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Aging and Disability Services Division

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Department of Health and Human Services

Helping people. It's who we are and what we do.



Mission and Vision

Vision: Nevadans, regardless of age or ability, will enjoy a meaningful life led with dignity and self-determination.

Mission: To empower individuals and their support systems by providing resources for disabilities and aging - connecting Nevadans to services and improving their quality of life.

Values:

- Respect
- Accountability
- Inclusivity
- Advocacy



Organizational Chart

DHHS Aging and Disability Services Division

Administrator

Executive Assistant

Administration
Deputy Administrator

Fiscal Services

Human Resources

Information Technology

Policy Development Program & Services
Deputy Administrator

Autism Treatment Assistance Program

Nevada Early Intervention Services

Long Term Care Ombudsman Program Developmental Services Deputy Administrator

> Desert Regional Center

Intermediate Care Facility

> Rural Regional Center

Sierra Regional Center

Family Preservation Program Quality Assurance Agency Manager

> Adult Protective Services QA

Children's Services QA

Office of Community Living QA

> Developmental Services QA

Long Term Care Ombudsman QA Office for Consumer Health Assistance Governor's Consumer Health Advocate

> Adult Protective Services

Bureau for Hospital Patients

> Community Advocates

Nevada Workers' Compensation

Surprise Billing Arbitrations Office of Community Living

Agency Manager

Planning, Advocacy, and Community Grants

Community Option
Programs for the Elderly

Personal Assistance Services

Frail Elder and Physically Disabled Waivers

Nevada 211

Communication Access

Facility Outreach & Community Integration Services

Legal Advocacy Chief Advocacy Attorney



Summary of Division Operations

Aging and Disability Services Division offers a diverse array of programs that support individuals across two main categories: aging and disabilities. Many of our programs are designed to serve both populations effectively.

- Adult Protective Services
- Autism Treatment Assistance Program
- Developmental Services
 - Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities
- Early Intervention Services
- Long Term Care Ombudsman Program
- Nevada 211

- Office for Consumer Health Assistance
- Office of Community Living
 - Communication Access
 - Frail Elderly and Physically Disabled waivers
 - Personal assistance services
 - Community options program for the elderly
 - Older American Act grant funds
 - Taxi assistance program
 - Independent living services
 - Facility outreach and community integration program



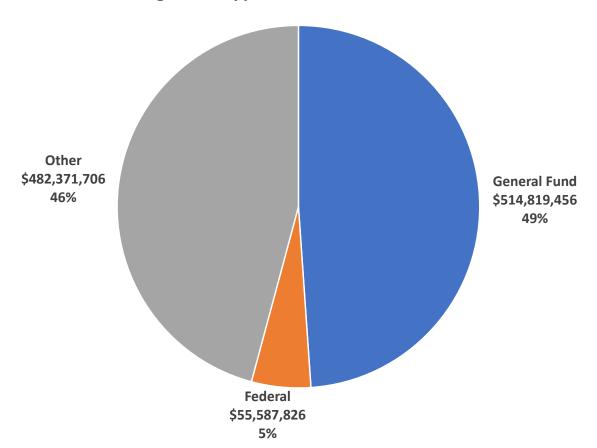
Accomplishments

- Implementation of new rate structure to support Developmental Services
- 22 ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund Projects totaling over \$46 million.
 - 13 infrastructure projects (\$12 million)
 - 10 direct service projects (\$34 million)
- Ackerman Center SFY24 served 2,578 individuals, including new diagnosis for 979 children. (BA 3279)
- NEIS purchased 4 telemedicine carts to conduct more accurate and efficient diagnostic examinations. (BA 3208)
- Senior Nutrition Services has served an additional 1,589 older adults. (BA 3278)
- Residential Facilities for Group Homes the addition of approximately 195 new beds for older adults and individuals with disabilities. (BA 3278)
- Business Process reengineering across programs

