



Governor's May Revision Further Advances Master Plan for Aging Goals New Investments Focus on Older Adults, People with Disabilities and Family Caregivers

The Master Plan for Aging outlines five bold goals and 23 strategies to build a California for all ages by 2030. The state is in the second year of the 10-year blueprint to achieve:

1. Housing for all Stages and Ages
2. Health Reimagined
3. Inclusion and Equity, Not Isolation
4. Caregiving that Works
5. Affording Aging

Detail on the May budget revision released on May 13, 2022, is available [here](#).

The May Revision builds off historic investments proposed in the January 10, 2022, budget found [here](#).

In year one of the Master Plan for Aging, the Governor and Legislature committed significant new funding in support of all five goal areas summarized [here](#).

Key Highlights from the Governor's May Revision:

\$18.1 Billion Inflation Relief Package for All Californians includes tax refunds and direct payments to help address costs of rising inflation and funding to provide relief to families hardest hit by the pandemic, including rental assistance, payments for outstanding utility arrearages built up during the pandemic, covering all family fees for subsidized child care programs, health care subsidies for the middle income families if federal subsidies expire, retention payments to health care workers, and grants to transit and rail agencies to provide free transit for Californians for three months.

Aging and Disability Institute of Learning and Innovation (CDA) - \$682,000 ongoing to establish an Aging and Disability Learning and Innovations Institute to support network leaders, home and community-based service providers, volunteers, and the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.

California Food Assistance Program Expansion (CDSS) - \$35.2 million for planning purposes, increasing to \$113.4 million General Fund annually in 2025-26, to expand the California Food Assistance Program Expansion (CFAP) program to Californians aged 55 and older regardless of immigration status, based on statute included with the 2021 Budget Act.

Caregiver Resource Centers (CDA) - Transfers ongoing funding and oversight from DHCS to CDA and includes an additional ongoing \$545,000 for statewide training and technical assistance to strengthen the established network of 11 Caregiver Resource Centers (CRCs) and the critical services they provide statewide.

Community Living Fund (DOR) - \$10 million one-time to assist older adults and people with disabilities in transition from nursing facility to community, and support to maintain independence by allowing individuals in community to delay or avoid institutional placement.

Direct Support Professionals (DDS) - \$185.3 million General Fund one-time in 2022-23 and \$1.1 million (\$881,000 General Fund) ongoing to address challenges in recruiting and retaining regional center service coordinators and Direct Support Professionals (DSPs).

Emergency Preparedness and Response (CDA) - \$400,000 ongoing to help older adults, people with disabilities, family caregivers and local partners prepare for and respond to disasters.

Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Infrastructure and Planning (CDA) - \$4 million one-time to develop a statewide HCBS roadmap in partnership with DHCS that includes both Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal funded HCBS for older adults, people with disabilities and caregivers.

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Permanent Back-up Provider System (CDSS) - \$34.4 million (\$15.4 million General Fund) ongoing to avoid disruptions to caregiving due to an immediate need or emergency.

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Outreach Campaign (CDA) - \$3.5 million one-time to support an outreach campaign to raise awareness of the resources available to residents and families in licensed long-term care facilities.

Medi-Cal Health Enrollment Navigators (DHCS) - \$60 million (\$30 million General Fund) to assist beneficiaries with coverage retention, annual renewals, and targeted outreach to difficult-to-reach populations, including undocumented Californians age 50+ who are eligible for full-scope Medi-Cal effective May 1, 2022.

Medi-Cal Presumptive Eligibility for Individuals 65 and older, Blind, or Disabled (DHCS) - \$73 million total funds (\$37 million General Fund) to continue presumptive eligibility for these populations.

New Retention Program for Hospital and Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Health Care Workers (DHCS) - \$933 million for one-time payments to approximately 600,000 workers who have been caring for the most acute patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Financing Reform (DHCS) - \$280 million (\$132.7 million General Fund) annually through 2026 for a new Workforce & Quality Incentive Program.

Resources:

May Revise Summary:

<https://www.ebudget.ca.gov/budget/2022-23MR/#/BudgetSummary>

Master Plan for Aging Budget Change Proposal (CDA):

https://esd.dof.ca.gov/Documents/bcp/2223/FY2223_ORG4170_BCP6096.pdf

Caregiver Resource Centers Budget Change Proposal (CDA):

https://esd.dof.ca.gov/Documents/bcp/2223/FY2223_ORG4170_BCP6150.pdf