

DHS-DIVISION OF AGING & ADULT SERVICES (725) - 2009-11 BIENNIUM

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Division provides services to the elderly citizens of Arkansas through a network of 8 Area Agencies on Aging (AAA's), over 100 community providers and over 200 senior citizen centers. The AAA's provide a wide range of services including transportation, home-delivered meals, personal care, health and wellness activities, adult day care, etc. The Division also serves as an advocate for residents of nursing homes (State Long Term Care Ombudsman), provides protective services for individuals 18 years of age and older who are suffering from abuse, neglect or exploitation (Adult Protective Services Program), administers the Elder Choices program and provides legal services to the elderly.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET

The total budget of the 2009-11 biennium is \$58,656,731 the first year and \$57,490,826 the second year.

FUNDING SOURCES

The budget is funded by general revenues (34%), federal funds (60%), and by tobacco revenue (6%).

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

- **Revenue Stabilization Act** allocated additional General Revenue of \$400,000 above base level and total General Revenue of \$17,607,934 for FY2010.
- The **Operations appropriation**, funded by General Revenues, Federal Revenues, grants, and other funds, provides a total appropriation of \$55,066,731 in FY10 and \$53,900,826 in FY11 with Base Level of \$47,506,408 in FY10 and \$47,732,025 in FY11 with Change Levels of \$7,560,323 in FY10 and \$6,168,801 in FY11, which includes:
 1. Regular Salaries increased by \$273,241 in FY10 and \$279,520 in FY11 for restoration of eight (8) positions to investigate allegations of adult maltreatment.
 2. Personal Services Matching increased by \$93,619 in FY10 and \$94,832 in FY11 for matching requirements associated with restored positions.
 3. Operating Expenses increased by \$582,531 each year to support the restored positions, mileage, office supplies, and other materials to efficiently utilize increases in grant awards.
 4. Professional Fees increased by \$500,000 each year to efficiently utilize any increases in grant awards.
 5. Project Grants increased by \$2,000,000 each year to utilize any increases in Federal or private foundation grant awards.
 6. Older Worker Program increased by \$41,594 each year to allow Senior Citizens Centers to continue part time employment to low-income Arkansans.
 7. Community Based Care increased by \$90,000 each year to be

utilized if any Area Agency on Aging should decide to enter the Title V Senior Community Center Employment Program.

8. Nursing Home Care Alternative increased by \$1,180,324 each year to prevent the closing of Senior Citizen Centers and reduction of many services and to utilize any unanticipated increases in grant awards that would improve and enhance long-term care services.
 9. Nutrition Program increased by \$1,000,000 each year for any unanticipated increases in Federal or private foundation grant awards.
 10. Senior Citizen Centers increased by \$400,000 each year to prevent the closing of Senior Citizen Centers and the reduction of many Senior Citizen services.
 11. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 appropriation of \$967,214 in FY10 added for Nutrition Programs.
 12. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 appropriation of \$431,800 in FY10 added for Project Grants.
- The **Meals on Wheels** appropriation, funded by a cigarette tax, provides Base Level of \$3,500,000 each year with no change level requests.
 - The **Senior Olympics** appropriation, funded by General Revenue, provides Base Level of \$70,000 each year with no change level requests.
 - The **Ms. Senior Pageant** appropriation, funded by General Revenues, provides Base Level of \$20,000 each year with no change level requests.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total Positions for FY 2009-11: 203

Total Base Level Positions for FY 2009: 195

Increase(Decrease): 8

* 8 Restorations

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

- **MATCHING FUNDS:** Provides for state match for the Arkansas Senior Olympics Program on a two-to-one state/local match ratio and requires certification of match before state funds are paid.
- **STATE MATCH AUTHORIZED:** Authorizes the use of state funds to match federal funds available under Title III & V - Older Americans Act, Social Services Block Grant and federal other funds.
- **GRANT/CONTRACT DISBURSEMENT GUIDELINES:** All appropriations for funding that are distributed under grant or contract methodologies may be disbursed as authorized by the federal regulations in the Older Americans Act.
- **NURSING HOME CARE ALTERNATIVES:** Funding may be used for home-delivered meals, adult day care, homemaker-chore,

respite care, personal care, health promotion, and Medicaid match.

- SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS: Distributes the appropriation for Senior Citizen Centers in the same manner as the funding formula requirements set out in federal law.