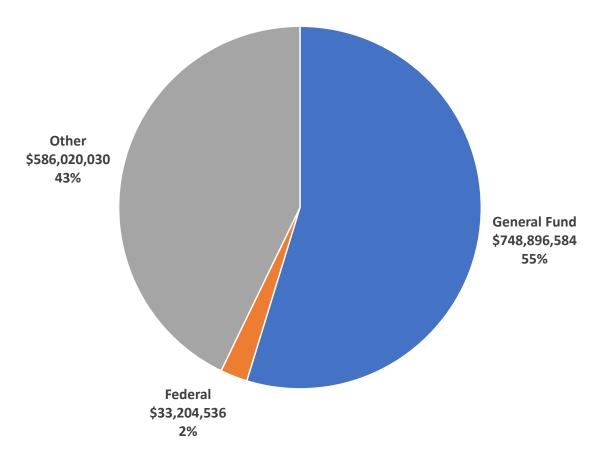


Budgeted Funding Sources





Governor Recommends FY26-FY27 Biennium





Major Enhancements

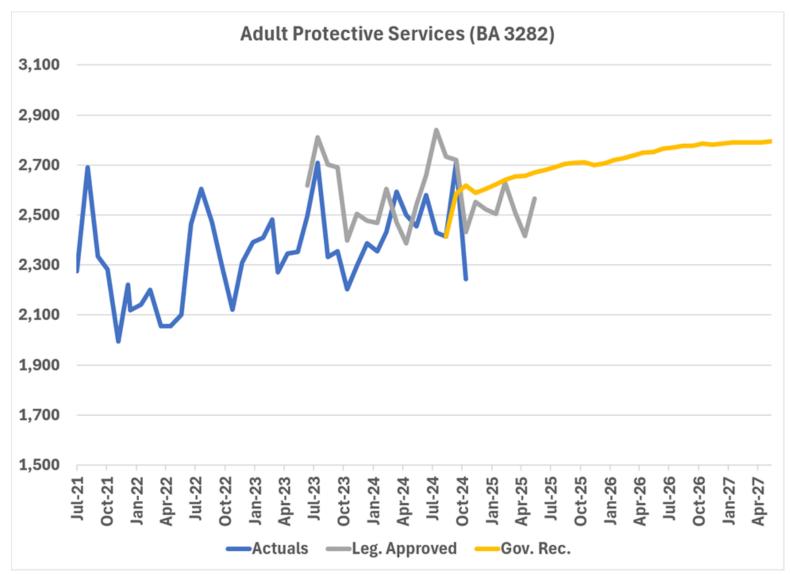
- Standardized assessment for Developmental Services
- Medical epidemiologists to develop health interventions to mitigate the negative impact of opioids on children and older adults
- Additional supervisory positions at the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF)
- Transition of Early Intervention Services to a fee-for-service model
- Transfer in IDEA Part C to improve Early Intervention program oversight



