

IDEA - FY'02 Program & Activity Information

MISSION STATEMENT - *The mission of the Iowa Department of Elder Affairs is to provide advocacy, educational and prevention services to older Iowans so they can find Iowa a healthy, safe, productive and enjoyable place to live and work.*

Program/Activity

ADVOCACY - Serve as an effective and visible advocate for older individuals by reviewing and commenting upon all State plans, budgets, and policies which affect older individuals and providing technical assistance to any agency, organization, association, or individual representing the needs of older individuals. This includes Advocacy to enhance the positive impact on Older Persons and to minimize negative impacts on Older Persons. **Note: Area Agencies on Aging also have this Mandate under the Older Americans Act (OAA)**

IDEA Activities	FUNDING		Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
	SLP	\$		
	General Fund	\$	219,711.00	
	Federal	\$	816,819.00	
	Other	\$	-	
	FTEs		4.66	
Advocacy	SLP	\$	2,090.00	32,323 hours
	General Fund	\$	19,535.00	
	Federal	\$	322,336.00	
	Other	\$	30,243.00	
Outreach	SLP	\$	47,511.00	72,066 contacts
	General Fund	\$	23,823.00	
	Federal	\$	315,822.00	
	Other	\$	36,003.00	
Info & Assistance	SLP	\$	43,617.00	264,189 contracts
	General Fund	\$	2,505.00	
	Federal	\$	702,387.00	
	Other	\$	10,888.00	
Public Information	SLP	\$	-	29,856 issues/sessions
	General Fund	\$	500.00	
	Federal	\$	334,638.00	
	Other	\$	11,620.00	
Training/Education	SLP	\$	-	0 hours
	General Fund	\$	-	
	Federal	\$	495.00	
	Other	\$	-	

Older Iowans Legislature (OIL): Older Iowans Legislature (O.I.L.) is a collaborative effort by the Department of Elder Affairs and the Iowa Aging Network. OIL delegates represent many communities across the state of Iowa and seek out this opportunity to demonstrate their civic responsibility. During this two-day event, one hundred delegates participate in committee meetings, attend caucuses, and debate in general session important issues impacting elders and their families as submitted by seniors across the state. OIL started in 1978 as a noble experiment in governing and has proven to be a very successful way to inform the Governor's office, as well as the legislative branch of our government, of the needs and concerns of older Iowans, as viewed by elders themselves. 2002 marked the 25th anniversary of the Older Iowan's Legislature. Note: This activity receives no state general fund appropriation.

Operation Restore Trust of Iowa: Since its inception in 1997, over 35,000 Medicare consumers in Iowa have received in-person contact at one or more of the 568 community events staffed by volunteers or the program coordinator. These consumers are now savvy to the problem of the waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare program. In addition, they have learned ways that they can protect themselves from identity theft and other scams. Over a million Medicare dollars have been returned to the program as a result of the efforts of Operation Restore Trust of Iowa.

Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP): Department of Elder Affairs receives the SHIIP program grant from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS). It is administered through the Insurance Division. SHIIP offers information and confidential counseling at no charge to older Iowans. SHIIP counselors help answer questions about Medicare and Medicaid, Long Term Care Insurance and Medicare Supplement policies. In addition, the counselors, located in the majority of the counties, assist and advocate for older Iowans by finding resolutions to issues and questions relating to insurance.

Program/Activity

PLANNING, POLICY DEVELOPMENT, ADMINISTRATION, COORDINATION, PRIORITY SETTING, & EVALUATION - primary responsibility for all State activities related to the objectives of the Older Americans Act, and administer dozens of other associated activities

PROGRAM	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
IDEA ADMIN.			
COMMISSION	SLP	\$ -	
	General Fund	\$ 3,137.00	
	Federal	\$ 1,592.00	
	Other	\$ -	
	FTEs	0.00	
AAA ADMIN.			
	SLP	\$ 221,288.00	
	General Fund	\$ 8,385.00	
	Federal	\$ 849,984.00	
	Other	\$ 460,398.00	

Performance Outcome Measures Project: Administration on Aging Grant: This grant provides training to the aging network in Iowa on performance outcome measures, and the collection of valid data by using correct surveying methods and continues field testing in the domains of Capacity Building, Barriers to Service, Nutritional Risk, Information & Assistance, Caregiver, Case Management, and Transportation.

