



LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE HEARING

Katrina Hotrum-Lopez, Cabinet Secretary
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November 15, 2021

FY23 Appropriation Request

Total Request \$79,284,100

22.6% Increase from FY22 Operating Budget (\$12,531,300)

Agency GF increase: \$3,683,700 (7.6%) AAA increase: \$2,600,000 (11.3%)

Fund Balance Increase \$6,247,600 (12.8%)

FY 23 ALTSD Priorities	Amount Requested
Funding for existing FTE's 10 unfunded positions APS appropriate placement	\$1,618,300
Senior Employment Program	\$200,000
IT Infrastructure	\$600,000
Food Pantries	\$400,000
New Mexico Grown	\$500,000
Continuing Care Act Compliance	\$100,000
Increase to Kiki Saavedra Senior Dignity Fund	\$265,400
Total	\$3,683,700

FY23 AAA Priorities	Amount
Area Agencies on Aging request	\$2,600,000
Fund Balance	Amount
Kiki Fund	\$6,247,600



FY23 Non-Recurring Request

Total Request \$1,200,000

Area Agencies on Aging Request \$600,000

Section 7- Extension of funding language for Medicaid Management Information System (MMISR)

FY 23 ALTSD Priorities	Amount Requested
Kiki Saavedra Senior Dignity Fund	
1. Alzheimer's	\$1,000,000
2. Caregiver Workforce Development	\$200,000
Total	\$1,200,000

FY23 AAA Priorities	Amount
Area Agencies on Aging request	\$600,000

Section 7	Amount
The period of time for expending the two hundred eighty thousand three hundred dollars (\$280,300) appropriated from the computer systems enhancement fund Subsection 21 of Section 7 of Chapter 83 of Laws 2020 to continue the management information system replacement project is extended through fiscal year 2023.	\$280,345



Adult Protective Services (APS)

Request: \$750,000

- ü Ensure appropriate placement of staff with new social service classifications and commensurate with education & experience
- ü Competitively recruit qualified new staff

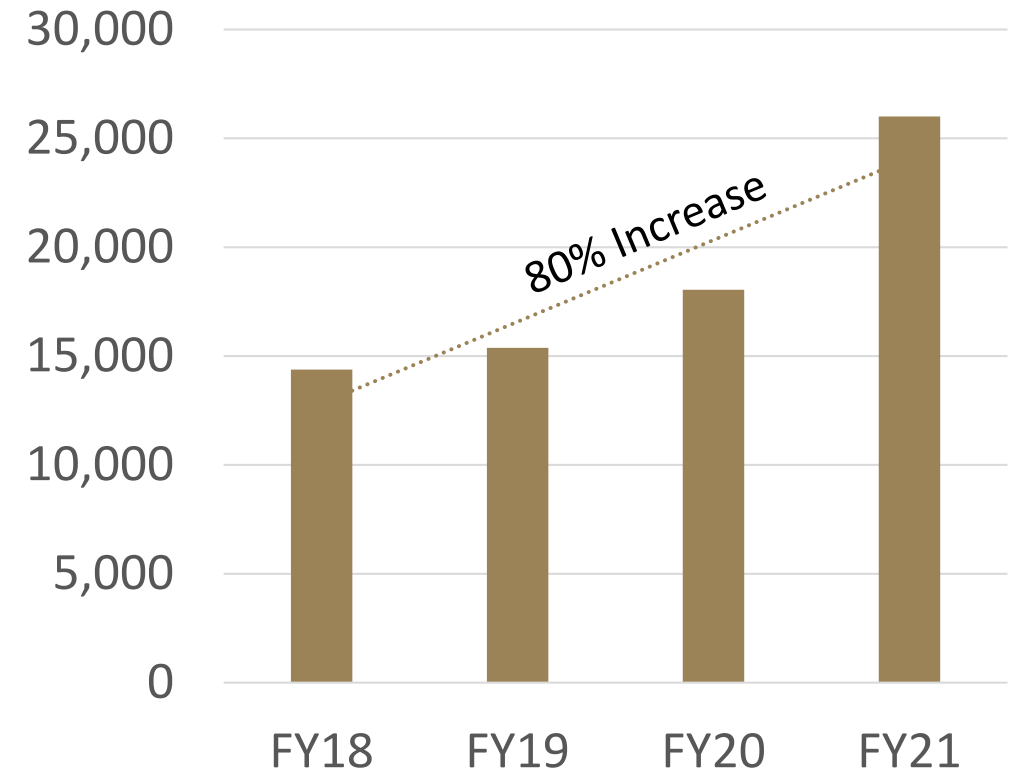
Background:

Existing staff reclassified in FY20 without appropriate salary increases.

