Agency Name:	Department on Aging				
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# Fiscal Year FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget Plan

# **FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY**

<b>OPERATING</b>	For	FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):
REQUESTS	X	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.
TEQUESTS	X	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization.
(FORM B1)		Not requesting any changes.
<b>NON-RECURRING</b>	For	FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):
REQUESTS		Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.
1112 (02010		Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization.
(FORM B2)	X	Not requesting any changes.
CAPITAL	For	FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):
REQUESTS		Requesting funding for Capital Projects.
	X	Not requesting any changes.
(FORM C)		
PROVISOS	For	FY 2026-2027, my agency is (mark "X"):
1 KO VISOS	X	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.
(FORM D)		Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).
(I OIIII D)		Not requesting any proviso changes.
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Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
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CONTACT:			
SECONDARY			
CONTACT:			

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2026-2027 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	Agency Director	<b>Board or Commission Chair</b>
SIGN/DATE:	Conse D. Mun 9/26/2025	
TYPE/PRINT NAME:	Connie D. Munn	

This form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

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BUDGET	REQUESTS	<u> </u>	<u>FUNDING</u>			FTES						
Priority	Request Type	Request Title	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total	State	Federal	Earmarked	Restricted	Total
1	B1 - Recurring	Federal Authorization & Maintenance of Effort	2,500,000	7,500,000	0	0	10,000,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	B1 - Recurring	Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) - Pt. II	10,431,000	0	0	0	10,431,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	B1 - Recurring	Increased Agency Operations	621,902	0	0	0	621,902	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
4	B1 - Recurring	Ombudsman Allocations to AAAs - Pt. II	500,000	0	0	0	500,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	B1 - Recurring	FTE Rebalancing	0	0	0	0	0	1.20	3.80	-5.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	•		14,052,902	7,500,000	0	0	21,552,902	3.20	3.80	-5.00	0.00	2.00

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AGENCY PRIORITY 1

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Federal Authorization & Maintenance of Effort

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

**AMOUNT** 

General: \$2,500,000

Federal: \$7,500,000

Other: \$0

Total: \$10,000,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2026-2027? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

#### **NEW POSITIONS**

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

# FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:

Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience

Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines

Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program

Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas

Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative

Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program

Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program

IT Technology/Security related

HR/Personnel Related

Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

## STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

#### Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:

Education, Training, and Human Development

Healthy and Safe Families

Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security

Public Infrastructure and Economic Development

Government and Citizens

# ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

#### Strategy 1.3

Assess the landscape of services and resources to ensure they adequately meet the unique needs by soliciting feedback, analyzing data, and adapting program offerings to address any gaps or shortcomings.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

FTEs within SCDOA to include salary, employee benefits and operating cost.

# RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS

State vendors will receive funds for goods and servcies provided.

AAAs/Providers to provide services within the aging network.

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

**Need:** Aging is requesting additional federal authorization to appropriately spend additional federal funds. In addition, 25% state match is required for grant Maintenance of Effort.

### JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

Outcome/ROI: Additional federal authorization and state match would allow Aging to

spend the total projected grant awards and use funds to provide services to the

(OAA) to fund services to our older adults and adults with disabilities.

increasing population.

**Justification:** The DHHS method for awarding funds to states is heavily based on the Intrastate Funding Formula (IFF). As South Carolina's 60+ population grows, there is a direct correlation in the additional funds recieved through the Older Americans Act

**Impact If Unfunded:** If this request is not appropriated, temporary authorization could be requested but Aging would risk the return of unspent federal funds without the required state match.

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AGENCY PRIORITY

2

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) - Pt. II

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

**AMOUNT** 

General: \$10,431,000

Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$10,431,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2026-2027? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

#### **NEW POSITIONS**

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

# FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

#### Mark "X" for all that apply:

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IT Technology/Security related

X HR/Personnel Related

Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

## STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

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Education, Training, and Human Development

X Healthy and Safe Families

Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security

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Government and Citizens

# ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

#### Strategy 1.1

Accessibility: Enhance access to OAA and HCBS services, along with other essential services, by broadening options, offering a range of services, providing assistive technologies, and ensuring that physical locations are fully accessible.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

Adults 60+ that qualify to receive Home and Community Based Services. Funds are

# RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS

allocated to the AAAs to provide services through the aging network of providers.

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

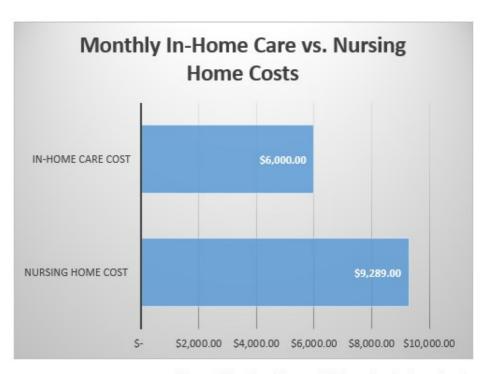
**Need:** This is a Follow-up to the FY26 HCBS request for the remaining state funds needed to continue adequately serving eligible citizens. South Carolina is experiencing significant growth to our aging population in addition to inflationary costs for services. Additional state funding is critical to meet the increasing demand and to ensure service continuity.

