#### COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TUESDAY, MAY 06, 2025

#### **MINUTE ORDER NO. 5**

### SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF OLDER ADULT SERVICES REVENUE AGREEMENTS AND GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2028-29, AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROGRAMS SERVING OLDER ADULTS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

#### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Aging & Independence Services (AIS) serves as the region's federally designated Area Agency on Aging and administers programs focused on the safety and well-being of older adults and persons with disabilities. These services align with the Aging Roadmap, the County plan to ensure the region has programs and communities that equitably support the needs and leverage the contributions of all older adults in the county.

On April 30, 2024 (7), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 revenue agreements, grants, and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California Department of Aging to fund various programs that support older adults and persons with disabilities, allowing them to remain safely in their homes and access community resources. These programs and services support the goals and objectives established in the AIS 2024-2028 Area Plan, approved by the Board on April 9, 2024 (6). Required by the Older Americans Act (OAA), the AIS Area Plan 2024-2028 details how AIS will utilize funds received through the OAA to provide services that meet the identified needs of older adults, persons with disabilities, and their caregivers throughout the county.

This item requests the Board authorize the acceptance of federal and State revenue agreements and grants for FY 2025-26 through FY 2028-29 to support these programs and services. Today's action requests the Board waive Board Policy B-29, authorize the acceptance of \$8,899,859 of federal and State revenue agreements and grants in FY 2025-26, \$808,811 in FY 2026-27, \$808,811 in FY 2027-28, and \$80,000 in FY 2028-29, authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute revenue agreements and grants upon receipt, and authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of HHSA to apply for future funding opportunities that support programs serving older adults, persons with disabilities, and their caregivers. Additionally, today's action would account for the required County match for the remainder of the MOU through FY 2028-29.

These actions support the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by ensuring the County will continue to receive federal, State, and other funding to administer necessary programs and services for older adults, persons with disabilities, and their caregivers.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S) CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

- 1. Waive Board Policy B-29: Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts Department Responsibility for Full Cost Recovery, which requires full cost recovery of grants and revenue contracts.
- 2. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, the following revenue agreements and grants:
  - o California Department of Aging Agreements (CalFresh Expansion and SNAP-Ed/CalFresh Healthy Living (CF-2526-23) and Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MS-2526-07))
  - o Veterans Administration San Diego Healthcare System (Veteran Directed Home and Community Based Service Program)
  - o University of California San Diego Research Foundation/Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program
- 3. Authorize the Clerk of the Board, subject to the approval of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of the Health and Human Services Agency or designee, to execute all required documents related to the revenue agreements, and grants in Recommendation 2, including any extensions, amendments or revisions thereto that do not materially impact either the program or the funding level.
- 4. Authorize acceptance of the grant from the Corporation for National Community Service for the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program.
- 5. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of the Health and Human Services Agency or designee, to apply for future funding opportunities that support programs serving older adults, persons with disabilities and their caregivers.

# EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

There are nearly 710,000 San Diegans over the age of 60, and by 2029, that number is expected to increase to more than 824,500. Additionally, the population over the age of 85 in San Diego County is projected to grow faster than any other age group. The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Aging & Independence Services (AIS) provides a wide array of services to meet the needs of this growing population and ensures the welfare of older adults, persons with disabilities, and their caregivers.

AIS receives recurring input and feedback regarding programs and services through its various committees. On April 14, 2025, AIS received additional community input and feedback through the annual Area Plan Public Hearing. The Area Plan, required by the Older Americans Act (OAA), details how AIS will utilize funds received through the OAA to provide services that meet the identified needs of older adults, persons with disabilities, and their caregivers, countywide. Accepting revenue agreements and grants will allow the County to continue administering vital programs and services for older adults and persons with disabilities, improving the quality of life for groups of all ages.

# SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Working with partners to improve and expand programs and services that contribute to the safety and welfare of older adults and persons with disabilities will advance the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community in meaningful ways; Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services; and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and

well-being of everyone in the region. Specifically, programs and services provided with this funding allows older adults and persons with disabilities to remain safely in their homes and access necessary community resources. Additionally, the funded programs help meet the needs of caregivers, reduce isolation, and increase social connections.

## FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs of \$8,910,767 and revenue of \$8,899,859 in FY 2025-26, costs and revenue of \$808,811 in FY 2026-27, costs and revenue of \$808,811 in FY 2027-28, and costs and revenue of \$80,000 in FY 2028-29. In addition, annual costs of \$644,044 associated with the required match of the previously approved Memorandum of Understanding on April 30, 2024 (7) are anticipated for FY 2025-26, FY 2026-27, FY 2027-28, and FY 2028-29.

The funding sources include:

- State General Fund, Federal Medicaid Program;
- Federal SNAP-ED/CalFresh Healthy Living, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services;
- Veterans Administration San Diego Healthcare System;
- Corporation for National & Community Service; and
- University of California San Diego.

A waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested because the funding does not offset all costs. The B-29 costs are \$654,952 for FY 2025-26, and \$644,044 each year for FY 2026-27, FY 2027-28, and FY 2028-29, and will be funded with existing General Purpose Revenue allocated for these programs. The public benefit for providing these services, which allow older adults and those with disabilities to remain safely in their homes and access resources, far outweighs these costs. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

# **ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond ABSENT: (District 1 Seat Vacant)

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Signed by Andrew Potter