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CASE MANAGEMENT - Case Management Program for Frail Elders (CMPFE): The CMPFE program is administered via local Area Agencies on Aging in all 99 counties. This is the network that coordinates home and community based services for frail and vulnerable Iowans over the age of 60. The program also serves as the coordination system for home and community based services for Iowans qualifying for Title XIX Home and Community based services (Medicaid) via the Elderly Waiver, and others. Services provided by Iowa's Senior Living Trust and the National Family Caregiver Program are also often coordinated through the CMPFE program. Through the individual assessment of needs and coordination of services at the community level, CMPFE not only assists older persons to remain in an independent living arrangement but also helped reduce Iowa's Medicaid deficit by \$26,927,712, in FY 01. This is a remarkable return on the investment of \$2,036,487 for case management services and \$908,802 for direct services in general funds appropriated in FY 02.

CASE MANAGEMENT	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
IDEA Activities	SLP	\$ 84,000.00	
	General Fund	\$ 77,686.00	
	Federal	\$ 7,926.00	
	Other	\$ 96,628.00	
	FTEs	1.17	
Case Management	SLP	\$ 483,277.00	10,965/383,770
	General Fund	\$ 2,255,840.00	hours
	Federal	\$ 948,071.00	
	Other	\$ 249,980.00	
Assessment & Intervention	SLP	\$ 191,050.00	1,517/9,936
	General Fund	\$ -	hours
	Federal	\$ 109,742.00	
	Other	\$ 342,827.00	
Mental Health Outreach	SLP	\$ 60,461.00	406/5,484
	General Fund	\$ -	hours
	Federal	\$ 4,257.00	
	Other	\$ 5,030.00	

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SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
IDEA Activities	SLP	\$ -	
	General Fund	\$ 10,114.00	
	Federal	\$ 827,993.00	
	Other	\$ 116,644.00	
	FTEs	8.33	

Adult Day Services: Iowa is one of a few states that has no certification or licensure of adult day service programs. At this time, accreditation by providers is voluntary. Fewer than five Iowa programs are currently accredited. Approximately 27 adult day programs existed in 1997, 53 programs were self-identified in 2000, and 83 programs were self-identified in July 2001. IDEA does not now, nor has it ever provided oversight to the adult day service industry, but we recommend that statutory language be sought to establish statutory authority of oversight and consumer complaint investigation to the Department of Inspections and Appeals, with appropriations from Iowa's General Assembly. **Note:** In 2001, the Iowa General Assembly passed statutory language directing IDEA to establish a system of oversight and consumer complaint investigation by July 1, 2002 or when the General Assembly appropriated sufficient resources. With the budget deficit, no appropriations were made, nor does the Department have the resources at this time to establish such a system.

Adult Day Care	SLP	\$ 183,017.00	996/367,680
	General Fund	\$ 185,395.00	hours
	Federal	\$ 290,222.00	
	Other	\$ 1,382,671.00	

