

AGENDA
FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, April 19, 2023
5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
1001 17th St.
7th Floor, Red Rocks Conference Room
Denver, CO 80202

1. Call to Order

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Move to Adopt the Consent Agenda
i. Approve April 5, 2023 summary
(Attachment A)

ACTION ITEMS

3. Election of Vice Chair
4. Discussion of recommending approval of the DRCOG Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget and Work Program to the Board of Directors
(Attachment B) Jenny Dock, Director, Administration and Finance
5. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig to create a multimodal corridor plan for Alameda Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.
(Attachment C) Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations
6. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Fehr and Peers to create a multimodal corridor plan for South Boulder Road from Boulder to Lafayette in the total amount not to exceed \$200,000.
(Attachment D) Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations
7. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with HDR in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for on-call grant writing services to support DRCOG's efforts to apply for federal grants.
(Attachment E) Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations

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8. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to accept approximately \$20.5 million from the Colorado Department of Human Services and to allocate approximately \$13.5 million to AAA service providers for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2023.
(Attachment F) Travis Noon, Program Manager, Administration and Finance
9. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approximately \$3.4 million dollars for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 and to allocate approximately \$3.1 million to projects beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.
(Attachment G) Travis Noon, Program Manager, Administration and Finance
10. Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to allocate approximately \$3 million of Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services (OAA/SFSS) funds to transportation projects as recommended for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.
(Attachment H) Travis Noon, Program Manager, Administration and Finance

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

11. Other Matters by Members
12. **Next Meeting – May 17, 2023**
13. Adjourn

ATTACH A

SUMMARY
SPECIAL FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 5, 2023
Held virtually: Microsoft Teams

Present:

Colleen Whitlow, Chair	Mead
Claire Levy	Boulder County
Nicholas Williams	Denver City & County
Lisa Smith	Arvada
Dustin Zvonek	Aurora
Deborah Mulvey	Castle Pines
Steve Conklin, Ex-Officio	Edgewater
Stephen Barr	Littleton
Tom Mahowald	Nederland
Neal Shah	Superior
Jessica Sandgren	Thornton

Others Present: Doug Rex, Executive Director; and DRCOG staff.

Chair Whitlow called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. with a quorum present.

Move to Adopt the Consent Agenda

Director Williams **moved** to adopt the consent agenda. The motion was **seconded** and **passed** unanimously.

Items on the consent agenda included:

- Summary of the March 15, 2022 Meeting

Review of the 2023/2024 draft budget

Jenny Dock provided an overview of updates made to the draft budget to the members. Each year the Finance and Budget Committee reviews and recommends approval of a proposed budget to the Board of Directors for the coming year. Members were given an opportunity to review the budget to make suggestions and ask questions as needed. There were no additional comments or revisions requested from DRCOG staff by members.

Other Matters by Members

There were no other matters by members.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

ATTACH B

To: Chair and Members of the Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
303-480-6701 or drex@drcog.org

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

The budget is a fiscal guide for the operation of DRCOG from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. The budget highlights work activities in DRCOG’s Work Program for the Denver metropolitan region.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommended approval of the DRCOG Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget to the Board of Directors.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

Each year the Finance and Budget Committee reviews and recommends approval of a proposed budget to the Board of Directors for the coming year. Attached is the draft budget (and accompanying work program) for the new fiscal year of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

DRCOG staff presented the draft budget to Finance and Budget committee on April 5, 2023. No revisions were requested by the Committee.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

[April 5, 2023](#) – Finance and Budget Committee received an informational briefing on the DRCOG Fiscal Year 2023/2024 budget.

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to recommend approval of the DRCOG Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget to the Board of Directors.

ATTACHMENT

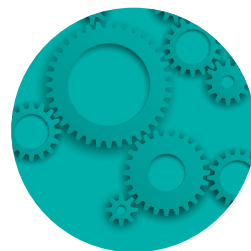
Fiscal year 2023/2024 Draft Budget

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701 or drex@drcog.org; or Jenny Dock, Director of Administration and Finance at 303-480-6707 or jdock@drcog.org.



Draft 2023-2024 Budget and Work Program



What's inside?

DRCOG's 2023-2024 budget, the fiscal guide for the operation of DRCOG from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Additionally, the 2023-2024 work program organized within four perspectives highlights key efforts DRCOG plans to pursue as it serves simultaneously as the Denver area's regional planning commission, area agency on agency and metropolitan planning organization roles. The biennial Unified Planning Work Program outlines the full scope of DRCOG's work as the metropolitan planning organization.





Budget

Budget summaries, comparisons, funding sources and anticipated expenditures.

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Communities and residents

Objectives that represent continuous improvements needed for the region's communities and their residents.

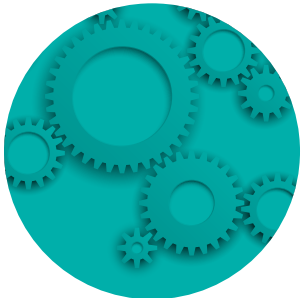
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Financial stewardship

Objectives related to cost management, funding and resource investment.

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Business operations

Objectives related to process improvement, partnering, products and services.

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Skilled workforce

Objectives related to organizational culture and staff development.

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Letter from the executive director

May 17, 2023

To: Finance and Budget Committee and Board of Directors
Denver Regional Council of Governments

I am pleased to submit the proposed budget of the Denver Regional Council of Governments for fiscal year 2023-2024. The budget is transmitted to the Finance and Budget Committee for review and recommendation for approval by the Board of Directors.

The budget is a fiscal guide for the operation of DRCOG from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. It supports work activities in the DRCOG metropolitan planning organization's Unified Planning Work Program, and its Area Agency on Aging, Communications and Marketing, Executive Office, Administration and Finance, and Human Resource divisions.

Variations of note between the 2022-2023 fiscal year budget and the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget include:

Revenues

- **Federal funding is expected to increase by 8.5% or \$2.2 million** due to the recent approval of Transportation Improvement Plan set-aside projects totaling \$1.5 million. Federal funds are also inclusive of approximately \$400,000 in Older Americans Act administrative carryover as well as almost \$700,000 in American Rescue Plan Act administrative dollars.
- **State funding** will increase by approximately \$1.0 million from the 2022-2023 fiscal year budget. The increase is primarily due to a Human Services Transportation TIP set-aside award in the amount of \$900,000 that will assist in funding DRCOG's internal programs that support transportation efforts for vulnerable populations.
- **Local/other funds** reflect a decrease of approximately \$519,000 which is primarily a result of regional data acquisition projects (which includes the Denver Regional Aerial Photography Project) being in the second year of a two-year programmatic cycle. Historically, a larger amount of participant payments are received in the first year of the cycle as compared with the second year.

Additionally, the decrease can be attributed to a decline in employer enrollment in the Guaranteed Ride Home program and vanpool program participation.

- **In-kind services**, where in-kind contributions from volunteers and partnering organizations are reflected, are expected to remain relatively flat.
- **Member contributions** provide match for federal programs and help fund initiatives such as legislative activities and strategic partnerships which assist in increasing overall funding. Contributions also fund Board-related expenditures associated with monthly Board meetings and other committees of the Board, the annual awards celebration, the Board Retreat, quarterly meetings of the region's city and county managers and hosting the annual Small Communities, Hot Topics Forum.

Contributions are calculated annually using the most recent data from the Department of Local Affairs and are based on each member jurisdiction's population and assessed valuation. Contributions for the 2023-2024 fiscal year will increase slightly overall by 3.19%.

Expenditures

- **Personnel expenditures** were budgeted with a 4% market adjustment increase and a 3.5% performance-based merit pool. DRCOG health insurance premiums are renewed on Jan. 1 of each year. The 2023-2024 fiscal year budget includes a 12% increase in medical premiums. There is no budgeted increase for dental.

Due to expanded activities across the organization, there are four new positions budgeted in Administration and Finance. Three of these positions will be fully paid with Federal Transit Administration and Human Services Transportation funding. The onboarding of these new positions will be staggered throughout the year. The 2023-2024 budget also includes four new positions in the Area Agency on Aging. Two of these positions will be paid for with American Rescue Plan Act funds to support DRCOG's respite program and two navigators will be hired using Public Health Workforce grant funds.