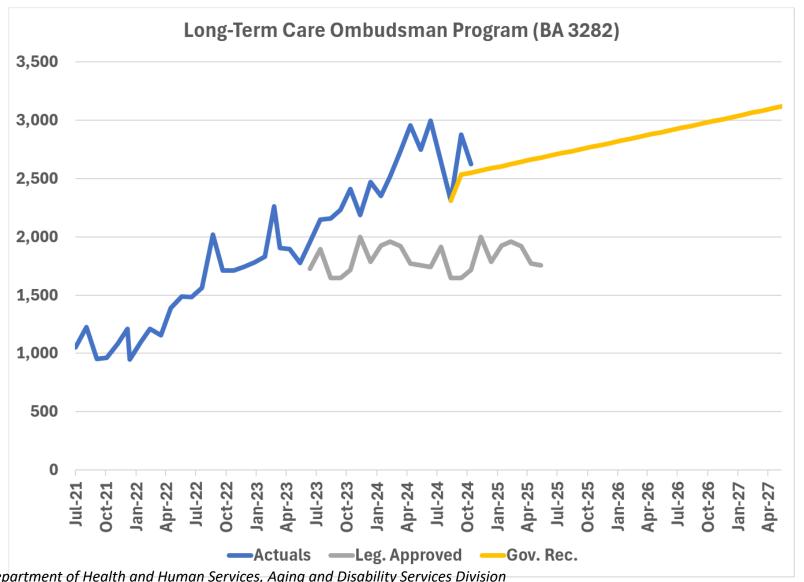
Major Issues

- Caseload growth
- Supplemental funding request for SFY25

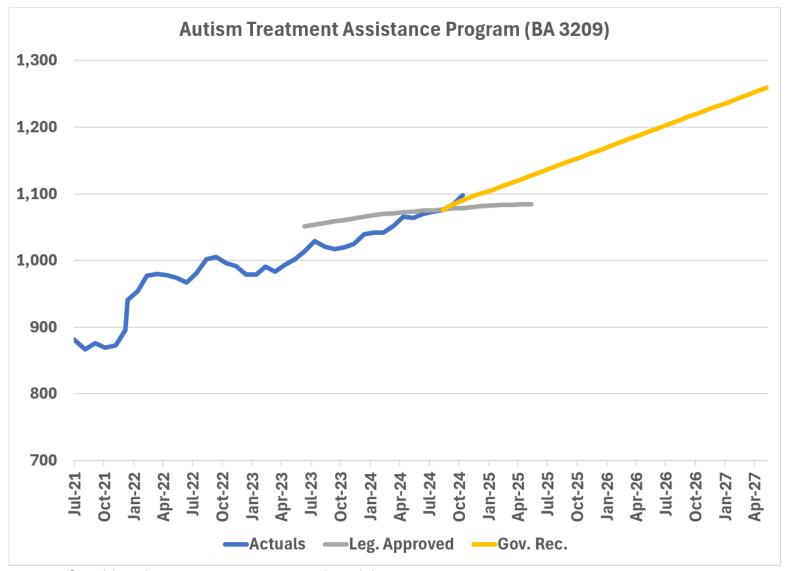
Caseload – Adult Protective Services (BA 3282)



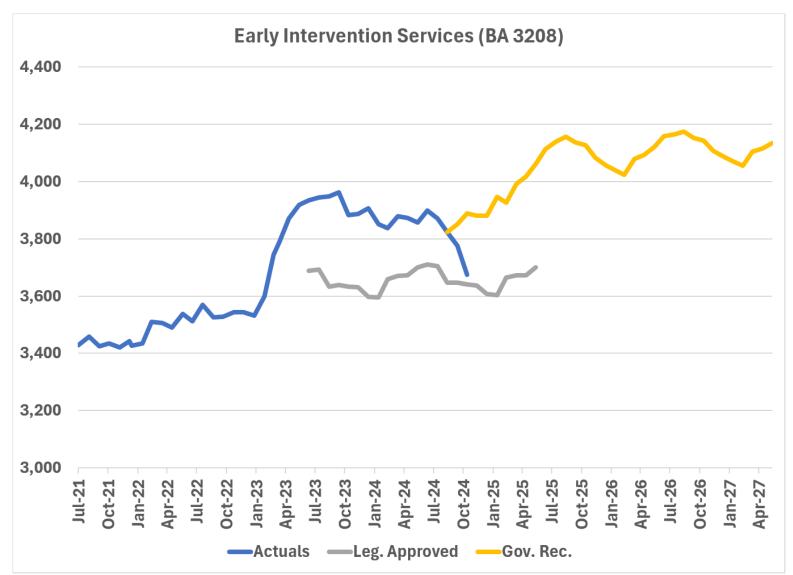
Caseload - Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (BA 3282)



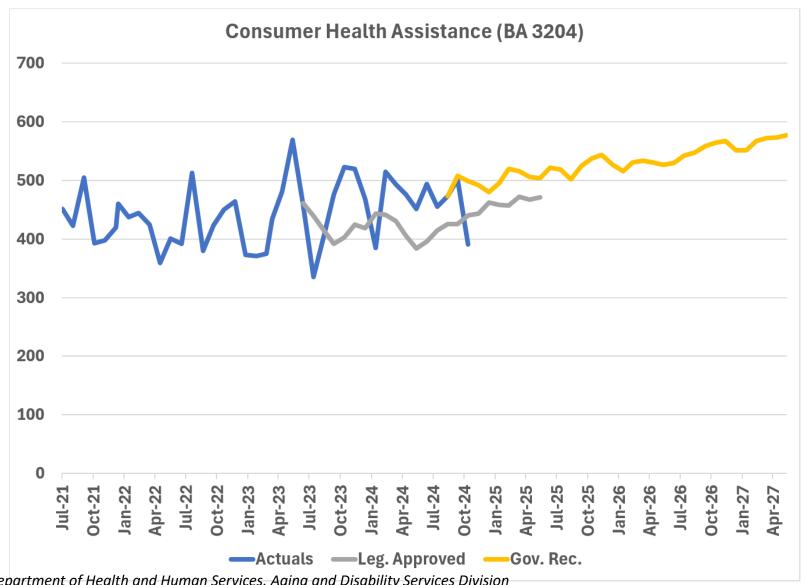
Caseload - Autism Treatment Assistance Program (BA 3209)



