,314	\$25,938,957	\$0	369.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$26,719,271	\$0	\$780,314	\$25,938,957	\$0	369.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$26,719,271	\$0	\$780,314	\$25,938,957	\$0	369.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	893,622	0	97,460	796,162	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$27,612,893	\$0	\$877,774	\$26,735,119	\$0	369.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$893,622	\$0	\$97,460	\$796,162	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	3.3%	n/a	12.5%	3.1%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$27,612,893	\$0	\$877,774	\$26,735,119	\$0	369.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Wheat Ridge Regional Center Provider Fee

This line item was created in the FY 2015-16 Long Bill and funds the Wheat Ridge Regional Center portion of the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) provider fee.

Statutory Authority: Section 25.5-6-204, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Wheat Ridge Regional Center, Wheat Ridge Regional Center Provider Fee						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,435,612	\$0	\$0	\$1,435,612	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,435,612	\$0	\$0	\$1,435,612	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,435,612	\$0	\$0	\$1,435,612	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,435,612	\$0	\$0	\$1,435,612	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,435,612	\$0	\$0	\$1,435,612	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Wheat Ridge Regional Center Depreciation

This line item was created in the FY 2015-16 and funds the allowable depreciation costs of the Wheat Ridge Regional Center. Pursuant to 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S., funds appropriated to the depreciation line item are transferred to the Regional Center Depreciation Account in the Capital Construction Fund to be used for capital construction, capital renewal, or controlled maintenance of the regional centers.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Wheat Ridge Regional Center, Wheat Ridge Regional Center Depreciation						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$180,718	\$0	\$0	\$180,718	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$180,718	\$0	\$0	\$180,718	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$180,718	\$0	\$0	\$180,718	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$180,718	\$0	\$0	\$180,718	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$180,718	\$0	\$0	\$180,718	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(3) Grand Junction Regional Center

Grand Junction Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility

This line item was created in FY 2015-16 and funds the costs associated with the portion of the Grand Junction Regional Center that is licensed as an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). It excludes the component of the ICF/IID provider fee attributable to the Grand Junction Regional Center. The cash funds are from two sources of client cash revenues: 1) room and board paid by clients, and 2) patient pay from ICF/IID clients who receive benefits and/or earn wages. Room and board rates reflect the Supplemental Security Income allocation less the monthly allowance for personal spending. Patient pay includes any funds a client earns above \$50 per month.

Statutory Authority: Sections 25.5-6-101 through 1206, 25.5-10-224, 27-10.5-118, and 27-10.5-301 through 307, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities,
Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$7,588,758	\$0	\$1,039,362	\$6,549,396	\$0	98.8
Total FY 2024-25	\$7,588,758	\$0	\$1,039,362	\$6,549,396	\$0	98.8
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$7,588,758	\$0	\$1,039,362	\$6,549,396	\$0	98.8
Annualize prior year budget actions	163,537	0	101,921	61,616	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$7,752,295	\$0	\$1,141,283	\$6,611,012	\$0	98.8
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$163,537	\$0	\$101,921	\$61,616	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	2.2%	n/a	9.8%	0.9%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$7,752,295	\$0	\$1,141,283	\$6,611,012	\$0	98.8
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Grand Junction Regional Center Provider Fee

This line item was created in the FY 2015-16 Long Bill and funds the Grand Junction Regional Center portion of the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) provider fee.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities,
Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Provider Fee

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$453,291	\$0	\$0	\$453,291	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$453,291	\$0	\$0	\$453,291	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$453,291	\$0	\$0	\$453,291	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$453,291	\$0	\$0	\$453,291	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$453,291	\$0	\$0	\$453,291	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Grand Junction Regional Center Waiver Services

This line item was created in the FY 2015-16 and funds the Home and Community Based Services-Comprehensive Waiver licensed beds at the Grand Junction Regional Center. The cash

funds are from room and board paid by clients. Room and board rates reflect the Supplemental Security Income allocation less the monthly allowance for personal spending.

Statutory Authority: Sections 25.5-6-101 through 1206, 25.5-10-224, 27-10.5-118, and 27-10.5-301 through 307, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Waiver Funding						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$11,733,839	\$350,322	\$402,721	\$10,980,796	\$0	174.2
Total FY 2024-25	\$11,733,839	\$350,322	\$402,721	\$10,980,796	\$0	174.2
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$11,733,839	\$350,322	\$402,721	\$10,980,796	\$0	174.2
Annualize prior year budget actions	502,726	0	134,362	368,364	0	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-3,503	-3,503	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$12,233,062	\$346,819	\$537,083	\$11,349,160	\$0	174.2
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$499,223	-\$3,503	\$134,362	\$368,364	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	4.3%	-1.0%	33.4%	3.4%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$12,236,565	\$350,322	\$537,083	\$11,349,160	\$0	174.2
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$3,503	-\$3,503	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Grand Junction Regional Center Depreciation

This line item was created in the FY 2015-16 Long Bill and funds the allowable depreciation costs of the Grand Junction Regional Center. Pursuant to 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S., funds appropriated to the depreciation line item are transferred to the Regional Center Depreciation Account in the Capital Construction Fund to be used for capital construction, capital renewal, or controlled maintenance of the regional centers.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Depreciation						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$323,681	\$0	\$0	\$323,681	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$323,681	\$0	\$0	\$323,681	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$323,681	\$0	\$0	\$323,681	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$323,681	\$0	\$0	\$323,681	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Depreciation

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$323,681	\$0	\$0	\$323,681	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(4) Pueblo Regional Center

Pueblo Regional Center Waiver Services

This line item was created in FY 2015-16 and funds the cost of the home- and community-based licensed beds at the Pueblo Regional Center. The cash funds are from room and board paid by clients. Room and board rates reflect the Supplemental Security Income allocation less the monthly allowance for personal spending.

Statutory Authority: Sections 25.5-6-101 through 1206, 25.5-10-224, 27-10.5-118, and 27-10.5-301 through 307, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Pueblo Regional Center, Pueblo Regional Center Waiver Funding

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$12,337,229	\$250,195	\$540,272	\$11,546,762	\$0	181.8
Total FY 2024-25	\$12,337,229	\$250,195	\$540,272	\$11,546,762	\$0	181.8
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$12,337,229	\$250,195	\$540,272	\$11,546,762	\$0	181.8
Annualize prior year budget actions	290,608	0	33,326	257,282	0	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-2,502	-2,502	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$12,625,335	\$247,693	\$573,598	\$11,804,044	\$0	181.8
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$288,106	-\$2,502	\$33,326	\$257,282	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	2.3%	-1.0%	6.2%	2.2%	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$12,627,837	\$250,195	\$573,598	\$11,804,044	\$0	181.8
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$2,502	-\$2,502	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Pueblo Regional Center Depreciation

This line item was created in FY 2015-16 and funds the allowable depreciation costs of the Pueblo Regional Center. Pursuant to 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S., funds appropriated to the depreciation line item are transferred to the Regional Center Depreciation Account in the Capital Construction Fund to be used for capital construction, capital renewal, or controlled maintenance of the regional centers.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-302 (3.8)(a), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Pueblo Regional Center, Pueblo Regional Center Depreciation						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$187,326	\$0	\$0	\$187,326	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$187,326	\$0	\$0	\$187,326	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$187,326	\$0	\$0	\$187,326	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$187,326	\$0	\$0	\$187,326	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$187,326	\$0	\$0	\$187,326	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(5) Work Therapy Program

Program Costs

This line item funds the Work Therapy Program, which provides sheltered training and employment workshops for individuals receiving services at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan and the Regional Centers at Grand Junction and Wheat Ridge. The Work Therapy Cash Fund receives revenue from contracts with area businesses and organizations for custodial services, printing, packaging, mailing, and other types of manual processing that can be performed by program clients. Enrolled clients are paid from funds received in proportion to the work performed.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-8-107, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Work Therapy Program, Program Costs						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$602,742	\$0	\$602,742	\$0	\$0	1.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$602,742	\$0	\$602,742	\$0	\$0	1.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$602,742	\$0	\$602,742	\$0	\$0	1.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	10,349	0	10,349	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$613,091	\$0	\$613,091	\$0	\$0	1.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$10,349	\$0	\$10,349	\$0	\$0	0.0

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Work Therapy Program, Program Costs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Percentage Change	1.7%	n/a	1.7%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$613,091	\$0	\$613,091	\$0	\$0	1.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(D) Veterans Community Living Centers

There are four state owned veterans community living centers and one county run center that provide skilled nursing care to honorably discharged veterans, spouses of veterans, and parents of deceased veterans who were killed in action. The five centers are located throughout the state in Aurora (Fitzsimons), Florence (McCandless), Monte Vista (Homelake), Rifle, and Walsenburg. Each facility is Medicare and Medicaid certified and licensed by the Department of Public Health and Environment. Additionally, the centers are certified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and receive federal funds in support of the care of veterans. The Veterans Community Living Centers are designated as enterprises as long as the centers comply with the requirements of Section 26-12-110, C.R.S. The Centers offer the following services:

- Long-term care including skilled nursing care; speech, physical, and occupational therapy; social activities; and assistance with bathing, dressing and other daily activities;
- Short-term rehabilitations services for individuals seeking to return home following a qualifying hospital stay;
- Memory care services provided at the Fitzsimons, Florence, Rifle, and Walsenburg Centers to individuals with dementia;
- Short-term respite care through short-term stays at the Florence, Homelake, Rifle, and Walsenburg Centers; and
- End-of-life/hospice services.

The Veterans Community Living Centers are funding by the Central Fund for Veterans Community Living Centers, and pursuant to Section 26-12-108 (1)(b)(I), C.R.S., this cash fund is continuously appropriated. Federal funds and cash funds from the Central Fund are identified in these Long Bill line items and are for informational purposes only.

Administration

This line item funds the division's administrative costs of the state veteran's nursing homes.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-12-103 through 119, 26-12-201, and 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
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Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$0	5.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$0	5.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$0	5.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$0	5.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$1,723,048	\$0	\$0	5.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Fitzsimons State Veterans Nursing Home

This line item appropriates the personnel and operating costs of the Fitzsimons State Veterans Nursing Home.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-12-101 through 201.5, 26-12-206 and 207, and 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Fitzsimmons Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$24,982,891	\$1,145,807	\$12,179,141	\$0	\$11,657,943	236.4
Total FY 2024-25	\$24,982,891	\$1,145,807	\$12,179,141	\$0	\$11,657,943	236.4
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$24,982,891	\$1,145,807	\$12,179,141	\$0	\$11,657,943	236.4
Annualize prior year budget actions	-168,088	-168,088	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$24,814,803	\$977,719	\$12,179,141	\$0	\$11,657,943	236.4
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$168,088	-\$168,088	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-0.7%	-14.7%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$24,814,803	\$977,719	\$12,179,141	\$0	\$11,657,943	236.4
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Florence State Veterans Nursing Home

This line item appropriates the personnel and operating costs of the Florence State Veterans Nursing Home.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-12-101 through 201, 26-12-206 and 207, and 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Florence Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$12,871,134	\$591,598	\$7,823,446	\$0	\$4,456,090	135.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$12,871,134	\$591,598	\$7,823,446	\$0	\$4,456,090	135.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$12,871,134	\$591,598	\$7,823,446	\$0	\$4,456,090	135.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	-68,526	-68,526	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$12,802,608	\$523,072	\$7,823,446	\$0	\$4,456,090	135.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$68,526	-\$68,526	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-0.5%	-11.6%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$12,802,608	\$523,072	\$7,823,446	\$0	\$4,456,090	135.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Homelake State Veterans Community Living Center