- **Contractual** obligations increase in fiscal year 2023-2024 by approximately \$2.9 million. The increase is primarily due to new Human Services Transportation and TIP set-aside projects which account for \$2.2 million. Unified Planning Work Program contractual expenses make up most of the remaining increase and include contracts to support mobility hub planning, corridor studies, traffic data collection and efforts to develop the first phase of a housing transportation coordination plan as well as a Transit and Active Transportation Design Standards Manual for local governments.
- **Non-personnel expenditures** include funds for direct business expenses such as equipment, technology updates, license renewals and training. Business insurance premiums are also included, which total approximately \$195,000. Per the terms of DRCOG's lease agreement, the rent obligation for DRCOG's offices at 1001 17th St. increases slightly in June of each year.
- **Capital outlay** includes \$10,000 for the installation of a secure door to the Area Agency on Aging office space and \$5,000 to replace a number of office chairs that are in decline. There is also \$65,000 set aside for office reconfiguration. Due to agency growth, DRCOG explored multiple options over the last year that would accommodate additional staff in its current office space, including desk hoteling and office space reconfiguration. Such items as lockers, cubicle movement and redesign, space reallocation planning, consulting and technology needs are included in the estimated cost.

daily expense outlays while awaiting grantor payments. DRCOG's auditors have consistently recommended maintaining a fund balance equal to three months' expenditures. Based on the audited fiscal year 2021-2022 statement, expenses and contractual rent obligations totaled nearly \$45.6 million suggesting a fund balance of approximately \$11.4 million. Member contributions collected in excess of program obligations and activities will be applied toward the general fund to replenish its balance and further strengthen DRCOG's overall financial position.

Pass-through funds are estimated to total \$22.9 million. This year's pass-through funds will be received through Older Americans Act/State Funds for Senior Services, Federal Transit Administration 5310 awards and state Human Services Transportation funds.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas W. Rex
Executive Director

Fund balance

The fiscal year 2023-2024 ending fund balance for DRCOG is projected to be approximately \$11.8 million. Approximately \$2.9 million of the fund balance reflects prepaid funds set aside for specific programs such as regional data acquisition projects, Guaranteed Ride Home and regional vanpool.

Because most of DRCOG's grants operate on a reimbursement basis, substantial working capital must be available to pay contractual obligations and meet

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Fiscal year 2023-2024 budget summary and comparison

	2021-2022 actuals	2022-2023 budget	2023-2024 budget
Beginning balance ¹	\$12,509,447	\$11,754,369	\$11,754,369
General funds	\$9,436,219	\$8,813,636	\$8,813,636
Program obligations ²	\$3,073,228	\$2,940,733	\$2,940,733
Revenues			
Member contributions	\$1,740,000	\$2,006,200	\$2,072,300
Federal grants	\$14,853,923	\$23,525,019	\$25,695,432
State grants	\$12,867,479	\$6,018,094	\$7,035,264
Local/other funds	\$1,617,738	\$1,931,805	\$1,371,812
In-kind services	\$503,493	\$1,332,970	\$1,381,377
Interest/investment income	-\$203,279	\$30,000	\$30,000
Pass-through grant funds	\$13,483,097	\$23,697,130	\$22,847,919
Total revenues	\$44,862,451	\$58,541,218	\$60,434,104
Total funds available	\$57,371,898	\$70,295,587	\$72,188,473
Expenditures			
Personnel	\$12,691,997	\$16,778,541	\$17,956,470
Contractual services	\$9,134,703	\$12,489,508	\$15,338,800
DRCOG cash	\$503,493	\$1,285,115	\$1,593,386
Non-personnel	\$3,529,080	\$4,220,924	\$2,617,529
Capital outlay	\$0	\$70,000	\$80,000
Pass-through grant funds	\$19,758,256	\$23,697,130	\$22,847,919
Total expenditures	\$45,617,529	\$58,541,218	\$60,404,104
Ending balance	\$11,754,369	\$11,754,369	\$11,784,369
General funds	\$8,813,636	\$8,813,636	\$8,843,636
Program obligations ²	\$2,940,733	\$2,940,733	\$2,940,733

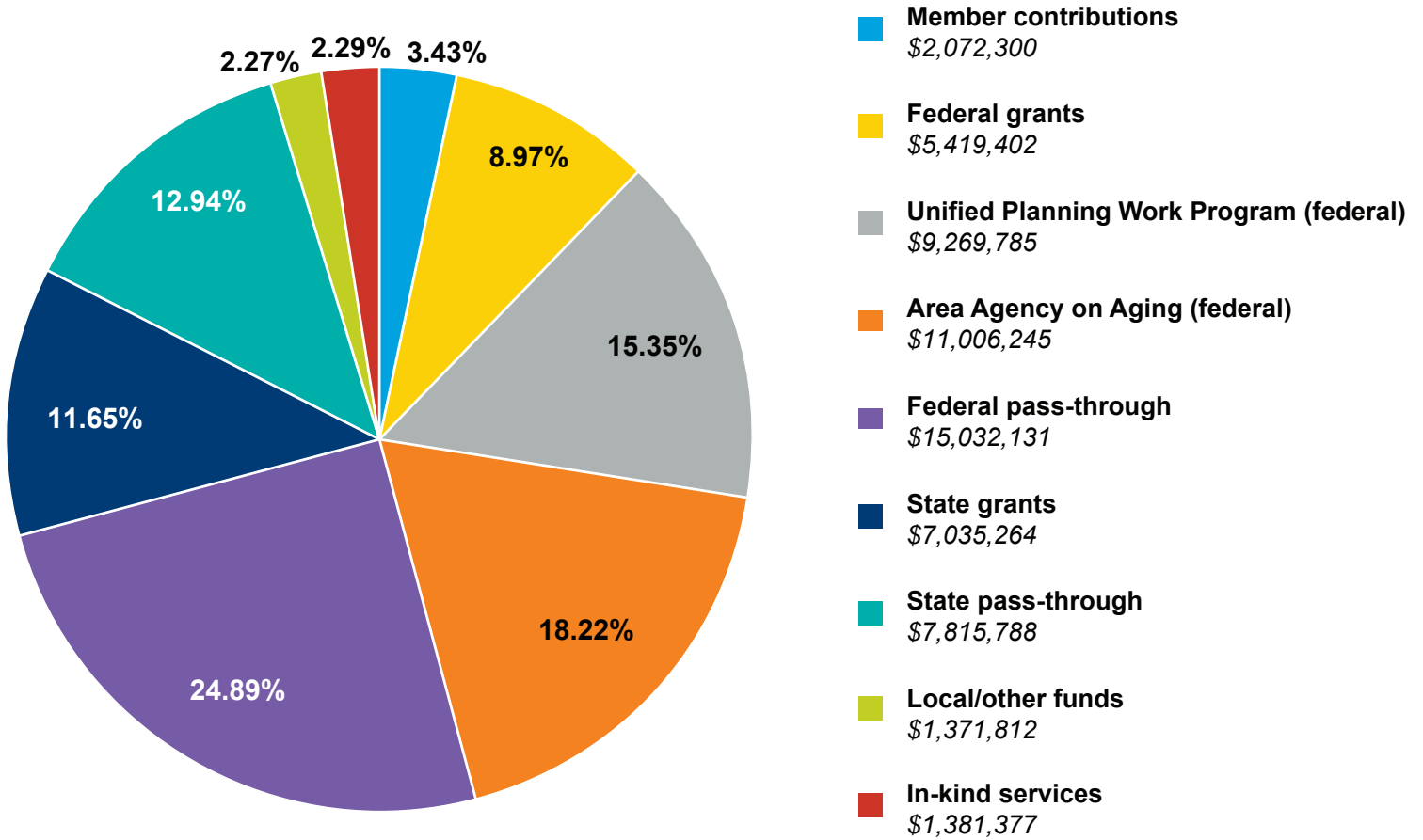
¹ The beginning balance for the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget is based on fiscal year 2021-2022 actuals.

² Program obligations are pre-paid funds set aside for specific programs: Guaranteed Ride Home, regional data acquisition projects, Regional Vanpool, and Veteran Directed Care.

