



# Senior and Disabilities Services FY2022 Overview

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# Senior and Disabilities Services Mission

Our mission is to promote health, well being and safety for individuals with disabilities, seniors and vulnerable adults by facilitating access to quality services and supports that foster independence, personal choice and dignity.

# Senior and Disabilities Services Operating Budget Comparison FY2019-FY2022 (in thousands)



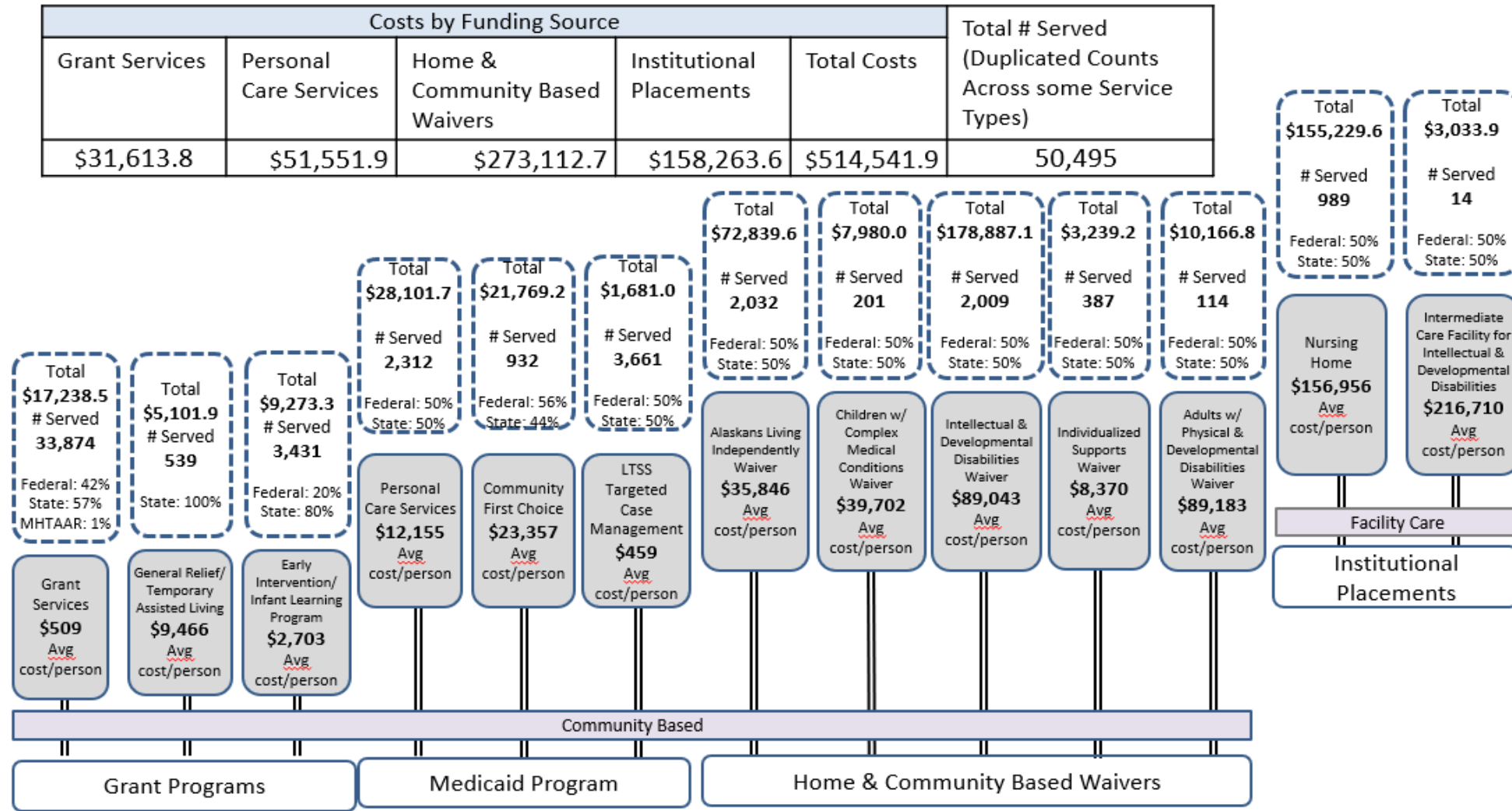
	FY19 Final Auth	FY20 Final Auth	FY21 Mgmt Plan	FY22 GOV Amend	Difference FY19 and FY22	% Difference FY19 and FY22	Difference FY21 and FY22
UGF	\$ 36,810.0	\$ 35,444.4	\$ 37,164.9	\$ 36,987.4	\$ 177.4	0.5%	\$ (177.5)
DGF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 313.0	\$ 313.0	100.0%	\$ 313.0
Other	\$ 5,299.5	\$ 3,539.1	\$ 3,154.0	\$ 3,368.1	\$ (1,931.4)	-36.4%	\$ 214.1
Federal	\$ 21,234.7	\$ 21,860.5	\$ 22,446.3	\$ 22,430.7	\$ 1,196.0	5.6%	\$ (15.6)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 63,344.2</b>	<b>\$ 60,844.0</b>	<b>\$ 62,765.2</b>	<b>\$ 63,099.2</b>	<b>\$ (245.0)</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>\$ 334.0</b>