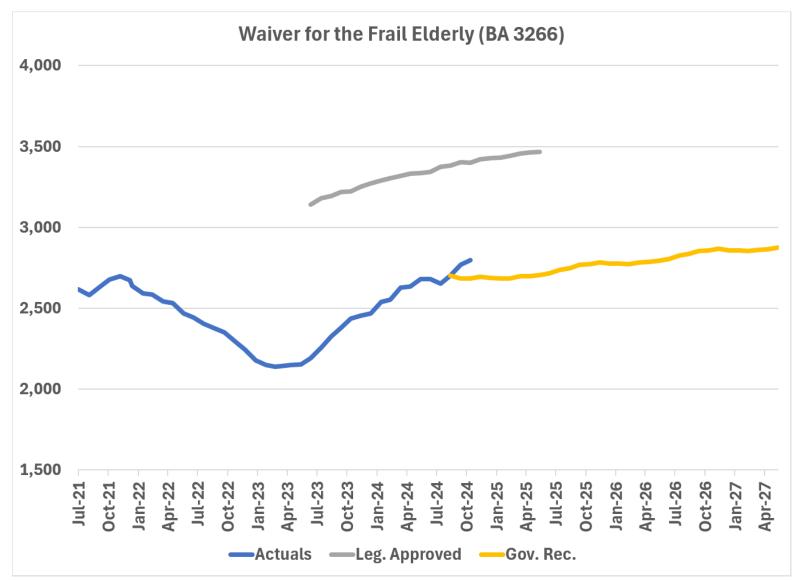
Caseload - Early Intervention Services (BA 3208)



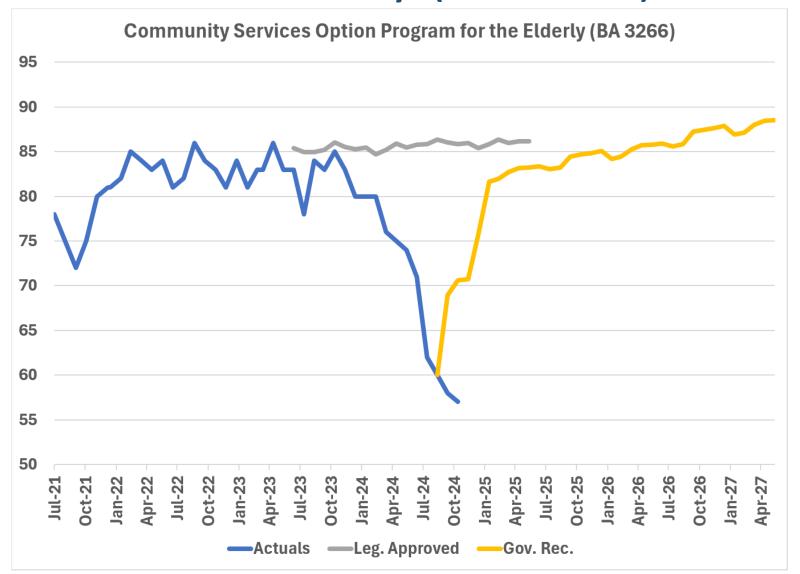
Caseload - Consumer Health Assistance (BA 3204)