Ass't Transportation	SLP	\$	69,032.00	1750/51,445 one-way rides
	General Fund	\$	4,506.00	
	Federal	\$	74,740.00	
	Other	\$	93,021.00	
Chore	SLP	\$	162,603.00	2632/37103 hours
	General Fund	\$	108,793.00	
	Federal	\$	43,282.00	
	Other	\$	306,735.00	
Counseling	SLP	\$	39,594.00	304/5747 hours
	General Fund	\$	-	
	Federal	\$	80,369.00	
	Other	\$	50,916.00	
Homemaker	SLP	\$	667,880.00	2654/37103 hours
	General Fund	\$	25,959.00	
	Federal	\$	375,173.00	
	Other	\$	191,710.00	
Material Aid	SLP	\$	477,379.00	2,219/5,680 clients
	General Fund	\$	-	
	Federal	\$	49,527.00	
	Other	\$	25,515.00	
Personal Care	SLP	\$	203,656.00	1,445/55,066 hours
	General Fund	\$	88,599.00	
	Federal	\$	162,507.00	
	Other	\$	370,695.00	
Reassurance	SLP	\$	28,799.00	3,216/23,096 calls
	General Fund	\$	-	
	Federal	\$	12,978.00	
	Other	\$	3,836.00	
Respite	SLP	\$	87,678.00	530/19,341 hours
	General Fund	\$	50,216.00	
	Federal	\$	107,646.00	
	Other	\$	35,994.00	
Transportation	SLP	\$	141,078.00	336,344 one-way rides
	General Fund	\$	179,319.00	
	Federal	\$	630,364.00	
	Other	\$	696,349.00	
Visiting	SLP	\$	18,450.00	193/5,027 visits
	General Fund	\$	1,320.00	
	Federal	\$	35,320.00	
	Other	\$	-	

Emergency Response System	SLP	\$	245,565.00	1,479/9,398 client months
	General Fund	\$	-	
	Federal	\$	16,644.00	
	Other	\$	182.00	

Senior Living Program - Home and Community Based Services: The Department of Elder Affairs, in close collaboration with the Department of Human Services, was a partner in establishing a system to deliver home and community based services to seniors most in need while simultaneously reducing Iowa's Medicaid deficit. The Department of Elder Affairs expanded the parameters for use of the intergovernmental transfer funding to include funding for community-based services (some states had used this source of funding exclusively to fund nursing home conversions). The results are services to over 15,851 (October 1, 2000 to April 30, 2002) older Iowans in need since October 1, 2000. This program is a critical funding source for the provision of home based services which delay or eliminate the need for nursing home care.

Certified Nursing Assistant Recruitment and Retention: SLP FUNDED - The Department of Elder Affairs oversees the Certified Nursing Assistant Recruitment and Retention initiative with funding appropriated from Iowa's Senior Living Trust. The expected outcomes will include strategies for increasing the retention rate of Certified Nursing Assistants and recruiting additional persons into the direct care field.

Program/Activity

HOUSING ALTERNATIVES - Housing Alt./Assisted Living: The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs has entered into a partnership with the Department of Inspections and Appeals related to the operation of the assisted living program. The Department of Elder Affairs, based upon statutory authority, issues certificates, recertification reports, and complaint reports based upon recommendations from the Department of Inspections and Appeals. The Department of Elder Affairs maintains files of all certified assisted living programs and maintains a database of information about all certified programs. The Department of Elder Affairs responds to inquiries regarding assisted living programs and advocates for issues concerning assisted living policy issues. Also includes housing related activities of AAAs and their service providers.

HOUSING ALTERNATIVES	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
IDEA Activities	SLP	\$ 676,523.00	\$ -
	General Fund	\$ 130,385.00	\$ 15,635.00
	Federal	\$ 14,359.00	\$ 324,705.00
	Other	\$ 428,012.00	
	FTEs	7.42	
Home Repair	SLP	\$ 92,011.00	289/21,182
	General Fund	\$ 82,485.00	hours
	Federal	\$ 8,559.00	
	Other	\$ 162,238.00	
Placement Services	SLP	\$ -	71/1489
	General Fund	\$ -	hours
	Federal	\$ 39,385.00	
	Other	\$ 113,967.00	

Affordable Assisted Living: The Department of Elder Affairs solicited and received grant funding and federal funding to make Assisted Living affordable and accessible to Iowa's seniors. The attraction of additional funding from Robert Wood Johnson for the Coming Home Project adds more affordable Assisted Living than through any other venue, including the addition of Assisted Living through the Senior Living Trust. Estimated funding to Iowa, with a combination of funds from USDA-RD, HUD, tax credits and other funding sources, ranges from \$41-60 million in the next ten years. NCB Development Corporation (a cooperative bank) is applying for a \$600,000 to \$700,000 USDA-RD Community Development Initiative to develop affordable housing for rural, senior and disabled populations. **This Program was moved to Iowa Finance Authority in June 2002.**

