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AGENDA
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGING
Friday, February 18, 2022
11:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Via Webinar

1	11:00	Call to Order and Introductions
2	11:05	Public Comment Up to 45 minutes is allocated now for public comment and each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes. If there are additional requests from the public to address the Committee, time will be allocated at the end of the meeting to complete public comment.
3	11:15	Report of the Chair
4	11:20	Report of the AAA Director

CONSENT AGENDA

5	11:35	Move to Approve Consent Agenda • Minutes of January 21, 2022 (Attachment A)

ACTION ITEMS

6	11:40	Discussion of Transportation Project Funding – Travis Noon (Attachment B)

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFINGS

7	12:00	Legislative Update – Rich Mauro (Attachment C)
8	12:20	Follow-up Discussion County Councils on Aging – Kelly Roberts (Attachment D)
9	12:50	Nymbl Science Presentation – Nathan Estrada (Attachment E)
10	1:10	County Reports

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

11		**Next Meeting – March 18, 2022**
12		Other Matters by Members
13	1:30	Adjourn
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AAA Acronym Quick List

ACL/AOA	Administration for Community Living/Administration on Aging
ACO	Accountable Care Organization
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADL	Activities of Daily Living
ADRC	Aging and Disability Resource Center
AHC	Accountable Health Communities
CAC	Citizens Advisory Committee
CASOA	Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults
CCT	Colorado Choice Transitions
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
COA	Council on Aging
DCOA	Denver Commission on Aging
DORA	Department of Regulatory Agencies
DOLA	Department of Local Affairs
DRMAC	Denver Regional Mobility and Access Council
F&B	Finance and Budget Committee
GIS	Geographic Information System
HB	House Bill
HCPF	Health Care Policy and Financing
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HTP	Hospital Transformation Project
I&A	Information and Assistance
JBC	Joint Budget Committee
LTC	Long Term Care
MIPPA	Medicare Improvement for Patient and Providers Act
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NASUAD	National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities
OAA	Older Americans Act
PACE	Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly
PHI	Personal Health Information
RFP	Request for Proposal
RFQ	Request for Qualifications
ROD	Record of Decision
RTC	Regional Transitions Committee (Aging)
RTC	Regional Transportation Committee*(Transportation)
SAPGA	Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging
SB	Senate Bill
SHIP	State Health Insurance Assistance Program
SMP	Senior Medicare Patrol
SRC	Seniors' Resource Center
SUA	State Unit on Aging
VDC	Veterans Directed Care
VOA	Volunteers of America

ATTACH A

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGING
MEETING SUMMARY
Friday, January 21, 2022

Members Present

Ada Anderson	Douglas County
Barbara Boyer	Arapahoe County
Bob Brocker	At Large City and County of Denver
Bob Davis	City and County of Broomfield
Cary Johnson	Jefferson County
Cathy Noon	Arapahoe County
Connie Ward	Jefferson County
Dawn Perez	Adams County
Donna Mullens	Jefferson County
Houston "Tex" Elam	At Large Arapahoe County
Jim Dale	At Large Jefferson County - Golden
Karie Erickson	Douglas County
Perla Gheiler	City and County of Denver
Phil Cernanec	At Large
Sean Wood	Clear Creek County
Wynne Shaw	DRCOG Board - Lone Tree

Guests Present

Conner McCarthy, Aging Resources of Douglas County, Debbi Haynie, Castle Rock Senior Center, Jarett Hughes, Governor's Office, Kristine Burrows, Jewish Family Services, Mark Levine, DRCOG Consultant, Steve Conklin, DRCOG Board

DRCOG Staff Present

AJ Diamontopoulos, AHC Manager, Ana Lilia Lahowetz, Case Manager, Caitlin Phillips, Ombudsman, Desiree Boelte, SHIP Program Manager, Erika Dubray, I&A Program Manager, Fonda Buckles, ADRC Manager, Jayla Sanchez-Warren, AAA Division Director, Jenny Castle, Resource and Quality Assurance Coordinator, Jennifer Reeves Transitions & VDC Manager, Kelly Roberts, Community Resource Specialist, Liv Bergman, Community Resource Specialist, Marlene Priest, AHC Navigator, Mindy Patton, AAA Division Assistant, Rachana Bhattarai, SHIP Counselor, Rich Mauro, Director Legislative Affairs, Shannon Gimbel, Ombudsman Manager, Sharon Day, AAA Business Operations Manager, Yacob Nate AHC Navigator, Zack Gibbons, Fiscal Specialist

Cathy Noon Committee Chair – Called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Public Comment Period (Non-ACA Members)
There was no Public Comment.

Report of the Chair

Cathy conveyed to the group she may be unable to participate in some of the upcoming ACA meetings.

Report of the AAA Director

- The AAA is working on updating data systems. Currently they are using many systems to derive data from. This makes it hard to keep data consistent.

- Providers will be using the new system and will be trained by DRCOG.

- An RFP was put out to vendors, the team is currently reviewing RFPs and conducting interviews. They have narrowed the search to two vendors and will choose by end of January and hope to have the system ready in early summer.

- The state is in the process of replacing their Peer Place system that is used to collect data for Older Americans Act programs. They are currently working with their vendor to develop the database. Transition to that system will happen in the spring for staff and providers.
- Jayla said since COVID, the AAA has lost 29 staff, which is uncommon, 20 of those have left the state.
  - Because of the turnover there has been more opportunity for staff to move up and transfer into other areas of interest.
  - Jayla has filled the ADRC Manager position vacated by Amy Pulley. The new Manager is Fonda Buckles.
- Jayla informed the group that Brad Calvert from the Regional Planning Division will be leaving DRCOG. He accepted a position in Steamboat Springs. Brad was instrumental in developing and managing Boomer Bond which is used by several cities.
- Sharon Day told the group the AAA has received their $6 million in federal carryover funds. The amount was higher than normal due to the $8 million in COVID relief funds they received and needed to use.
- The DRCOG Finance and Budget committee approved moving forward with the ARPA funds and will be putting out an RFP once the contract has been signed
- Jayla stated that it has been difficult for our providers to utilize additional funds due to staffing shortages.
  - DRCOG has lost two providers for in-home care due to this shortage and has been providing vouchers to private pay companies to get services done.
  - The AAA is trying to find additional private contractors to add the voucher program to cover the need.
- Jayla expressed how difficult it is for older adults when they don't receive in-home services and how this can elevate them to the next level of care which usually means moving from their home.

  There was discussion regarding the rate of pay for in-home workers and the need for employers to pay their staff more. Jayla said this will be seen in higher unit costs in the future for providers.

- Jayla is working on a strategic plan and will share that with the group at a future meeting.
- The AAA has offered to assist the Boulder AAA with response to needs from the recent Marshall fire. Erika Dubray is the dedicated contact person to help respond if Boulder needs help in their efforts.