This line item funds all costs of the Homelake State Veterans Community Living Center. The Center includes the Homelake Domiciliary which is a 46-bed facility in Monte Vista that serves residents who do not require continuous nursing or medical care, but may need assistance with meals, housekeeping, personal care, laundry, and access to a physician. Residents pay rental fees that are subsidized by U.S. Veteran's Administration per diem payments. The General Fund is used to subsidize resident fees at the Homelake Domiciliary.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-12-101 through 201, 26-12-203, 26-12-206 and 207, 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Homelake Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$8,857,315	\$615,863	\$5,257,383	\$0	\$2,984,069	95.3
Total FY 2024-25	\$8,857,315	\$615,863	\$5,257,383	\$0	\$2,984,069	95.3
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$8,857,315	\$615,863	\$5,257,383	\$0	\$2,984,069	95.3
Annualize prior year budget actions	-40,412	-40,412	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$8,816,903	\$575,451	\$5,257,383	\$0	\$2,984,069	95.3
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$40,412	-\$40,412	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-0.5%	-6.6%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$8,816,903	\$575,451	\$5,257,383	\$0	\$2,984,069	95.3

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Homelake Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Homelake Veterans Cemetery

This line item funds the maintenance of the veteran’s cemetery on the campus of the Homelake Veterans Community Living Center. The appropriation is used to oversee the upkeep of the cemetery including supporting the employee who maintains the cemetery grounds, fertilizer and weed control, well services, and waste disposal.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-12-205, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Homelake Military Veterans Cemetery

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$72,152	\$64,487	\$7,665	\$0	\$0	0.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$72,152	\$64,487	\$7,665	\$0	\$0	0.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$72,152	\$64,487	\$7,665	\$0	\$0	0.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	2,233	2,233	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$74,385	\$66,720	\$7,665	\$0	\$0	0.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$2,233	\$2,233	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	3.1%	3.5%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$74,385	\$66,720	\$7,665	\$0	\$0	0.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Rifle State Veterans Nursing Home

This line item appropriates the personnel and operating costs of the Rifle State Veterans Nursing Home.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-12-101 through 201, 26-12-206 and 207, and 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Rifle Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$10,615,613	\$739,620	\$7,240,792	\$0	\$2,635,201	110.6
Total FY 2024-25	\$10,615,613	\$739,620	\$7,240,792	\$0	\$2,635,201	110.6

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Rifle Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$10,615,613	\$739,620	\$7,240,792	\$0	\$2,635,201	110.6
Annualize prior year budget actions	-108,670	-108,670	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$10,506,943	\$630,950	\$7,240,792	\$0	\$2,635,201	110.6
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$108,670	-\$108,670	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-1.0%	-14.7%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$10,506,943	\$630,950	\$7,240,792	\$0	\$2,635,201	110.6
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Walsenburg State Veterans Nursing Home

This line item appropriates the state administrative costs of the Walsenburg State Veterans Nursing Home.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-12-101 through 202, and 26-12-402, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Walsenburg Veterans Community Living Center

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$373,985	\$0	\$373,985	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$373,985	\$0	\$373,985	\$0	\$0	1.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$373,985	\$0	\$373,985	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$373,985	\$0	\$373,985	\$0	\$0	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$373,985	\$0	\$373,985	\$0	\$0	1.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Appropriation to the Central Fund pursuant to Section 26-12-108 (1)(a.5), C.R.S.

This line item was added to the FY 2007-08 Long Bill to comply with Section 26-12-108 (1)(a.5), C.R.S., that requires the General Assembly to appropriate General Fund to the Central Fund for Veterans Community Living Centers in an amount not to exceed 10.0 percent of total gross revenue accrued by the Central Fund during the preceding fiscal year. The appropriation is reappropriated to the Office of Operations and covers a portion of the Indirect cost assessment associated with Department services to the Veterans Community Living Centers.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-12-108 (1)(a.5), C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Veterans Community Living Centers, Appropriation to the Central Fund pursuant to Section 26-12-108 (1) (a.5), C.R.S.

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(E) Disability Determination Services

Program Costs

This line item funds medical professionals conducting disability determinations for the Social Security Administration for Colorado residents applying for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income Programs. Funding for the program is 100.0 percent custodial federal funds (Titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act), and is shown in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

Statutory Authority: Social Security Act, Sections 205, 1102, 1106, and 1601-1634 and Title 20, Parts 404 and 416, C.F.R.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Disability Determination Services, Program Costs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$21,694,589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,694,589	121.7
Total FY 2024-25	\$21,694,589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,694,589	121.7
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$21,694,589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,694,589	121.7
Annualize prior year budget actions	1,211,658	0	0	0	1,211,658	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$22,906,247	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,906,247	121.7
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$1,211,658	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,211,658	0.0
Percentage Change	5.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	5.6%	0.0%

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Disability Determination Services, Program Costs						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$22,906,247	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$22,906,247	121.7
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(F) Aging Programs

(1) Adult Protective Services

Colorado's Adult Protective Services (APS) system, enacted in 1991, is designed to protect vulnerable or at-risk adults who, because of age or mental or physical ability, are unable to obtain services or otherwise protect their own health, safety, and welfare. Senate Bill 12-078 (Protections For At-risk Adults) implemented mandatory reporting of elder abuse and created an Elder Abuse Task Force to study, make recommendations, and report on various issues related to at-risk elderly adults, including how to fund and implement a system of mandatory reporting for incidences of mistreatment or exploitation, the provision of services, and the adequacy of existing criminal penalties levied for offenses against this population.

As a follow-up to the work of the Task Force, S.B. 13-111 (Require Reports of Elder Abuse and Exploitation) established a new class of protections for at-risk elders, who are defined as any person age 70 or older. Beginning July 1, 2014, members of helping professions listed in statute (mandatory reporters) are required to report known or suspected abuse of at-risk elders, and to make the report within 24 hours. The bill required the Department to implement an awareness campaign among the public and mandatory reporters about the mistreatment, self-neglect, and exploitation of all at-risk adults, including at-risk elders. This bill also appropriated \$3.2 million General Fund to the Department for the reduction of county adult protective services worker caseloads, the county provision of adult protective services to at-risk adults, and training for county adult protective services workers and other persons who are required to report the abuse or exploitation of an at-risk elder. As a companion to S.B. 13-111, the General Assembly transferred \$8.5 million total funds, including \$4.8 million General Fund from the County Administration line item in the County Administration division to the Adult Protective Services line item in the Adult Assistance Programs division.

Additionally, beginning on July 1, 2016, S.B. 15-190 (Mandatory Abuse Report for Adults with a Disability) expanded the mandatory reporting requirement for at-risk adults to cover known or suspected abuse of at-risk adults with an intellectual or developmental disability.

State Administration

This appropriation funds the administrative-related activities performed by the state for the adult protective services program. Expenditures are for personal services and operating expenses, including travel, training, equipment, overhead, and supplies.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-1-201, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, State Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,531,474	\$1,460,674	\$70,800	\$0	\$0	11.6
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,531,474	\$1,460,674	\$70,800	\$0	\$0	11.6
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,531,474	\$1,460,674	\$70,800	\$0	\$0	11.6
Annualize prior year budget actions	57,724	57,724	0	0	0	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-15,315	-14,607	-708	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,573,883	\$1,503,791	\$70,092	\$0	\$0	11.6
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$42,409	\$43,117	-\$708	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	2.8%	3.0%	-1.0%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,589,198	\$1,518,398	\$70,800	\$0	\$0	11.6
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$15,315	-\$14,607	-\$708	\$0	\$0	0.0

Adult Protective Services

This line item provides funds for counties to administer programs for responding to reports of abuse of elderly and vulnerable individuals.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-1-201 and 26-3.1-101 through 109, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, Adult Protective Services

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$21,451,831	\$14,867,037	\$4,290,346	\$0	\$2,294,448	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$21,451,831	\$14,867,037	\$4,290,346	\$0	\$2,294,448	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$21,451,831	\$14,867,037	\$4,290,346	\$0	\$2,294,448	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$21,451,831	\$14,867,037	\$4,290,346	\$0	\$2,294,448	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$21,451,831	\$14,867,037	\$4,290,346	\$0	\$2,294,448	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Adult Protective Services Data System

This line item provides funding to maintain the data system that manages reports of suspected and confirmed crimes against at-risk adults. This system is referred to as the Colorado Adult Protective Services (CAPS) system.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-3.1-102, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, Adult Protective Services Data System						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$156,154	\$133,754	\$22,400	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$156,154	\$133,754	\$22,400	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$156,154	\$133,754	\$22,400	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$156,154	\$133,754	\$22,400	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$156,154	\$133,754	\$22,400	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Records and Reports of At-risk Adult Abuse or Neglect

This line item provides funding for the Department to maintain records of abuse and neglect and to perform related functions. House Bill 17-1284 (Data System Check for Employees Serving At-risk Adults) requires certain employers to conduct a records check of the Colorado Adult Protective Services (CAPS) data system for prospective employees to determine if a prospective employee who will work directly with at-risk adults is the subject of a substantiated report of adult abuse or neglect. CAPS records checks must be conducted starting on January 1, 2019. The State Board of Human Services must set a fee schedule for conducting the records checks that covers the cost of administering the program. This line item funds the program’s administrative costs.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-3.1-110, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, Records and Reports of At-Risk Adult Abuse or Neglect						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$569,237	\$0	\$569,237	\$0	\$0	7.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$569,237	\$0	\$569,237	\$0	\$0	7.5

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, Records and Reports of At-Risk Adult Abuse or Neglect

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$569,237	\$0	\$569,237	\$0	\$0	7.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	76,051	0	76,051	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$645,288	\$0	\$645,288	\$0	\$0	7.5
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$76,051	\$0	\$76,051	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	13.4%	n/a	13.4%	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$645,288	\$0	\$645,288	\$0	\$0	7.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(2) Community Services for the Elderly

Program Administration

This line item funds salary, operational costs such as in-state travel, postage, equipment rentals, overhead and supplies, and contractual services related to the state administration of the Older Americans Act and State Funding for Senior Services.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-11-201, 202, and 203, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Program Administration

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,414,202	\$344,990	\$0	\$0	\$1,069,212	8.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,414,202	\$344,990	\$0	\$0	\$1,069,212	8.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,414,202	\$344,990	\$0	\$0	\$1,069,212	8.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	82,598	14,064	0	0	68,534	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-14,142	-3,450	0	0	-10,692	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,482,658	\$355,604	\$0	\$0	\$1,127,054	8.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$68,456	\$10,614	\$0	\$0	\$57,842	0.0
Percentage Change	4.8%	3.1%	n/a	n/a	5.4%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,496,800	\$359,054	\$0	\$0	\$1,137,746	8.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$14,142	-\$3,450	\$0	\$0	-\$10,692	0.0

Senior Community Services Employment

This line item funds a program that promotes part-time employment in community service activities for unemployed, low-income persons age 55 or older, pursuant to a grant received

through Title V of the Older Americans Act. Eligible participants receive subsidized wages, training for skill enhancement or acquisition of skills, personal and employment counseling, and assistance in obtaining un-subsidized employment. The state enters into contracts with local community providers to implement this program. The line item is comprised of non-appropriated federal funds, and is included in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-11-201 and 26-11-206 C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Senior Community Services Employment						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$861,682	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$861,682	0.5
Total FY 2024-25	\$861,682	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$861,682	0.5
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$861,682	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$861,682	0.5
Annualize prior year budget actions	1,352	0	0	0	1,352	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$863,034	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$863,034	0.5
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$1,352	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,352	0.0
Percentage Change	0.2%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.2%	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$863,034	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$863,034	0.5
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Older Americans Act Programs

This line item provides funding for Area Agencies on Aging to contract with provider organizations to deliver a variety of services to older persons. Services offered include:

- Supportive services and senior centers - Functions include case management, client representation, shopping assistance, transportation, chore services, personal care services, adult day care, health screening, legal services, and an ombudsman;
- Nutrition services such as congregate meals, nutrition screening and education;
- In-home services for persons above the eligibility thresholds for Medicaid, Home Care Allowance and Adult Foster Care (homemaker services, personal care services, home repair services, visiting services); and
- Disease prevention and health promotion services (e.g., health risk assessments, programs regarding physical fitness, education regarding diagnosis, prevention and treatment of age-related diseases and chronic disabling conditions).