Program/Activity

Senior Intern. Prog./Title V Employment Program: The newly created Senior Internship Program has increased administrative efficiencies by consolidating efforts to four Area Agencies on Aging, the entities responsible for managing the program. This will result in meeting newly established Department of Labor requirements and will not only preserve federal grant monies, but will make Iowa eligible for 75% of all new federal dollars added to the program. For the first time, the Department of Elder Affairs has moved employment program for senior citizens to the private sector. Department of Elder Affairs has also collaborated with Workforce Development on a highly effective \$60,000 New Employment Opportunity Funds (NEOF) grant in the Quad-Cities, putting seniors to work.

EMPLOYMENT	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
IDEA Activities	SLP	\$ -	
	General Fund	\$ 88,809.00	
	Federal	\$ 165,217.00	
	Other	\$ 60,000.00	
	FTEs	2.21	
Senior Internship Program	SLP	\$ -	162
	General Fund	\$ 107,925.00	Enrollees
	Federal	\$ 943,781.00	
	Other	\$ 4,235.00	

Older Worker Council: The Older Worker Council is a group of government agencies, and employment service providers that conducts planning, advocacy and coordination activities for mature/older workers. It was created in 1989 as part of the observance of National Employ the Older Worker Week. The OWC is committed to: 1) Raise awareness and provide information to combat stereotypes about older worker skills and abilities, 2) Encourage older workers to remain longer in the workforce or to reenter it, 3) Remove barriers that are counterproductive to the participation of mature workers in the workforce, and 4) Identify, coordinate and develop training and education opportunities for older workers.

Iowa's Mature Worker Consortium: The Department of Elder Affairs established Iowa's first public/private venture to better utilize skilled older workers to meet Iowa's labor shortage; collaborating with the Department of Economic Development to conduct focus groups in 2001 to better understand skilled older workers in Iowa. Findings of the focus groups found that: 1.) Older workers were willing to work provided they could access healthcare benefits and flexible time; 2.) Older workers were being actively recruited to other states such as Tennessee, Mississippi, Arizona, Texas and California; 3.) Older workers were leaving the state due to Iowa's pension tax; and 4.) Older workers were leaving the state to follow their children. In 2002, the Older Worker Council and Mature Worker Consortium partnered to become Iowa's Mature Worker Consortium and is coordinated by the Iowa Department of Elder Affairs Title V Employment Coordinator. **Note:** No state general funds are appropriated to the consortium nor are any federal dollars allocated to this program.

Work Incentive Grant: The Iowa Department of Workforce Development, in partnership with eleven state agencies (Elder Affairs is one of the eleven) and organizations, propose to develop, expand and enhance its One-Stop Workforce Development Center system to become a valued employment and training service provider of choice for persons with disabilities, including beneficiaries of SSDI and SSI, and to prepare for successful implementation of Ticket-to-Work initiatives. The federal Department of Labor has awarded this consortium \$1 million to implement this plan. The project will upgrade Iowa's current one-stop delivery system to more effectively and efficiently: Assist individuals with disabilities in obtaining and retaining competitive, unsubsidized employment; and assist employers in locating and connecting with potential workers, including persons with disabilities.

Program/Activity

IOWA FAMILY CAREGIVER PROGRAM: IDEA receives nearly \$1.4 million for the Iowa Family Caregiver Support Program. To effectively administer the program and ensure the delivery of services to caregivers, the Department works with the AAA's, who work through Iowa Association of Area Agencies on Aging (IAA). IAA hires a coordinator and staff person to direct the program and manage the maintenance to the program's web site. The caregiver inquiries are handled locally at the Area Agency on Aging by Caregiver Specialists who assist the caregiver in receiving the needed information and/or services. The Iowa Family Caregiver Program has established a web site that has resources for all counties in Iowa and includes many links to related sites. Recently, Iowa's program was chosen as one of six states to be part of a national model research/demonstration/training program supporting community-based caregiving, which focuses on access to information via the Internet and training of Information and Referral Specialists to carry out community caregiving activities. This website also meets the requirements for the electronic inventory of aging services mandated under the Senior Living Program Act.