Move to approve consent agenda

Items on the consent agenda included: Summaries of the November 19, 2021 meeting

Phil Cernanec motioned for approval, Barbara Boyer seconded the motion, the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

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Informational Briefings

Modernization of the Older Coloradans' Act – Jarett Hughes, Sr. Policy Advisor on Aging

- Jarett gave a brief background of how he arrived at his current position as Senior Policy Advisor. He leads policy development and agency implementation, while supporting individuals and families.
- He is currently working on health disparities and workforce development, recognizing health care costs, and supporting community services and community organizations.
- Jarett presented several slides showing a variety of demographics. He encouraged the group to share the information.
- Jarett explained how Lifelong Colorado comprises local and regional work that helps inform decision making and planning at the state level. Slide 13 of his presentation showed a comprehensive chart illustrating entities involved.
- Jarett told the group that the Strategic Action Plan on Aging (SAPGA) will sunset in July of 2022. The hope is to integrate and expand the scope of work under Human Services to work with Lifelong Colorado, the Colorado Commission and use the strategies outlined by SAPGA to have one cohesive body. This begins with the modernization of the Older Coloradans Act.
- Prime Sponsors of HB22-1035 Modernization Of The Older Coloradans' Act are Representatives Mary Young and Mary Bradfield and Senators Joann Ginal and Bob Rankin. The remaining slides provided background and outlined key areas of the modernization of the Act and is calendared for February 4th. There is no fiscal note for this bill only a workload increase which has suggested the movement of $110,000 in funds from the Department of Local Affairs to pay for a lead coordinator FTE.

Discussion:

Phil Cernanec asked if they were planning to address the shortages of staffing for service providers.

Jarett said they recognized the problem and are looking at using some of the American Rescue Plan funds, as well as ongoing state funding to help build health care staff, drivers, meal delivery etc.

Jayla mentioned her concern with so many entities wanting money that they may look to take funds from the AAAs which hasn't enough funding currently. She said there is a need to build relationships and look at other ways to combine funding sources such as what is done with the DRCOG federal highway dollars and AAA transportation funds.

- Jarett would like to have a conversation with all the AAAs to figure out creative solutions to address the wait lists. His plan is to work on the statue this year and begin those funding conversations the following year.

Legislative Update – Rich Mauro

- Rich's update was on the Older Coloradans Act since Jarett covered this his only addition was that he is working with AJ Diamontopoulos and DRCOG's regional planning economist, Zack Feldman, to update the AAA funding report to begin focusing on specific recommendation as a starting point for discussion to stabilize AAA funding.

InnovAge Update – Shannon Gimbel

- Shannon informed the committee that Innovage, the PACE program in the region, was audited from June through July by the Attorney General.
- As a result of the audit, CMS and HCPF sanctioned Innovage for not delivering contracted services being paid for under Medicare and Medicaid. Participants were not getting care, access to adaptive equipment or medications.
- Innovage will have to come into compliance and demonstrate that they can adequately care for participants including those living in contracted assisted living and nursing homes.
- As of December 23rd, Innovage could not enroll any new participants until CMS and HCPF lift the sanctions.
  - There were a handful of those who were in the middle of enrollment during that time who were allowed to enroll
  - Those wanting to enroll after December 23rd are not going to be able to, this impacts residents in assisted living.
- Ombudsman are working to notify participants who are in this category to make sure that the resident and family are informed.

Supporting County Councils – Cathy Noon

- Cathy began the conversation explaining the difficulty the region is having with the County Councils losing people and in the rural mountain regions having no councils at all.
- Jayla gave background on why the councils were developed she said the AAA is encouraged to implement and support County Councils under the Older Americans Act. The original goal was to have older adults in the community get together and discuss issues affecting them in their community and be a part of helping the AAA make decisions in planning and funding and give feedback on their needs. In turn the AAA would give information back to the county councils. This has evolved and the councils are more independent with their own agendas now.
- Jayla asked the group how the AAA can best support their councils.
  - Cathy stated that Arapahoe County has lost many of their rural plains participants especially since COVID and holding meetings virtually. She said that they have about 20 members now who are mostly providers. They receive $3,000 from a grant which pays for a part time coordinator and their website. She was not sure of the stability of those funds as commissioners and others change. Barbara Boyer said Arapahoe County has struggled for many years with what their purpose was other than providers networking with each other.

- Bob Davis from Broomfield said their council just raises money, they help their rescue program give money to people who have a need. Participants know little about DRCOG. He quit going to meetings two years ago and told them he would remain the representative for DRCOG until they found a replacement. At the time he stopped attending he didn't feel that they had the support they could use from the AAA, and the council was not supporting the AAA as much as they could. Erika Dubray from DRCOG said she had been attending the Broomfield meetings for about 5 months and has developed a better relationship with them. Their members are older adults with no providers in attendance.
- Dawn Perez said Adams County has about 60% older adults and 40% providers. She said she and others on the council donate funds to support their group, but don't have any other funding support from the county. They have enough to keep up their phone, PO Box and Zoom meeting. All their funding comes from their annual conference which they have been unable to have due to COVID.
- Donna Mullins said they have a solid group in Jefferson County but have lost membership. They have been able to do some activities but have lost a lot of the structure they had previously. She said they don't have much of an opportunity to provide a report and thought if a representative from DRCOG could participate in their meetings to provide a report and reeducate their council of the aging network that would be helpful. Cary Johnson said many of their members have been with them for many years and they have lost people since COVID. They no longer receive funding from the county and have only been able to keep going financially because they have had less spending during COVID.
- In Denver, Perla has close relationships with several city council members, and they are her biggest supporters in getting funding from the city. Their Commission on Aging meets regularly and is working on more advocacy.
- Jayla suggested having a regional summit meeting with all the councils. She proposed a further discussion at the February meeting to begin planning. Suggested topics were educating councils, getting input from area participants, advocacy, funding and promoting councils to get more participation. Jayla also wanted to engage the County Commissions and build communications with them and the County Councils.

- The discussion evolved into a larger conversation regarding housing specifically for older adults. How much need was in the region and how the influx of refugees and the Marshall fire victims has complicated the problem. It was stated that often housing discussions are centered around the homeless and families with small children without consideration for older adults on limited incomes. Jayla said these were good topics to have with the county councils.

<u>County Reports</u>

- There were no county reports.

<u>Other Matters by Members</u>

- Wynn Shaw mentioned that Nathan Estrada from Nymbl Sciences was going to speak to their Living in Aging Well group.

<u>Next meeting</u> – **February 18, 2022**

<u>Adjournment</u>
The meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Jarett Hughes
Senior Policy Advisor on Aging
Governor's Office

