

State of Alaska FY2006 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Senior Community Based Grants Component Budget Summary

Component: Senior Community Based Grants

Contribution to Department's Mission

To maximize the independence of older Alaskans by allowing seniors to live a quality life in their own homes and communities.

Core Services

This component is being created through the consolidation of the Nutrition, Transportation and Support Services and the Home and Community Based Services Components.

The Nutrition, Transportation and Support Services (NTS) program provides assistance to Alaskan seniors 60 and over as authorized under Title III of the Older Americans Act and AS 47.65.

- **Nutrition** services include congregate meals that provide seniors aged 60+ with nutritious food, companionship, access to other senior resources, and volunteer opportunities; and home-delivered meals for ill and homebound seniors.
- **Transportation** services include rides to high-priority destinations (congregate meals, adult day care, medical appointments and non-emergency health care, pharmacies, employment and other essential support services; senior volunteer sites; and other activities as ride availability permits). Rides may include assisting those in need from their door to the vehicle.
- **Support** services include outreach to identify seniors in need of services, local information, assistance and referral services, homemaker services including assistance with appointments, preparing meals, shopping, chore services, statewide legal services, statewide media focused on senior issues, senior volunteer services in conjunction with the National Senior Services Corps. (Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents, Retired Senior Volunteer Program).

Preventive Health Services include direct services for evaluation of health and referral to health care providers, and educational services.

Provide grants to local and regional non-profit or government agencies for services needed to help keep frail seniors at home:

- Adult Day Services
- In-home respite care
- ADRD Support Services
- Case management/care coordination services
- Alzheimer's Disease education and family support
- Substance abuse treatment for the elderly
- Family Caregiver Support Program
- Geriatric Education

Grants provide community-based services to those:

- a. with limited income and high care needs;
- b. living alone;
- c. with unpaid caregivers; and lastly
- d. with paid caregivers such as someone residing in assisted living facilities.

GF/Mental Health funds are for grants for certain designated supportive services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) and their caregivers; care coordination/case management, adult day care, in-home respite care, and family support and education. General funds assist in funding long-term care services to disabled or frail older Alaskans who do not qualify for services under the Medicaid Waiver program

because they do not meet level of care, have a sole diagnosis of ADRD, or do not meet income requirements. Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts (MHTAAR) funds provide additional services for the rapidly growing number of seniors who are Mental Health Trust beneficiaries by virtue of mental illness, alcoholism, or ADRD diagnosis. Services to address their needs include Treatment for Seniors with Co-occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health disorders. The Family Caregiver Support Program assesses the needs and develops services to support the family caregivers of seniors 60 and over as well as grandparents 60 and over raising grandchildren.

FY2006 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results		
FY2006 Component Budget: \$11,115,600	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

- Rapid growth in the Alaskan senior population. Alaska has the second most rapidly growing senior population in the country. This results in the increased need for long-term care services and increased waiting lists for Nutrition, Transportation and Support Services.
- Programs that provide home and community based support to individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) have been funded in part by MHTAAR funds that will be discontinued in FY2006.
- In FY2006 the Senior Grants Unit will focus on consolidating grant programs in order to streamline the RFP process and simplify reporting for grantees.
- Federal mandate to meet National Aging Program Information System data reporting requirements.
- State focus on community-based services as a more cost-effective and client/caregiver-preferred alternative to institutionalization.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2006

The reduction in the MH Trust funding will result in approximately 12,600 fewer hours for respite, chore, care coordination, adult day, Personal Care Assistance and Transportation for individuals who do not qualify for Medicaid services.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2004

This component is newly created in FY2006. Accomplishments for FY2004 are contained in the FY2004 components.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

L89-73	Title III Older Americans Act, as Amended
45 CFR, Part 1321	Code of Federal Regulations for Title III
AS 44.29	Department of Health & Social Services
AS 47.65	Service Programs for Older Alaskans and other Adults
AS 47.05	Administration of Welfare, Social Services and Institutions

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**Senior Community Based Grants
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2004 Actuals	FY2005 Management Plan	FY2006 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	150.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	10,965.6
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	0.0	0.0	11,115.6
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	0.0	6,043.4
1003 General Fund Match	0.0	0.0	644.4
1004 General Fund Receipts	0.0	0.0	1,578.4
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	0.0	0.0	2,309.1
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	0.0	0.0	540.3
Funding Totals	0.0	0.0	11,115.6

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2004 Actuals	FY2005 Management Plan	FY2006 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	0.0	0.0	6,043.4
Restricted Total		0.0	0.0	6,043.4
Total Estimated Revenues		0.0	0.0	6,043.4

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2005 Management Plan to FY2006 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2005 Management Plan	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Consolidate Home and Community Based Services Component into the Senior Community Based Grants	2,998.1	901.0	540.3	4,439.4
-Consolidate the Nutrition, Transportation and Support Service Component into the Senior Community Based Grants component	1,533.8	5,142.4	0.0	6,676.2
FY2006 Governor	4,531.9	6,043.4	540.3	11,115.6