Funding is provided under Title III of the Older Americans Act and requires a minimum 15 percent non-federal share, of which 5.0 percent must be from State funds.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-11-205.5, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Older Americans Act Programs

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$20,918,207	\$990,653	\$3,079,710	\$0	\$16,847,844	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$20,918,207	\$990,653	\$3,079,710	\$0	\$16,847,844	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$20,918,207	\$990,653	\$3,079,710	\$0	\$16,847,844	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$20,918,207	\$990,653	\$3,079,710	\$0	\$16,847,844	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$20,918,207	\$990,653	\$3,079,710	\$0	\$16,847,844	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

National Family Caregiver Support Program

This line item funds the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). The NFCSP provides services to caregivers, so that they may continue to provide care to family and loved ones who are age 60 and over. The Department works with the Area Agencies on Aging to develop and implement a statewide comprehensive system for a diverse group of caregivers. Specifically, the program provides:

- Information to caregivers about available services;
- Assistance gaining access to services;
- Individual counseling, organization of support groups and caregiver training to assist the caregivers in making decisions and solving problems relating to their caregiver roles;
- Respite care to enable caregivers to be temporarily relieved from their care-giving responsibilities; and
- Supplemental services, on a limited basis, to complement the care provided by caregivers.

Funds appropriated to this line item are intended for grandparents caring for non-disabled children, elderly parents of disabled or developmentally disabled children, and family members and friends caring for older people. States are encouraged to give priority to elderly parents of disabled children and low-income older individuals.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-11-207, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, National Family Caregiver Support Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,173,936	\$142,041	\$423,805	\$0	\$1,608,090	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,173,936	\$142,041	\$423,805	\$0	\$1,608,090	0.0

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, National Family Caregiver Support Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,173,936	\$142,041	\$423,805	\$0	\$1,608,090	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$2,173,936	\$142,041	\$423,805	\$0	\$1,608,090	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request						
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,173,936	\$142,041	\$423,805	\$0	\$1,608,090	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

State Ombudsman Program

This line item funds a Department of Human Services contract with Disability Law Colorado to operate the State’s long-term care ombudsman office, which also includes the State’s Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) ombudsman office. Ombudsman services provide elderly residents in long-term care facilities or individuals receiving services from PACE providers with access to effective advocacy and assistance regarding the resolution of complaints made by (or on behalf of) any client related to any action, inaction, or decision of any provider of long-term care or PACE services that may adversely affect the health, safety, welfare, or rights of the client. Disability Law Colorado provides training and technical support to the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and local ombudsman staff. The State and its contractor are responsible for establishing the statewide policies and procedures for these ombudsman services and training and certifying personnel in local ombudsman offices. Local ombudsman offices, located in the state’s AAAs, administer services in accordance with the state office’s defined parameters.

Statutory Authority: Sections 26-11.5-101 et seq., C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, State Ombudsman Program

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$751,422	\$591,289	\$0	\$1,800	\$158,333	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$751,422	\$591,289	\$0	\$1,800	\$158,333	1.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$751,422	\$591,289	\$0	\$1,800	\$158,333	1.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	18,054	16,551	0	0	1,503	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$769,476	\$607,840	\$0	\$1,800	\$159,836	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25						
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$18,054	\$16,551	\$0	\$0	\$1,503	0.0
Percentage Change	2.4%	2.8%	n/a	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, State Ombudsman Program						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$769,476	\$607,840	\$0	\$1,800	\$159,836	1.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

State Funding for Senior Services

This line reflects state funding for senior services in addition to the state match required for federally-funded Older Americans Act programs. The cash fund portion of the appropriation is from the Older Coloradans Cash Fund. The Fund receives revenue from the diversion of funds that would otherwise go to the General Fund. Section 26-11-205.5 (2), C.R.S., requires that money appropriated from this fund are administered through the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), but the funds can be used with more flexibility than is afforded under Older Americans Act programs. Services funded with appropriations made to this item include home-delivered meals, transportation to medical appointments, and a variety of other forms of assistance to help seniors with the activities of daily living.

Statutory Authority: Article 11 of Title 26, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, State Funding for Senior Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$31,578,817	\$16,487,707	\$14,091,110	\$1,000,000	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$31,578,817	\$16,487,707	\$14,091,110	\$1,000,000	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$31,578,817	\$16,487,707	\$14,091,110	\$1,000,000	\$0	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	-2,000,000	-2,000,000	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$29,578,817	\$14,487,707	\$14,091,110	\$1,000,000	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$2,000,000	-\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-6.3%	-12.1%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$29,578,817	\$14,487,707	\$14,091,110	\$1,000,000	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Contingency Funding for Senior Services

This line provides contingency funding for services for seniors under the Older Coloradans Act and the federal Older Americans Act in the event of unforeseen circumstance. Unforeseen circumstances are defined as:

- financial or operational emergencies caused by force majeure;

- a disruption in the delivery of eligible service do to an unexpected change in provider availability or operational capacity;
 - an unintended delay or interruption of state or federal appropriations; and
- an emergency disaster declaration.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-11-209, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Contingency Funding for Senior Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff initiated OAADS reductions	-680,000	0	-680,000	0	0	0.0
Technical adjustment	-640,000	0	-640,000	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$680,000	\$0	\$680,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	-\$1,320,000	\$0	-\$1,320,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	-66.0%	n/a	-66.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$1,320,000	\$0	-\$1,320,000	\$0	\$0	0.0

Area Agencies on Aging Administration

This line item provides funding for the state’s 16 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) to develop and administer area plans on services for the aging within their respective regions. The appropriation is solely federal funds and is included in the Long Bill for informational purposes only.

Statutory Authority: Section 26-11-204, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Area Agencies on Aging Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$1,375,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,384	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$1,375,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,384	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$1,375,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,384	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$1,375,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,384	0.0

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Area Agencies on Aging Administration						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$1,375,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,384	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Respite Services

This line item funds respite services for at-risk adults and at-risk juveniles. Services are funded with a combination of General Fund money and cash funds from the Crimes Against At-Risk Persons Surcharge Fund created via H.B. 12-1226 (Surcharge On Crimes Against At-risk Persons). The Fund receives moneys from surcharges on persons who are convicted of crimes against at-risk adults and at-risk juveniles. Once collected, the surcharge revenue is distributed to the Judicial Stabilization Cash Fund for court administrative costs (5.0 percent) and the Crimes Against At-Risk Persons Surcharge Fund (95.0 percent).

House Bill 15-1233 (Respite Care Study Task Force) created the Respite Care Task Force within the Department. The Task Force was required to study the dynamics of the supply and demand of respite care services in Colorado. Additionally, H.B. 16-1398 (Implement Respite Care Task Force Recommendations) appropriated \$900,000 General Fund to the Department to begin implementing the Respite Care Task Force recommendations.

Statutory Authority: Sections 18-6.5-102 and 18-6.5-107, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Respite Services						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$398,370	\$350,000	\$48,370	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$398,370	\$350,000	\$48,370	\$0	\$0	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$398,370	\$350,000	\$48,370	\$0	\$0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$398,370	\$350,000	\$48,370	\$0	\$0	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$398,370	\$350,000	\$48,370	\$0	\$0	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

Strategic Action Plan on Aging

The Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging (SAPGA) was established in House Bill 15-1033 (Strategic Planning Group On Aging) as part of the Colorado Comprehensive Strategic Action Plan on Aging Act (Aging Act). The primary deliverable from SAPGA is the *Strategic Action Plan on Aging*, which was originally published on November 29, 2016 and subsequently updated each year through 2020. In the most recent edition of the *Strategic Action Plan on Aging*, SAPGA identifies its eight goals and the recommendations made to meet those goals. These goals can be summarized as ensuring that as Coloradans age, they continue to be active and valued member of their communities with access to the services necessary to ensure their quality of life. While SAPGA has been recommended for sunset, the Department was identified as an appropriate entity to take on implementation of the *Strategic Action Plan on Aging*.

Statutory Authority: Article 11 of Title 26, C.R.S.

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Strategic Action Plan on Aging

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$102,335	\$102,335	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$102,335	\$102,335	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$102,335	\$102,335	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$102,335	\$102,335	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Percentage Change	0.0%	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$102,335	\$102,335	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

(E) Indirect Cost Assessment

Indirect Cost Assessment

This line item reflects the indirect cost assessments paid by the programs within the Services for People with Disabilities division. The majority of the indirect cost assessments will be from the regional centers and the Veterans Community Living Centers.

Statutory Authority: Section 24-75-1401, C.R.S

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Indirect Cost Assessment, Indirect Cost Assessment

Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
FY 2024-25 Appropriation						

Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services, Indirect Cost Assessment, Indirect Cost Assessment						
Item	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reapprop. Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
H.B. 24-1430 (Long Bill)	\$18,864,122	\$0	\$4,155,086	\$14,488,038	\$220,998	0.0
S.B. 25-095 (Supplemental Bill)	-233,975	0	-59,867	-171,492	-2,616	0.0
Total FY 2024-25	\$18,630,147	\$0	\$4,095,219	\$14,316,546	\$218,382	0.0
FY 2025-26 Recommended Appropriation						
FY 2024-25 Appropriation	\$18,630,147	\$0	\$4,095,219	\$14,316,546	\$218,382	0.0
Indirect cost assessment	524,095	0	148,657	325,348	7,346	0.0
Annualize prior year budget actions	233,975	0	59,867	171,492	2,616	0.0
Impacts driven by other agencies	23,118	0	5,915	16,944	259	0.0
R8 Increase county oversight and support	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total FY 2025-26	\$19,411,335	\$0	\$4,320,595	\$14,861,660	\$229,080	0.0
Changes from FY 2024-25	\$781,188	\$0	\$225,376	\$545,114	\$10,698	0.0
Percentage Change	4.2%	n/a	5.5%	3.8%	4.9%	n/a
FY 2025-26 Executive Request	\$19,434,699	\$0	\$4,326,573	\$14,878,784	\$229,342	0.0
Staff Rec. Above/-Below Request	-\$23,364	\$0	-\$5,978	-\$17,124	-\$262	0.0

Long Bill Footnotes

Staff recommends **continuing and modifying** the following footnotes.

- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Administration; and Food and Energy Assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration** -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., the Department is authorized to transfer up to 5.0 percent of the total appropriations between these line items.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System** -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., the Department is authorized to transfer up to 5.0 percent of the total appropriations in this subsection among line items in this subsection. The Department is also authorized to transfer up to 5.0 percent of the total appropriations in this subsection to the following line item appropriations within the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing: Executive Director's Office, Information Technology Contracts and Projects, Colorado Benefits Management Systems, Operating and Contract Expenses and Colorado Benefits Management System, Health Care and Economic Security Staff Development Center.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Colorado Benefits Management System, Ongoing Expenses, Operating and Contract Expenses** -- Of this appropriation, \$2,500,000 remains available for expenditure until the close of the ~~2025-26~~ 2026-27 state fiscal year.
- N **Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Executive Director's Office, Information Technology Contracts and Projects, Colorado Benefits Management Systems, Colorado Benefits Management Systems, Health Care and Economic Security Staff Development Center** -- Of this appropriation, \$2,500,000 remains available for expenditure until the close of the ~~2025-26~~ 2026-27 state fiscal year.
- N **Governor – Lieutenant Governor – State Planning and Budgeting, Office of Information Technology, Colorado Benefits Management System, Colorado Benefits Management System** -- Of this appropriation, \$5,000,000 remains available until the close of the ~~2025-26~~ 2026-27 fiscal year.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Block Grants; Child Support Services, Child Support Services; County Administration, County Incentive Payments** -- Pursuant to Sections 26-13-108 and 26-13-112.5 (2), C.R.S., the Department shall distribute child support incentive payments to counties. Further, all of the State share of recoveries of amounts of support for public assistance recipients, less annual appropriations from this fund source for state child support enforcement operations, shall be distributed to counties, as described in Sections 26-13-108 and 26-2-108, C.R.S. If the total amount of the State share of recoveries is greater than the total annual appropriations from this fund

source, the Department is authorized to distribute to counties, for county incentive payments, the actual State share of any additional recoveries.

- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Block Grants** -- Pursuant to Sections 26-2-714 (7) and 26-2-714 (9), C.R.S., under certain conditions, a county may transfer federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds within its Colorado Works Program Block Grant to the federal child care development fund or to programs funded by Title XX of the federal Social Security Act. One of the conditions specified is that the amount a county transfers must be specified by the Department of Human Services as being available for transfer within the limitation imposed by federal law. The Department may allow individual counties to transfer a greater percent of federal TANF funds than the state is allowed under federal law as long as: (a) Each county has had an opportunity to transfer an amount up to the federal maximum allowed; and, (b) the total amount transferred statewide does not exceed the federal maximum.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Block Grants** -- The appropriation of local funds for Colorado Works program county block grants may be decreased by a maximum of \$100,000 to reduce one or more small counties' fiscal year ~~2024-25~~ 2025-26 targeted or actual spending level pursuant to Section 26-2-714 (8), C.R.S.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Employment and Benefits Division, Colorado Works Program, County Block Grants** -- The Department may comply with the provisions of Section 26-2-714 (10), C.R.S., by reducing required county Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) maintenance of effort expenditures in the fiscal year after the State is notified that it has met federal work participation rates and qualifies for a percent reduction in the state's maintenance of effort. If the State is notified during the ~~2024-25~~ 2025-26 state fiscal year that it has met federal work participation rates for a prior year and therefore qualifies for a percent reduction in the state's maintenance of effort, local cash funds expenditure obligations that are established in this line item pursuant to Section 26-2-714 (6) (c) (I), C.R.S., shall be reduced by \$5,524,726.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, County Administration, County Administration; and Office of Adult, Aging and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Adult Protective Services, Adult Protective Services** -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., any amount in the Adult Protective Services line item that is not required for the provision of adult protective services may be transferred to the County Administration line item and used to provide additional benefits under that program. Further, if county spending exceeds the total appropriations from the Adult Protective Services line item, any amount in the County Administration line item that is not required for the provision of services under that program may be transferred to the Adult Protective Services line item and used to provide adult protective services.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Wheat Ridge Regional Center, Wheat**

- Ridge Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility; and Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility** -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., the Department may transfer up to 5.0 percent of the total appropriation for Intermediate Care Facilities between the Wheat Ridge Regional Center and the Grand Junction Regional Center.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities, Grand Junction Regional Center, Grand Junction Regional Center Waiver Services; and Pueblo Regional Center, Pueblo Regional Center Waiver Services** -- In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., the Department may transfer up to 5.0 percent of the total appropriation for Regional Center waiver services between the Grand Junction Regional Center and the Pueblo Regional Center.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly, Older Americans Act Programs, and State Funding for Senior Services** -- Amounts in the Older Americans Act Programs line item are calculated based on a requirement for a non-federal match of at least 15 percent, including a 5.0 percent state match, pursuant to Title III of the federal Older Americans Act. In addition to the transfer authority provided in Section 24-75-108, C.R.S., the Department is authorized to transfer General Fund and cash funds from the State Funding for Senior Services line item to the Older Americans Act Programs line item to comply with the 5.0 percent state match requirement for the Older Americans Act Programs. This appropriation is based on the assumption that all federal Title III funds requiring a state match that are not for purposes of administration or included in the appropriations for other line items will be expended from the Older Americans Act Programs line item.

Requests for Information

Staff recommends **continuing and modifying** the following requests for information.

- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security, Food and Energy Assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Administration** – The Department is requested to submit quarterly updates beginning July 1, 2024 on the federal corrective action plan to address Application Processing Timeliness (APT) rates that are below the federally required minimum and the actions taken by the department to bring the State into compliance.
- N **Department of Human Services, Totals** -- The Department is requested to submit a report concerning the status of federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds. The requested report should include the following: (a) an analysis of the TANF Long Term Reserve, including estimated TANF funds available for appropriation, estimated TANF appropriations by Long Bill line item, and the estimated closing Long Term Reserve balance, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the current fiscal year, and the request fiscal year; (b) an analysis of the TANF maintenance of effort (MOE) payments, showing the actual and forecasted MOE expenditures, by program, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the current fiscal year, and the request fiscal year; and (c) an analysis of the counties' TANF reserve balances that includes, for each county, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the starting TANF Reserve Account balances for the Works Program, Title XX, and Child Care Development Fund accounts, the annual TANF allocation, the total expenditures, the net transfers to child care and child welfare, any amounts remitted to the state, and the closing reserve balance for all county TANF accounts. The report should be provided to the Joint Budget Committee annually on or before November 1. An update to this information reflecting data at the close of the federal fiscal year should be provided to the Joint Budget Committee annually on or before January 1.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly** -- The Department is requested to submit a report by November 1 of each year on Older Americans Act Funds received and anticipated to be received, and the match requirements for these funds. The report should also specify the amount of funds, if any, that were transferred between the State Funding for Senior Services line item and the Older Americans Act Programs line item in the prior actual fiscal year to comply with federal match requirements.
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging, and Disability Services, Aging Programs, Community Services for the Elderly** -- The Department is requested to submit annually, on or before November 1, a report to that provides the cost to eliminate waitlists for each service type for services provided to older adults by the state's Area Agencies on Aging
- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Adult, Aging, and Disability Services, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities** -- The Department is requested to provide by November 1 of each fiscal year, the monthly census for each Regional Center by

licensure type since the beginning of the fiscal year, and annual cost per capita for each Regional Center by licensure type, including the Regional Center costs for utilities, depreciation, Indirect cost assessment, and centrally appropriated personnel items.

- N **Department of Human Services, Office of Economic Security** -- The Department is requested to submit annually through 2025, on or before January 1, a report to the Joint Budget Committee concerning fair hearings conducted for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The requested report should include the following information: (a) the total number of SNAP fair hearings conducted internally at CDHS and the total number of SNAP fair hearings that involve a second program and were thus conducted at the Office of Administrative Courts (OAC); (b) the percentage of internal hearings and the percentage of OAC fair hearings conducted that met the federal timeliness standards; (c) the number of internal hearings that utilized a certified interpreter and the number that used a non-certified interpreter; (d) an overview of the training that is provided to staff working on Fair Hearings at the Office of Appeals. (e) a description of measures used to ensure that the internal hearing process is independent from the CDHS Office of Appeals and CDHS SNAP operations.

Indirect Cost Assessment

Description of Indirect Cost Assessment Methodology

The Department's methodology for allocating Indirect cost assessment is based on a detailed Public Assistance Cost Allocation Plan that is submitted and approved by the federal government. This plan most reasonably approximates the pro-rata share of Divisions and programs for the shared costs of administrative oversight and central services. An important part of the methodology is that recoverable costs from federal grants are applied first, so that agency indirect cost assessments are calculated to include only Indirect cost assessment for which they will be actually billed. Alternative methodologies (for instance using other bases such as total expenses, personal services expenses, or actual time tracking) are thought to be either less accurate, too labor-intensive, or virtually the same in terms of accuracy.

Additional Balancing Options

As part of staff budget briefings in November and December 2024, staff identified budget reduction options for each department that the JBC could consider in addition to or instead of the options presented in the budget request. **Items staff recommends and items that agencies have requested formally are addressed earlier in this packet.** Other items that could be considered, if needed to bring the budget into balance, are listed below.

A General Fund reduction of 5.0 percent to the sections of the budget covered in this figure setting packet equates to a reduction of \$7.0 million. The Staff recommendations included in this figure setting packet, if adopted by the JBC, provide budget reductions and revenue enhancements totaling \$6.2 million. Options from the table below, if adopted, increase that amount.

Items in the table are ordered from lowest impact on program operations to highest, based on staff’s understanding of the impact of the change. Staff has also **highlighted** in the table those options that Executive Branch has indicated that it supports, based on letters or other communication with the JBC staff, though it did not formally request these items.

Additional Options for General Fund Relief - OES & OAADS

Option	General Fund	Other Funds	Bill? Y/N	Description
Revenue Enhancements				
None				
Subtotal - Revenue	\$0	\$0		
Expenditure Reductions				
County tax base relief base reduction	-200,000	0		5% reduction to funding that assists counties with the highest costs and lowest property tax values in meeting their obligations for the local match required by the State for certain public assistance programs. This is an ongoing reduction.
State Funding for Senior Services base reduction	-144,877	0		1% reduction to state funding for Area Agencies on Aging. This reduction would affect services.
Transitional Jobs Program defund	-2,610,253	0		Eliminates funding for the Transitional Jobs Program. The amount shown is in addition to staff's recommendation related to R17. This is an ongoing reduction and would affect services.
Reduction to Brain Injury Trust Fund	-225,000	0		A reduction of the Long Bill appropriation of GF to the Brain Injury Trust Fund. This is an ongoing reduction and would affect services.
Reduction to Central Fund for VCLCs	-400,000	0		A reduction of the Long Bill appropriation of GF to the Central Fund for VCLCs. This is an ongoing reduction and would affect services.
VCLCs base reduction	-31,574	0		1% reduction to the four state run VCLCs and the Homelake Veterans Cemetary. This is an ongoing reduction and would affect services.
Subtotal - Expenditures	-\$3,611,704	\$0		
Net General Fund Relief	\$3,611,704	\$0		

Expenditure Reductions

County Tax Base Relief Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to county tax base relief of \$200,000 General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The option is a 5.0 percent reduction to current appropriations. Reversions were reported in FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22, and FY 2022-23 averaging 36.0 percent of the original appropriation.

Additional background: County tax base relief provides funding that assists counties with the highest costs and lowest property tax values in meeting their obligations for the local match required by the State for certain public assistance programs. Specifically, money is provided to counties that meet the provisions of a formula that takes into consideration the amount of property valued for assessment in a county and that county's 20.0 obligation for public assistance programs.

State Funding for Senior Services Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to the State Funding for Senior Services line item of \$144,877 General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction is calculated at 1.0 percent of FY 2024-25 appropriations. The 1.0 percent target was chosen by staff for ease of scaling.