COLORADO
Governor Jared Polis
Policy & Research

January 21, 2021

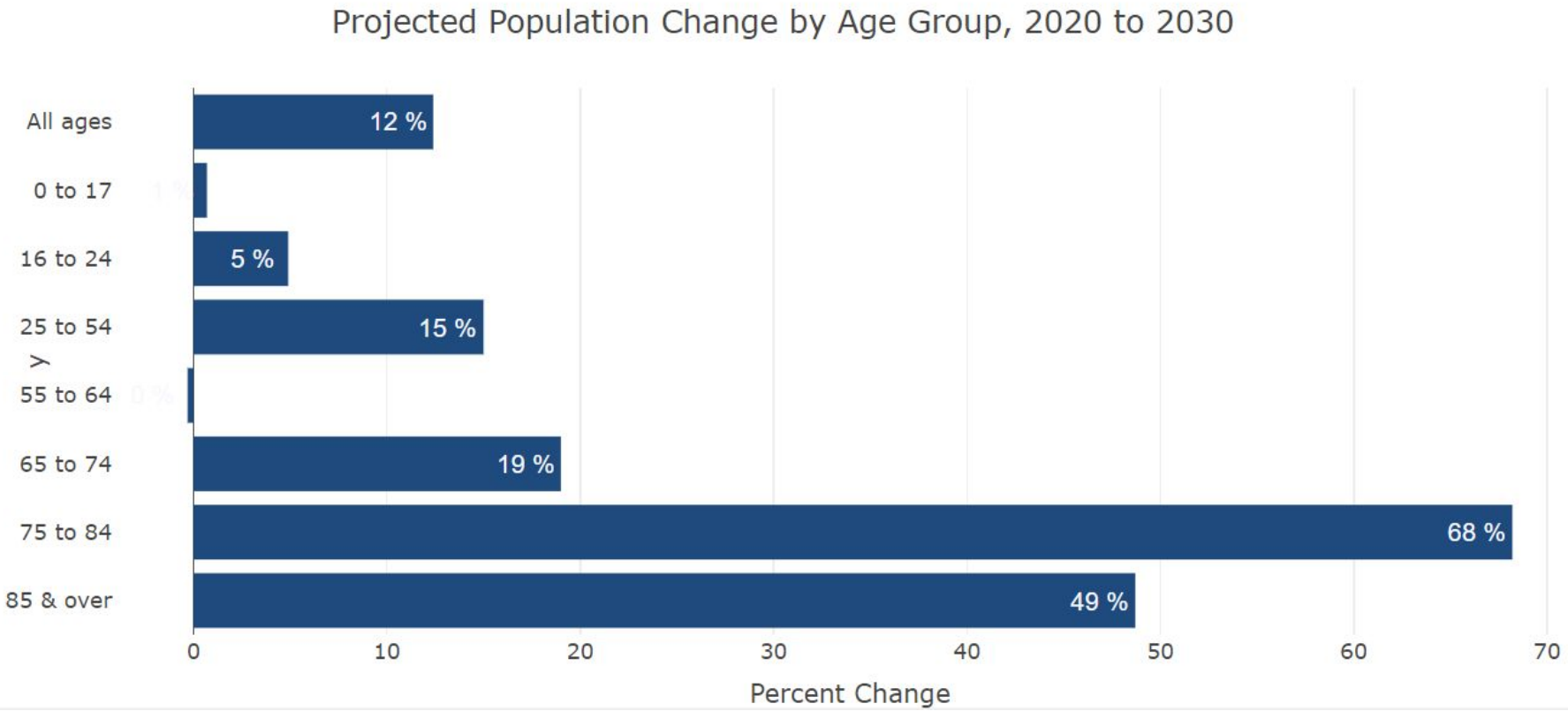
Senior Policy Advisor on Aging

Lead policy development and agency implementation through an evidence-based demographic lens that supports individuals and families across the lifespan with a specific focus on addressing health disparities, workforce development, and reducing health care costs for Coloradans in order to support aging in the community using strategies in-line with the Strategic Action Plan on Aging, CRS 24-32-3404

“A growing and aging population impacts every department in the State, from Human Resources to Natural Resources.”

Office of State Planning and Budgeting, FY 2022-2023 Budget Request

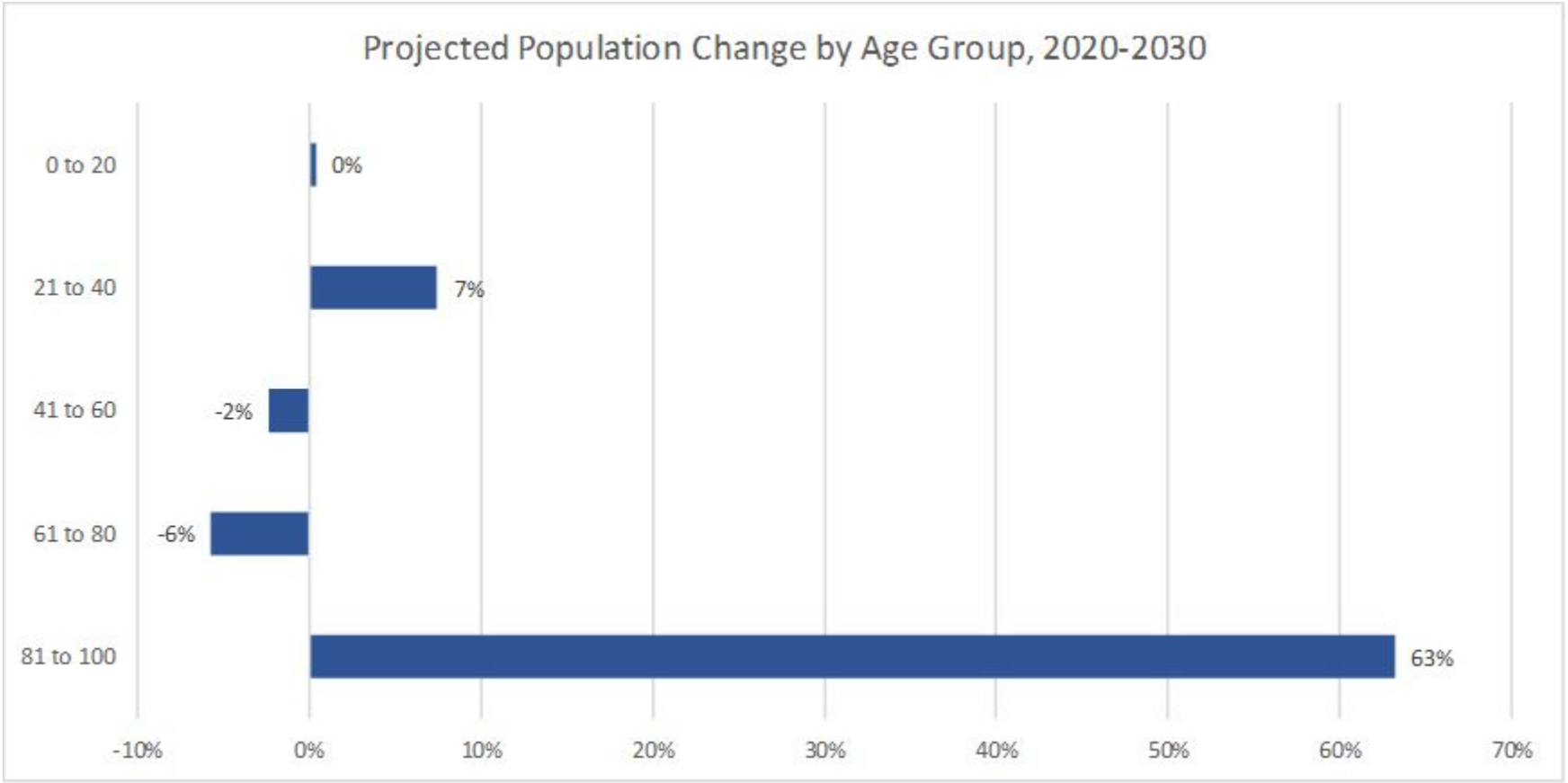
Colorado's Shifting Demographics



	Coloradans under age 18	Coloradans aged 60+
2020	1.33M	1.23M
2025	***1.30M***	***1.39M***
2030	1.35M	1.54M
2035	1.42M	1.66M
2040	1.43M	1.76M
2045	1.46M	1.89M
2050	1.46M	2.03M

Colorado State Demography Office:
https://demography.dola.colorado.gov/population/data/sya-regions/