**Justification:** Aging was appropriated \$10 million of the \$19.8 million requested in FY26. The current request was adjusted to include new services (pest and dental) and a 4% CPI adjustment.

FY26 Budget Request	\$ 19,870,361
FY26 appropriation	\$ 10,000,000
	\$ 9,870,361
Proviso 40.5 new services (Pest & Dental)	\$ 159,000
	\$ 10,029,361
with 4% CPI Adjustment	\$ 10,430,536

**Outcome/ROI:** Home and community based services allow adults to age safely in place, reducing the need for costly institutional care in hospitals or nursing homes. Institutional care is significantly more expensive than HCBS options, therefore providing savings to the state of over \$3,000/month.

## JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST



Source of Data: https://www.seniorliving.org/nursing-homes/costs/

**Impact If Unfunded:** If this request is not funded, the agency will face difficulty keeping up with the needs of eligible citizens, which could lead to service waitlisting.

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AGENCY PRIORITY

3

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

**Increased Agency Operations** 

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

**AMOUNT** 

General: \$621,902

Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$621,902

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2026-2027? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

#### **NEW POSITIONS**

2.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

# FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

#### Mark "X" for all that apply:

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Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program

Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas

Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative

Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program  $% \left( x\right) =\left( x\right) +\left( x\right) +\left$ 

Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program

X IT Technology/Security related

X HR/Personnel Related

X Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

#### Mark "X" for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:

Education, Training, and Human Development

Healthy and Safe Families

Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security

Public Infrastructure and Economic Development

X Government and Citizens

#### Strategy 1.2

Implement robust outreach and education efforts to raise awareness about available services and how to access them, targeted communication campaigns, partnership with community organizations, and clear, user-friendly materials.

## ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

FTEs within SCDOA which includes salary, employee benefits and operating costs.

# RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS

State vendors will receive funds for goods and services provided to operate the program.

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

#### IT Requirements - \$324,529

# 1 State FTE - eLearning / Learning Management System (LMS) Program Coordinator - \$110,529

Salary - \$70,300 Fringe 43% - \$30,229 Operational - \$10,000

#### Service System -\$104,000

Maintenance - \$14K Licensing - \$90K

Assessment System - \$50,000

Licensing - \$50K

Ombudsman System - \$60,000

Licensing - \$60K

**Need:** SCDOA is requesting \$324,529 to support IT systems essential to agency operations. IT has modernized systems supporting the aging network and additional funding is required for IT infrastructure maintenance and licensing.

The agency is also requesting an additional FTE for an eLearning Program Coordinator. This position will deliver streamlined training through a centralized system to AAAs, providers and other public partners who do not have access to the state's SCEIS training system.

**Justification:** SCDOA has expanded digital services to the aging network to make processes more efficient. As we complete the IT capital project and implement new systems, A consistent stream of funding is required to maintain IT systems that improve service delivery and reporting.

**Outcome/ROI**: The new IT systems are a cost savings to the state which allows for virtual training that reduce the costs of materials and travel. System reporting also allows real-time data entry to efficiently review performance metrics.

### JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

**Impact if Unfunded:** If this request is not funded, newly implemented systems may go unused therefore decreasing productivity due to slow, unreliable systems and unavailable IT support.

#### New Marketing & Communications Division - \$297,373

Program Operations - \$200,000

#### 1 State FTE - Communications Coordinator - \$97,373

Salary - \$61,100 Fringe 43% - \$26,273 Operational - \$10,000

**Need:** SCDOA is requesting \$297,373 to establish a Marketing and Communications Division. The total includes an additional FTE and \$200,000 operational funds for the new division to expand outreach and properly educate the public on agency programs

and services.

**Justification:** SCDOA is often questioned on the outreach and promotion of services. The agency has a Communications Director that participates in many outreach events, but to enlarge our footprint and visibility, an additional staffer and funding is needed. Grants were previously used for promotional efforts but consistent funding is required for continuity.

**Outcome/ROI**: Recurring funds would allow Aging to increase outreach and advertising to promote agency awareness.

**Impact if Unfunded:** If this request is not funded, advertising and outreach would decrease once the grant ends, leaving eligible citizens unaware of available programs and services.

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AGENCY PRIORITY

4

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

Ombudsman Allocations to AAAs - Pt. II

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

**AMOUNT** 

General: \$500,000

Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$500,000

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2026-2027? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

#### **NEW POSITIONS**

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

# FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

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IT Technology/Security related

HR/Personnel Related

Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

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# ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS

#### Strategy 4.2

Safety and Security: Implement initiatives that promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being, recognizing the importance of preventing abuse, neglect, and exploitation, as well as the need for social connections and effective support systems.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

Allocations to regional Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs).

#### **RECIPIENTS OF**

#### **FUNDS**

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

#### Need:

This is part II of the FY26 Budget Request which provided Ombudsman funding to 5 new regions.