Additional background: This line reflects state funding for senior services provided through the State's 16 Area Agencies on Aging. Services funded with appropriations made to this item include home-delivered meals, transportation to medical appointments, and a variety of other forms of assistance to help seniors with the activities of daily living.

Transitional Jobs Program Defund

Description: A reduction to the Transitional Jobs Program of \$2,610,253 General Fund starting in FY 2025-26 and ongoing.

Key Considerations: The reduction would eliminate funding for the Transitional Jobs Program created in Section 26-2-1103, C.R.S., but would not strike the program from statute.

Additional background: This program was assessed as proven based on research and supporting data. When a request item is designated "proven" it means "a program or practice that reflects a high or well-supported level of confidence of effectiveness, ineffectiveness, or harmfulness as determined by one or more high-quality randomized control trials, multiple evaluations with strong comparison groups, or an equivalent measure." (Section 2-3-10 (2)(d), C.R.S.)

Reduction to Brain Injury Trust Fund

Description: A reduction of \$225,000 to the General Fund appropriation to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund.

Key Considerations: This options represents an ongoing 50.0 percent reduction of the General Fund subsidy to the Fund. This subsidy is discretionary.

Additional background: The Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund receives revenue from a surcharge for DUI and related convictions and a surcharge for helmet convictions. Beginning in FY 2019-20, pursuant to H.B. 19-1147 (Revise Traumatic Brain Injury Trust Fund), the General Assembly was permitted to appropriate General Fund directly to the Trust Fund.

Reduction to Central Fund for Veterans Community Living Centers (VCLCs)

Description: A reduction of \$400,000 General Fund appropriation to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund.

Key Considerations: This options represents an ongoing 50.0 percent reduction of the General Fund subsidy to the Fund. This subsidy is quasi-discretionary.

Additional background: Section 26-12-108 (1)(a.5), C.R.S., that requires the General Assembly to appropriate General Fund to the Central Fund for Veterans Community Living Centers in an amount not to exceed 10.0 percent of total gross revenue accrued by the Central Fund during the preceding fiscal year.

Veterans Community Living Centers Base Reduction

Description: A reduction to the four state owned Veterans Community Living Centers and the Homelake Veterans Cemetery of \$31,574 General Fund.

Key Considerations: The reduction is calculated at 1.0 percent of FY 2024-25 appropriations. The 1.0 percent target was chosen by staff for ease of scaling.

Additional background: There are four state owned Veterans Community Living Centers and one county run center that provide skilled nursing care to honorably discharged veterans, spouses of veterans, and parents of deceased veterans who were killed in action. The five centers are located throughout the state in Aurora (Fitzsimons), Florence (McCandless), Monte Vista (Homelake), Rifle, and Walsenburg. Each facility is Medicare and Medicaid certified. The Veterans Community Living Centers are designated as enterprises as long as the centers comply with the requirements of Section 26-12-110, C.R.S.

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Michelle Barnes, Executive Director

(4) OFFICE OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

(A) Administration

OES Administration	<u>1,277,588</u>	<u>1,311,082</u>	<u>1,471,243</u>	<u>2,107,481</u>	<u>2,083,065</u>
FTE	15.5	6.6	4.0	4.0	4.0
General Fund	561,946	444,769	500,864	717,102	702,390
Cash Funds	5,036	34,156	71,320	71,320	70,607
Reappropriated Funds	160,000	238,000	0	240,000	240,000
Federal Funds	550,606	594,157	899,059	1,079,059	1,070,068
SUBTOTAL - (A) Administration	1,277,588	1,311,082	1,471,243	2,107,481	2,083,065
FTE	<u>15.5</u>	<u>6.6</u>	<u>4.0</u>	<u>4.0</u>	<u>4.0</u>
General Fund	561,946	444,769	500,864	717,102	702,390
Cash Funds	5,036	34,156	71,320	71,320	70,607
Reappropriated Funds	160,000	238,000	0	240,000	240,000
Federal Funds	550,606	594,157	899,059	1,079,059	1,070,068

(B) Colorado Benefits Management System

(1) Ongoing Expenses

Personal Services	<u>560,331</u>	<u>691,252</u>	<u>1,009,671</u>	<u>888,237</u>	<u>888,237</u>
General Fund	455,572	330,181	455,572	398,304	398,304
Cash Funds	12,738	23,886	70,162	70,162	70,162
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	92,021	337,185	483,937	419,771	419,771

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Centrally Appropriated Items	<u>126,079</u>	<u>127,048</u>	<u>117,046</u>	<u>117,046</u>	<u>117,046</u>
General Fund	52,812	52,812	52,812	52,812	52,812
Cash Funds	6,163	8,134	8,134	8,134	8,134
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	67,104	66,102	56,100	56,100	56,100
Operating and Contract Expenses	<u>22,808,882</u>	<u>25,757,391</u> 13.6	<u>27,098,238</u>	<u>28,873,635</u>	<u>28,873,635</u>
General Fund	11,735,036	12,404,624	12,851,678	13,683,472	13,683,472
Cash Funds	504,190	494,211	739,894	817,313	817,313
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	27,544	27,544	27,544
Federal Funds	10,569,656	12,858,556	13,479,122	14,345,306	14,345,306
CBMS Emergency Processing Unit	<u>120,523</u>	<u>91,773</u>	<u>255,296</u>	<u>258,870</u>	<u>258,870</u>
FTE	0.0	1.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
General Fund	60,803	36,022	92,256	95,830	95,830
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	59,720	55,751	163,040	163,040	163,040
SUBTOTAL - (1) Ongoing Expenses	23,615,815	26,667,464	28,480,251	30,137,788	30,137,788
FTE	0.0	14.6	4.0	4.0	4.0
General Fund	12,304,223	12,823,639	13,452,318	14,230,418	14,230,418
Cash Funds	523,091	526,231	818,190	895,609	895,609
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	27,544	27,544	27,544
Federal Funds	10,788,501	13,317,594	14,182,199	14,984,217	14,984,217

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(2) Special Projects					
Health Care and Economic Security Staff					
Development Center	<u>395,423</u>	<u>189,738</u>	<u>771,879</u>	<u>828,271</u>	<u>828,271</u>
FTE	10.4	12.1	13.0	13.0	13.0
General Fund	174,481	31,818	260,601	293,401	293,401
Cash Funds	17,871	22,145	42,556	45,085	45,085
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	167,924	168,518	168,518
Federal Funds	203,071	135,775	300,798	321,267	321,267
SUBTOTAL - (2) Special Projects	395,423	189,738	771,879	828,271	828,271
FTE	<u>10.4</u>	<u>12.1</u>	<u>13.0</u>	<u>13.0</u>	<u>13.0</u>
General Fund	174,481	31,818	260,601	293,401	293,401
Cash Funds	17,871	22,145	42,556	45,085	45,085
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	167,924	168,518	168,518
Federal Funds	203,071	135,775	300,798	321,267	321,267
SUBTOTAL - (B) Colorado Benefits Management					
System	24,011,238	26,857,202	29,252,130	30,966,059	30,966,059
FTE	<u>10.4</u>	<u>26.7</u>	<u>17.0</u>	<u>17.0</u>	<u>17.0</u>
General Fund	12,478,704	12,855,457	13,712,919	14,523,819	14,523,819
Cash Funds	540,962	548,376	860,746	940,694	940,694
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	195,468	196,062	196,062
Federal Funds	10,991,572	13,453,369	14,482,997	15,305,484	15,305,484

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(C) Employment and Benefits Division					
(I) Administration					
Program Administration	<u>2,982,099</u>	<u>4,647,154</u>	<u>4,538,455</u>	<u>4,701,618</u>	<u>4,701,618</u>
FTE	14.7	24.1	23.0	23.0	23.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	2,982,099	4,647,154	4,538,455	4,701,618	4,701,618
SUBTOTAL - (I) Administration	2,982,099	4,647,154	4,538,455	4,701,618	4,701,618
FTE	<u>14.7</u>	<u>24.1</u>	<u>23.0</u>	<u>23.0</u>	<u>23.0</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	2,982,099	4,647,154	4,538,455	4,701,618	4,701,618
(II) Colorado Works Program					
County Block Grants	<u>158,829,977</u>	<u>165,337,688</u>	<u>172,816,036</u>	<u>172,816,036</u>	<u>172,816,036</u>
General Fund	0	2,266,909	14,886,272	14,886,272	12,886,272
Cash Funds	30,631,620	34,305,695	25,833,887	25,833,887	27,833,887
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	128,198,357	128,765,084	132,095,877	132,095,877	132,095,877

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County Training	<u>202,198</u>	<u>472</u>	<u>430,092</u>	<u>432,677</u>	<u>432,677</u>
FTE	2.1	0.3	2.0	2.0	2.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	202,198	472	430,092	432,677	432,677
Works Program Evaluation	<u>404,960</u>	<u>305,164</u>	<u>495,440</u>	<u>495,440</u>	<u>495,440</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	404,960	305,164	495,440	495,440	495,440
Short-term Non-recurrent Benefits for Colorado					
Works Participants	<u>0</u>	<u>1,508,189</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	1,508,189	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (II) Colorado Works Program	159,437,135	167,151,513	173,741,568	173,744,153	173,744,153
FTE	<u>2.1</u>	<u>0.3</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>
General Fund	0	2,266,909	14,886,272	14,886,272	12,886,272
Cash Funds	30,631,620	34,305,695	25,833,887	25,833,887	27,833,887
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	128,805,515	130,578,909	133,021,409	133,023,994	133,023,994

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(III) Other Employment-focused Programs					
Workforce Development Council	<u>54,596</u>	<u>58,217</u>	<u>111,211</u>	<u>111,211</u>	<u>111,211</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	54,596	58,217	111,211	111,211	111,211
Transitional Jobs Programs	<u>2,449,863</u>	<u>2,515,226</u>	<u>2,854,895</u>	<u>2,610,253</u>	<u>2,610,253</u> *
FTE	0.7	1.6	2.0	2.0	2.0
General Fund	2,449,863	2,515,226	2,854,895	2,610,253	2,610,253
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Child Support Services Program	<u>513,532</u>	<u>656,075</u>	<u>1,149,064</u>	<u>1,153,648</u>	<u>1,153,648</u>
FTE	1.2	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	513,532	656,075	1,149,064	1,153,648	1,153,648
Food Stamp Job Search Units - Program Costs	<u>13,694,084</u>	<u>12,209,934</u>	<u>2,147,123</u>	<u>2,169,707</u>	<u>2,169,707</u>
FTE	3.1	3.0	6.2	6.2	6.2
General Fund	1,293,435	0	204,297	213,031	213,031
Cash Funds	0	0	413,436	413,436	413,436
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	12,400,649	12,209,934	1,529,390	1,543,240	1,543,240

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Food Stamp Job Search Units - Supportive Services	<u>209,160</u>	<u>209,160</u>	<u>261,452</u>	<u>261,452</u>	<u>261,452</u>
General Fund	78,435	78,435	78,435	78,435	78,435
Cash Funds	0	0	52,291	52,291	52,291
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	130,725	130,725	130,726	130,726	130,726
Employment Opportunities With Wages Program	<u>938,828</u>	<u>1,229,922 1.2</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	938,828	1,229,922	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Refugee Assistance	<u>34,449,068</u>	<u>42,634,903</u>	<u>11,140,350</u>	<u>2,945,737</u>	<u>2,945,737</u>
FTE	11.1	14.4	10.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	34,449,068	42,634,903	11,140,350	2,945,737	2,945,737
Teen Parent Diver's License Program	<u>50,000</u>	<u>66,131</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> *
General Fund	50,000	66,131	100,000	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Stable Housing for Survivors of Domestic or Sexual Violence Program	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
FTE	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.5	1.5
Cash Funds	0	0	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000