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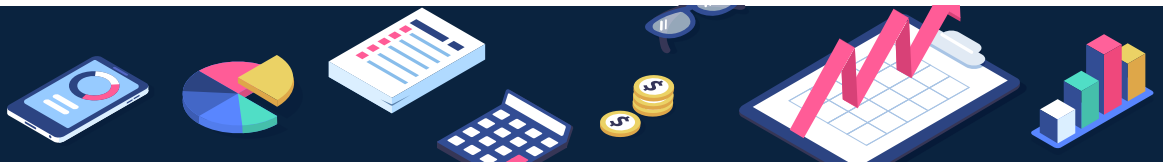


2023-2024 fiscal year funding

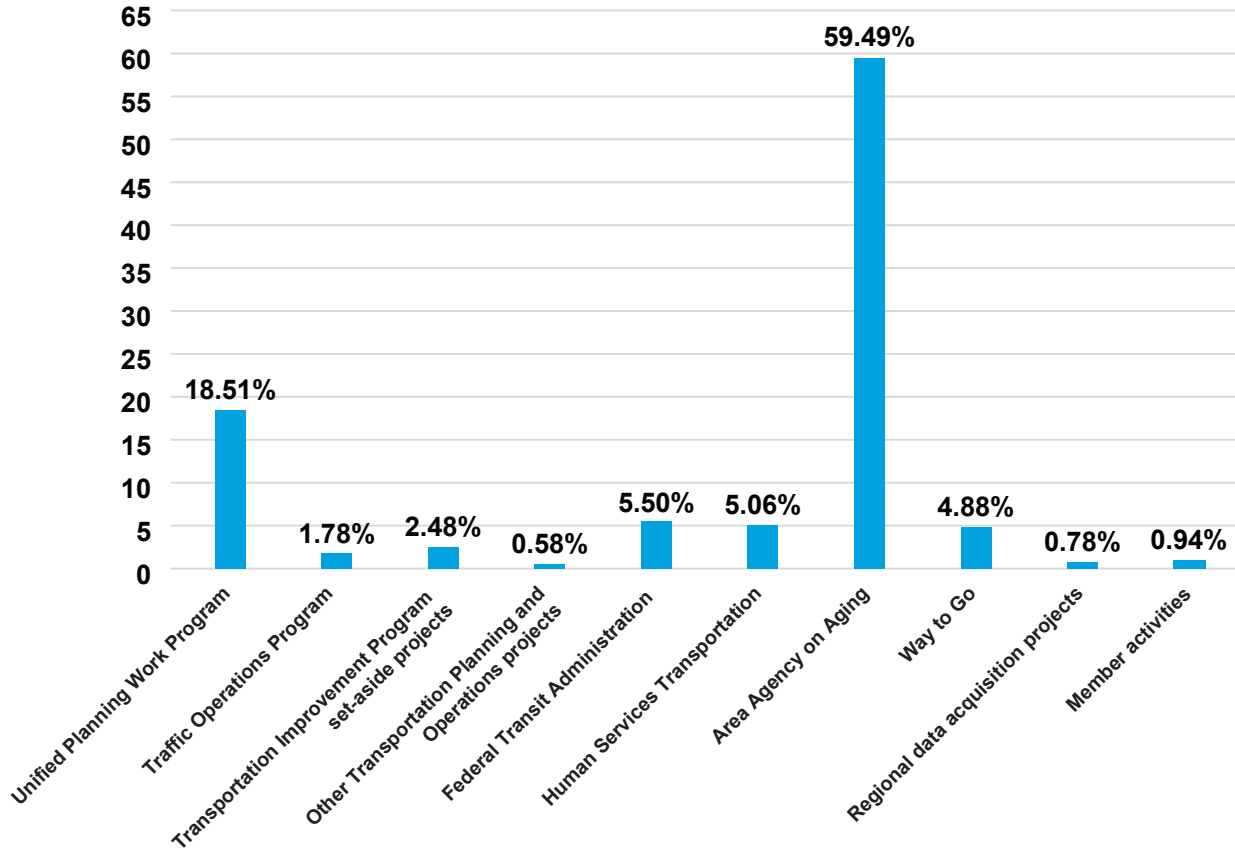


Source	Percent of total	Amount
Member contributions	3.43%	\$2,072,300
Federal grants	8.97%	\$5,419,402
Unified Planning Work Program (federal)	15.35%	\$9,269,785
Area Agency on Aging (federal)	18.22%	\$11,006,245
Federal pass-through	24.89%	\$15,032,131
State grants	11.65%	\$7,035,264
State pass-through	12.94%	\$7,815,788
Local/other funds	2.27%	\$1,371,812
In-kind services	2.29%	\$1,381,377
Projected total funding	100.00%	\$60,404,104

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Fiscal year 2023-2024 expenditures by strategic initiative



Strategic initiative	Percent of total	Amount
Unified Planning Work Program	18.51%	\$11,178,574
Traffic Operations Program	1.78%	\$1,077,926
Transportation Improvement Program set-aside projects	2.48%	\$1,500,000
Other Transportation Planning and Operations projects	0.58%	\$350,929
Federal Transit Administration	5.50%	\$3,319,422
Human Services Transportation	5.06%	\$3,055,663
Area Agency on Aging	59.49%	\$35,932,292
Way to Go	4.88%	\$2,949,954
Regional data acquisition projects	0.78%	\$470,000
Member activities	0.94%	\$569,344
Strategic initiatives total	100.00%	\$60,404,104

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Fiscal year 2023-2024 strategic initiatives funding summary

Project	Federal	Federal pass-through	State	State pass-through	Local/other funds	In-kind services	Service income	Member contributions: cash match and DRCOG funded	Total
Unified Planning Work Program	\$9,269,785					\$1,281,242		\$627,547	\$11,178,574
Traffic Operations Program	\$1,077,926								\$1,077,926
Federal Transit Administration 5310	\$292,914	\$3,026,508							\$3,319,422
Transportation Improvement Plan set-aside projects	\$1,500,000								\$1,500,000
Other Transportation Planning and Operations projects*	\$196,929				\$154,000				\$350,929
Human Services Transportation			\$1,100,000	\$1,955,663					\$3,055,663
Area Agency on Aging	\$11,006,245	\$12,005,623	\$5,935,264	\$5,860,125	\$109,196	\$50,000		\$965,839	\$35,932,292
Way to Go	\$2,351,633				\$548,186	\$50,135			\$2,949,954
Regional data acquisition projects					\$470,000				\$470,000
Member activities					\$90,430			\$478,914	\$569,344
Total funding summary	\$25,695,432	\$15,032,131	\$7,035,264	\$7,815,788	\$1,371,812	\$1,381,377		\$2,072,300	\$60,404,104

*Budgeted projects include Regional Transportation District FasTracks annual review, 405(c) federal safety grant, and Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee.

Funding summary does not reflect \$30,000 in projected interest income

Communities and residents



Collaboration with peer agencies

Ongoing collaboration with forward-thinking groups on topics of regional growth and development, transportation planning and to promote and support communities that facilitate healthy and successful aging.

Population and employment forecast coordination

DRCOG staff will collaborate with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs to improve local, regional and state coordination on accurate, timely and transparent forecasts. The Small Area Forecast Work Group will continue to engage local stakeholders to ensure the incorporation of local plans in regional forecasts.

Metro Vision Idea Exchanges

Metro Vision Idea Exchanges provide a forum where DRCOG's planning partners and other stakeholders share information and ideas, identify local and regional successes worth continuing, as well as emerging and ongoing challenges and actions to address them.

City and County Managers Forum

DRCOG began hosting quarterly forums for the region's city and county managers in February 2019. The forums provide an opportunity for DRCOG staff to keep the region's managers apprised of current and emergent issues, programs and opportunities as well as hear directly from the managers about challenges in their communities that may require a regional solution. Managers identify the topics for conversation and DRCOG staff coordinates the meetings and identifies information and relevant resources.

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act regional grants navigator program

Launching in 2023, the program is a partnership among the Governor's Office, the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, and DRCOG. Using funds made available in SB22-215, DRCOG has contracted to deliver support to its communities and locations with underserved populations to identify opportunities for Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding for areas such as broadband, water (supply, quality and drought mitigation), transportation, resiliency and disaster preparedness, affordable and secure clean energy, and energy efficiency.

Way to Go

Way to Go is a foundational regional partnership between DRCOG and eight transportation management associations that reduces traffic congestion and improves air quality through education, marketing and outreach to encourage non-single-occupant vehicle travel. As the work environment and commute behavior continues to evolve post-pandemic, Way to Go outreach and marketing will augment promotion of telework, walking and biking with a renewed emphasis on transit, carpooling and vanpooling.

Public engagement

Through its ongoing public engagement initiative, DRCOG provides people-centered planning, projects and services by proactively offering opportunities for the region's residents to learn about and engage with DRCOG. DRCOG staff will continue to build on efforts using online tools and new tactics, while initiating new community partnerships and leveraging the Civic Advisory Group to expand the range of voices offering input.





Communities and residents

Bike to Work Day

DRCOG will once again work with partners across the region to promote Bike to Work Day in June. Organized by the Way to Go program, the event is the second-largest of its kind in the country, and introduces people to bike commuting in a fun, supportive environment, resulting in long-term behavior change.

Boomer Bond

DRCOG's Boomer Bond Assessment tool and online resource directory help communities become more age-friendly. DRCOG will continue to help communities with assessments and technical assistance for implementation strategies.