Caregiver Support	SLP	\$	-	5,553/1,046 client months
	General Fund	\$	160,868.00	
	Federal	\$	92,708.00	
	Other	\$	766.00	
			160 Support Groups	
			997 Educational Presentations	

Note: Due to the budget reductions - State Alz. Chapter support no longer exists.

Alzheimer's Grant: This project demonstrates a nurse care managed service delivery system for persons with ADRD and their families along with a structured community development strategy to increase access to and use of community-based support services. The project builds upon and expands successful dementia service models to better identify and deliver services to persons with ADRD and their families in Iowa. This dual approach, using structured community development activities tailored to the unique strengths, limitations, needs, and opportunities for growth; and, specially trained nurse care managers to coordinate and provide seamless service delivery promotes communication, collaboration, and cooperation within and between community service providers, family caregivers and other informal supports. **As of June 30, 2002**, 208 persons with memory loss are enrolled in the project and over 110 caregivers are being assisted. Of these persons with ADRD, 144 are in experimental counties and 64 are from the control counties. Since enrollment began in 2000, 22 clients have been placed in nursing homes and 20 have died. Of the persons enrolled, 72 live alone.

OUTCOMES THROUGH YEAR 2

An analysis of grant activity through Year 2 provided the following outcomes:

- The NCM delivery system is a strategy to increase access to and use of community-based support services. Continuation of this service model will allow comparison to traditional systems. Feedback indicates interest in this system as an effective way to work with families dealing with maintaining the client at home safely.
- Effectiveness in family care and cost of an NCM indicates that expanding the project so that a Memory Loss Nurse Specialist is available to each AAA in the state.
- All agencies, through collaboration, are working towards a single point of access for information regarding services for people interested in Alzheimer's specific services.
- Individualized service packages for each county are needed

Program/Activity

ELDER ABUSE INITIATIVE: A Senior Living trust appropriation has allowed The Department of Elder Affairs to collaborate with the Area Agencies on Aging, Department of Human Services, County Attorneys, Emergency Response Units, and others to establish, coordinate and monitor two demonstration projects that focus on the use of existing systems to intervene and protect elders from abuse. The mission of the initiative is on the prevention, detection, intervention and reporting of elder abuse. This initiative provides an opportunity for vulnerable seniors to be exposed to a service delivery system so that independence and respect can be protected. The demonstration projects are located in Scott, Muscatine, Clinton, Linn, Johnson and Cedar Counties. Two additional projects began in FY'03 adding Tama, Marshall, Dickinson and Clay counties.

Elder Abuse Public Awareness and System Enhancement: The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs developed, updates and maintains a training program consisting of the following modules: public awareness, financial institutions, law enforcement and mandatory reporter training. The program's purpose is to raise awareness in the community and enhance system coordination. The mandatory reporter training module curriculum meets the requirements set forth by the Iowa Department of Public Health and serves as the foundation for training of over 500 agencies / individuals utilizing this curriculum. Additionally, Elder Affairs has co-sponsored the 10th annual Dependent Adult Abuse Conference (2002), serves on the State Dependent Adult Protective Advisory Council, and hosts the State Elder Abuse Committee. Partnerships with other state agencies and stakeholders has allowed protection for more seniors, allowed for more information to be available to the community, and facilitated growth between and within systems serving the elderly.

IDEA Activities	SLP	\$	255,800.00	
	General Fund	\$	9,047.00	
	Federal	\$	72,374.00	
	Other	\$	264,846.00	
	FTEs			2.06

Elder Abuse Committee: Facilitate a multi-disciplinary group of professionals to increase public awareness of the issue of elder abuse. The committee has developed many educational pieces, spearheaded the "Elder Abuse Hurts, Too" public awareness campaign and hosted 16 professional forums around the state to gather input from persons working with the adult abuse law.