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SUBTOTAL - (III) Other Employment-focused					
Programs	52,359,131	59,579,568	21,764,095	13,252,008	13,252,008
<i>FTE</i>	<u>16.1</u>	<u>20.9</u>	<u>20.5</u>	<u>10.7</u>	<u>10.7</u>
General Fund	3,871,733	2,659,792	3,237,627	2,901,719	2,901,719
Cash Funds	0	0	2,465,727	2,465,727	2,465,727
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	48,487,398	56,919,776	16,060,741	7,884,562	7,884,562
(IV) Adult Financial					
Program Administration	<u>507,756</u>	<u>128,920</u>	<u>537,573</u>	<u>561,819</u>	<u>555,148</u>
<i>FTE</i>	6.9	5.0	6.9	6.9	6.9
General Fund	378,206	0	408,023	432,269	426,893
Cash Funds	129,550	128,920	129,550	129,550	128,255
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Assistance Programs	<u>66,724,681</u>	<u>75,023,549</u>	<u>78,905,051</u>	<u>78,905,051</u>	<u>78,905,051</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	66,724,681	75,023,549	78,905,051	78,905,051	78,905,051
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds	<u>588,362</u>	<u>588,362</u>	<u>588,362</u>	<u>588,362</u>	<u>588,362</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	588,362	588,362	588,362	588,362	588,362
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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OAP Burial Reimbursements	<u>918,364</u>	<u>918,364</u>	<u>918,364</u>	<u>918,364</u>	<u>918,364</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	918,364	918,364	918,364	918,364	918,364
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
State Administration	<u>435,917</u>	<u>427,913</u>	<u>552,817</u>	<u>637,062</u>	<u>637,062</u>
FTE	4.3	5.6	3.5	3.5	3.5
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	435,917	427,913	552,817	637,062	637,062
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
County Administration	<u>5,475,775</u>	<u>5,467,848</u>	<u>2,566,974</u>	<u>2,566,974</u>	<u>2,566,974</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	5,475,775	5,467,848	2,566,974	2,566,974	2,566,974
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Administration - Home Care Allowance SEP					
Contract	<u>850,479</u>	<u>954,325</u>	<u>1,063,259</u>	<u>1,063,259</u>	<u>956,933</u>
General Fund	850,479	954,325	1,063,259	1,063,259	956,933
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Aid to the Needy Disabled Programs	<u>9,389,611</u>	<u>10,083,441</u>	<u>13,394,238</u>	<u>15,480,532</u>	<u>13,394,238</u>
General Fund	7,654,065	7,654,065	7,654,065	9,740,359	7,654,065
Cash Funds	1,735,546	2,429,376	5,740,173	5,740,173	5,740,173
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Disability Benefits Application Assistance Program	<u>1,182,286</u>	<u>1,215,483</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FTE	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund	1,182,286	1,215,483	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Other Burial Reimbursements	<u>402,985</u>	<u>402,985</u>	<u>508,000</u>	<u>508,000</u>	<u>508,000</u>
General Fund	402,985	402,985	402,985	402,985	402,985
Cash Funds	0	0	105,015	105,015	105,015
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Home Care Allowance	<u>3,372,429</u>	<u>432,878</u>	<u>2,017,171</u>	<u>967,171</u>	<u>967,171</u> *
General Fund	3,372,429	432,878	1,850,370	850,370	850,370
Cash Funds	0	0	166,801	116,801	116,801
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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SSI Stabilization Fund Programs	<u>506,981</u>	<u>214,913</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	506,981	214,913	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (IV) Adult Financial	90,355,626	95,858,981	102,051,809	103,196,594	100,997,303
<i>FTE</i>	<u>11.2</u>	<u>11.5</u>	<u>10.4</u>	<u>10.4</u>	<u>10.4</u>
General Fund	13,840,450	10,659,736	11,378,702	12,489,242	10,291,246
Cash Funds	76,515,176	85,199,245	90,673,107	90,707,352	90,706,057
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (C) Employment and Benefits Division	305,133,991	327,237,216	302,095,927	294,894,373	292,695,082
<i>FTE</i>	<u>44.1</u>	<u>56.8</u>	<u>55.9</u>	<u>46.1</u>	<u>46.1</u>
General Fund	17,712,183	15,586,437	29,502,601	30,277,233	26,079,237
Cash Funds	107,146,796	119,504,940	118,972,721	119,006,966	121,005,671
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	180,275,012	192,145,839	153,620,605	145,610,174	145,610,174
(D) Food and Energy Assistance					
Low Income Energy Assistance Program	<u>76,402,558</u>	<u>50,032,993</u>	<u>43,998,898</u>	<u>44,019,430</u>	<u>44,019,430</u>
<i>FTE</i>	6.0	5.8	5.2	5.2	5.2
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	76,402,558	50,032,993	43,998,898	44,019,430	44,019,430

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	FY 2022-23 Actual	FY 2023-24 Actual	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Request	FY 2025-26 Recommendation
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program					
Administration	<u>10,086,535</u>	<u>6,974,387</u>	<u>4,697,136</u>	<u>4,879,717</u>	<u>4,879,717</u>
FTE	30.0	29.2	22.6	22.6	22.6
General Fund	1,749,458	1,453,158	2,261,477	2,360,372	2,360,372
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	8,337,077	5,521,229	2,435,659	2,519,345	2,519,345
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program State					
Staff Training	<u>0</u>	<u>11,242</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
General Fund	0	5,621	12,500	12,500	12,500
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	5,621	12,500	12,500	12,500
Food Distribution Program					
FTE	<u>4.4</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<u>10.9</u>	<u>10.9</u>	<u>10.9</u>
General Fund	4,150,910	521,045	161,012	164,445	164,445
Cash Funds	104,289	163,999	844,282	667,674	667,674
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	1,121,619	830,775	493,252	528,859	528,859
Food Assistance Grant Programs					
General Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
	0	0	3,000,000	0	1,000,000

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	FY 2022-23 Actual	FY 2023-24 Actual	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Request	FY 2025-26 Recommendation
Income Tax Offset	<u>3,847</u>	<u>1,359</u>	<u>4,128</u>	<u>4,128</u>	<u>4,128</u>
General Fund	2,075	1,242	2,064	2,064	2,064
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	1,772	117	2,064	2,064	2,064
Electronic Benefits Transfer Service	<u>7,419,491</u>	<u>4,714,493</u>	<u>3,217,151</u>	<u>3,262,445</u>	<u>3,262,445</u>
FTE	9.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0
General Fund	939,177	612,595	716,849	724,924	724,924
Cash Funds	22,835	45,812	1,022,415	1,032,226	1,032,226
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	35,701	35,701	35,701
Federal Funds	6,457,479	4,056,086	1,442,186	1,469,594	1,469,594
Systematic Alien Verification for Eligibility	<u>36,102</u>	<u>53,198</u>	<u>130,073</u>	<u>187,945</u>	<u>187,945</u>
FTE	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
General Fund	6,386	6,386	20,405	29,665	29,665
Cash Funds	972	2,059	2,541	2,541	2,541
Reappropriated Funds	20,838	28,307	80,345	116,804	116,804
Federal Funds	7,906	16,446	26,782	38,935	38,935
Colorado Diaper Distribution Program	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>1,861,223</u>	<u>2,007,529</u>	<u>2,009,197</u>	<u>1,009,197</u>
FTE	1.1	0.4	2.0	2.0	2.0
General Fund	2,000,000	1,861,223	2,007,529	2,009,197	1,009,197
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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	FY 2022-23 Actual	FY 2023-24 Actual	FY 2024-25 Appropriation	FY 2025-26 Request	FY 2025-26 Recommendation
Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program	<u>0</u>	<u>1,206,418</u>	<u>3,600,654</u>	<u>3,604,888</u>	<u>3,604,888</u>
FTE	0.0	0.4	4.0	4.0	4.0
General Fund	0	586,236	1,800,327	1,801,887	1,801,887
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	620,182	1,800,327	1,803,001	1,803,001
SUBTOTAL - (D) Food and Energy Assistance	101,325,351	66,371,132	62,179,115	59,353,728	59,353,728
FTE	<u>50.5</u>	<u>50.2</u>	<u>52.7</u>	<u>52.7</u>	<u>52.7</u>
General Fund	8,848,006	5,047,506	9,982,163	7,105,054	7,105,054
Cash Funds	128,096	211,870	1,869,238	1,702,441	1,702,441
Reappropriated Funds	20,838	28,307	116,046	152,505	152,505
Federal Funds	92,328,411	61,083,449	50,211,668	50,393,728	50,393,728
(E) Child Support Services					
Automated Child Support Enforcement System	<u>7,808,699</u>	<u>7,672,568</u>	<u>10,097,906</u>	<u>10,338,150</u>	<u>10,338,150</u>
FTE	20.5	25.3	22.9	22.9	22.9
General Fund	2,800,648	2,098,990	2,867,358	3,008,705	3,008,705
Cash Funds	168,138	238,948	877,141	877,141	877,141
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	4,839,913	5,334,630	6,353,407	6,452,304	6,452,304

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Child Support Services	<u>6,399,131</u>	<u>2,196,693</u>	<u>3,290,710</u>	<u>3,511,496</u>	<u>3,511,496</u>
FTE	24.2	21.3	31.5	31.5	31.5
General Fund	4,819,783	129,301	958,667	1,066,173	1,066,173
Cash Funds	0	0	182,026	182,026	182,026
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	1,579,348	2,067,392	2,150,017	2,263,297	2,263,297
Child Support Payment Pass-through					
Reimbursements	<u>0</u>	<u>4,135,549</u>	<u>5,200,000</u>	<u>5,200,000</u>	<u>4,800,000</u>
General Fund	0	4,135,549	5,200,000	5,200,000	4,800,000
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (E) Child Support Services	14,207,830	14,004,810	18,588,616	19,049,646	18,649,646
FTE	44.7	46.6	54.4	54.4	54.4
General Fund	7,620,431	6,363,840	9,026,025	9,274,878	8,874,878
Cash Funds	168,138	238,948	1,059,167	1,059,167	1,059,167
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	6,419,261	7,402,022	8,503,424	8,715,601	8,715,601

(F) County Administration

County Administration	<u>100,498,734</u>	<u>98,390,279</u>	<u>100,319,500</u>	<u>104,504,574</u>	<u>100,319,500</u> *
General Fund	33,372,301	32,204,112	32,835,564	34,091,086	32,835,564
Cash Funds	19,202,039	19,678,056	20,063,901	20,900,916	20,063,901
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	47,924,394	46,508,111	47,420,035	49,512,572	47,420,035