Smart Region Initiative

DRCOG continues to maintain an active partnership with the Colorado Smart Cities Alliance and other organizations in the Smart City space, including Smart Cities Connect which frequently hosts its annual conference in Denver. DRCOG staff continue to search out best practices and innovations in key focus areas, including mobility, connectivity, health and aging, safety and resilience, and energy. A mostly weekly e-newsletter – the Somewhat Weekly Smart Region Syllabus is available for anyone interested in subscribing to it, including Board directors.

Small Communities, Hot Topics

Started in 2014, the Small Communities, Hot Topics forum provides an opportunity for DRCOG staff to relay timely and targeted information about programs, opportunities and developing trends relevant to the region's smaller communities.

Legislative affairs

DRCOG provides ongoing analysis of the potential effects and benefits of proposed legislation that may accrue for all DRCOG activities, with a specific emphasis on transportation funding and funding and policy for aging services. DRCOG's legislative team is always available to provide insights on the effects of proposed legislation on the mission, vision and daily activities of DRCOG and any potential effects on member communities.

Ride Alliance trip exchange

The Area Agency on Aging piloted a transportation trip exchange developed under the Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative. Staff and partners are evaluating the exchange's strengths and weaknesses and making adjustments before planning for a full program launch.

Area Plan on Aging webinar series

DRCOG's Area Agency on Aging staff is working with the county councils on aging and city commissions on aging across the region to help them advocate for older adults at the local level. Area Agency on Aging staff will provide a series of webinars to share the 2024-2027 Area Plan on Aging and the results from the recent Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults.

2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program

Transportation Planning and Operations staff will complete the Transportation Improvement Program calls for projects and programming decisions for fiscal years 2024-2027 and the TIP adoption process including a public hearing and Board action. DRCOG staff will begin administering approved TIP Set-Aside programs.

Advanced Mobility Partnership

DRCOG convenes regional and local participation in the Advanced Mobility Partnership to evaluate, prioritize, coordinate and implement Mobility Choice Blueprint tactics and other transportation technology innovations and initiatives. DRCOG staff is also working with regional partners to explore processes to collect, manage, maintain and share regional transportation data.

Metro Vision

Metro Vision serves as the foundation for DRCOG's regional planning programs and initiatives. In 2023-2024, DRCOG's Board of Directors will consider amendments to align the plan with regional implementation partners' strategies and initiatives.



Community visits

Metro Vision, the region's shared vision for its future, is implemented through collective contributions and efforts at the local level. DRCOG's Regional Planning and Development staff are eager to take stock of local initiatives and projects that strengthen the Denver region. Staff is refreshing its approach to community visits after a few years of modified engagement due to the pandemic. Staff use community visits as an opportunity to support DRCOG's member governments in their efforts to advance well-planned development, connect them to data and resources to enhance their work, and celebrate their successes.

Through a revamped program, the DRCOG team will visit member government communities and hear from local government staff. The ultimate goals are to strengthen staff-level relationships, connect member governments to technical assistance and resources and identify opportunities to elevate their work. Community visits are one of many ways that DRCOG complements and informs programming and engagement so it meets the needs of its diverse communities. With the programmatic refresh, DRCOG staff can sustain and enhance its approach as needed.

Older Adult Refugees and Friends

In 2022-2023, the Older Adult Refugees and Friends program will continue to reduce isolation and increase community connections with older adults from refugee and immigrant communities. The program provides educational opportunities, exercise activities and time to socialize. The program will also continue to help older adults access technology and provide case management and resource navigation to ensure older adults from refugee and immigrant communities are connected with resources in their area. In addition, the program will continue to increase understanding of cultural considerations among other DRCOG programs and its contractors by providing training and technical assistance.



Communities and residents

Regional housing strategy

The rising cost of housing is at the forefront of considerations for the Denver region. While several of DRCOG's member governments are assessing housing needs and planning for future housing supply, many solutions may require or benefit from regional coordination. Staff expects to help develop a regional housing strategy focused on future housing investments to anticipate the changing needs across the region and provide pathways shared among local partners.

DRCOG's unique position as a local government convener, steward of regional growth forecasts and facilitator of transportation investments provides a solid foundation for developing collaborative approaches. As DRCOG staff continues to reassess forecasted growth, its local governments need well-designed considerations to address diverse and evolving housing needs and a range of related issues. A regional housing strategy will help local governments collaboratively leverage existing and planned investments in transportation, support an aging population, and efficiently consider the allocation of resources to ensure the region's residents can find a place to call home.

The tasks ahead are complicated yet achievable. Together with the DRCOG Board of Directors, staff will develop a scope for a regional housing strategy, identify and secure funding, and develop a shared work plan for effective implementation.



Photo courtesy of Regional Transportation District.

Communities and residents



Regional corridor plans

DRCOG will coordinate and lead multimodal corridor planning efforts for priority corridors identified in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan. These efforts include planning for regional bus rapid transit projects.

2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan

DRCOG will conduct an amendment cycle for the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan that will include considering any jurisdiction or agency-requested plan amendments.

Community-based transportation plans

DRCOG staff will work with member governments and community groups on planning efforts to improve mobility options for low-income and disadvantaged populations. The grassroots effort will focus on identifying local communities' most important transportation challenges and developing strategies to overcome them. The first planning effort will be complete in fall 2023. DRCOG staff will also conduct the next selection process for two additional planning efforts.

Regional data acquisition projects

DRCOG facilitates and manages cost-effective partnerships and projects that acquire foundational datasets including imagery, lidar, planimetric data and land cover in support of local and regional planning.

Civic Academy

DRCOG continues this valuable program, formerly known as Citizens' Academy, to build civic capacity and engagement. Through the seven-week course, DRCOG staff facilitate education and discussions about essential regional issues like transportation, growth and economic vitality, housing, civic engagement and more.

Innovative mobility

The Innovative Mobility Transportation Improvement Program Set-Aside facilitates planning for and developing innovative solutions for mobility challenges throughout the region, with a particular focus on innovative mobility preparedness, planning, demonstrations and pilots. Through a cohort model, the program engages regional partners to prepare and invest in innovative mobility solutions. The set-aside program will identify and deploy innovative mobility solutions throughout the region.

Technical assistance program

DRCOG provides resources, data analysis, and best-practice guidance to incorporate inclusive and equitable approaches to community planning. DRCOG staff will continue to offer technical assistance to support communities with plan implementation.

Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan

DRCOG staff and partners involved in developing the Regional Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan are evaluating existing programs, practices, partnerships and policies and identifying and prioritizing actions and activities to support transportation demand management in the Denver region. Transportation demand management includes strategies, activities and investments that help people use the transportation system more efficiently to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality. Through its Transportation Planning and Operations division and Communications and Marketing's Way to Go program, DRCOG coordinates regional transportation demand management investments and behavior change efforts in the Denver region.



Financial stewardship

Audit

An analysis and report resulting in findings related to DRCOG's financial health and compliance with grant management guidelines, the audit will commence in July for the prior fiscal year.

DRCOG budget

A foundational annual product, the budget process begins in January and concludes with final approval by the Board of Directors in May. The budget directs financial decisions made throughout the fiscal year.

Compliance

To ensure the integrity of grant operations, DRCOG has added a new position (fiscal specialist, grant compliance) to the Administration and Finance team. The position conducts Area Agency on Aging field audits to ensure compliance (both programmatic and fiscal) by DRCOG contractors. In fiscal year 2023-2024, the accounting department will add an additional position to conduct internal audits of programs across DRCOG. The position will identify and address any potential weaknesses in DRCOG's fiscal operations.



Business operations

Increase Area Agency on Aging funding

Diversifying funding continues to be a priority for the Area Agency on Aging and essential to keep pace with the growing demand for services. Staff will partner with Denver Health to improve health outcomes for patients by connecting them with needed community services like nutrition, transportation and in-home services. The Area Agency on Aging will also partner with other health providers and payers and work with national partners to advocate for including payment for community services in Medicare.

Board collaboration assessment

An annual improvement activity, DRCOG's Board of Directors uses the Board Collaboration Assessment to provide feedback on collaboration with directors, committee structure and leadership.

Geographic information systems data development

Through an annual partnership with local governments, DRCOG creates regional datasets including information on employment, housing, open space and zoning in support of local and regional planning.

Regional Crash Consortium

DRCOG staff will convene stakeholders interested in improving the quality of crash data. Crash data accuracy is essential to identifying and solving safety issues in the region's transportation system.

Accessibility improvements

DRCOG will continue to improve the accessibility of its services, programs and activities, and will review and update practices related to internal and external communications. As outlined in the new state requirements, staff will develop a plan and begin implementation to ensure better access by July 2024.