Program/Activity

Legal Assistance: As required under the Older Americans Act, the Department of Elder Affairs has a Legal Assistance Developer to coordinate legal assistance for older lowans and to secure and maintain the legal rights of older lowans. The legal assistance program is implemented in collaboration with the thirteen area agencies on aging and legal providers across the state, including the Legal Hotline for Older lowans. Partnerships also include the Iowa Bar Association, County Attorneys Association, Iowa Medical Society, national organizations that advocate for elder rights issues, etc. The Legal Assistance Developer responds to inquiries, provides training and educational sessions and reviews and advocates for legislation related to elder rights and public benefits, including issues such as advance directives, guardianship and end of life issues. The current Legal Developer is the President of the National Association of Legal Services Developers.

Protective Payee	SLP	\$	16,845.00	4,104
	General Fund	\$	-	client contacts
	Federal	\$	275.00	
	Other	\$	49.00	
Legal Education	SLP	\$	-	39
	General Fund	\$	-	sessions
	Federal	\$	-	
	Other	\$	-	
Legal Assistance	SLP	\$	21,424.00	8,775
	General Fund	\$	2,378.00	hours
	Federal	\$	177,759.00	
	Other	\$	20,003.00	

Substitute Decision Making Taskforce: The department formed this task force in response to the concerns of health care and human services providers, attorneys, advocates and educators about the absence or inadequacy in Iowa of decision-making mechanisms. The task force has reviewed the current laws and developed a principles and recommendations fact sheet. In addition, the task force created the booklet, "Alternatives to Guardianship and Conservatorship for Adults in Iowa." An educational information open house was held in the capitol and attended by 20% of the legislators to increase awareness on barriers to the substitute decision-making system. The Department of Elder Affairs has restructured the task force, which resulted in (1) moving from a leadership role into a facilitator role as well as a committee member (2) redistribution of responsibilities to enhance ownership and (3) establishing a sunset clause.

Program/Activity

Long Term Care Ombudsman Office: The Long Term Care Ombudsman investigated 818 complaints in 2002 (a 70% increase over FY'01). A heavier volume of calls into the Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office combined with more on-site facility monitoring contributed to the increase in number of complaints. Iowa's complaint resolution percent is higher than the national average, which speaks to the improved working relationship between the Office and the provider community. Despite these numbers, Iowa ranks as one of the lowest in the country in number of Ombudsman per long term care bed. The Office is also required under both state and federal statute to do system advocacy. Currently due to staffing limitations, the Office is not meeting all federal requirements regarding on-going monitoring of facilities, participation in survey activity, working with resident councils, and conducting community education.

OMBUDSMAN	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
	SLP	\$ -	26
	General Fund	\$ 238,977.00	Community Trainings
	Federal	\$ 204,191.00	
	Other	\$ 111,612.00	
	FTEs	4.42	

Resident Advocate Committee Program: All care facilities licensed under 135C are required to have a Resident Advocate Committee whose members are appointed by the director of the Department of Elder Affairs. The Department works in partnership with the Area Agencies on Aging to recruit, train, and support more than 3,200 volunteers. Significant time must be devoted to managing information flow within this program including providing timely updates to AAA's, providers, and the public whenever there is a volunteer address, phone number change or change in committee officers. In the past two years, significant progress has been made in efforts to increase support to Resident Advocate Committee volunteers.