Competitive Salary:

Our aim is to provide salaries commensurate with experience and to alleviate pay inequity among current and new staff.

Total Intakes



Kiki Saavedra Senior Dignity Fund Spending Plan

In Order of Priority	Amount
Caregiver Cooperative (3 phases over 2 years)	\$1,098,000
Ombudsman Outreach and Recruitment	\$50,000
New Mexico New	\$365,000
Senior Physical and Mental Well-Being (over 2 years)	\$40,000
Aging Network Tribal Adult Day Care & Medicaid Infrastructure (over 4 years)	\$1,000,000
Supportive Housing Investment	\$1,000,000
Housing Stabilization	\$460,000
Home Modifications	\$2,000,000
Economic Stability	\$500,000
Total	\$6,513,000



The Office of Indian Elder Affairs (OIEA)

Funding for 4 existing FTEs

- ✓ Ensure current needs of tribes, pueblos and Navajo and Apache Nations are met

contract management

program and reporting compliance

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advocacy and training

budget development

Areas Served by OIEA	Number of Sites Served
Navajo Nation	39 Senior Center Sites
Pueblos	19 Senior Center Sites
Tribes	2 Senior Center Sites
Tribal Adult Day Care	3 ADC Centers 2 ADC Start-ups
Total	65 sites

Office of the Secretary

Priority	Justification / Amount
Policy and Planning existing position funding	Grant funding expiring FY22 Vaccination management of LTCs, seniors, and adults with disabilities
Continuing Care Act Compliance	\$100,000: Will allow contractor to evaluate financial disclosure statements submitted by continuing care retirement communities statewide, identify non-compliance and deficiencies
Kiki Saavedra Senior Dignity Fund	Additional \$265,400 to the existing Fund balance \$6,247,600



Information Technology

IT Priority	Justification
Funding for 3 existing IT positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Implementation and maintenance of paperless solutions for shared resources (e.g., Microsoft 365: SharePoint and OneDrive)✓ Increased support for internal staff✓ One position – grant funding expiring; position essential to support consumer tech programs (tablets in LTCs, ServiceScan)
Support for Existing IT Infrastructure* <small>*unrelated to HHS2020</small>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Increase in annual maintenance and operations costs<ul style="list-style-type: none">- SAMScan/ServiceScan- APS Web Intake- SHIP Module- Care Transitions Module✓ Ability to meet federal reporting requirements for Ombudsman, CERD, APS

Aging Network Division

Priority	Justification / Amount
New Mexico Grown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ \$500,000 - Increase allocations to Aging Network providers with the goal of enhancing congregate, grab-n-go and home bound meals by including NM grown produce to 25,000 senior consumers. ✓ Funding for one existing FTE – infrastructure support 30% of Director's time is spent on NM Grown
Senior Employment Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ \$100,000 to comply with minimum wage increase ✓ \$100,000 payroll contract
Food Pantries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ \$400,000 - pilot project for in-house, non-perishable food boxes (147,000 meals) Reserve/Catron County Gallup/McKinley County Rio Arriba County Harding County Union County Lake Arthur/Chaves County



Area Agencies on Aging FY23 Request

AAA Priority	Justification
\$2,600,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 10% increase in food costs ✓ 20% increase in packaging and supplies ✓ Manage waitlist for home repair/renovation/maintenance/chores to support people aging safely in their homes ✓ More consumers with behavioral health and other complex needs require more time and expertise to support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ (Metro AAA) Sustained annual funding to hire two new intensive case managers trained to support higher needs clients and redistributing current staff to appropriate workloads totals \$184,345.20 ✓ Adult Day Health and Respite needs have grown and will continue to grow, especially now that South Valley Adult Day is opening. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ (Metro AAA) Sustained annual funding of \$59,280.00 would add capacity to serve two to three additional clients depending on need of the families.



Increasing Costs

Food Costs

The USDA is predicting the wholesale cost of raw food to continue to increase through the end of 2021*. Projections include:

- Poultry increase 18-21%
- Eggs increase 10-13%
- Beef increase 21-24%

Fuel Costs

- Since 2020 fuel has increased

Reimbursement Methodology

- AAAs have moved away from capped unit rates to now reimbursing based on actual expenditures, there has been an increase in budgetary need.