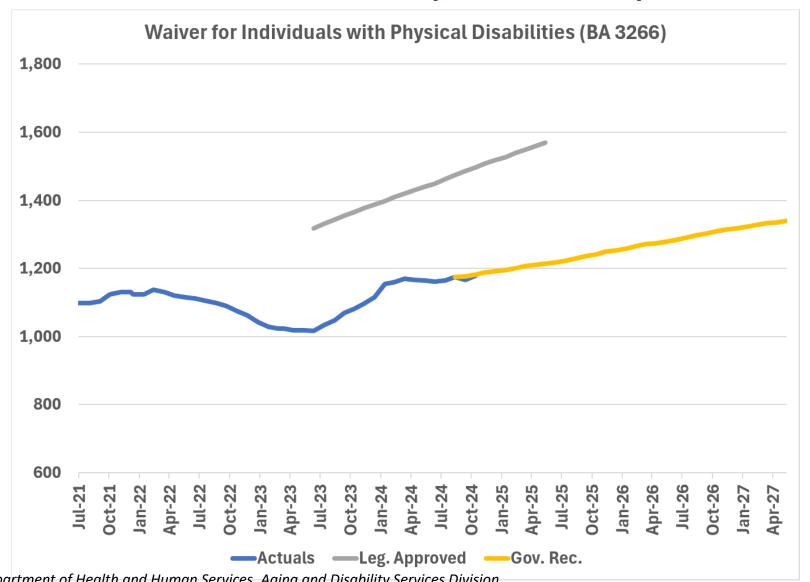
Caseload - Waiver for the Frail Elderly (BA 3266)



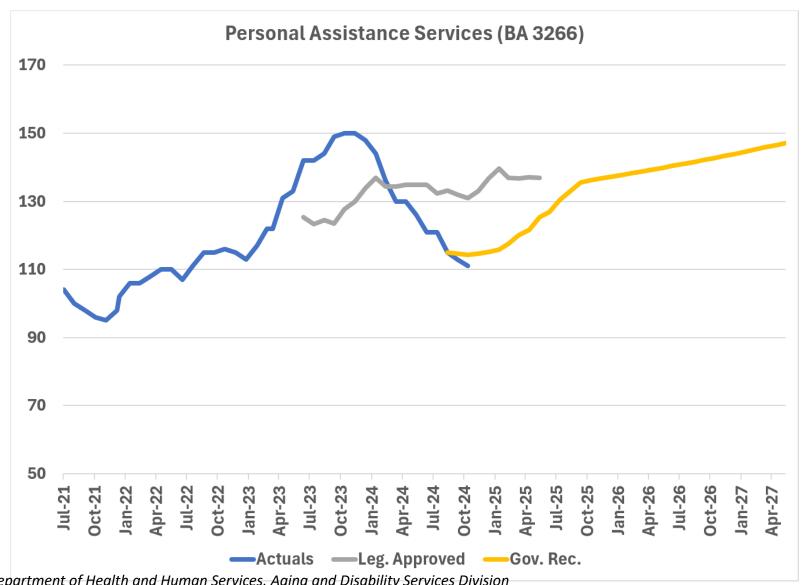
Caseload - Community Services Option Program for the Elderly (BA 3266)



Caseload - Waiver for Individuals with Physical Disabilities (BA 3266)

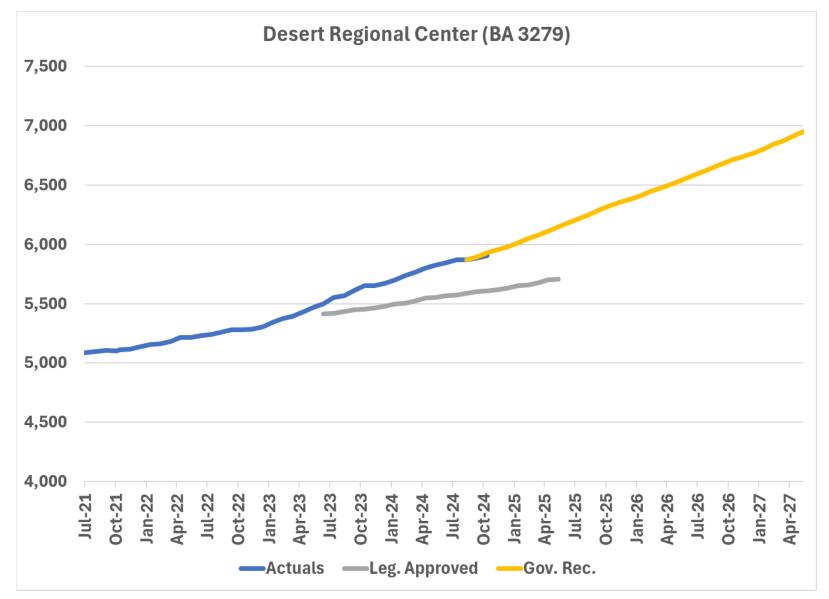


Caseload - Personal Assistance Program (BA 3266)