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County Tax Base Relief	<u>2,307,882</u>	<u>3,879,756</u>	<u>3,879,756</u>	<u>3,879,756</u>	<u>3,879,756</u>
General Fund	2,307,882	3,879,756	3,879,756	3,879,756	3,879,756
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
County Share of Offsetting Revenues	<u>1,415,575</u>	<u>1,106,797</u>	<u>2,986,000</u>	<u>2,986,000</u>	<u>2,986,000</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	1,415,575	1,106,797	2,986,000	2,986,000	2,986,000
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
County Incentive Payments	<u>3,355,518</u>	<u>4,113,000</u>	<u>4,113,000</u>	<u>4,113,000</u>	<u>4,113,000</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	3,355,518	4,113,000	4,113,000	4,113,000	4,113,000
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (F) County Administration	107,577,709	107,489,832	111,298,256	115,483,330	111,298,256
<i>FTE</i>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
General Fund	35,680,183	36,083,868	36,715,320	37,970,842	36,715,320
Cash Funds	23,973,132	24,897,853	27,162,901	27,999,916	27,162,901
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	47,924,394	46,508,111	47,420,035	49,512,572	47,420,035

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(G) Indirect Cost Assessment					
Indirect Cost Assessment	<u>18,933,185</u>	<u>16,799,148</u>	<u>29,813,457</u>	<u>31,228,686</u>	<u>31,200,139</u> *
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	191,876	232,732	148,223	155,047	154,905
Reappropriated Funds	3,455,488	3,682,567	7,321,099	7,608,611	7,601,601
Federal Funds	15,285,821	12,883,849	22,344,135	23,465,028	23,443,633
SUBTOTAL - (G) Indirect Cost Assessment	18,933,185	16,799,148	29,813,457	31,228,686	31,200,139
<i>FTE</i>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	191,876	232,732	148,223	155,047	154,905
Reappropriated Funds	3,455,488	3,682,567	7,321,099	7,608,611	7,601,601
Federal Funds	15,285,821	12,883,849	22,344,135	23,465,028	23,443,633
TOTAL - (4) Office of Economic Security	572,466,892	560,070,422	554,698,744	553,083,303	546,245,975
<i>FTE</i>	<u>165.2</u>	<u>186.9</u>	<u>184.0</u>	<u>174.2</u>	<u>174.2</u>
General Fund	82,901,453	76,381,877	99,439,892	99,868,928	94,000,698
Cash Funds	132,154,036	145,668,875	150,144,316	150,935,551	152,096,386
Reappropriated Funds	3,636,326	3,948,874	7,632,613	8,197,178	8,190,168
Federal Funds	353,775,077	334,070,796	297,481,923	294,081,646	291,958,723

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(7) OFFICE OF ADULTS, AGING, AND DISABILITY SERVICES

(A) Administration

OAADS Administration	<u>1,625,816</u>	<u>1,318,238</u>	<u>1,719,352</u>	<u>1,822,926</u>	<u>1,805,733</u>
FTE	13.3	14.4	8.9	8.9	8.9
General Fund	643,145	659,468	723,426	811,032	803,798
Cash Funds	336,242	65,092	366,581	371,202	367,536
Reappropriated Funds	417,618	417,617	510,410	513,719	508,615
Federal Funds	228,811	176,061	118,935	126,973	125,784

SUBTOTAL - (A) Administration	1,625,816	1,318,238	1,719,352	1,822,926	1,805,733
<i>FTE</i>	<u>13.3</u>	<u>14.4</u>	<u>8.9</u>	<u>8.9</u>	<u>8.9</u>
General Fund	643,145	659,468	723,426	811,032	803,798
Cash Funds	336,242	65,092	366,581	371,202	367,536
Reappropriated Funds	417,618	417,617	510,410	513,719	508,615
Federal Funds	228,811	176,061	118,935	126,973	125,784

(B) Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities

Developmental Disabilities Council	<u>785,365</u>	<u>870,851</u>	<u>1,081,969</u>	<u>1,104,118</u>	<u>1,104,118</u>
FTE	3.4	2.8	6.0	6.0	6.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	785,365	870,851	1,081,969	1,104,118	1,104,118

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Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deafblind	<u>2,358,997</u>	<u>2,499,999</u>	<u>3,184,187</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,413,703</u>
FTE	11.2	9.7	13.8	0.0	13.8
General Fund	103,214	603,214	603,214	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	2,255,783	1,896,785	2,580,973	0	3,413,703
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Brain Injury Program - Appropriation to the Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>
General Fund	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado Brain Injury Trust Fund	<u>1,810,655</u>	<u>1,327,978</u>	<u>3,561,861</u>	<u>3,592,142</u>	<u>3,592,142</u>
FTE	2.0	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.5
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	1,810,655	1,327,978	3,111,861	3,142,117	3,142,117
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	450,000	450,025	450,025
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (B) Programs and Commissions for Persons with Disabilities	<u>5,405,017</u>	<u>5,148,828</u>	<u>8,278,017</u>	<u>5,146,260</u>	<u>8,559,963</u>
FTE	<u>16.6</u>	<u>14.8</u>	<u>21.3</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<u>21.3</u>
General Fund	553,214	1,053,214	1,053,214	450,000	450,000
Cash Funds	1,810,655	1,327,978	3,111,861	3,142,117	3,142,117
Reappropriated Funds	2,255,783	1,896,785	3,030,973	450,025	3,863,728
Federal Funds	785,365	870,851	1,081,969	1,104,118	1,104,118

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(C) Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities

(1) Administration

Regional Centers Electronic Health Record System	<u>359,002</u>	<u>164,561</u> 1.0	<u>698,688</u>	<u>698,688</u>	<u>698,688</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	359,002	164,561	698,688	698,688	698,688
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

SUBTOTAL - (1) Administration	359,002	164,561	698,688	698,688	698,688
<i>FTE</i>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	359,002	164,561	698,688	698,688	698,688
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Wheat Ridge Regional Center

Wheat Ridge Regional Center Intermediate Care Facility	<u>26,942,295</u>	<u>27,534,385</u>	<u>26,719,271</u>	<u>27,612,893</u>	<u>27,612,893</u>
FTE	272.5	281.8	369.0	369.0	369.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	601,456	571,858	780,314	877,774	877,774
Reappropriated Funds	26,340,839	26,962,527	25,938,957	26,735,119	26,735,119
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Wheat Ridge Regional Center Provider Fee	<u>1,498,321</u>	<u>1,435,612</u>	<u>1,435,612</u>	<u>1,435,612</u>	<u>1,435,612</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	1,498,321	1,435,612	1,435,612	1,435,612	1,435,612
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Wheat Ridge Regional Center Depreciation	<u>955,415</u>	<u>406,468</u>	<u>180,718</u>	<u>180,718</u>	<u>180,718</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	955,415	406,468	180,718	180,718	180,718
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (2) Wheat Ridge Regional Center	29,396,031	29,376,465	28,335,601	29,229,223	29,229,223
FTE	<u>272.5</u>	<u>281.8</u>	<u>369.0</u>	<u>369.0</u>	<u>369.0</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	601,456	571,858	780,314	877,774	877,774
Reappropriated Funds	28,794,575	28,804,607	27,555,287	28,351,449	28,351,449
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

(3) Grand Junction Regional Center

Grand Junction Regional Center Intermediate Care

Facility	<u>6,587,482</u>	<u>6,754,948</u>	<u>7,588,758</u>	<u>7,752,295</u>	<u>7,752,295</u>
FTE	70.0	81.8	98.8	98.8	98.8
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	126,288	127,596	1,039,362	1,141,283	1,141,283
Reappropriated Funds	6,461,194	6,627,352	6,549,396	6,611,012	6,611,012
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Grand Junction Regional Center Provider Fee	<u>303,011</u>	<u>327,137</u>	<u>453,291</u>	<u>453,291</u>	<u>453,291</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	303,011	327,137	453,291	453,291	453,291
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Junction Regional Center Waiver Funding	<u>11,228,595</u>	<u>10,597,224</u>	<u>11,733,839</u>	<u>12,236,565</u>	<u>12,233,062</u>
FTE	105.1	107.0	174.2	174.2	174.2
General Fund	310,470	350,322	350,322	350,322	346,819
Cash Funds	330,173	0	402,721	537,083	537,083
Reappropriated Funds	10,587,952	10,246,902	10,980,796	11,349,160	11,349,160
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Junction Regional Center Depreciation	<u>629,034</u>	<u>328,225</u>	<u>323,681</u>	<u>323,681</u>	<u>323,681</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	629,034	328,225	323,681	323,681	323,681
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (3) Grand Junction Regional Center	18,748,122	18,007,534	20,099,569	20,765,832	20,762,329
FTE	<u>175.1</u>	<u>188.8</u>	<u>273.0</u>	<u>273.0</u>	<u>273.0</u>
General Fund	310,470	350,322	350,322	350,322	346,819
Cash Funds	456,461	127,596	1,442,083	1,678,366	1,678,366
Reappropriated Funds	17,981,191	17,529,616	18,307,164	18,737,144	18,737,144
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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(4) Pueblo Regional Center					
Pueblo Regional Center Waiver Funding	<u>11,435,278</u>	<u>11,909,726</u>	<u>12,337,229</u>	<u>12,627,837</u>	<u>12,625,335</u>
FTE	1,383.6	146.9	181.8	181.8	181.8
General Fund	290,047	250,195	250,195	250,195	247,693
Cash Funds	375,057	43,521	540,272	573,598	573,598
Reappropriated Funds	10,770,174	11,616,010	11,546,762	11,804,044	11,804,044
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
 Pueblo Regional Center Depreciation	 <u>285,550</u>	 <u>164,574</u>	 <u>187,326</u>	 <u>187,326</u>	 <u>187,326</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	285,550	164,574	187,326	187,326	187,326
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
 SUBTOTAL - (4) Pueblo Regional Center	 11,720,828	 12,074,300	 12,524,555	 12,815,163	 12,812,661
FTE	<u>1383.6</u>	<u>146.9</u>	<u>181.8</u>	<u>181.8</u>	<u>181.8</u>
General Fund	290,047	250,195	250,195	250,195	247,693
Cash Funds	375,057	43,521	540,272	573,598	573,598
Reappropriated Funds	11,055,724	11,780,584	11,734,088	11,991,370	11,991,370
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
 (5) Work Therapy Program					
Program Costs	<u>215,254</u>	<u>177,251</u>	<u>602,742</u>	<u>613,091</u>	<u>613,091</u>
FTE	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	215,254	177,251	602,742	613,091	613,091
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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SUBTOTAL - (5) Work Therapy Program	215,254	177,251	602,742	613,091	613,091
<i>FTE</i>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>1.5</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	215,254	177,251	602,742	613,091	613,091
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

SUBTOTAL - (C) Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities	60,439,237	59,800,111	62,261,155	64,121,997	64,115,992
<i>FTE</i>	<u>1,832.2</u>	<u>619.5</u>	<u>825.3</u>	<u>825.3</u>	<u>825.3</u>
General Fund	600,517	600,517	600,517	600,517	594,512
Cash Funds	1,648,228	920,226	3,365,411	3,742,829	3,742,829
Reappropriated Funds	58,190,492	58,279,368	58,295,227	59,778,651	59,778,651
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

