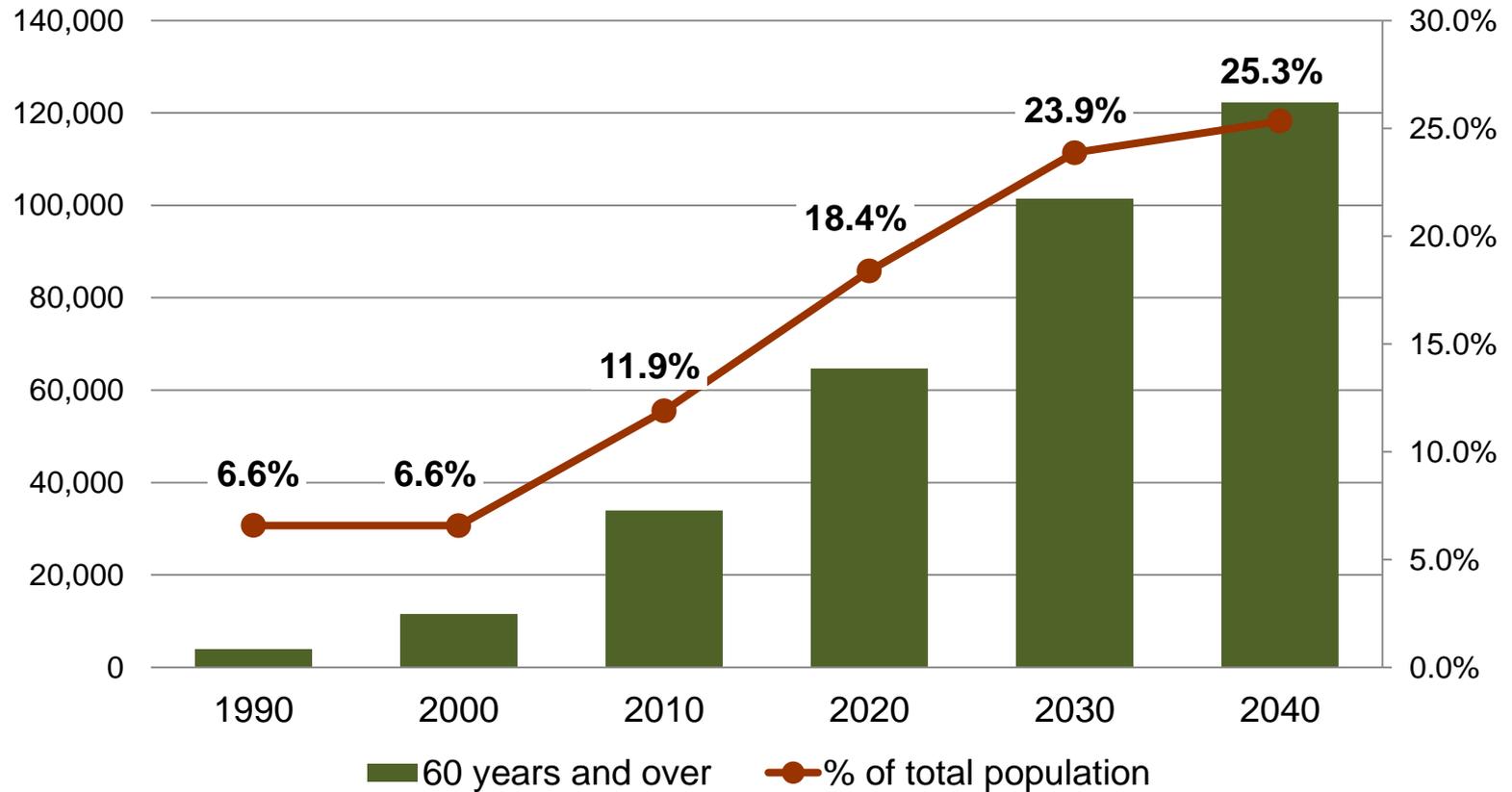


Douglas County, Colorado

Responding to Increasing Numbers
of Older Adults

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Senior Population Growth



Douglas County Senior Initiative



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The Senior Initiative Project Process

- ▶ **Focus Groups**
 - ▶ **Provider Survey**
 - ▶ **Citizen Survey**
 - ▶ **Listening Tours**
 - ▶ **Recommendations**
 - ▶ **Implementation**
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The Senior Initiative Project Provider Survey

- ▶ Purpose: to better understand the network of providers and how they interact
 - ▶ 85 Providers invited to take part in an on line survey, 68 responded; 80% response rate
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The Senior Initiative Project

Community Survey and Listening Tours

▶ Community Survey:

- Surveys were conducted online, at meetings and events, and with the help of volunteers who delivered the survey to home bound seniors
- 648 surveys were collected, representing all parts of the County
- Almost 75% of the respondents were between age 56 and 75
- Female respondents = 64%
- Male respondents = 36%

▶ Listening Tours

- 13 Listening Tours Held – 260 total attendees
- Held in all areas of Douglas County