Central Mountains



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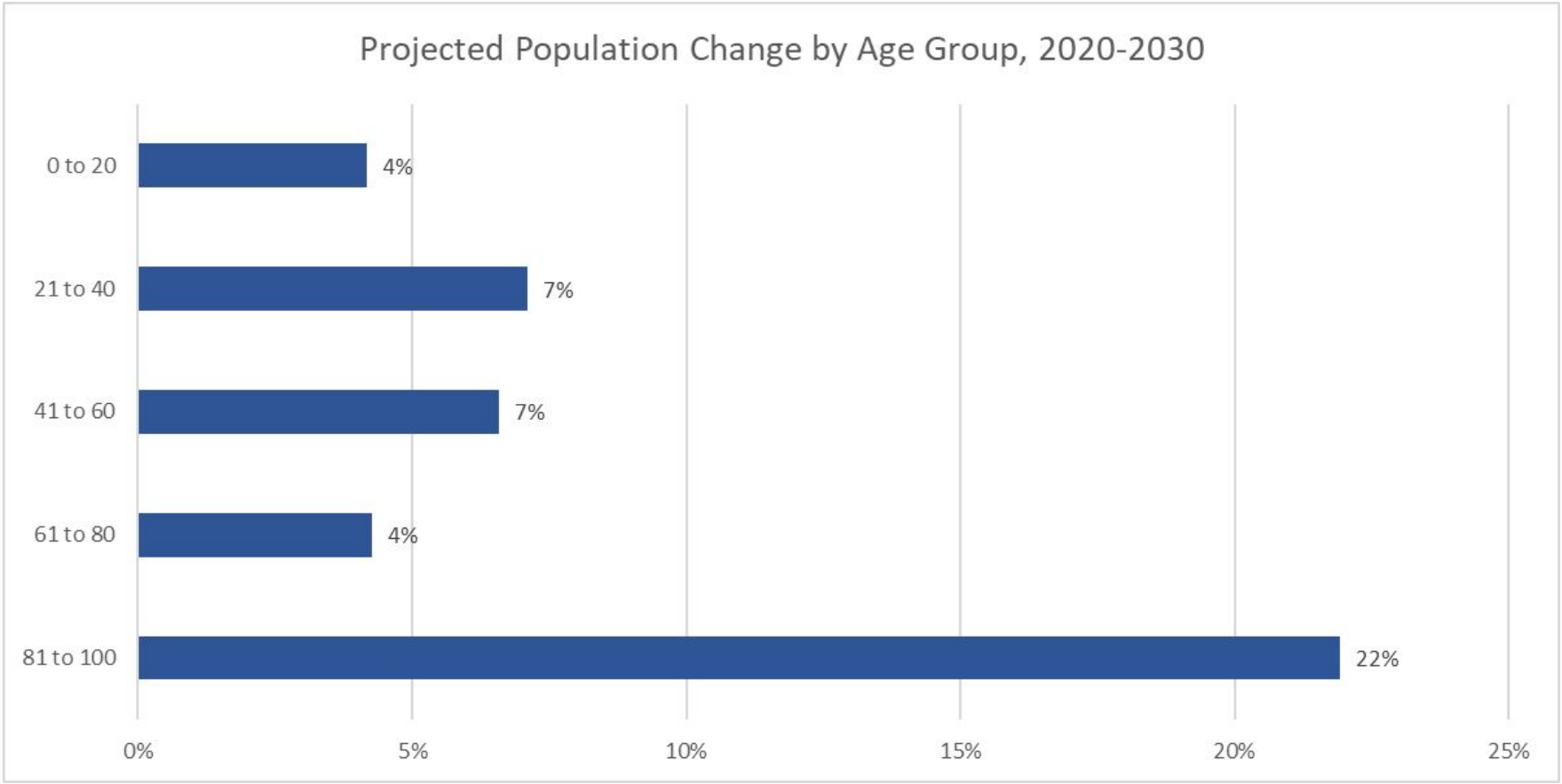
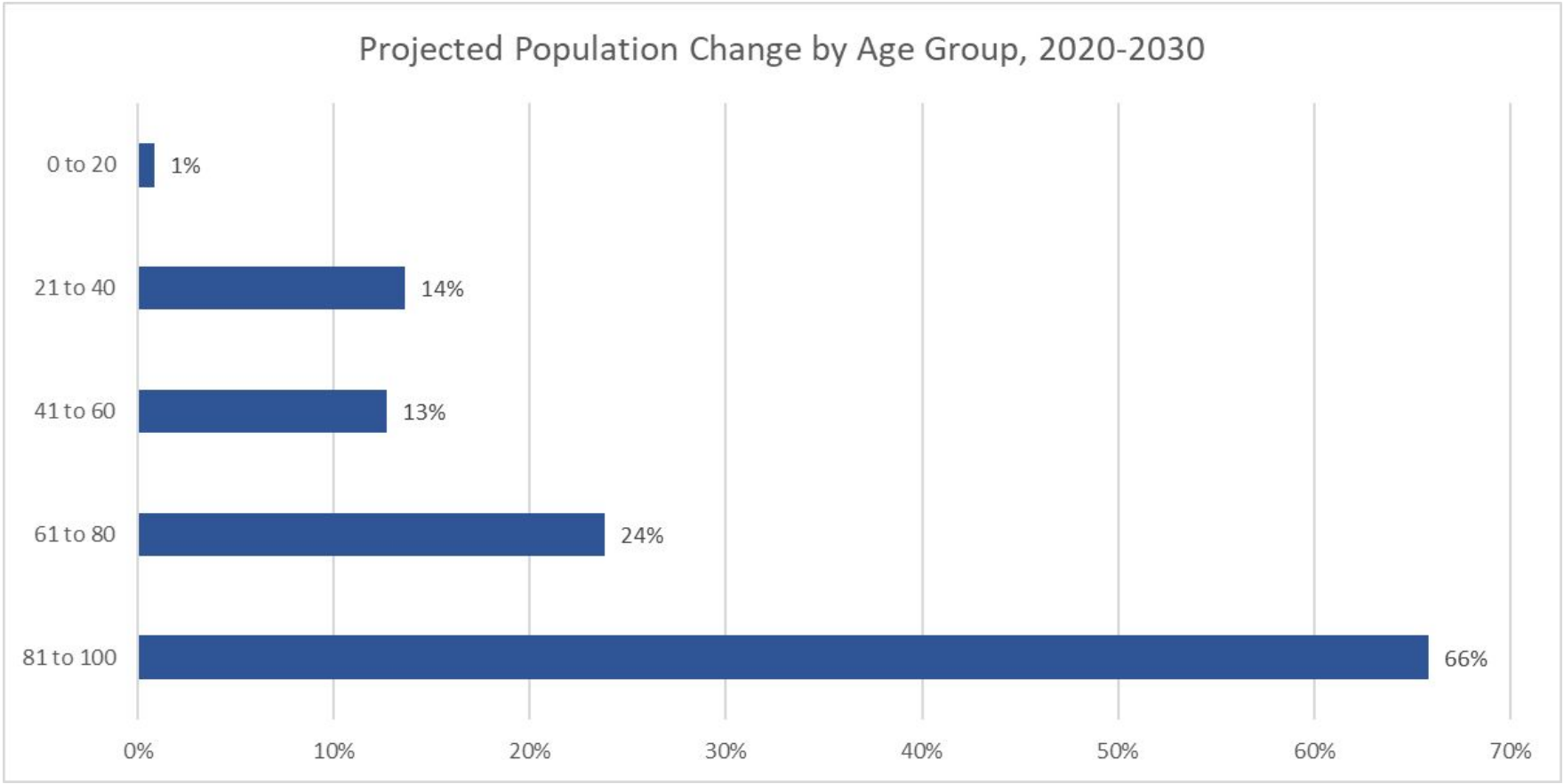