# Senior and Disabilities Services Operating Budget Changes FY2021-FY2022 (in thousands)

- General Relief Reduction – (\$164.9) UGF
- \$313.0 DGF requested in FY22 for Mental Health Trust Recommendations
  - \$63.0 under SDS Admin for SDS Telehealth System Service Improvements.
  - \$250.0 under SDS Senior and Community Based Grants for Aging and Disability Resource Center grants.

# Senior and Disabilities Services Continuum of Care

SFY2020 Costs by Funding Source and Average Cost per Person by Service Type



Data Source: State of Alaska Automated Budget System, Final Auth 20 report, Harmony and COGNOS

Note: SDS Medicaid received a 6.2% FMAP increase due to the COVID pandemic. This increase was effective 1/1/20 and is will remain in effect through 6/30/21.



# Senior and Disabilities Services – Grant Programs

Total Cost \$31,613.8

## Grant Services

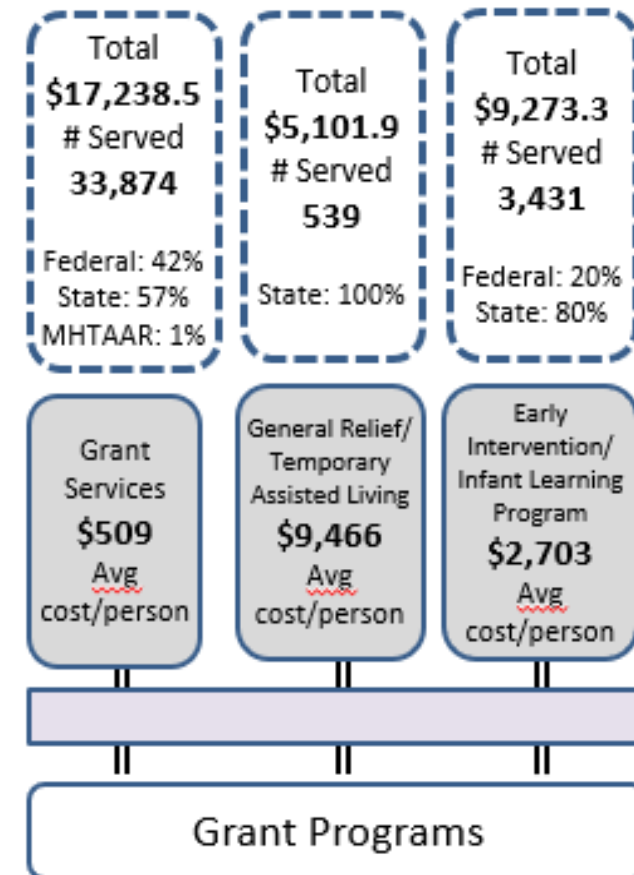
- 19 grant programs such as Nutrition, Transportation and Support services; Adult Day; Senior In Home; Senior Residential Services; Aging and Disability Resource Centers and Centers for Independent Living.