RESIDENT ADVOCATE COMM.	FUNDING	Actual	Undup. Clients/Units
	SLP	\$ -	17
	General Fund	\$ 81,244.00	Coordinators
	Federal	\$ 163,104.00	
	Other	\$ 10,099.00	

Program/Activity

Iowa's Seamless Project: IDEA, in collaboration with Senator Harkin and his staff, developed the first year funding of \$1.5 million for the Iowa's Seamless Project. The project will streamline Iowa's home and community based long-term care delivery infrastructure to better meet the needs of Iowa's seniors, with proposed collaboration with DHS, IDPH, ITD, AAAs, AARP and others. The proposed system will encompass clear access points for frail seniors and caregivers to access the right services at the right time; and efficiency in the delivery of services for seniors, professional caregivers and funders. It is proposed that the total project will cover a three-year period (years 2 and 3 would be funded at \$1.5 million each as well, however, it should be noted that funding is not guaranteed). Year one will focus on assessing existing systems and recommendations to streamline those systems. In proposed year two, the project will focus on implementation of the streamlined system and in proposed year three, the project will evaluate the system implemented.

Governor's Conference on Aging: The Governor's Conference on Aging is a two-day conference held annually in early May and is a joint effort between DEA and a Steering Committee composed of over 20 public and private organizations. The conference has earned a well-deserved reputation of being one of Iowa's foremost events, attracting large numbers of professionals who work with the aging population, as well as many older Iowans and their family members. The conference offers general sessions, educational workshops, health screenings, entertainment, exhibits, and opportunity for attendees to network with their peers. DEA staff coordinates all aspects of the conference based upon the decisions made by the steering committee and subcommittees. Each year the conference continues to improve and receives high praise from hundreds of conference attendees. Planning has begun for the 24th annual conference to be held on May 19 and 20, 2003. There is no general fund appropriation for the Governor's Conference on Aging.

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Healthy Aging/Nutrition Program: The Department of Elder Affairs' nutrition program is designed to improve clients' health through improved nutritional intake via meals and nutrition education. Meals meet nutrition standards including Dietary Guidelines and 1/3 the recommended nutrient daily intake. Emphasis is placed on serving older Iowans with the greatest social and economic need, the frail elderly, and on reducing the isolation. During the FFY 01, 2,213,700 meals were served at 442 congregate meals sites and 1,683,414 home delivered meals were provided. Funding for these meals is appropriated via the Older Americans Act and administered by the Administration on Aging along with individual contributions and local funds. Additional meals are also provided with funding from the Senior Living Trust Fund.

Nutritionist: Staff efficiencies have been established via a shared position between the Department of Elder Affairs and Department of Public Health to hire a nutritionist to address issues of diet and health responsive to elders of Iowa. The department dietitian is a noted expert in the field of geriatric nutrition and has published multiple periodicals and papers. The nutritionist provides training on a statewide basis to health care groups such as Iowa Health Care Association, Governor's Conference on Aging and Iowa Diabetes Coalition. Nutritional workshops are provided to the nutrition staff of the Area Agency on Aging, public health nurses and home health aides and registered dietitians providing service to Medicaid elderly waiver clients.

IDEA Activities	SLP	\$	15,000.00	
	General Fund	\$	3,391.00	
	Federal	\$	477.00	
	Other	\$	19,819.00	
	FTEs			0.60
Congregate Meals	SLP	\$	61,658.00	45,516/2,164,993
	General Fund	\$	49,363.00	meals
	Federal	\$	5,736,670.00	
	Other	\$	5,400,474.00	
Home Delivered Meals	SLP	\$	404,215.00	20,587/1,568,383
	General Fund	\$	29,182.00	meals
	Federal	\$	3,097,544.00	
	Other	\$	5,516,878.00	
Nutrition Education	SLP	\$	16,697.00	97
	General Fund	\$	22,641.00	sessions
	Federal	\$	1,072.00	
	Other	\$		
Nutrition Counseling	SLP	\$	50.00	59
	General Fund	\$	-	hours
	Federal	\$	20,696.00	
	Other	\$	-	
Preventive Health/Promotion	SLP	\$	16,799.00	2,280
	General Fund	\$	1,227.00	contacts
	Federal	\$	41,866.00	
	Other	\$	1,999.00	
Medication Management	SLP	\$	66,824.00	2,532
	General Fund	\$	341.00	clients
	Federal	\$	67,481.00	
	Other	\$	30,165.00	
Health Screening/ Well Elderly Clinics	SLP	\$	88,922.00	1,541/5,614
	General Fund	\$	8,111.00	hours
	Federal	\$	84,798.00	
	Other	\$	150,273.00	
Senior Centers/Recreation	SLP	\$	-	22,170
	General Fund	\$	-	hours
	Federal	\$	227,251.00	
	Other	\$	-	