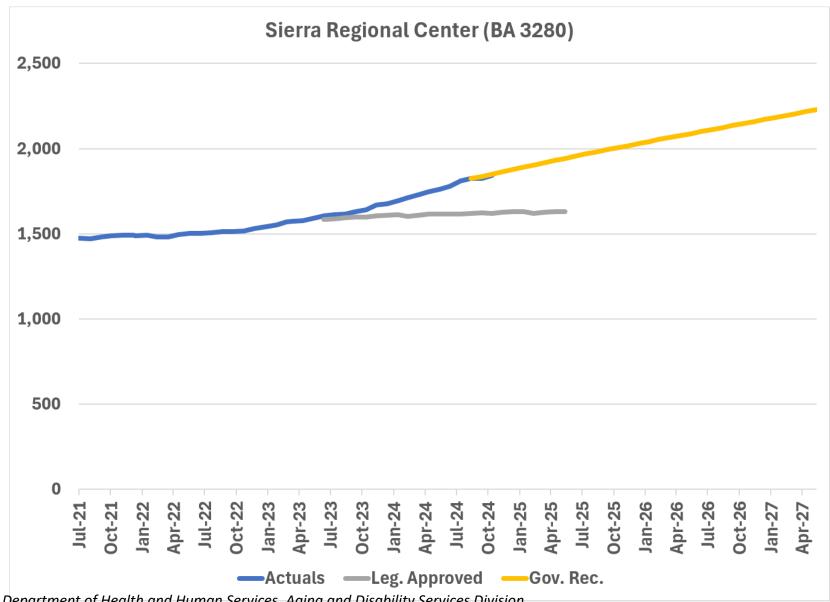


Caseload - Desert Regional Center (BA 3279)



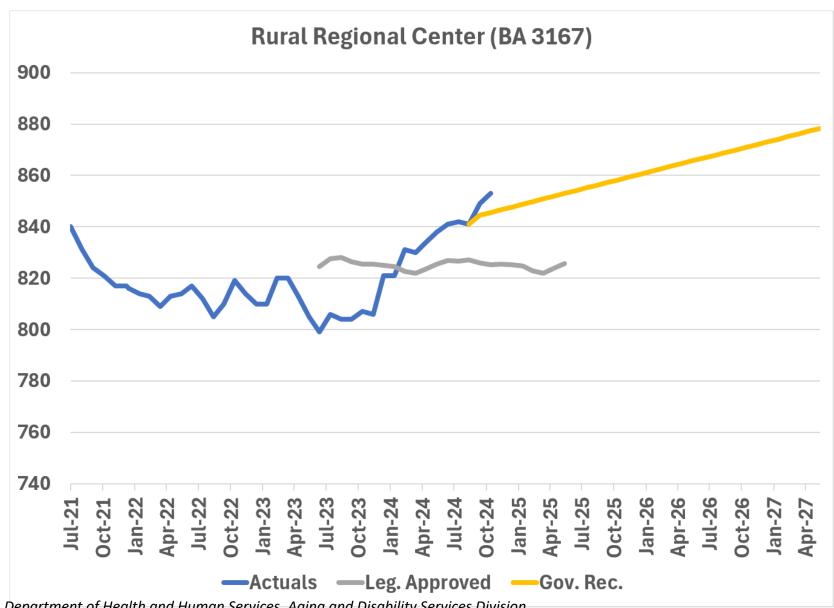


Caseload - Sierra Regional Center (BA 3280)