## General Relief Assisted Living Home Program

- Temporary housing assistance for Alaskans in financial distress.*

## Early Intervention/Infant Learning Program

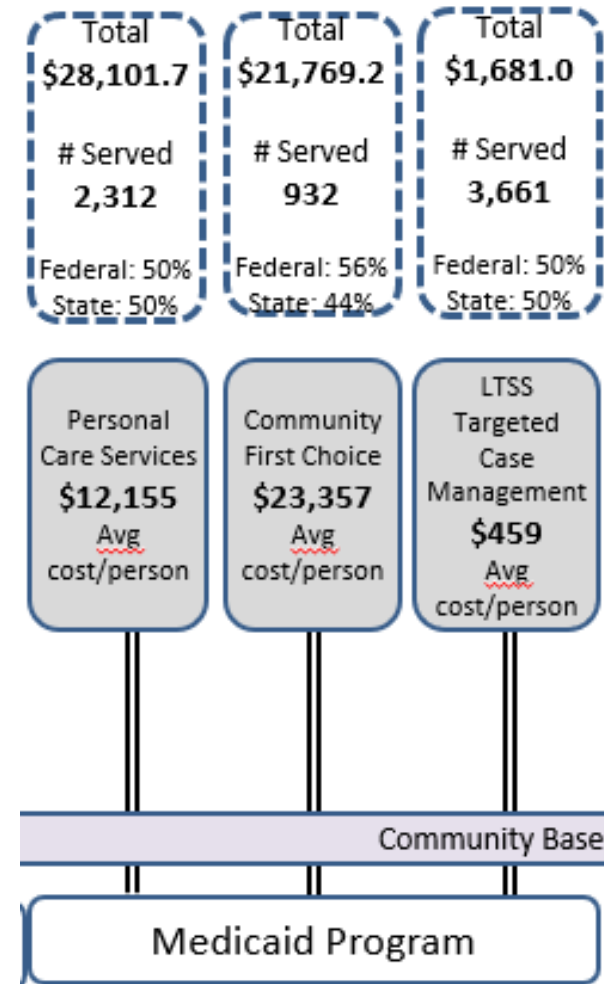
- Children birth to age 3 at risk for or experience a developmental delay.*



