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## SCHAUFELE NAMED TO GOVERNOR'S STRATEGIC ACTION PLANNING GROUP



**August 7, 2015 (Denver, Colorado)** – Governor John Hickenlooper has appointed Jennifer Schaufele, Executive Director for the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG), to the Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging. DRCOG played a leading role in the passage of [HB 15-1033](#) establishing the new planning group in 2015. The group is tasked with studying the impacts of the aging population on state & local governments, families and businesses and will be recommending policies and actions to better prepare for the growing demographic shifts across the state. **Schaufele is one of [23 planning group members](#) and issue experts who will spend the next four years helping Colorado become the first state to have a comprehensive, long-term strategic plan on aging.**

The Governor's office announced the appointees Wednesday during a summit hosted by DRCOG which presented results of a national survey of older adults in which the Denver region

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was selected as a focus area. Industry leaders from aging services, business, healthcare, non-profits and faith-based organizations, along with elected officials and policy-makers from state, regional and local governments attended the unprecedented summit.

“Older Coloradans deserve a broad, strong coalition of stakeholders that will champion their causes every day. It is an honor to have been appointed to the Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging and we now have the opportunity to build community from the current regional and statewide leadership,” commented Schaufele.

In addition to Schaufele, the group consists of other multi-disciplinary private- and public-sector experts tasked with developing a comprehensive strategic plan on aging in Colorado through 2030. The group will report its findings to the governor and general assembly by Nov. 1, 2016, and provide specific recommendations regarding private and public options for addressing the effects of the aging population.

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*The Denver Regional Council of Governments is a nonprofit collaborative association governed by a Board of Directors representing 56 county and municipal governments. Board members work together to make life better for people of all ages, incomes and abilities in the Denver region. Through Metro Vision, the plan to manage growth over the next 25 years, the region's local governments work cooperatively to address development, land use, transportation, environmental quality and older adult issues.*