Website refresh project

DRCOG staff will complete redevelopment and redesign of DRCOG's primary website and consolidate other web properties. The web refresh project will raise DRCOG's public visibility, improve access to its services and programs, and improve the security of its digital properties.

Virtual server cloud project

Moving local virtual servers to the cloud will enhance staff's teleworking experience and reduce operating costs. Using cloud-based virtual servers aligns with DRCOG's business continuity strategy in the event of an emergency.

Area Agency on Aging infrastructure improvements

In 2022, DRCOG worked with a vendor to build ASPIRE, a data collection and reporting system, to reduce the administrative burden on staff and improve data quality. DRCOG received a SB21-290 grant in 2023 to add functionality to ASPIRE — specifically, the ability to track how often referrals lead to services provided to clients. Additionally, staff will implement a new contractual payment and tracking system.

Story maps

DRCOG's staff develops data visualizations to engage stakeholders around planning and transportation topics, using informative and easy-to-explore web maps and infographics. In 2021, staff added story maps to DRCOG's visualization toolbox, launching a Complete Streets story map. Story maps enhance spatial analysis with narrative and photography to provide context to what might otherwise seem like abstract concepts. During the 2023-2024 fiscal year, DRCOG staff will develop a Regional Vision Zero story map to help residents, planning professionals and elected officials better understand the context around the region's High-Injury Network and critical corridors.

Office reconfiguration

The post-pandemic hybrid working environment at DRCOG continues to evolve with the recent adoption of a desk hoteling policy. Having only a portion of DRCOG staff in the office on any given day has allowed DRCOG to add staff without adding desks or requiring more physical space. Staff are also exploring how the hybrid work arrangement might facilitate development of a different office layout to accommodate more team interaction across and within divisions.

Skilled workforce



Professional certification

In order to support staff's professional development and enhance networking opportunities that benefit the organization, DRCOG reimburses up to \$400 for each employee for approved job-related professional memberships and certifications.

Doug'n Donuts

Doug'n Donuts is an informal monthly town hall providing an opportunity for DRCOG staff to gather socially and interact with DRCOG's executive director, Douglas W. Rex, and the senior management team. Employees are encouraged to ask questions, offer suggestions and learn about activities, developments and policies.

Third Thursday Lunch and Learn

Once-a-month lunchtime learning opportunities provide DRCOG staff with a midday diversion that provides interesting, intellectually stimulating presentations on a variety of topics from DRCOG partners, Board members and subject-matter experts

Training and development

DRCOG has a legacy of investing in its staff through training and development opportunities. Auzmor is a web-based learning management system that employees can use as their schedule allows, as opposed to during a set time in a classroom or meeting space for training. DRCOG also partnered with Go1, the world's largest training content hub. Go1 maintains over 100,000 training classes from which DRCOG's Human Resources division, division directors and managers have developed a custom training library specific to employee needs.

Employee Engagement and Satisfaction Survey

An annual improvement opportunity, the Employee Engagement and Satisfaction Survey facilitates staff feedback on their overall experiences at DRCOG, their work groups, supervisor, division director and the executive director.

Equity Action Committee

DRCOG's Equity Action Committee is an internally focused advisory group that works closely with Human Resources and senior management on diversity and equity topics.

Peer resource exchange

After successfully implementing Microsoft Teams during the pandemic for remote collaboration, staff are further leveraging the platform to share tools, resources and best practices with each other.

Continuing education

In addition to its tuition reimbursement program, DRCOG maintains relationships with a number of institutions of higher education that offer employees tuition discounts.

Partnerships: Claremont-Lincoln University, Colorado Christian University, Colorado State University-Global Campus, DeVry University and Regis University. DRCOG has recently formed a partnership with All Campus, a company that offers tuition discounts at 25 colleges and universities (including University of Southern California, Carnegie Mellon University, DePaul University, and Johns Hopkins University) to DRCOG employees and their families.

Internship site

DRCOG maintains relationships with several institutions of higher education, serving as an internship site for students completing their degrees.

Partnerships: Metropolitan State University of Denver, University of Central Florida, University of Colorado Denver, University of Denver, Regis University.





Licensed clinical social worker sponsorship

DRCOG offers a licensed clinical social worker sponsorship program to eligible employees, affording them the opportunity to advance their careers while working in their field.

The candidate must hold a master of social work degree and complete a rigorous training program consisting of 3,360 hours of work over a two-year period and 96 hours of supervision by a licensed clinical social worker, of which 48 hours must be engaged in one-on-one practice with the supervisor. Candidates are then eligible to take the licensed clinical social worker exam.

Generally, individuals who are interested in becoming certified need to independently find a qualified sponsor and pay them for their services. Through the sponsorship program, DRCOG is investing in its candidate employees while offering staff members who already hold licensed clinical social worker designations the opportunity to help their coworkers and earn an additional financial incentive for their added work.

This program, which was suggested by DRCOG employees, serves as a differentiator when recruiting staff for the Area Agency on Aging program.



Skilled workforce



COG Cares


COG Cares is a service-based employee volunteer program that organizes and implements volunteer activities and events for staff. It's a way for DRCOG employees to connect with and give back to the region's communities, and to build teamwork skills across work groups and divisions. A variety of events are organized at least quarterly throughout the year, giving staff the opportunity to participate based on interest, ability, schedule, weather and location.


True to DRCOG's tagline, staff have contributed hundreds of hours each year to "make life better" across the region by supporting organizations such as Café 180, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, Frontline Farming, Bienvenidos Food Bank and Project C.U.R.E. In addition, staff comes together for meaningful activities like holiday card-making and gift-giving for veterans and older adults.

While the pandemic limited the number of opportunities available for in-person volunteering, COG Cares returned re-energized with a full slate of activities planned for the coming fiscal year, including opportunities to help with homebuilding, park maintenance and improvement, preparing and delivering meals, and food drives.





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ATTACH C

To: Chair and Members of the Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
April 19, 2023	Action	5

SUBJECT

Authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a consultant contract to develop a multimodal corridor study for Alameda Avenue.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends adopting a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig to develop a multimodal corridor plan for Alameda Avenue from Wadsworth Boulevard to the R-Line in the total amount not to exceed \$300,000.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

In February 2023, DRCOG released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit services from planning and engineering consulting firms with experience in developing multimodal transportation corridor plans, specifically focused on improving safety and multimodal access, and planning for potential expanded transit. The purpose of this RFP was to identify a firm to lead the development of a corridor study for Alameda Avenue from Wadsworth Boulevard in Lakewood to the R-Line in Aurora, part of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan corridor planning pilot program.

DRCOG received three proposals in response to the RFP which were reviewed and evaluated by a selection panel. The panel included subject matter experts from DRCOG's Transportation Planning and Operations Division, Administration and Finance Division, as well as staff from Lakewood, Denver, Aurora, RTD, and CDOT.

Based on the selection panel's evaluation, DRCOG staff recommend that the Finance and Budget Committee authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with the preferred consultant, Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU). The total contract amount is not to exceed \$300,000. Federal planning funds have been allocated to this task in DRCOG's current FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with the Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig to create a multimodal corridor plan for Alameda Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for a one year term.

ATTACHMENT

Draft resolution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701 or drex@drcog.org; or Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations, at (303) 480-6747 or rpapsdorf@drcog.org.

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH FELSBURG, HOLT & ULLEVIG TO DEVELOP A MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR PLAN FOR ALAMEDA AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000 FOR A ONE YEAR TERM.

WHEREAS, DRCOG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, is responsible for supporting the region in implementing the priorities and projects outlined in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG has a task in its Fiscal Years 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program to develop transportation plans for corridors identified in the Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, a selection committee of staff from DRCOG, CDOT, and RTD selected Alameda Avenue as one of the first two corridors to study; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG conducted a competitive bidding process and a selection committee of staff from DRCOG, CDOT, RTD, Denver, Aurora, and Lakewood determined that Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig had the best proposal; and

WHEREAS, the selected consultant has demonstrated qualifications and experience in developing multimodal transportation corridor plans; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG has budgeted \$300,000 in federal fiscal year 2023 for the development of this corridor plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig to develop a multimodal corridor plan for Alameda Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for a one year term.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

ATTACH D

To: Chair and Members of the Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

Authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a consultant contract to develop a multimodal corridor study for South Boulder Road.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends adopting a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Fehr & Peers to develop a multimodal corridor plan for South Boulder Road from Boulder to Lafayette in the total amount not to exceed \$200,000.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

In February 2023, DRCOG released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit services from planning and engineering consulting firms with experience in developing multimodal transportation corridor plans, specifically focused on improving safety and multimodal access, and planning for potential expanded transit. The purpose of this RFP was to identify a firm to lead the development of a corridor study for South Boulder Road from Boulder to Lafayette, part of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan corridor planning pilot program.