# Senior and Disabilities Services – Medicaid Program

Total Cost \$51,551.9

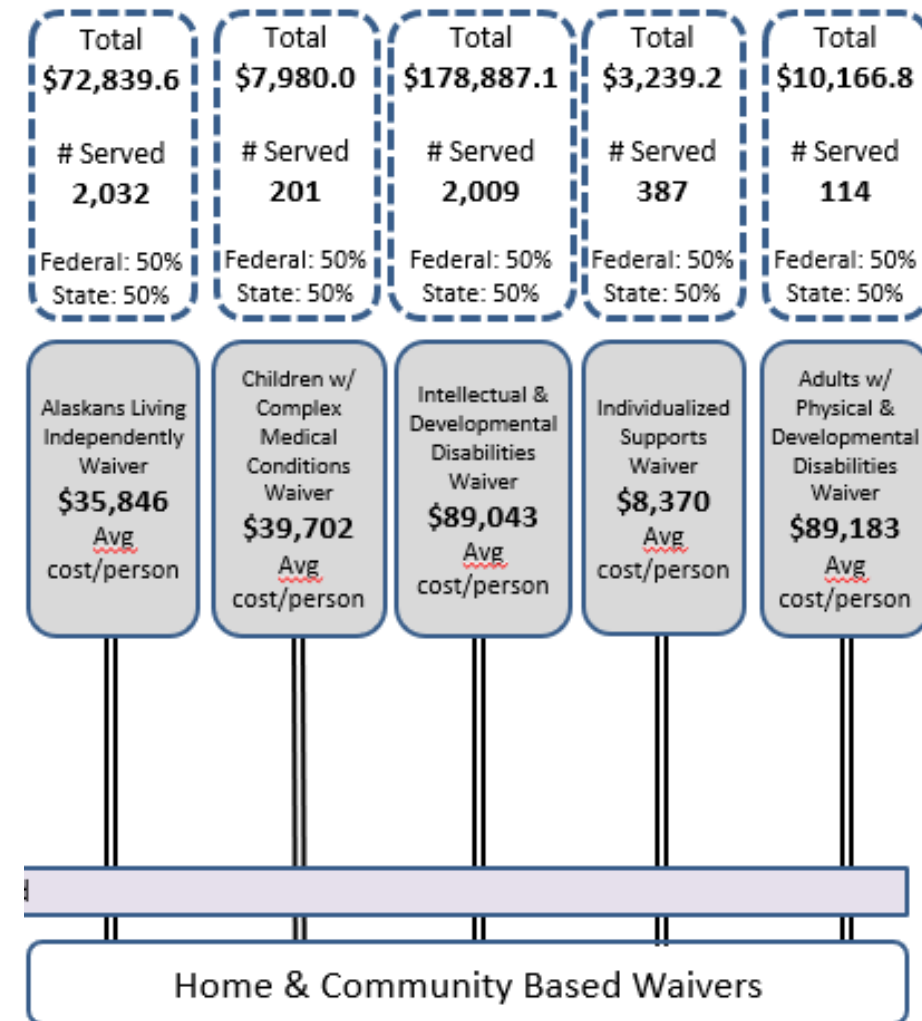
- Personal Care Services is a State Plan Service with a 50% Federal and 50% General Fund Match.
- Community First Choice is a 56% Federal and 44% General Fund Match.



# Senior and Disabilities Services – Home and Community Based Waivers

Total Cost \$273,112.7

- Home and Community Based Waivers receive a 50% Federal and 50% General Fund Match.
- Four of five Home and Community Based Waivers are currently going through a five-year renewal period beginning July 1, 2021.

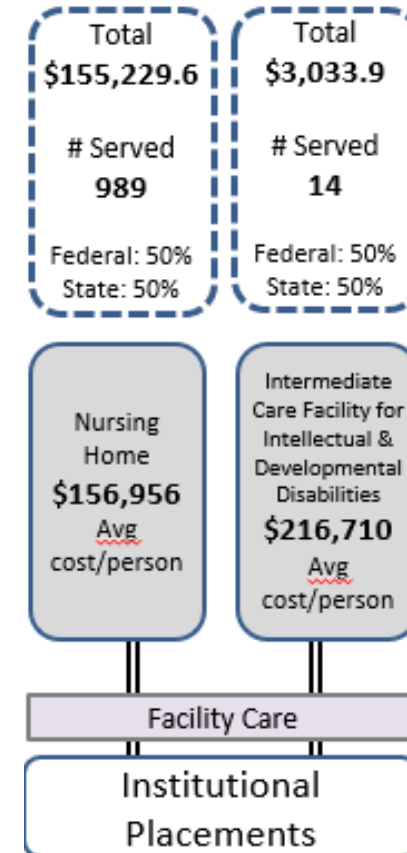




# Senior and Disabilities Services – Institutional Placements

Total Cost \$158,263.6

- Individuals who meet level of care qualify for this mandatory service and qualify for Home and Community Based Waiver services.