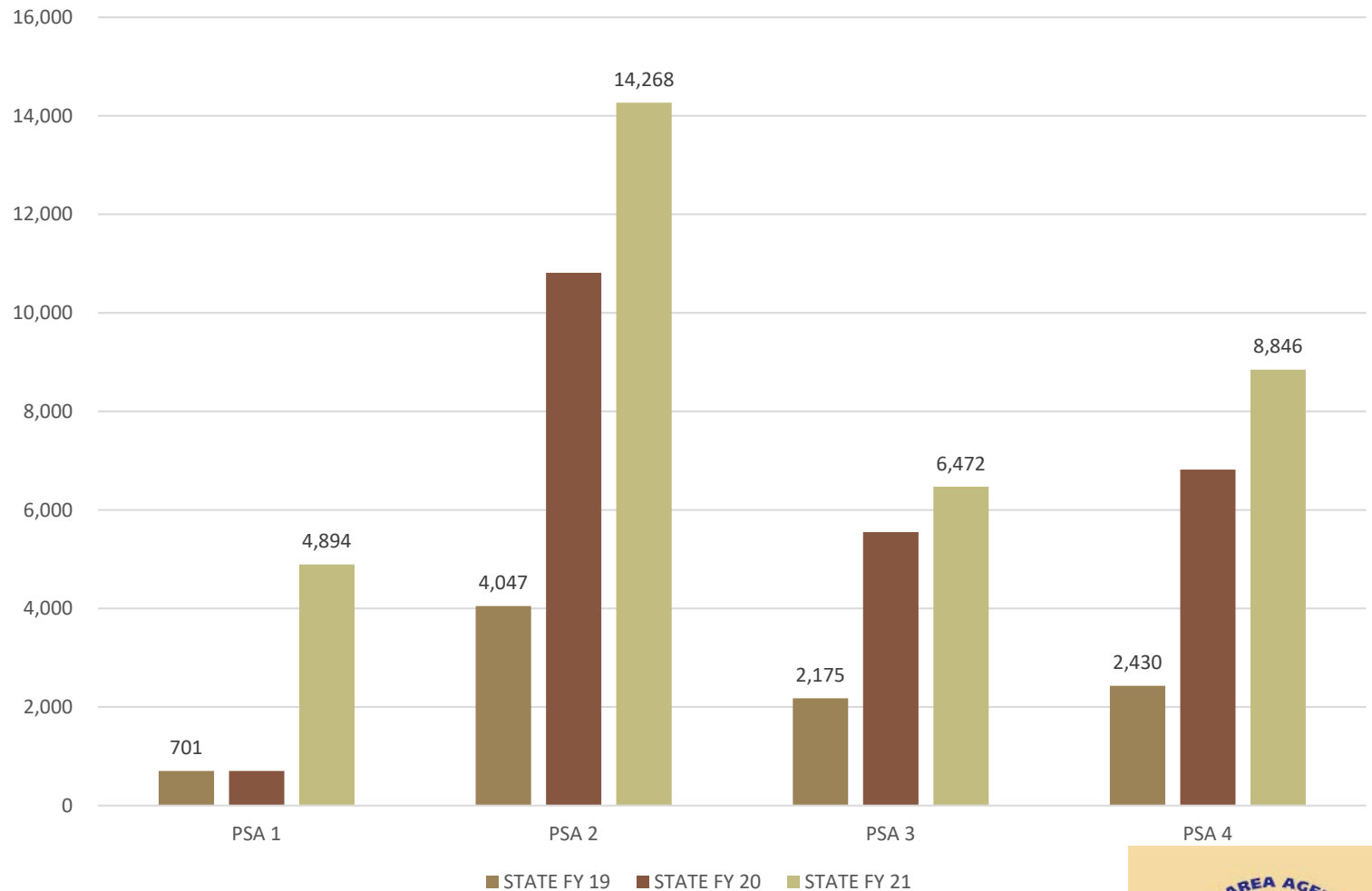
Percentage Increase in Food	
September 2020- September 2021	
Beef and veal	17.6%
Poultry	6.1%
Eggs	12.6%
Dairy products	0.6%



Increasing Demand

- New consumers continue to register for services.
- As the world returns to some semblance of normalcy, other services will resume leading to an increase in units as well as consumers searching for services.
 - Congregate meals
 - Transportation
 - Home Repair/Chores
 - In-home services
 - Adult Day, Respite Services
 - Case Management

Persons Accessing Home Delivered and COVID-Home Delivered (Grab and Go) Meals



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