(D) Veterans Community Living Centers

Administration	<u>1,723,048</u>	<u>1,723,048</u>	<u>1,723,048</u>	<u>1,723,048</u>	<u>1,723,048</u>
<i>FTE</i>	5.0	6.6	5.0	5.0	5.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	1,723,048	1,723,048	1,723,048	1,723,048	1,723,048
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Fitzsimmons Veterans Community Living Center	<u>24,814,803</u>	<u>12,179,141</u>	<u>24,982,891</u>	<u>24,814,803</u>	<u>24,814,803</u>
FTE	176.7	167.7	236.4	236.4	236.4
General Fund	977,719	0	1,145,807	977,719	977,719
Cash Funds	12,179,141	12,179,141	12,179,141	12,179,141	12,179,141
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	11,657,943	0	11,657,943	11,657,943	11,657,943
Florence Veterans Community Living Center	<u>12,802,608</u>	<u>7,823,446</u>	<u>12,871,134</u>	<u>12,802,608</u>	<u>12,802,608</u>
FTE	0.0	92.1	135.0	135.0	135.0
General Fund	523,072	0	591,598	523,072	523,072
Cash Funds	7,823,446	7,823,446	7,823,446	7,823,446	7,823,446
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	4,456,090	0	4,456,090	4,456,090	4,456,090
Homelake Veterans Community Living Center	<u>8,816,903</u>	<u>5,257,383</u>	<u>8,857,315</u>	<u>8,816,903</u>	<u>8,816,903</u>
FTE	69.0	72.4	95.3	95.3	95.3
General Fund	575,451	0	615,863	575,451	575,451
Cash Funds	5,257,383	5,257,383	5,257,383	5,257,383	5,257,383
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	2,984,069	0	2,984,069	2,984,069	2,984,069
Homelake Military Veterans Cemetery	<u>58,212</u>	<u>7,665</u>	<u>72,152</u>	<u>74,385</u>	<u>74,385</u>
FTE	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5
General Fund	58,212	0	64,487	66,720	66,720
Cash Funds	0	7,665	7,665	7,665	7,665
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Rifle Veterans Community Living Center	<u>10,506,943</u>	<u>7,240,792</u>	<u>10,615,613</u>	<u>10,506,943</u>	<u>10,506,943</u>
FTE	70.0	75.2	110.6	110.6	110.6
General Fund	630,950	0	739,620	630,950	630,950
Cash Funds	7,240,792	7,240,792	7,240,792	7,240,792	7,240,792
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	2,635,201	0	2,635,201	2,635,201	2,635,201
Walsenburg Veterans Community Living Center	<u>373,985</u>	<u>373,985</u>	<u>373,985</u>	<u>373,985</u>	<u>373,985</u>
FTE	1.0	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	373,985	373,985	373,985	373,985	373,985
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Appropriation to the Central Fund pursuant to Section 26-12-108 (1) (a.5), C.R.S.	<u>800,000</u>	<u>800,000</u>	<u>800,000</u>	<u>800,000</u>	<u>800,000</u>
General Fund	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (D) Veterans Community Living Centers	59,896,502	35,405,460	60,296,138	59,912,675	59,912,675
FTE	<u>322.7</u>	<u>415.3</u>	<u>583.8</u>	<u>583.8</u>	<u>583.8</u>
General Fund	3,565,404	800,000	3,957,375	3,573,912	3,573,912
Cash Funds	34,597,795	34,605,460	34,605,460	34,605,460	34,605,460
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	21,733,303	0	21,733,303	21,733,303	21,733,303

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(E) Disability Determination Services					
Program Costs	29,503,750	30,804,706	21,694,589	22,906,247	22,906,247
FTE	168.8	173.7	121.7	121.7	121.7
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	29,503,750	30,804,706	21,694,589	22,906,247	22,906,247
SUBTOTAL - (E) Disability Determination Services	29,503,750	30,804,706	21,694,589	22,906,247	22,906,247
FTE	<u>168.8</u>	<u>173.7</u>	<u>121.7</u>	<u>121.7</u>	<u>121.7</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	29,503,750	30,804,706	21,694,589	22,906,247	22,906,247

(F) Aging Programs

(1) Adult Protective Services

State Administration	<u>1,303,066</u>	<u>173,811</u>	<u>1,531,474</u>	<u>1,589,198</u>	<u>1,573,883</u>
FTE	11.2	12.3	11.6	11.6	11.6
General Fund	1,278,193	129,307	1,460,674	1,518,398	1,503,791
Cash Funds	24,873	44,504	70,800	70,800	70,092
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Adult Protective Services	<u>16,544,321</u> 1.0	<u>22,853,564</u> 1.0	<u>21,451,831</u>	<u>21,451,831</u>	<u>21,451,831</u>
General Fund	13,008,792	14,599,056	14,867,037	14,867,037	14,867,037
Cash Funds	0	4,212,104	4,290,346	4,290,346	4,290,346
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	3,535,529	4,042,404	2,294,448	2,294,448	2,294,448
Adult Protective Services Data System	<u>156,154</u>	<u>147,846</u>	<u>156,154</u>	<u>156,154</u>	<u>156,154</u>
General Fund	133,754	133,754	133,754	133,754	133,754
Cash Funds	22,400	14,092	22,400	22,400	22,400
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
HB 17-1284 Records and Reports of At-Risk Adult Abuse or Neglect	<u>465,917</u>	<u>349,842</u>	<u>569,237</u>	<u>645,288</u>	<u>645,288</u>
FTE	0.0	6.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	465,917	349,842	569,237	645,288	645,288
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (1) Adult Protective Services	18,469,458	23,525,063	23,708,696	23,842,471	23,827,156
FTE	<u>12.2</u>	<u>19.8</u>	<u>19.1</u>	<u>19.1</u>	<u>19.1</u>
General Fund	14,420,739	14,862,117	16,461,465	16,519,189	16,504,582
Cash Funds	513,190	4,620,542	4,952,783	5,028,834	5,028,126
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	3,535,529	4,042,404	2,294,448	2,294,448	2,294,448

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(2) Community Services for the Elderly					
Program Administration	0	<u>1,182,993</u>	<u>1,414,202</u>	<u>1,496,800</u>	<u>1,482,658</u>
FTE	0.0	10.8	8.0	8.0	8.0
General Fund	0	11,233	344,990	359,054	355,604
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	1,171,760	1,069,212	1,137,746	1,127,054
 Senior Community Services Employment	 <u>774,517</u>	 <u>622,924</u>	 <u>861,682</u>	 <u>863,034</u>	 <u>863,034</u>
FTE	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	774,517	622,924	861,682	863,034	863,034
 Older Americans Act Programs	 <u>14,121,457</u>	 <u>28,630,038</u>	 <u>20,918,207</u>	 <u>20,918,207</u>	 <u>20,918,207</u>
General Fund	1,251,528	1,020,928	990,653	990,653	990,653
Cash Funds	40,000	0	3,079,710	3,079,710	3,079,710
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	12,829,929	27,609,110	16,847,844	16,847,844	16,847,844
 National Family Caregiver Support Program	 <u>1,516,237</u>	 <u>3,582,133</u>	 <u>2,173,936</u>	 <u>2,173,936</u>	 <u>2,173,936</u>
General Fund	142,041	142,041	142,041	142,041	142,041
Cash Funds	0	0	423,805	423,805	423,805
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	1,374,196	3,440,092	1,608,090	1,608,090	1,608,090

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State Ombudsman Program	<u>732,789 0.2</u>	<u>197,101 3.6</u>	<u>751,422 1.0</u>	<u>769,476 1.0</u>	<u>769,476 1.0</u>
General Fund	590,148	171,336	591,289	607,840	607,840
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
Federal Funds	140,841	23,965	158,333	159,836	159,836
State Funding for Senior Services	<u>28,139,437</u>	<u>26,439,316</u>	<u>31,578,817</u>	<u>29,578,817</u>	<u>29,578,817</u>
General Fund	14,157,707	14,337,707	16,487,707	14,487,707	14,487,707
Cash Funds	12,981,730	11,101,609	14,091,110	14,091,110	14,091,110
Reappropriated Funds	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Contingency Funding for Senior Services	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>680,000</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	2,000,000	2,000,000	680,000
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Area Agencies on Aging Administration	<u>2,636,795</u>	<u>2,031,848</u>	<u>1,375,384</u>	<u>1,375,384</u>	<u>1,375,384</u>
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	2,636,795	2,031,848	1,375,384	1,375,384	1,375,384
Respite Services	<u>396,681</u>	<u>398,370</u>	<u>398,370</u>	<u>398,370</u>	<u>398,370</u>
General Fund	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
Cash Funds	46,681	48,370	48,370	48,370	48,370
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0

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Strategic Action Plan on Aging	<u>99,123</u>	<u>46,994</u>	<u>102,335</u>	<u>102,335</u>	<u>102,335</u>
FTE	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
General Fund	99,123	46,994	102,335	102,335	102,335
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Administration	<u>1,388,480</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FTE	8.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund	323,123	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	1,065,357	0	0	0	0
Appropriation to the Area Agency on Aging Cash Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>10,220</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
General Fund	0	10,220	0	0	0
Cash Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reappropriated Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL - (2) Community Services for the Elderly	49,805,516	63,141,937	61,574,355	59,676,359	58,342,217
FTE	<u>9.2</u>	<u>14.6</u>	<u>10.5</u>	<u>10.5</u>	<u>10.5</u>
General Fund	16,913,670	16,090,459	19,009,015	17,039,630	17,036,180
Cash Funds	13,068,411	11,149,979	19,642,995	19,642,995	18,322,995
Reappropriated Funds	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800
Federal Funds	18,821,635	34,899,699	21,920,545	21,991,934	21,981,242

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SUBTOTAL - (F) Aging Programs	68,274,974	86,667,000	85,283,051	83,518,830	82,169,373
<i>FTE</i>	21.4	34.4	29.6	29.6	29.6
General Fund	31,334,409	30,952,576	35,470,480	33,558,819	33,540,762
Cash Funds	13,581,601	15,770,521	24,595,778	24,671,829	23,351,121
Reappropriated Funds	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800	1,001,800
Federal Funds	22,357,164	38,942,103	24,214,993	24,286,382	24,275,690
(G) Indirect Cost Assessment					
Indirect Cost Assessment	19,238,461	18,971,076	18,630,147	19,434,699	19,411,335 *
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	2,355,744	2,344,138	4,095,219	4,326,573	4,320,595
Reappropriated Funds	12,123,834	14,282,800	14,316,546	14,878,784	14,861,660
Federal Funds	4,758,883	2,344,138	218,382	229,342	229,080
SUBTOTAL - (G) Indirect Cost Assessment	19,238,461	18,971,076	18,630,147	19,434,699	19,411,335
<i>FTE</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Funds	2,355,744	2,344,138	4,095,219	4,326,573	4,320,595
Reappropriated Funds	12,123,834	14,282,800	14,316,546	14,878,784	14,861,660
Federal Funds	4,758,883	2,344,138	218,382	229,342	229,080
TOTAL - (7) Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services	244,383,757	238,115,419	258,162,449	256,863,634	258,881,318
<i>FTE</i>	2,375.0	1,272.1	1,590.6	1,576.8	1,590.6
General Fund	36,696,689	34,065,775	41,805,012	38,994,280	38,962,984
Cash Funds	54,330,265	55,033,415	70,140,310	70,860,010	69,529,658
Reappropriated Funds	73,989,527	75,878,370	77,154,956	76,622,979	80,014,454
Federal Funds	79,367,276	73,137,859	69,062,171	70,386,365	70,374,222

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TOTAL - Department of Human Services	816,850,649	798,185,841	812,861,193	809,946,937	805,127,293
<i>FTE</i>	<u>2,540.2</u>	<u>1,459.0</u>	<u>1,774.6</u>	<u>1,751.0</u>	<u>1,764.8</u>
General Fund	119,598,142	110,447,652	141,244,904	138,863,208	132,963,682
Cash Funds	186,484,301	200,702,290	220,284,626	221,795,561	221,626,044
Reappropriated Funds	77,625,853	79,827,244	84,787,569	84,820,157	88,204,622
Federal Funds	433,142,353	407,208,655	366,544,094	364,468,011	362,332,945