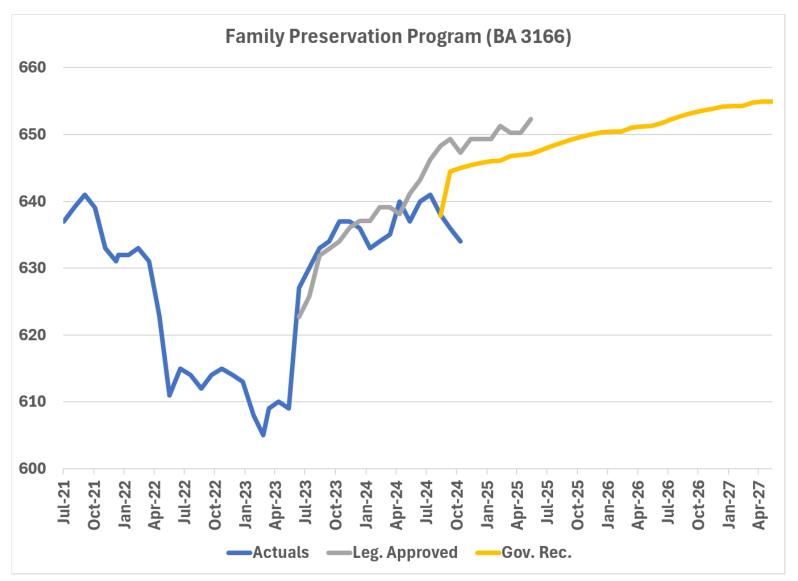




Caseload - Rural Regional Center (BA 3167)



Caseload - Family Preservation Program (BA 3166)



Office of Community Living – Community Services

Federal grants and state funding account for approximately \$28 million annually for services that support older adults, people with disabilities and family caregivers with their long-term services and supports needs. Services are provided statewide through a network of community partners that include:

- In Home Services Homemaker, Senior Companion, and Home Modifications
- Nutrition Congregate Meals and Home Delivered Meals
- Transportation Direct Services and Vouchers
- Caregiver Support Respite Care, Support Groups, and Education
- Assistive Technology and Independent Living Services
- Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative
- Medicare Assistance Program Medicare Outreach and Counseling
- Nevada Care Connection Resource and Service Navigation
- Legal Assistance Free advice and representation for older adults
- Health Promotion Services Evidence-based programs



Facility Populations

Facility Name	Average FY 2024	Average FY 2025
Desert Regional Center - Intermediate Care Facility	40	39
(DRC-ICF)		
Total Average Facility Population	40	39

2026-27 Biennium Budget Account Summary

Governor Recommends Budget (G01)		Fiscal Year 2026			Fiscal Year 2027				
402	Aging & Disability Services Division	General Fund	Federal	Other	Total	General Fund	Federal	Other	Total
1006	Commission for Persons who are Deaf	34,282	-	-	34,282	34,282	-	-	34,282
3140	Tobacco Settlement Program	_	-	7,306,982	7,306,982	-	-	7,297,499	7,297,499
3151	Federal Programs & Administration	2,910,857	-	15,087,426	17,998,283	2,873,885	-	12,265,509	15,139,394
3156	Senior Rx & Disability Rx	_	-	369,606	369,606	-	-	369,737	369,737
3166	Family Preservation Program	2,673,136	-	1,160,000	3,833,136	2,696,464	-	1,160,000	3,856,464
3167	Rural Regional Center	24,279,586	-	21,445,240	45,724,826	24,996,179	-	21,880,908	46,877,087
3204	Consumer Health Assistance	1,210,441	-	1,340,102	2,550,543	1,303,069	-	1,509,730	2,812,799
3206	Communication Access Services	-	-	11,047,667	11,047,667	-	-	12,152,922	12,152,922
3208	Early Intervention Services	34,832,354	-	7,768,731	42,601,085	37,051,811	-	7,679,688	44,731,499
3209	Autism Treatment Assistance Program	8,502,268	-	3,606,313	12,108,581	9,126,345	-	3,632,810	12,759,155
3266	Home & Community Based Services	25,168,905	26,242	7,548,647	32,743,794	27,349,528	29,005	8,407,291	35,785,824
3271	FOCIS & MFP	640,293	1,666,627	1,025,618	3,332,538	656,123	1,697,953	1,039,577	3,393,653
3276	IDEA Part C	_	4,572,412	-	4,572,412	-	4,512,820	-	4,512,820
3278	Planning, Advocacy & Community Grants	8,845,885	10,186,030	1,792,382	20,824,297	8,942,876	8,844,641	1,587,714	19,375,231
3279	Desert Regional Center	171,719,015	_	147,288,321	319,007,336	182,722,039	-	156,670,086	339,392,125
3280	Sierra Regional Center	62,650,500	-	55,985,792	118,636,292	68,152,362	-	59,939,661	128,092,023
3282	Adult Protective Services & Long-Term Care	18,709,810	384,696	3,587,478	22,681,984	20,490,333	416,148	4,066,593	24,973,074
3283	Independent Living Council	160,735	434,149		594,884	163,221	433,813	-	597,034
	ADSD Total	362,338,067	17,270,156	286,360,305	665,968,528	386,558,517	15,934,380	299,659,725	702,152,622
					Biennial Total	748,896,584	33,204,536	586,020,030	1,368,121,150