Front Range


Projected Population Change by Age Group, 2020-2030
0 to 20
1%
21 to 40
14%
41 to 60
13%
61 to 80
24%
81 to 100
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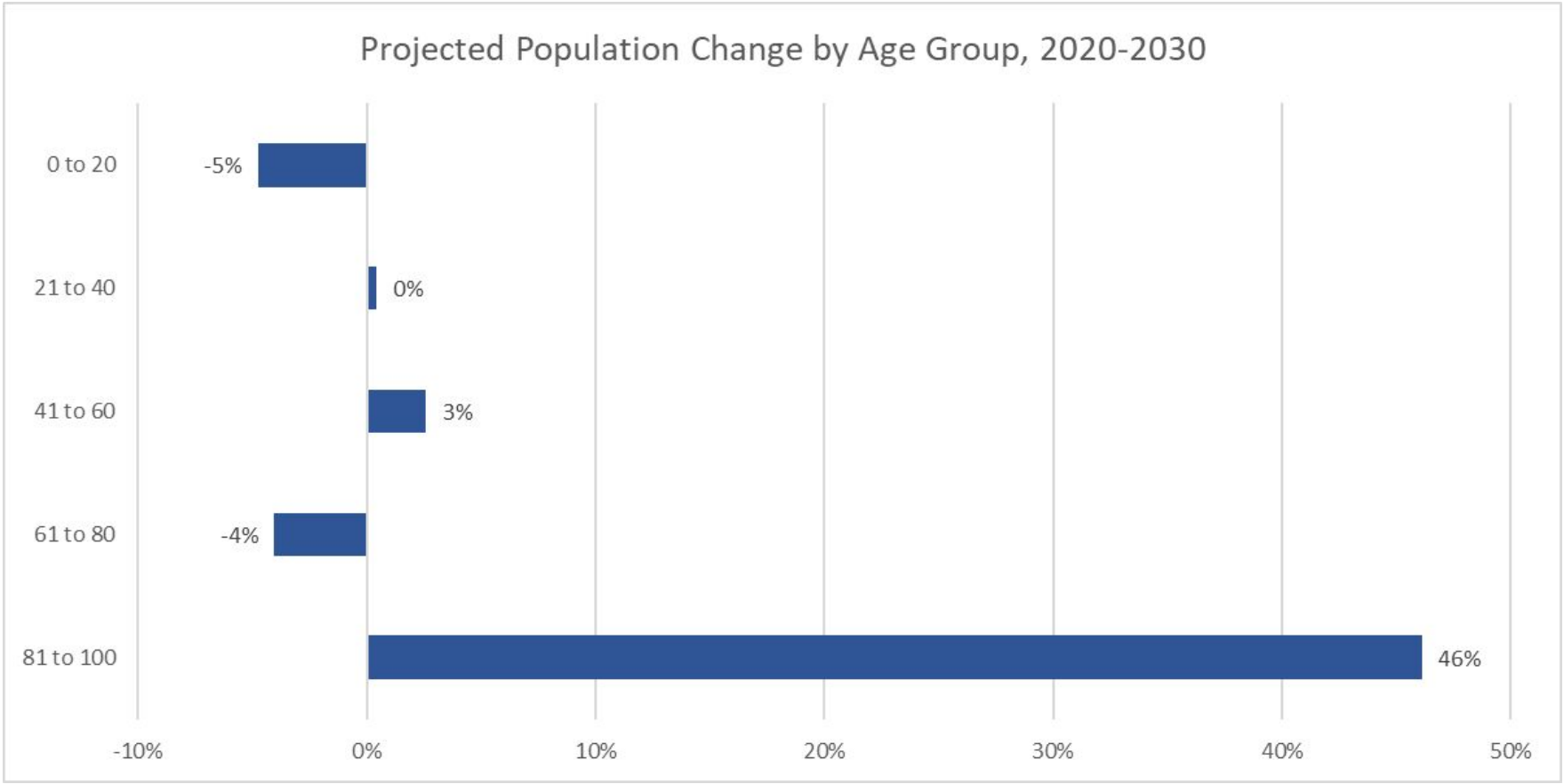
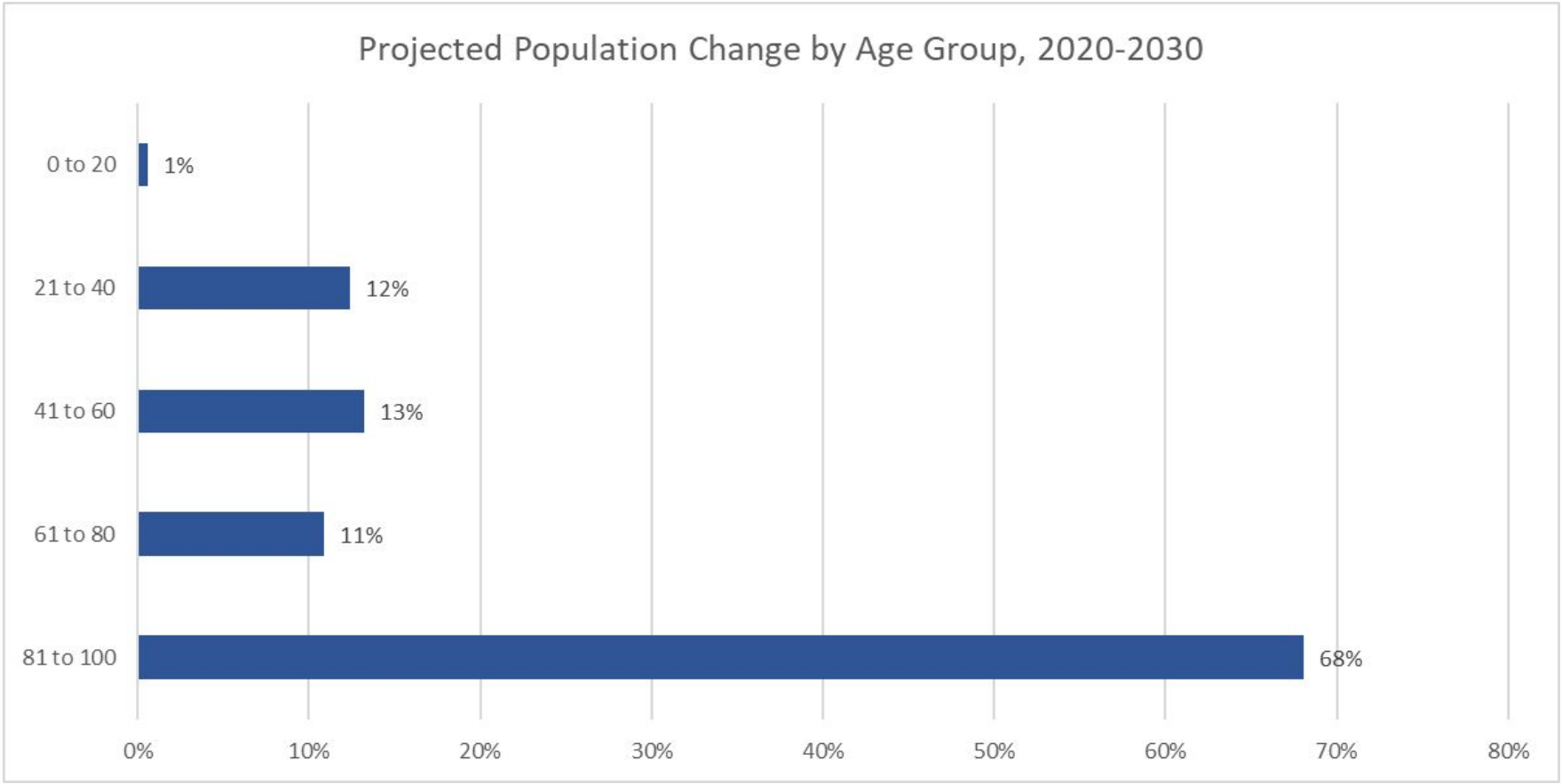
60%
70%