Seniors Farmers Market Nutrition Program: The Iowa Seniors Farmers Market Nutrition Program is funded by The U.S Department of Agriculture and administered jointly between Iowa Department of Agriculture and Department of Elder Affairs. The program provides low-income seniors with \$26 in checks to use for fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables. Nutrition education materials have been developed to accompany distribution of the checks at the Area Agency on Aging offices and meals sites.

Program/Activity				
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	SLP	\$	-	26 Projects
	General Fund	\$	185,554.00	
	Federal	\$	9,806.00	
	Other	\$	-	

Other Collaborative Initiatives Involving the IDEA:

Iowa Priority (Iowa's RX discount program for Medicare eligible residents).

Iowa's Mental Health Forum: Due to elimination of funding for mental health outreach, minimum funding via Medicare for mental health services and the need for seniors to access psychotropic medications, the Department is a collaborative member of this initiative seeking changes in public policy and mental health reform to better meet the needs of older Iowans.

End-of-Life Care Coalition of Central Iowa: Department staff are active members of this organization which is a broad-based community coalition seeking to: 1) Promote careful reflection, extensive discussion and proactive, informed decision-making on end-of-life care decisions; 2) Stimulate dynamic community awareness with respect to end-of-life care issues, and 3) The short-term goals of the coalition are to promote awareness of the coalition, promote education that leads to transformation and to identify a community inventory of resources and third party reimbursement systems.

Iowa Medicare Partner's Coalition – Department staff participates with this coalition that includes those agencies/contractors in Iowa that contract with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid for educational resources. Coalition members have monthly conference calls with CMS and also coordinate activities on the local level to ensure services/educational opportunities are provided but not duplicated.

Dependent Adult Protective Advisory Council

Financial Safety Planning for Older Women booklet. Developed in collaboration with the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Iowa Commission on the Status of Women and the Department.

Legal Hotline for Older Iowans Advisory - member

Legal Services Corporation of Iowa state planning advisory - member

National Law and Aging Conference. The Legal Services Developer is on the planning committee for this national conference.

Intergenerational Program: The Department of Elder Affairs has initiated a collaborative intergenerational nutrition program with the Department of Education, involving the Northwest Aging Association and Harris-Lake Park School System for the purpose of enhancement of nutrition and expanded educational opportunities for high school students. Additional plans are to initiate opportunities for intergenerational activities to include use by seniors of elementary school gymnasium for walking; seniors and K-8 students eating at the same site and using the same kitchen; interchange of seniors reading to the students and students teaching seniors on subjects such as computers.

Transportation Coordination Council: The Department of Elder Affairs is a member of the Statewide Transportation Coordination Council as per Iowa Administrative Code 761-910.3. The purpose of the council is to review information and policies related to the coordination of transit providers statewide and to make recommendations for related transit coordination policy issues.

Senior Living Coordinating Unit

Older Drivers: The Department of Elder Affairs has provided leadership to the Older Drivers Task Force, which is sponsored by the Safety Management System of the Iowa Department of Transportation. The focus of this initiative is to: Sustain safe mobility in Iowa Drivers with appropriate assessments and decision options for licensed drivers. Accommodate older drivers with roadway enhancements that help with driving capacity changes occurring with aging. The Older Drivers Task Force sponsors the Older Drivers Forum held annually in Des Moines. This forum is for professionals and older Iowans and will discuss why Iowa cares about older drivers and what we can do to help with making safe mobility decisions.

State Triad Advisory Council

DHS - Relatives as Parents Program - this project is in process to re-located to IDEA