Aging and Disability Services

FUNCTION

The staff of Aging and Disability Services shares a vision of Montgomery County where seniors, persons with disabilities and their families are fully participating members of our community. The mission of this service area is to affirm the dignity and value of seniors, persons with disabilities and their families by offering a wide range of information, home and community-based support services, protections and opportunities which promote choice, independence, and inclusion.

PROGRAM CONTACTS

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Community Support Network for People with Disabilities

This program area provides supported employment for adults with developmental disabilities; service coordination; services for people with visual and hearing impairments and physical disabilities; summer camp for children with multiple disabilities; crisis management and intervention; school-to-work transition assistance; and the Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (Autism Waiver). This program area also provides financial assistance to State-funded providers who serve adults with developmental disabilities

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**14,726,660**	**36.7**
Enhance: Resource Coordination Grant	807,360	7.0
Increase Cost: Annualization - Developmental Disability Supplement	175,000	0.0
Enhance: Individual Support Services Grant	153,210	0.0
Increase Cost: My Turn Program - Program Specialist Position	73,020	0.8
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	204,670	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**16,139,920**	**44.5**

Assessment and Continuing Case Mgmt Svcs

This program area provides multi-disciplinary assessments, care planning, and case management services to frail seniors and adults with disabilities to remedy and prevent abuse, neglect, self-neglect, exploitation, or inappropriate institutionalization. Services include Adult Protective Services, Adult Evaluation and Review Services (AERS), Statewide Evaluation and Planning Services, Social Services to Adults, and the Public Guardianship Program.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**5,556,090**	**51.5**
Replace: Senior Care Program - Grant shortfalls to avoid the loss of 10 clients receiving various senior care services	17,510	0.0
Reduce: Abolish Social Worker III position	-92,330	-1.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	557,990	3.6
FY09 CE Recommended	**6,039,260**	**54.1**

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the annualization of six positions for the Adult Protective Services program approved in FY08 (total of 3.6 WYs)

Assisted Living Services

This program area provides subsidies and case management for low-income seniors who live in group homes for the frail elderly and adult foster care homes for frail seniors and adults with disabilities.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**2,021,010**	**6.3**
Enhance: Adult Foster Care based on increased demand and clients with more complex needs	58,800	0.0
Reduce: Group Senior Assisted Housing Grant	-44,930	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	23,640	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**2,058,520**	**6.3**

Community/Nursing Home Med. Assist. & Outreach

This program area processes and certifies benefit applications for Federally-funded long-term care, community medical assistance, and Supplemental Security Income (SSI), for eligible recipients who meet financial and medical criteria.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**2,456,710**	**32.7**
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	178,290	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**2,635,000**	**32.7**

In-Home Aide Services

This program area provides personal care assistance to seniors and eligible adults with disabilities who are unable to manage independently due to physical and/or mental impairments. In-home aide services prevent abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults and enhance overall quality of life by providing personal care, chore assistance, therapeutic support, self-care education, and escorted transportation.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**5,055,190**	**17.5**
Decrease Cost: In Home Aide Services - Principal Administrative Aide Position	-49,570	-1.0
Reduce: Personal Care by reducing the maximum number of hours from 20 hours to 15 hours per week for approximately 123 clients	-471,960	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	63,780	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**4,597,440**	**16.5**

Information and Assistance

This program area assists seniors, persons with disabilities, and their families, in defining service needs, locating required services, and facilitating the application process to access services.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**833,650**	**9.5**
Enhance: Area Agency on Aging Grant	56,190	-0.9
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	27,620	0.9
FY09 CE Recommended	**917,460**	**9.5**

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments reflect a workyear shift from the Grant Fund to the General Fund

Ombudsman Services

This program investigates and resolves complaints in nursing homes and assisted living facilities for seniors and people with disabilities made by residents, staff and family members.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**678,570**	**6.5**
Replace: Grant funds to avoid the loss of a Community Health Nurse position for the Senior Ombudsman program	127,460	1.3
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	-138,630	-1.3
FY09 CE Recommended	**667,400**	**6.5**

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments reflect a workyear shift from the Grant Fund to the General Fund

Respite Care

This program provides temporary, occasional care of frail seniors, adults and children with disabilities, and children with severe behaviors and/or medical issues to give relief to families and other primary caregivers.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**1,176,670**	**0.0**
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	19,370	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**1,196,040**	**0.0**

Senior Community Services

This program area provides funds for services that help seniors to remain independent in the community including: legal services; representative payee services; health insurance counseling; "visitor" services; grocery shopping; transportation to senior centers; subsidized employment; and socialization for seniors with visual impairments. This program area also administers and operates the Home and Community Based Waiver for Older Adults (Medicaid Long-Term Care Waiver).

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**4,021,280**	**20.9**
Add: Senior Health Self Management Grant	37,750	0.0
Increase Cost: Annualization of Operating Expenses for Occupational Therapist Initiative	32,520	0.0
Eliminate: Elderly Refugee Targeted Outreach Grant	-5,000	0.0
Decrease Cost: Abolish Office Services Coordinator Position	-82,790	-1.0
Eliminate: Maryland Cares-Medicare D Grant	-225,930	0.0
Decrease Cost: Senior Community Services - Program Transportation	-349,800	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	323,940	1.6
FY09 CE Recommended	**3,751,970**	**21.5**

Notes: Miscellaneous adjustments include the Personnel Costs and workyear increase associated with the annualization of the Occupational Therapist position and a FY08 mid-year Social Worker III position creation

Senior Food Program

This program provides lunches to seniors at sites around the county and also provides home-delivered meals, nutrition education, and physical fitness activities. It is administered in cooperation with a variety of public and nonprofit agencies including the Montgomery County Board of Education, which is responsible for a major portion of the food preparation.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**1,395,510**	**3.0**
Increase Cost: Senior Nutrition Program - Increased costs to maintain the FY08 service level	182,640	0.0
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	109,190	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**1,687,340**	**3.0**

Service Area Administration

This program provides leadership and direction for the administration of Aging and Disability Services.

FY09 Recommended Changes

	Expenditures	WYs
FY08 Approved	**488,430**	**3.0**
Miscellaneous adjustments, including negotiated compensation changes, employee benefit changes, changes due to staff turnover, reorganizations, and other budget changes affecting more than one program	1,130	0.0
FY09 CE Recommended	**489,560**	**3.0**