San Luis Valley



Western Slope



Demographics and Systemic Impacts

Direct Care Workforce

Retirement Security

Health Disparities

Mobility and Transportation

Age-Friendly Planning

Ageism and Discrimination

Technology and Broadband

Health Care and Wellness

Family Caregiving

Elder Abuse and Mistreatment

Supporting Older Workers

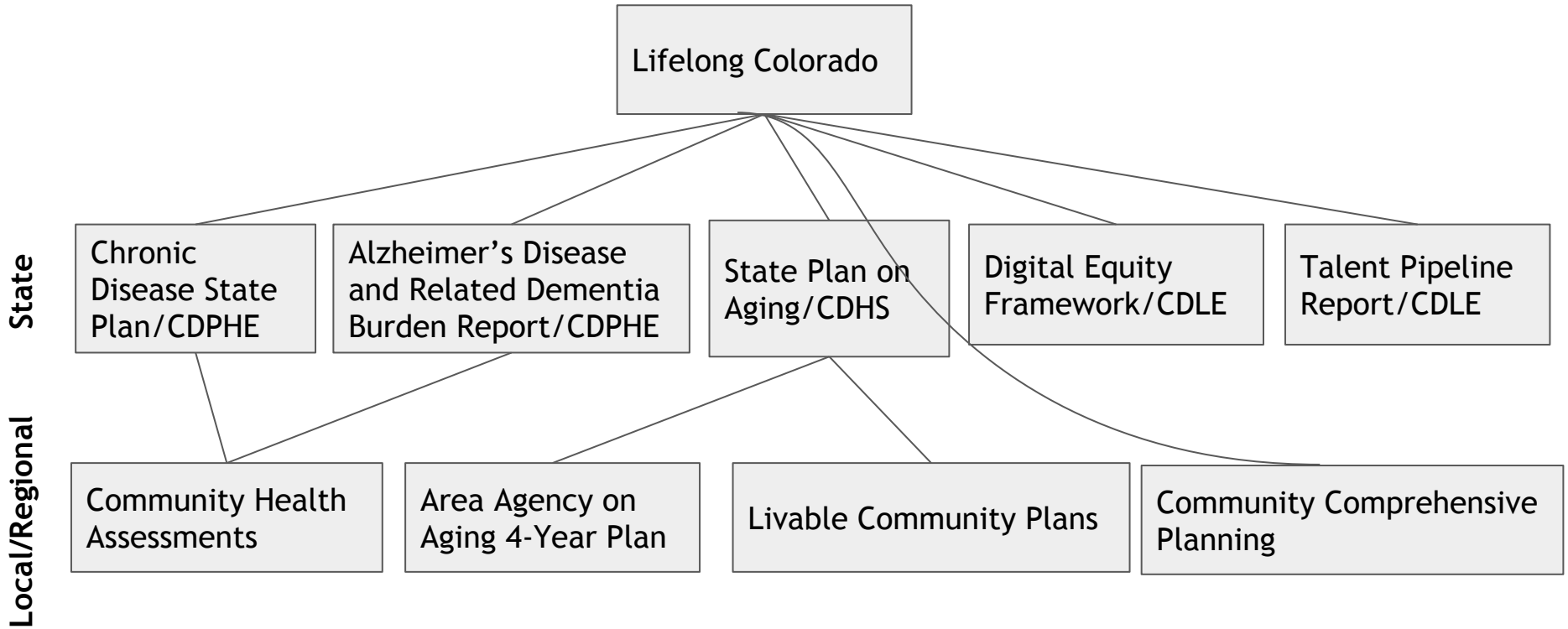
Built Design and Accessibility

State Structure and Governance

COVID-19 Impacts

A Colorado well adapted for aging is one where all individuals can thrive - a Colorado for all

Lifelong Colorado: State, Regional, and Local Strategies



Note: This is not meant to be comprehensive, just an illustration

Key Components of Past Recommendations

Organization and Structure:

Permanent, high-level position or office within the executive branch

Sufficient autonomy and authority for policy development, coordination, and implementation

Advisory council of statewide stakeholders with diverse membership

Sustainable funding and adequate staffing

Key Components of Past Recommendations

Duties and Responsibilities:

Set and coordinate consistent policy priorities with federal, state, local, and private partners

Maximize efficiencies and identify gaps, strengths, and funding opportunities

Collect, analyze, share data, convene, and coordinate across agencies

Help drive public education and outreach efforts

Implement and recommendations from other work groups

Implement strategies in-line with Lifelong Colorado and support age-friendly communities

Older Americans Act: Mission of the State Agency

"The Older Americans Act intends that the State agency on aging **shall be the leader relative to all aging issues** on behalf of all older persons in the State. This means that the State agency shall proactively carry out a wide range of functions related to advocacy, planning, coordination, interagency linkages, information sharing, brokering, monitoring and evaluation, designed to lead to the development or enhancement of comprehensive and coordinated community based systems in, or serving, communities throughout the State. These systems shall be designed to **assist older persons in leading independent, meaningful and dignified lives** in their own homes and communities as long as possible."

Older Americans Act, 45 CFR § 1321.7:
https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/45/1321.7

Federal Direction

Administration for Community Living developed the Strategic Framework to support state efforts to:

1. Address the holistic needs of older adults and people with disabilities through program coordination and integration with health care financing and delivery; and,

2. Support partnerships across health care and social service organizations to improve health care outcomes and lower costs by effectively addressing social determinants of health (SDOH) and integrating the delivery of long-term services and supports (i.e., community integrated health networks).

Strategic Framework for Action, Administration for Community Living, p.7: https://acl.gov/sites/default/files/programs/2020-06/ACL_Strategic_Framework_for_Action_v1_%20June%202020_final_508_v2.pdf

“**No single state agency acting alone will be able to respond to the projected growth in SDOH** related service and support demands and associated costs. State health and human service leaders have an important and timely opportunity to **evolve from focusing not only on administration and oversight of federal and state funding, but can also serve as strategists working across state government** and beyond to ensure adequate growth and modernization of aging and disability networks in their states. **Developing strong relationships across state agencies and with other partner organizations is essential** to identifying and implementing the most effective and efficient strategies to partner with health care payers and providers and to coordinate funding for SDOH services and supports in the future.”