DRCOG received four proposals in response to the RFP which were reviewed and evaluated by a selection panel. The panel included subject matter experts from DRCOG's Transportation Planning and Operations Division and Administration and Finance Division, as well as staff from the City of Boulder, City of Lafayette, Boulder County, and RTD.

Based on the selection panel's evaluation, DRCOG staff recommend the Finance and Budget Committee authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with the preferred consultant, Fehr and Peers. The total contract amount is not to exceed \$200,000. Funds have been allocated to this task in DRCOG's current FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Fehr and Peers to create a multimodal corridor plan for South Boulder Road in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for an 18 month term.

ATTACHMENT

Draft resolution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH FEHR & PEERS TO DEVELOP A MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR PLAN FOR SOUTH BOULDER ROAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000 FOR AN 18 MONTH TERM.

WHEREAS, DRCOG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, is responsible for supporting implementing priorities and projects outlined in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG has a task in its Fiscal Years 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program to develop transportation plans for corridors identified in the Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, a selection committee of staff from DRCOG, CDOT, and RTD selected South Boulder Road as one of the first two corridors to study; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG conducted a competitive bidding process and a selection committee of staff from DRCOG, RTD, Boulder County, Boulder, and Lafayette determined that Fehr & Peers had the best proposal; and

WHEREAS, the selected consultant has demonstrated qualifications and experience in developing multimodal transportation corridor plans; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG has budgeted \$200,000 in federal fiscal year 2023 for the development of this corridor plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a contract with Fehr and Peers to create a multimodal corridor plan for South Boulder Road in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for an 18 month term.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

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To: Chair and Members of the Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

Authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract to secure on-call consultant services for federal grant writing support.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends adopting a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with HDR for on-call federal grant writing services to support DRCOG's efforts to apply for federal grants.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

In March 2023, DRCOG released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to solicit submissions from planning and engineering firms with experience in grant writing specific to multimodal transportation projects and programs who could provide tailored grant writing and preparation support services for federal grant opportunities, particularly those in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) for which DRCOG may be uniquely positioned to be competitive.

DRCOG received three proposals in response to the RFQ which were reviewed and evaluated by a selection panel. The panel included subject matter experts from DRCOG's Transportation Planning and Operations Division, and Administration and Finance Division.

Based on the selection panel's evaluation, DRCOG staff recommends the Finance and Budget Committee authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with the preferred consultant, HDR. Individual projects under the contract will be issued on a task order basis, but the total contract amount is not to exceed \$125,000. Funds have been allocated to this task in DRCOG's current FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to approve a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with HDR for on-call grant writing services to support DRCOG's efforts to apply for federal grants in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 through December 2023 with an option to renew for an additional one year term upon satisfactory performance.

ATTACHMENT

Draft resolution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701 or drex@drcoq.org; or Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations, at (303) 480-6747 or rpapsdorf@drcoq.org.

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH HDR FOR ON-CALL GRANT WRITING SERVICES TO SUPPORT DRCOG'S EFFORTS TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000 THROUGH DECEMBER 2023 WITH AN OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR TERM UPON SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE.

WHEREAS, DRCOG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), is responsible for carrying out and maintaining the continuing comprehensive transportation planning process in the Denver Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), is responsible for supporting the region in implementing the priorities and projects outlined in the 2050 Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has created several new federal grant programs to fund multimodal transportation, transportation safety, and other planning efforts that are directly related to tasks in DRCOG's FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program; and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Planning Organizations are eligible applicants for many of the new federal grant programs; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG is interested in securing on-call grant writing consultant services to support applying for relevant federal grant opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the selected consultant has demonstrated qualifications and experience in federal grant writing, particularly for multimodal transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG has budgeted up to \$125,000 in FY 2023 for federal grant writing services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with HDR for on-call grant writing services to support DRCOG's efforts to apply for federal grants in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 through December 2023 with an option to renew for an additional one year term upon satisfactory performance.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

ATTACH F

To: Chair and Members of the Board Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

Project funding for AAA contracted services for July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends authorizing the Executive Director to accept approximately \$20.5 million from the Colorado Department of Human Services and to allocate approximately \$13.5 million to AAA service providers for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

ACTION BY OTHERS

March 10, 2023 – ACA Funding Subcommittee made the recommended funding allocations.

[March 24, 2023](#) – ACA made a recommendation to approve.

SUMMARY

DRCOG contracts with various community-based service providers to provide services to older adults aged 60+ to help them age in place. DRCOG typically issues requests for proposals (RFPs) on a two-year cycle, where all providers must submit a proposal every other year. In the off years, DRCOG has the option to extend contracts for the second year of funding. DRCOG has switched this schedule to be staggered, meaning an RFP will be released for a certain set of services every year. Each RFP will still have a two-year cycle with off-years being contract renewals at DRCOG's option. This change was made to reduce the number of proposals received in any given year and allow time for a more thorough review of the proposals. To facilitate this change, DRCOG is renewing contracts for some service providers for next year, while other requests were submitted to an RFP.

DRCOG released the RFP for service in Nov. 2022, and that RFP closed in Jan. 2023. DRCOG received requests from 24 organizations to provide community-based services to older adults. In addition, 21 providers were given the opportunity to submit requests to extend their contract for another year. Between these two sets of requests, and the requests received under the separate transportation RFP, a total of over \$22.6 million was requested from DRCOG. DRCOG will receive an option letter from the Colorado Department of Human Services for approximately \$20.5 million in total funding the AAA for state fiscal year 2024. Of the available funding for SFY 2024 is approximately \$16.5 million available for contracted services next fiscal year, including the \$3 million being allocated through the Transportation call for projects.

The ACA funding subcommittee met to review the proposals and contract renewal requests and made recommendations for funding. The recommendations from the funding subcommittee are attached. Given the large difference between requested

funding and available funding, most requests were reduced to be level funding with the start of SFY23 prior to contractors being awarded additional funding.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to approve a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to accept approximately \$20.5 million from the Colorado Department of Human Services and to allocate approximately \$13.5 million to AAA service providers for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2023.

ATTACHMENT

1. SFY24 OAA and SFSS recommended funding
2. Draft resolution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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**SFY 2024 Recommended Funding For
Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services**

Provider	Service	Amount Requested	Recommendation
Contract Renewals			
Aging Resources of Douglas County	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
	Total	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Asian Pacific Development Center	Counseling	\$ 38,959.20	\$ 34,635.00
	Education	\$ 170,553.32	\$ 122,187.00
	Screening	\$ 38,816.00	\$ 28,879.00
	Total	\$ 248,328.52	\$ 185,701.00
Audio Information Network of Colorado	Education	\$ 366,574.88	\$ 159,840.00
	Total	\$ 366,574.88	\$ 159,840.00
Benefits in Action	Counseling	\$ 321,828.00	\$ 128,731.00
	Total	\$ 321,828.00	\$ 128,731.00
Brothers Redevelopment Inc	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
	Total	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Center for People With Disabilities	Visually Impaired - Counseling	\$ 64,480.00	\$ 52,000.00
	Visually Impaired - Education	\$ 32,240.00	\$ 24,800.00
	Total	\$ 96,720.00	\$ 76,800.00
City and County of Denver Office on Aging	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 117,618.00	\$ 110,880.00
	Total	\$ 117,618.00	\$ 110,880.00
Colorado Center for the Blind	Visually Impaired - Counseling	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
	Visually Impaired - Education	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
	Total	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Colorado Health Network	Education	\$ 102,949.88	\$ 102,949.00
	Total	\$ 102,949.88	\$ 102,949.00
Colorado Legal Services	Legal Assistance	\$ 595,000.00	\$ 595,000.00
	Total	\$ 595,000.00	\$ 595,000.00
Colorado Visiting Nurse Association	Evidence Based Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	\$ 207,900.00	\$ 170,000.00
	Total	\$ 207,900.00	\$ 170,000.00
Denver Inner City Parish	Education	\$ 220,268.00	\$ 28,023.00
	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 126,208.50	\$ 28,023.00
	Total	\$ 346,476.50	\$ 56,046.00
Douglas County Government - Adult Services Pr	Reassurance	\$ 75,810.00	\$ 75,728.00
	Total	\$ 75,810.00	\$ 75,728.00
Ensign Skills Center	Education	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00
	Reassurance	\$ 828.00	\$ -
	Screening	\$ 25,794.00	\$ 25,794.00
	Total	\$ 64,622.00	\$ 63,794.00
Jefferson Center for Mental Health	Counseling	\$ 213,347.70	\$ 126,716.00
	Total	\$ 213,347.70	\$ 126,716.00
Jewish Family Service of Colorado, Inc	Case Management	\$ 38,388.00	\$ 20,400.00
	Total	\$ 38,388.00	\$ 20,400.00
Senior Support Services	Counseling	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
	Screening	\$ 298,645.00	\$ 253,396.00
	Total	\$ 348,645.00	\$ 303,396.00
Seniors Resource Center	Case Management	\$ 649,944.50	\$ 607,511.00
	Total	\$ 649,944.50	\$ 607,511.00
Southwest Improvement Council	Screening	\$ 225,945.00	\$ 225,945.00
	Total	\$ 225,945.00	\$ 225,945.00