Position Summary

Budget	Description	Base	Maintenance	Enhancement	Total FTE
1006	Commission for Persons who are Deaf	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3140	3140 Tobacco Settlement Program		0.00	0.00	0.00
3151	Federal Programs & Administration		0.00	3.00	99.00
3156	Senior Rx & Disability Rx	2.00	0.00	(2.00)	0.00
3166	Family Preservation Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3167	Rural Regional Center	52.26	5.00	(0.50)	56.76
3204	Consumer Health Assistance	13.00	5.00	1.00	19.00
3206	Communication Access Services	8.00	0.00	1.00	9.00
3208	3208 Early Intervention Services		33.00	(4.26)	236.13
3209	Autism Treatment Assistance Program	52.00	5.00	0.00	57.00
3266	Home & Community Based Services	219.00	58.00	(9.00)	268.00
3271	FOCIS & MFP	13.00	0.00	0.00	13.00
3276	IDEA Part C	10.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
3278	Planning, Advocacy & Community Grants	31.51	0.00	0.00	31.51
3279	Desert Regional Center	442.07	84.00	2.50	528.57
3280	Sierra Regional Center	88.02	39.00	(4.00)	123.02
3282	3282 Adult Protective Services & Long-Term Care		55.00	0.00	220.00
3283	Independent Living Council	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
	Total FTE	1,401.25	284.00	(12.26)	1,672.99



Bill Draft Requests

	Bill#	NRS	Description	Impact
(1	AB6 BDR 38-287)	NRS Chapter 427A	This bill establishes the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Treatment Assistance Program within the Aging and Disability Services Division.	FASD is a lifelong condition that affects the whole body, but early identification and intervention can significantly improve outcomes for individuals with FASD. While there is no definitive cure, focusing on interventions highlights the potential for positive changes—not only for the individuals but also in fostering a more inclusive and supportive community for everyone
(1	SB8 BDR 38-288)	NRS Chapter 427A	This bill aligns definitions across ADSD. NRS 435 sections have been updated to reflect the term developmental disability. This bill proposes changing "related condition" to "developmental disability."	Advocacy groups have recommended this language as it more accurately represents the individuals served. While these updates were incorporated into NRS 435, they were unintentionally omitted from NRS 427A



Questions?



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Acronyms

- ACL Administration of Community Living
- ADSD Aging and Disability Services Division
- APS Adult Protective Services
- ARPA American Rescue Plan Act
- ASD Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ATAP Autism Treatment Assistance Program
- BA Budget Account
- CAS Communication Access Services
- CBC Community Based Care
- CMS Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- COPE Community Options Program for the Elderly
- CIP Capital Improvement Project
- DS Developmental Services
- DRC Desert Regional Center
- FOCIS Facility Outreach and Community Integration Services
- FPP Family Preservation Program
- FY Fiscal Year
- HCBS Home and Community Based Services

- ICF Intermediate Care Facility
- IT Information Technology
- ID Intellectual Disability
- LTCOP Long Term Care Ombudsman Program
- MAP Medicare Assistance Programs
- MFP Money Follow the Person
- NEIS Nevada Early Intervention Services
- OCHA Office of Consumer Health Advocacy
- OCL Office of Community Living
- PAC Planning, Advocacy and Community Services
- PAS Personal Assistance Services
- QA Quality Assurance
- RRC Rural Regional Center
- SHIP State Health Insurance Assistance Program
- SMP Senior Medicare Patrol
- SRC Sierra Regional Center