Strategic Framework for Action, Administration for Community Living, p.7: https://acl.gov/sites/default/files/programs/2020-06/ACL_Strategic_Framework_for_Action_v1_%20June%202020_final_508_v2.pdf

Four Key Components for Success

Responsive and proactive state office on aging

Engaged and empowered citizen advisory council

Strong non-profit organizations that engage and coordinate community stakeholders

Active philanthropic foundation to push innovations and support community-based organizations

Modernization of the Older Coloradans Act

Part 1 - Colorado Commission on Aging - Modify structure and empower to make objective recommendations to the Department, other impacted agencies, and it's legislative designees in order to contribute directly to the continued implementation of the Strategic Action Plan on Aging through a shared leadership model with the Office of Adult, Aging, and Disability Services;

Part 2 - State Office on Aging - Establish Technical Advisory Committee and align the duties of the State Office on Aging with the mission of the state agency on aging as laid out in the Older Americans Act with a goal of moving beyond the administration of core services and adopting the strategic direction laid out in the Strategic Framework for Action; and,

Add Part 3 - Strategic Action Plan on Aging and Lifelong Colorado - Establish and define the Lifelong Colorado initiative in statute and give ownership of coordination, collaboration, and implementation of the Strategic Action Plan on Aging to the Office of Aging, Adult, and Disability Services.

Modernization of the Older Coloradans Act

HB22-1035

February 4 - Public and Behavioral Health, and Human Services

Prime Sponsors:

Representatives Mary Young and Mary Bradfield

Senators Joann Ginal and Bob Rankin

Corresponding budget amendment submitted on January 3 - CDHS BA-05 p.86

- Repurposes previous appropriation to DOLA
- Would fund an FTE at CDHS/OAADS to lead work efforts

ATTACH B

ATTACHMENT

To: Chair and Members of the Advisory Committee of Aging

From: Travis Noon, Senior Program Specialist, Administration and Finance, tnoon@drcog.org

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
February 18, 2022	Action	6

SUBJECT

Transportation project funding for July 2022- June 2023 Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services (OAA/SFSS) funds.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends approval of the January 2022- June 2023 OAA/SFSS transportation projects as recommended by the Peer Review Panel ("Panel").

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

DRCOG conducted its first ever combined call for projects for the Human Service Transportation (HST) set-aside, Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area FTA 5310, and Area Agency on Aging Older Americans Act projects. These projects are to be implemented between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023

In 2018, DRCOG adopted a set-aside of $4 million over four years for HST as part of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Policy. The HST set-aside provides a dedicated funding source to improve mobility for vulnerable populations, including older adults, low-income individuals, veterans, and individuals with disabilities. This set-aside complements FTA 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities and Older Americans Act/State Funding for Senior Services dollars by funding identified needs that are underfunded or underserved by those sources.

In 2019, DRCOG became the Designated Recipient for the FTA 5310 program in the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area. This program provides approximately $2 million annually.

DRCOG received proposals from 14 organizations for various transit services across the DRCOG region, requesting nearly $8.2 million for transit capital, operating and mobility management projects. There is approximately $6.6 million in funding available combined from the three funding sources. DRCOG staff is recommending carryover projects of approximately $270,000 awarded under the HST and FTA 5310 funding in the prior call for projects in addition to the $6.6 million for new awards.

Applications for all three funding sources were evaluated by a Peer Review Panel made up of staff from Denver Veteran 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. The Panel scored the projects

based on the criteria from each funding source. DRCOG's Advisory Committee on Aging Funding Subcommittee reviewed the OAA/SFSS funding recommended by this committee.

Since the HST and 5310 funding is under the purview of Transportation Planning and Operations at DRCOG, approval from the DRCOG's Transportation Advisory Committee and Regional Transportation Committee is conducted separately from the OAA/SFSS funding.

DRCOG staff conducted an equity analysis to ensure distribution of funds to cover services across the service area. Projects not selected for funding were limited in scope and clients that would have been served by those projects are able to receive services through other projects recommended for funding.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to recommend to DRCOG Board Finance and Budget Committee approval of OAA/SFSS transportation projects for July 2022 through June 2023 as recommended by Peer Review Panel.

ATTACHMENT

5310-HST-OAA Transportation Super call Committee Recommendations

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Travis Noon, Senior Program Specialist, Administration and Finance Division at tnoon@drcog.org.

2023 5310/HST/OAA Transportation Supercall Committee Recommendations

Agency	Service	Amount	Average Score	Recommend?	Amount Recommended	FTA 5310 Traditional	FTA 5310 Other	2020 HST Ops	2020 HST MM	2020 HST Capital	2023 HST	OAA	Carryover Awards
City of Englewood	Capital Projects - Facilities (5310)	$220,000.00	2.1	Yes (pending FTA)	$220,000.00		$220,000.00						
A Little Help	Transportation (OAA)	$65,000.00	2.7	Yes	$65,000.00							$65,000.00	
	Transportation - Mobility Management (5310)	$50,636.00	2.8	Yes	$50,636.00						$50,636.00		
Boulder County	Transportation - Operating (HST)	$300,000.00	2.5	Yes	$200,000.00						$200,000.00		
City and County of Broomfield Senior Services	Assisted Transportation (OAA)	$458,807.00	2.4	Yes	$358,000.00							$358,000.00	
City of Lakewood- Lakewood Rides Program	Assisted Transportation (OAA)	$349,261.70	2.7	Yes	$315,000.00							$315,000.00	
	Transportation - Operating (5310)	$72,951.03	2.7	Yes	$60,000.00		$60,000.00						
City of Westminster	Planning Projects (HST)	$60,000.00	2.7	Yes	$60,000.00						$60,000.00		
Denver Inner City Parish	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicles (Expansion) (HST)	$25,000.00	2.6	Yes	$25,000.00					$25,000.00			
	Transportation (OAA)	$65,000.00	2.7	Yes	$65,000.00							$65,000.00	
Douglas County Department of Community Development	Assisted Transportation (OAA)	$333,000.00	2.6	Yes	$299,700.00							$299,700.00	
	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicles (Expansion) (5310)	$120,000.00	2.6	Yes	$120,000.00					$67,103.00	$52,897.00		
	Transportation - Mobility Management (5310)	$247,500.00	2.5	Yes	$222,750.00	$222,750.00							
	Transportation - Mobility Management (HST)	$275,560.00	2.5	Yes	$248,004.00				$50,000.00		$198,004.00		
Laradon Hall Society for Exceptional Children and Adults	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicles (Replacement) (5310)	$284,006.25	2.3	Yes	$227,205.00	$227,205.00							
	Transportation - Operating (5310)	$207,306.00	2.5	Yes	$186,575.00		$186,575.00						
	Prior Year Capital Vehicle Replacement (Term Extension + Additional Funds)	N/A	N/A	Yes (Prior Year)	$56,801.00								$56,801.00
The Denver Regional Mobility and Access Council, a project of CNDC	Transportation - Mobility Management (5310)	$330,000.00	2.7	Yes	$297,000.00	$297,000.00							
	Transportation - Mobility Management (HST)	$82,500.00	2.7	Yes	$74,250.00						$74,250.00		
Town of Firestone, CO	Transportation - Operating (HST)	$31,500.00	2.3	Yes	$31,500.00						$31,500.00		