**SFY 2024 Recommended Funding For
Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services**

Provider	Service	Amount Requested	Recommendation
Via Mobility Services	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 68,627.00	\$ 68,627.00
Total		\$ 68,627.00	\$ 68,627.00
Volunteers of America, Colorado	Congregate Meals	\$ 1,490,296.00	\$ 1,345,296.00
	Evidence Based Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	\$ 112,000.00	\$ 87,200.00
	Home Delivered Meals	\$ 4,445,356.00	\$ 3,970,356.00
Total		\$ 6,047,652.00	\$ 5,402,852.00
Total Renewals		\$ 10,556,376.98	\$ 8,830,916.00
RFP Requests			
A Little Help	Chore	\$ 79,000.00	\$ 56,250.00
Total		\$ 79,000.00	\$ 56,250.00
AgeWise Colorado	Education	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -
	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -
Total		\$ 200,000.00	\$ -
Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc	Caregiver Counseling	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 130,000.00
Total		\$ 140,000.00	\$ 130,000.00
Arapahoe County	Chore	\$ 105,515.14	\$ 105,000.00
Total		\$ 105,515.14	\$ 105,000.00
Benefits in Action	Material Aid	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Total		\$ 450,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity	Chore	\$ 38,500.00	\$ 38,500.00
Total		\$ 38,500.00	\$ 38,500.00
Brothers Redevelopment Inc.	Chore	\$ 190,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Total		\$ 190,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Catholic Charities and Community Services of the Archdiocese of Denver, Inc.	Caregiver Access Assistance	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 52,145.00
	Counseling	\$ 42,500.00	\$ -
	Grandparent Caregiver Counseling/Training	\$ 74,802.00	\$ 71,478.00
	Grandparent Caregiver Respite Care	\$ 34,230.00	\$ 32,341.00
Total		\$ 214,532.00	\$ 155,964.00
City and County of Broomfield	Caregiver Respite Care	\$ 107,530.18	\$ 99,107.00
	Information and Assistance - Compensated	\$ 13,776.17	\$ 13,655.00
Total		\$ 121,306.35	\$ 112,762.00
Colorado Gerontological Society	Material Aid	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
Total		\$ 850,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
Denver Inner City Parish	Home Delivered Meals	\$ 252,358.00	\$ -
	Material Aid	\$ 402,468.00	\$ 55,194.00
Total		\$ 654,826.00	\$ 55,194.00
Douglas County government	Chore	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
	Homemaker	\$ 273,000.00	\$ 201,972.00
	Material Aid	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
	Personal Care	\$ 282,100.00	\$ 188,758.00
Total		\$ 575,100.00	\$ 406,730.00
Ensign Skills Center	Material Aid	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Total		\$ 13,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Geri-Fit Company LLC	Evidence Based Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	\$ 25,684.00	\$ -
Total		\$ 25,684.00	\$ -

**SFY 2024 Recommended Funding For
Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services**

Provider	Service	Amount Requested	Recommendation
Jewish Family Service of Colorado	Homemaker	\$ 357,185.00	\$ 311,865.00
	Material Aid	\$ 75,710.00	\$ 52,741.00
	Total	\$ 432,895.00	\$ 364,606.00
Mount Evans Hospice, Inc.	Counseling	\$ 32,406.67	\$ 26,240.00
	Education	\$ 4,752.97	\$ -
	Screening	\$ 22,592.40	\$ 26,430.00
	Total	\$ 59,752.04	\$ 52,670.00
Project Angel Heart	Home Delivered Meals	\$ 787,626.98	\$ 576,141.00
	Total	\$ 787,626.98	\$ 576,141.00
Rebuilding Together Metro Denver	Chore	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -
	Total	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -
Senior Support Services	Transportation Voucher - Bus Tickets	\$ 99,792.00	\$ 65,670.00
	Total	\$ 99,792.00	\$ 65,670.00
Seniors Resource Center, Inc.	Caregiver Counseling	\$ 16,022.00	\$ 14,855.00
	Caregiver Respite Care	\$ 1,159,134.00	\$ 500,721.00
	Chore	\$ 353,787.00	\$ 353,787.00
	Chore - Hoarding	\$ 385,500.00	\$ 175,210.00
	Homemaker	\$ 341,826.00	\$ 341,826.00
	Personal Care	\$ 28,492.00	\$ 11,093.00
	Total	\$ 2,284,761.00	\$ 1,397,492.00
Southwest Improvement Council	Material Aid	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 16,200.00
	Transportation Voucher - Bus Tickets	\$ 7,560.00	\$ 5,355.00
	Total	\$ 25,560.00	\$ 21,555.00
The Center For People With Disabilities	Special Equipment for Visually Impaired	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
	Total	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
The Senior Hub	Adult Day Care/ Adult Day Health	\$ 86,600.00	\$ 72,162.00
	Home Delivered Meals	\$ 83,784.00	\$ 83,784.00
	Total	\$ 170,384.00	\$ 155,946.00
Volunteers of America	Chore	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 132,600.00
	Total	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 132,600.00
Total RFP Requests		\$ 7,778,734.51	\$ 4,669,080.00

Contract Renewal Total	\$ 10,556,376.98	\$ 8,830,916.00
RFP Total	\$ 7,778,734.51	\$ 4,669,080.00
Transportation (on separate page)	\$ 4,304,597.00	\$ 3,000,000.00
Grand Total	\$ 22,639,708.49	\$ 16,499,996.00

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT APPROXIMATELY \$20.5 MILLION FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND TO ALLOCATE APROXIMATELY \$13.5 MILLION TO AAA SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

WHEREAS, Area Agencies on Aging, including DRCOG, received federal and state funding to provide community based services to older adults, including transportation services; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG conducted a request for proposals for a community based services that benefit older adults; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG invited some providers to submit requests for an extension to the current contract to stagger the request for proposals from every other year to a yearly request for proposals for certain services; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging Funding subcommittee reviewed those requests and made recommendations for awards;

WHEREAS, DRCOG anticipates receiving an option letter from the Colorado Department of Human Services for approximately \$20.5 million for SFY 2024 of which approximately \$16.5 million is available for contracted services including \$3 million allocated through the Transportaiton Supercall;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to accept approximately \$20.5 million from the Colorado Department of Human Services and to allocate approximately \$13.5 million to AAA service providers for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

ATTACH G

To: Chair and Members of the Board Finance and Budget Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
(303) 480-6701 or drex@drcoq.org

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
April 19, 2023	Action	9

SUBJECT

Project funding for July 2023 - June 2024 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Program.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approximately \$3.4 million dollars for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 and to allocate approximately \$3.1 million to projects beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.

ACTION BY OTHERS

[February 27, 2023](#) – TAC made a recommendation to approve.

[March 14, 2023](#) – RTC made a recommendation to approve.

[April 19, 2023](#) – Board of Directors will make a motion.

SUMMARY

DRCOG is the Designated Recipient for the Federal Transit Administration section 5310 program in the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area. This program provides approximately \$2.9 million annually for transit that benefit older adults, individuals with disabilities, and other vulnerable populations. There is approximately \$450,000 in unspent funding from prior apportionments under the 5310 program that is also being allocated with this call.

DRCOG conducted a combined call for projects for the HST set-aside, Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area FTA 5310, and Area Agency on Aging Older Americans Act Transportation projects. DRCOG received proposals from 16 organizations requesting over \$10.8 million for various transit projects across the DRCOG region. There is approximately \$8 million in funding available combined from the three funding sources.

Applications for all three funding sources were evaluated by a Peer Review Panel made up of staff from Denver Human Services, the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, the Colorado Cross Disability Coalition, and the Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. DRCOG staff participated on the panel in an advisory role and did not score the projects. Projects recommended are to be implemented between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. DRCOG staff conducted an equity analysis to ensure distribution of funds to cover services across the region.