## Senior and Disabilities Services - Cost of Institutional Care without Home and Community Based Waiver Options

Program	# served	Avg cost per person	Total costs
<b>Home &amp; Community Based Waivers</b>			
Adults Living Independently Waiver	2,032	\$35,846	\$72,839,554
Adults with Physical and Developmental Disabilities Waiver	114	\$89,183	\$10,166,814
Children with Complex Medical Conditions Waiver	201	\$39,701	\$7,980,029
Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Waiver	2,009	\$89,043	\$178,887,081
Individualized Supports Waiver	387	\$8,370	\$3,239,221
<b>TOTAL Home and Community Based Waivers</b>	<b>4,724</b>		<b>\$273,112,699</b>
<b>Institutional Placements</b>			
Nursing Home	989	\$156,956	\$155,229,609
Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities	14	\$216,711	\$3,033,953
<b>TOTAL Institutional Placements</b>	<b>1,003</b>		<b>\$158,263,562</b>
<b>TOTAL HCB Waivers and Institutional Placements</b>			<b>\$431,376,262</b>
<b>Institutional Placements if no Home and Community Based Waiver services existed – FY2020</b>		<b>Total cost based on average cost per person for Nursing Home and Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities</b>	
Nursing Home + Adults Living Independently Waiver, Adults with Physical and Developmental Disabilities Waiver, and Children with Complex Medical Conditions Waiver service recipients	3,336		\$523,605,639
Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities + Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Waiver, and Individualized Supports Waiver service recipients	2,410		\$522,273,371
<b>TOTAL if Home and Community Based Waivers did not exist and individuals eligible for Nursing Home or Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities care received services in Institutional Placements</b>			<b>\$1,045,879,010</b>

# Senior and Disabilities Services – COVID-19 Response

## **Flexibilities:**

- Appendix K
- 1135 Waiver
- Regulations Suspensions

## **Support for Partners:**

- COVID Relief Grant Funds
- COVID Guidance to Providers and Vulnerable Alaskans
- Vaccination Coordination and Support for Vulnerable Alaskans and their Supports

# Senior and Disabilities Services – COVID-19 Response

## Senior and Community Based Grants received:

- \$6,340.0 through *Families First Coronavirus Relief Act (FFCRA)* and *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Stability (CARES) Act* under Title III & Title VII of the Older Americans Act to specifically serve target population of 60+ and caregivers.
- \$300.0 through the *Administration for Community Living (ACL)* “*Special Programs for the Aging, Title IV and Title II Discretionary Projects*” to serve individuals, all ages and disabilities, through Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) Assistive Technology Project.
- \$840.0 through *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021*, supplemental funding under Title III & Title VII of the Older Americans Act to specifically serve target population of 60+ and caregivers.

# Senior and Disabilities Services – COVID-19 Response

## Senior and Community Based Grants, awarded:

### Last quarter, FY2020:

- \$470.6 to existing Nutrition, Transportation, and Support services grantees (31 grantees).

### FY2021:

- \$1,002.5 to existing Nutrition, Transportation and Support grantees (31 grantees).
- \$1,517.9 to existing grantees providing services to seniors through Nutrition, Transportation and Support programs; National Family Caregiver Support programs; Adult Day and Senior In Home programs (20 grantees).
- \$731.4 through a competitive Request for Proposal (8 grantees).
- \$246.0 to Aging and Disability Resource Centers to implement assistive technology in partnership with Assistive Technology of Alaska (6 grantees).
- *\$1,200.0 pending award to existing grantees in the last quarter of FY2021, proposals currently being reviewed, final amounts to be determined.*

### Anticipated, FY2022:

- \$840.0 to be awarded to existing Nutrition, Transportation and Support services grantees.



# Senior and Disabilities Services – Looking Forward

<b>Electronic Visit Verification</b>	Implemented January 1, 2021.
<b>Appendix K Flexibilities/Post-Pandemic</b>	Received Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approval to extend flexibilities to six months after the end of the federal public health emergency.
<b>Cost Containment</b>	SB 74 (2016) reforms continue; established Aging and Disability Resource Centers as the “front door” to access Long Term Services and Support services; continued refinements in service delivery.
<b>Improving Transitions</b>	Improved processes and communication with Behavioral Health, Office of Children’s Services, Alaska Psychiatric Institute, and Community Partners to facilitate safe and Appropriate Transitions from Long-Term Placements
<b>Partnerships</b>	Continuing stakeholder engagement to identify where and how state-funded long-term services and supports can be improved and streamlined



# Questions?