2023 5310/HST/OAA Transportation Supercall Committee Recommendations

Agency	Service	Amount	Average Score	Recommend?	Amount Recommended	FTA 5310 Traditional	FTA 5310 Other	2020 HST Ops	2020 HST MM	2020 HST Capital	2023 HST	OAA	Carryover Awards
Via Mobility Services	Assisted Transportation (OAA)	$2,712,802.03	2.5	Yes	$1,841,522.00							$1,841,522.00	
	Capital Projects - Facilities (HST)	$600,000.00	2.5	Yes	$600,000.00						$600,000.00		
	Transportation - Mobility Management (5310)	$443,721.96	2.7	Yes	$399,350.00	$221,898.00					$177,452.00		
	Transportation - Operating (5310)	$655,932.15	2.7	Yes	$590,339.00		$207,331.00	$60,334.00			$55,261.00	$267,413.00	
	Capital Projects - Software Extensions	N/A	N/A	Yes (Prior Year)	$212,280.00								$212,280.00
Volunteers of America, Colorado	Assisted Transportation (OAA)	$87,464.00	2.7	Yes	$87,464.00							$87,464.00	
City of Golden	Capital Projects - ADA Compliant Vehicles (Expansion) (5310)	$66,656.00	1.9	No	$0.00								
	Transportation - Operating (5310)	$32,448.00	1.8	No	$0.00								
	Total	**$8,177,052.12**		**Total**	**$6,913,376.00**	**$968,853.00**	**$673,906.00**	**$60,334.00**	**$50,000.00**	**$92,103.00**	**$1,500,000.00**	**$3,299,099.00**	**$269,081.00**
	Available	**$6,644,295.00**		**Total Availble (Includes Carryover)**	**$6,913,376.00**	**$968,853.00**	**$673,906.00**	**$60,334.00**	**$50,000.00**	**$92,103.00**	**$1,500,000.00**	**$3,299,099.00**	**$269,081.00**
	Remaining to Allocate	**($1,532,757.12)**		**Remaining**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**	**$0.00**

ATTACH C

To: Chair and Members of the Advisory Committee on Aging

From: Rich Mauro, Senior Policy and Legislative Analyst, 303-480-6778 or rmauro@drcog.org.

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
February 18, 2022	Informational Briefing	7

SUBJECT

State Legislative Update

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

N/A

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

Staff will provide an update on activities and issues at the Colorado General Assembly. This will include a status report on bills of interest and a preview of upcoming issues.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

Legislative Status Report as of February 11, 2022

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Rich Mauro can be contacted at 303-480-6778 or rmauro@drcog.org.

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATUS OF AGING BILLS--2022 SESSION
As of 2-14-22

Bill No.	Short Title/Bill Summary (as introduced)	Sponsors	Status	Position	*FN	Staff Comments	Legislative Policy
AGING BILLS							
HB1035	**Modernization Of The Older Coloradans' Act**- updates the "Older Coloradans' Act", including: reorganizing the Commission on Aging and increasing membership from 17 to 19 in order to coordinate and implement the Strategic Action Plan on Aging and to make recommendations; appointing a state department of human services liaison to act as the primary contact for the commission in order to coordinate commission-related duties with the state department and other state agencies; convening a technical advisory committee comprised of key state agency representatives to direct the implementations of the plan and the commission's recommendations; and creating the Lifelong Colorado initiative within the department's State Office on Aging to coordinate strategies and implementation of the plan with the commission, advisory committee, and key state agencies.	Young and Bradfield/ Ginal and Rankin	House Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services	Support with amendments	FN	The purpose of the Older Coloradans Act is to support older Coloradans through community planning, social services, health and well-being services, and strategies to prepare the state's infrastructure for an increasing older population of Coloradans. Many of the provisions of the bill reflect work DRCOG staff has been involved in with the governor's office and other aging advocates and providers. This includes the creation and operation of the Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging and Lifelong Colorado. DRCOG staff also has been involved in the drafting of the bill and amendments. **The bill was amended to address DRCOG's concerns regarding clarifingy the authority of the Commission and the relationship between the new State Office on Aging and the Area Agencies on Aging. DRCOG staff testified in support of the bill as amended.**	DRCOG supports state legislative and regulatory provisions reinforcing collaboration between the state and area agencies on aging and respecting their respective roles and interests, consistent with state and federal laws; and collaboration and partnerships to better meet the service needs of older adults consistent with DRCOG's responsibilities as an Area Agency on Aging and an Aging and Disability Resource Center.

* FN = Fiscal Note

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATUS OF AGING BILLS--2022 SESSION
As of 2-14-22

Bill No.	Short Title/Bill Summary (as introduced)	Sponsors	Status	Position	*FN	Staff Comments	Legislative Policy
SB22-079	**Dementia Training Requirements Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Rules**- The bill requires the Department of Public Health and Environment, with regard to nursing care facilities and assisted living residences, and the Medical Services Board in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, with regard to adult day care facilities, to adopt rules requiring these facilities to provide dementia training for staff providing direct-care services to clients and residents of the facilities.	Kolker and Ginal/ Young	Health & Human Services	Pending DRCOG Board Meeting	NA	According to the Alzheimer's Association, Colorado falls short of other states and the association's standards regarding dementia training for our direct care workforce. Our current laws and regulations are vague and do not sufficiently require a level of skill and knowledge needed for staff to provide a quality level of care for Coloradans living with dementia. Training requirements also vary among care settings, so a person living with dementia can experience varied levels of care quality during their journey with the disease. The Alzheimer's Association proposes standardizing training requirements for all direct care staff who are most likely to care for individuals living with dementia.	DRCOG supports increases in the quality of care and consumer protections for older adults and their caregivers and, in particular, legislation strengthening the role of the long-term care ombudsman and PACE ombudsman as resident and consumer advocates. DRCOG urges the state, when making decisions regarding funding for long-term care programs, to structure such funding to protect the quality of care for residents and participants, including funding for optimal ombudsman staffing.

* FN = Fiscal Note

ATTACH D

To: Chair and Members of the Advisory Committee on Aging

From: Kelly Roberts

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

Discussion of County Commissions on Aging, Commissions on Aging and regional summit in 2022

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

N/A

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

Discussion of County Commissions on Aging, Commissions on Aging and Regional Summit. Recruitment of a planning group for the summit.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

ACA members indicated their interest in a regional summit at the January ACA meeting and requested the opportunity to discuss in more depth at the February ACA meeting.

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

Agenda for Feb. 18 discussion

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Presentation & Discussion about a Regional Summit in 2022
Advisory Committee on Aging
February 18, 2022

I. Presentation of the Proposed Summit

Objective
Convene an in-person summit with county councils on aging and senior commissions to explore how to strengthen the network of aging interests in the region.

Potential Presentations at the Summit

- State demographer
- The importance of advocacy at the local level
- Potential impact of having a viable network of local aging interests in the region

Potential Facilitated Discussions at the Summit

- How do we plan for meeting the needs of older adults over the next 10 years?
- How do we collaborate and communicate?
- How do we sustain funding for aging services?
- What specific topics warrant targeted collaborative efforts following the summit?
- What are the ideas for how those efforts can be undertaken?

II. Facilitated Discussion about the Proposed Summit

III. Identify Next Steps & Volunteer Planners for the Event

ATTACH E

To: Chair and Members of the Advisory Committee on Aging

From: Jayla Sanchez-Warren, Director Area Agency on Aging, (303) 480-6735 or jswarren@drcog.org

Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
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SUBJECT

Presentation with 2021 data from vendor Nymbl Sciences

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

N/A

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

DRCOGs AAA recently extended the contract with Nymbl Sciences that provides fall prevention and balance training.

Nathan Estrada from Nymbl Sciences will provide a brief presentation of data collected in 2021.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

If you need additional information please contact Jayla Sanchez-Warren, Director Area Agency on Aging, 303-480-6735 or jswarren@drcog.org