This resolution is only for the FTA section 5310 funding allocated through this call for projects. DRCOG staff made the determination based on regulations and available funding which funding source was appropriate for the individual projects based on the panel's recommendations.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to recommend to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approximately \$3.4 million dollars for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 and to allocate approximately \$3.1 million to projects beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.

ATTACHMENT

1. 5310-HST-OAA Transportation RFP Committee Recommendations
2. Draft resolution

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at 303-480-6701 or drex@drcog.org; or Travis Noon, Program Manager, AAA Grant Compliance, Administration and Finance Division at tnoon@drcog.org.

2023-2024 Human Services Transportation TIP, FTA Section 5310, OAA/SFSS Transportation Request for Proposals Recommendations

Agency	Proposal Name	Requested Service/Project	Amount Requested	Recommend to Fund?	Amount Recommended	FTA 5310 Total
A Little Help	A Little Help with Transportation for Older Adults in Metro Denver	Operating Assistance	\$42,000.00	Y	\$42,000.00	
		Software Upgrades	\$25,000.00	Y	\$25,000.00	
		Mobility Management	\$40,000.00	Y	\$40,000.00	
AbleLight	Addressing Transportation Needs for Developmentally Disabled - AbleLight ADA Van Replacement	ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement - 6 Ford Transits	\$560,700.00	2 Vehicles	\$170,238.00	\$170,238.00
Boulder County	Peak-to-Peak Volunteer Driver Pilot Program	Mobility Management	\$40,000.00	Y	\$40,000.00	
City and County of Broomfield	City and County of Broomfield Easyride Transportation	Operating Assistance	\$358,000.00	Y	\$358,000.00	
City of Golden	Golden RTD Flex-Ride Voucher Program	Operating Assistance	\$6,000.00	N	\$0.00	
City of Lakewood	City of Lakewood - Lakewood Rides 2023-2024	Operating Assistance	\$476,533.50	Y	\$375,000.00	\$60,000.00
		ADA Compliant Vehicle Replacement - 2 Class B BOCs, 1 Class D BOC	\$382,177.00	2 Class B	\$246,925.00	\$246,925.00
Denver Inner City Parish	DICP Transportation Services	Operating Assistance	\$110,904.00	Y	\$100,000.00	
Denver Regional Mobility & Access Council, DRMAC	Denver Regional Mobility & Access Council -Mobility Assistance Proposal	Mobility Management	\$423,584.78	Y	\$371,250.00	\$297,000.00
Douglas County Government	2023 Douglas County Transportation	Operating Assistance	\$444,000.00	Y	\$299,700.00	
		ADA Compliant Vehicles Expansion - 1 Ford Transit EV, 1 ADA Minivan	\$182,444.00	EV only	\$123,505.00	\$123,505.00
		EV Charging Station	\$43,556.00	Y	\$43,556.00	\$43,556.00
		Mobility Management	\$462,600.00	Y	\$462,600.00	\$300,887.00
DRCOG	DRCOG AAA Choice Services Program Transportation	Mobility Management	\$1,000,000.00	Y	\$900,000.00	
Easter Seals Colorado	Easterseals Colorado: Neurological Rehabilitation Adult Day Program Fleet Expansion	ADA Compliant Vehicles Expansion - 1 Ford Transit	\$103,120.00	Y	\$54,077.00	\$54,077.00

2023-2024 Human Services Transportation TIP, FTA Section 5310, OAA/SFSS Transportation Request for Proposals Recommendations

Agency	Proposal Name	Requested Service/Project	Amount Requested	Recommend to Fund?	Amount Recommended	FTA 5310 Total
Jewish Family Service of Colorado	Jewish Family Service - Arts and Community Explorations on the Move	ADA Compliant Vehicles Expansion - 1 Ford Transit	\$86,955.00	Y	\$54,077.00	\$54,077.00
Laradon Hall Society for Exceptional Children and Adults	LARADON VEHICLE REPLACEMENT AND OPERATING REQUEST FOR FY 23/24	ADA Compliant Vehicles Replacement - 2 ADA Minivans, 3 Ford Transits	\$484,942.00	2 Minivans	\$153,000.00	\$153,000.00
		Operating Assistance	\$139,372.26	Y	\$139,372.00	\$139,372.00
Town of Erie	Flex Ride Starter Service	Operating Assistance	\$200,000.00	Y	\$200,000.00	
Via Mobility Services	Via Mobility Services	Operating Assistance	\$3,594,667.00	Y	\$3,268,871.00	\$968,871.00
		Mobility Management	\$515,000.00	Y	\$472,000.00	\$472,000.00
		ADA Compliant Vehicles Replacement - 4 EV Paratransit Vans	\$618,118.00	N	\$0.00	
		Maintenance Equipment	\$112,500.00	N	\$0.00	
		Facility Driveway Paving	\$225,000.00	N	\$0.00	
		Facility Planning Project	\$22,500.00	N	\$0.00	
Volunteers of America	VOA Transportation Program Gilpin/Clear Creek	Operating Assistance	\$105,464.00	Y	\$100,000.00	
Totals			\$10,805,137.54		\$8,039,171.00	\$3,083,508.00

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) FOR APPROXIMATELY \$3.4 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 AND TO ALLOCATE APPROXIMATELY \$3.1 MILLION TO PROJECTS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 PENDING APPROVAL OF THE PROJECTS BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, DRCOG, is a planning organization where local governments collaborate to establish guidelines, set policy, and allocate funding in the areas of transportation and personal mobility; growth and development; and aging and disability resources; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG is the designated recipient of FTA Section 5310 funds for the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area which provides approximately \$2.9 million per year; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG will retain ten percent of the apportionment for administrative expenses and there is approximately \$450,000 of unspent funding from prior years that was available for this call for projects; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG will allocate approximately \$3.1 million to transit projects that enhance the mobility of older adults and individuals with disabilities for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration for approximately \$3.4 million for the period of July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 and to allocate approximately \$3.1 million to projects beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director

ATTACH H

To: Chair and Members of the Transportation Advisory Committee

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
(303) 480-6701 or drex@drcoq.org

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
April 19, 2023	Action	10

SUBJECT

Transportation project funding for July 2023 - June 2024 Older Americans Act and State Funding for Senior Services funds.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends authorizing the Executive Director to allocate approximately \$3 million of Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services (OAA/SFSS) funds to transportation projects as recommended for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.

ACTION BY OTHERS

[March 24, 2023](#) – ACA made a recommendation to approve.

[April 19, 2023](#) – Board of Directors will make a motion.

SUMMARY

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Applications for all three funding sources were evaluated by a Peer Review Panel made up of staff from Denver Human Services, the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, the Colorado Cross Disability Coalition, and the Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. DRCOG staff participated on the panel in an advisory role and did not score the projects. Projects recommended are to be implemented between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. DRCOG staff conducted an equity analysis to ensure distribution of funds to cover services across the region.

This resolution is only for the OAA/SFSS funding allocated through this call for projects. DRCOG staff made the determination based on regulations and available funding which funding source was appropriate for the individual projects based on the panel's recommendations.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to authorize the Executive Director to allocate approximately \$3 million of Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services (OAA/SFSS) funds to transportation projects as recommended for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the board of directors.

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2023-2024 Human Services Transportation TIP, FTA Section 5310, OAA/SFSS Transportation Request for Proposals Recommendations

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A Little Help	A Little Help with Transportation for Older Adults in Metro Denver	Operating Assistance	\$42,000.00	Y	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
		Software Upgrades	\$25,000.00	Y	\$25,000.00	
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**2023-2024 Human Services Transportation TIP, FTA Section 5310, OAA/SFSS Transportation
Request for Proposals Recommendations**

Agency	Proposal Name	Requested Service/Project	Amount Requested	Recommend to Fund?	Amount Recommended	OAA
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DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF COLORADO

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. _____, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ALLOCATE
APROXIMATELY \$3 MILLION OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT/STATE FUNDING FOR SENIOR
SERVICES FUNDS TO TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AS RECOMMENDED FOR THE
PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024 PENDING APPROVAL OF THE
PROJECTS BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, Area Agencies on Aging, including DRCOG, received federal and state funding to provide community based services to older adults, including transportation services; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG conducted a joint call for transit projects for the Human Services Transportation TIP Set-aside, Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding, and Older Americans Act/State Funding For Senior Services funding for transportation services; and

WHEREAS, proposals were reviewed by an independent review panel which made recommendations for projects to DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging reviewed those recommendations and recommended approval of the awards;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to allocate approximately \$3 million in Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services funds to transportation projects as recommended for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 pending approval of the projects by the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023 at Denver, Colorado.

Colleen Whitlow, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director