

## Finance and Budget Committee

Meeting date: April 16, 2025

Agenda Item #: 2 – D

### **Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to renew contracts with providers for Older Americans Act services totaling approximately \$13.5 million for the period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.**

Agenda item type: Consent agenda

#### **Summary**

DRCOG is the designated Area Agency on Aging for the eight-county metro Denver region and receives federal and state funding to provide community-based services to older adults to help them live independently and age in place. DRCOG contracts some out this funding to providers throughout the region. DRCOG operates on a two-year cycle, issuing contract renewals for the second year after a request for proposal process. This resolution approves the renewals of these contracts for a second year.

#### **Background**

DRCOG is the designated Area Agency on Aging for Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Gilpin and Jefferson Counties. As such, DRCOG receives funding from the Older Americans Act and Older Coloradans Act to provide community-based services to older adults to help them live independently and remain in their homes. Every two years DRCOG issues a request for proposals to contract various services out to different providers. Contracts awarded from this request for proposals are typically two-year agreements, with the second year of funding being at the option of DRCOG.

DRCOG is anticipating on flat funding for Older Americans Act and Older Coloradans Act funding for fiscal year 2026. As such, DRCOG is requesting approval to renew contracts with providers at flat funding. DRCOG allowed contractors to submit adjusted budgets including planned units of service and clients served for fiscal year 2026, but did not allow for any increases to grant funding. Most providers adjusted unit and client numbers by less than 10%, which reflects the raising costs of providing these services. The City and County of Denver declined the renewal of their award stating that the City planned to fund the program going forward. This award was \$75,000. In addition, DRCOG did not execute an agreement that was planned with the Alzheimer's Association at the beginning of fiscal year 2025, as they were unable to agree to the HIPAA regulations required by these awards. That award was \$130,000. Those funds have been allocated to a caregiver respite voucher program run thorough the AAA. Otherwise, the grant funds are flat across the board with no additional changes from fiscal year 2025.



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**Action by others**

March 28, 2025 – Advisory Committee on Aging made a recommendation to approve.

**Previous discussion/action**

None

**Recommendation**

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to renew contracts with providers for Older Americans Act services totaling approximately \$13.5 million for the period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

**Attachment(s)**

1. List of fiscal year 2026 Older Americans Act providers.
2. Draft resolution.

**For more information**

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