The Senior Initiative Project Community Results

- ▶ Top three ways residents prefer to get information:
 - Internet, websites or social media
 - Local newspapers
 - Television (top choice for those over age 76)
- ▶ 90% of respondents indicated they would use a website for issues, services, and information
 - 25% of those would like to have someone to call

The Senior Initiative Project Community Results

- ▶ 80% of survey respondents feel connected to the community where they live
 - ▶ 75% respondents indicated they do not feel local government does a good job of communicating with seniors
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The Senior Initiative Project Community Results

- ▶ Key needs determined through the process:
 1. Affordable and accessible transportation options
 2. Affordable housing
 3. Quality and affordable in-home services
 4. Employment opportunities
 5. Appropriate and timely information
 6. Ability to communicate with elected leaders
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The Senior Initiative Project Implementation

Parker Senior Center
"Where Active Seniors Meet"

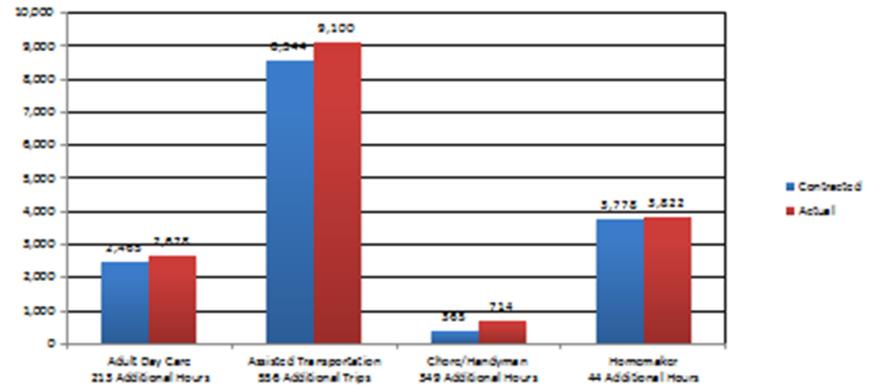


Auburn Ridge
 SENIOR APARTMENTS castle rock, colorado



 Sky Cliff Center

Senior Services Provided
 July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016



The Senior Initiative Project Implementation

The screenshot shows the Douglas County Colorado website. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links for 'OUR PRIORITIES', 'HOW DO I...', and 'ABOUT US'. The main content area is titled 'Senior Life in Douglas County'. It features a 'WHAT'S NEW SENIORS LIST' with a 'Receive Updates First' button and social media icons for Twitter and Facebook. A 'RETURN TO SENIORS MAIN PAGE' button is also present. On the left, there are logos for 'Community Services BOARD GOAL' and 'Personal & Public Safety BOARD GOAL'. The main text discusses population growth in seniors and the Douglas County Adult Services program.

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Community Services
BOARD GOAL

Personal & Public Safety
BOARD GOAL

Douglas County is experiencing the nation's most dramatic percentage of population growth in adults aged 60 and older. According to the State Demography Office, by 2030 it is estimated that one in four residents of Douglas County will be age 60 or older – approximately 24% of the County's population.

The Douglas County Adult Services program strives to enhance the quality of life for aging adults and persons with disabilities throughout the community. The goals of the program are to provide countywide leadership, conduct ongoing needs assessments, and provide a means of exchanging information, networking, promoting the development of resources and services, and serving as an advocate for County residents.

With the rapid increase in our older adult population, many seniors find that they do not have access to the services they need in order to continue to live safely and comfortably in their homes and communities.

Select an Assistance Category below from the drop down to find locations in Douglas County.

The screenshot shows a Google Map of Douglas County, Colorado, with a dropdown menu set to 'Housing - Assisted'. Red location pins are scattered across the county, indicating assisted housing sites. The map includes labels for various areas like Aspen Park, Centennial, Castle Pines, and The Esplanade. A search bar at the top of the map interface is visible.

Housing - Assisted

Map Satellite

Aspen Park Centennial Castle Pines The Esplanade

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mydougcoseniorlife.com

The screenshot shows the Facebook page for 'My DougCo Senior Life'. The page header includes the Douglas County Colorado logo and the page name. The main content area features a large photo of an elderly man and a young child. Below the photo, there is a post from 'My DougCo Senior Life' dated August 26 at 2:20pm. The post text reads: 'Douglas County Seniors - Meet Your (Local) Candidates. The Seniors' Council of Douglas County will host an opportunity to hear from a number of local candidates for elected office. Please join the group on Thursday, September 1, 2016 8:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Event Center. For a copy of the full agenda please see: http://douglascountyco.lqm2.com/Cltize.../Detail_Meeting.aspx...'. The page also shows a 'Like' button, a 'Comment' button, and a 'Share' button.

My DougCo Senior Life

@MyDougCoSeniorLife

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Seniors' Council



The Seniors' Council promotes Living Well/Aging Well™ in Douglas County, Colorado.

Meeting Information

The Seniors' Council meets monthly at various locations throughout the County. Meetings are normally held the first Thursday of each month from 9 – 10:30 a.m.

To view Senior Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes [click here](#).

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