Additional funding is now needed to strengthen the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and expand staffing, training, and outreach throughout the regions. As our senior population grows, so does the need for dedicated long-term care resident advocates who safeguard dignity, resolve complaints, and work to ensure residents receive quality care.

#### **Justification:**

South Carolina's older adult population is currently 1-in-4 and is projected to increase in the next decade. This will result in an increase in admissions to nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and other long-term care settings. The agency is seeing an increased need for Ombudsman services. Many residents arrive without family or friends available to address concerns about medical treatment, safety, or quality of life. Often, the Ombudsman Program provides the only protection for these citizen during their most vulnerable years.

## JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

#### Outcome/ROI:

With increased funding, we will be able to:

- Reduce complaint-response times
- Retain specially trained Ombudsman staff
- Conduct routine monitoring visits in certified long-term care facilities
- Increase training sessions for staff and community volunteers
- Provide early intervention, averting hospital readmissions and costly legal disputes
- Improve resident satisfaction and quality-of-care

#### Impact if unfunded:

Without additional funding, the Ombudsman Program faces:

- Increased abuse or neglect cases within long-term care facilities
- Longer waits for residents' complaints and unresolved quality-of-care issues
- Reduced visibility into facility operations
- Erosion of public trust and increased liability for state agencies and care providers

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**AGENCY PRIORITY** 

5

Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.

TITLE

**FTE Rebalancing** 

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

**AMOUNT** 

General: \$0 Federal: \$0

Other: \$0

Total: \$0

What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2026-2027? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.

#### **NEW POSITIONS**

0.00

Please provide the total number of new positions needed for this request.

# **FACTORS ASSOCIATED** WITH THE **REQUEST**

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IT Technology/Security related

HR/Personnel Related X

Consulted DTO during development

Related to a Non-Recurring request – If so, Priority #

**STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES** 

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# **ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS**

#### Strategy 1.3

Accessibility: Assess the landscape of services and resources to ensure they adequately meet the unique needs by soliciting feedback, analyzing data, and adapting program offerings to address any gaps or shortcomings.

What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?

FTEs within SCDOA to include salary, employee benefits and operating costs.

**RECIPIENTS OF** 

# FUNDS

What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?

This is a repeat request from FY26 which is needed for compliance with proviso 177.14: FTE Management. To correctly align agency FTEs with funds, the following adjustment is required-

• Move 5.0 FTEs from Other - 1.2 FTEs to State and 3.8 FTEs to Federal

## JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

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NUMBER	40.5						
TONIBLIC	Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").						
TITLE	Home & Community-Based Services						
	Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.						
BUDGET	0500.204000x000 - HCBS						
PROGRAM	0300.204000A000 - HCDS						
1110 014111	Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.						
RELATED	B1 - Home & Commnity Based Services						
BUDGET							
REQUEST		d 1 1 2 2 1 1 20	16 FW 2027 20272 16 17 17				
	Is this request associated wi	th a budget request you have submitte	ed for FY 2026-2027? If so, cite it here.				
REQUESTED	Amend						
ACTION							
	Choose from: Add, Delete, A	mend, or Codify.					
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OTHER AGENCIES	No state agencies but	will affect Area Agencies or	Aging (AAAs).				
AFFECTED	Which other agencies would be affected by the recommended action? How?						
	which other agencies would	be affected by the recommended activ	m: 110W:				
	During funding emerg	encies, the agency may limi	t HCBS services to meals and				
	transportation to continue delivering services that are needed the most.						
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EXPLANATION							

Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where language now appears.

The proviso amendment would allow Aging to direct resources to the most demanded services (meals and transportation) if operating within funding constraints.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

40.5. (AGING: Home and Community-Based Services) State funds appropriated for Home and Community-Based Services shall be used to fund those services that most directly meet the goal of allowing seniors to live safely and independently at home. Allowable services, as defined in the Department on Aging's State Plan, include programs to promote social connection, group dining, home delivered meals, transportation to group dining sites, transportation for essential trips, personal care, homemaker, home chore, home modification, legal assistance, assessments, dental services, and pest control. During funding emergencies to include a mid-year reduction, delay or elimination of federal funding, services may be limited to meals and transportation only.

Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) may expend no more than ten percent for administrative services and one-quarter of one percent shall be retained by the Department on Aging to provide monitoring and oversight of the program. However, up to three percent of the annual state appropriation for Home and Community-Based Services may be retained at the Department on Aging to be allocated by the department to the affected regions in cases of an emergency and/or natural disaster recognized by the Governor.

# PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT

If these funds are not utilized in the fiscal year allocated, they are to be treated as carry forward funds and reallocated to the AAAs. The Intrastate Funding Formula shall be used as a guideline for the allocation of state funds appropriated for Home and Community-Based Services. The Department on Aging shall develop and implement a structured methodology to allocate the state Home and Community-Based Services funding. The methodology shall include flexibility to reallocate funds amongst the AAAs, and be composed of, at a minimum, the following factors: a minimum base amount, the fiscal year's federally allocated funds, federal and state carry forwards funds, and an appropriate weighted proportion that will achieve the mission of the Department on Aging to provide as many services as possible to the citizens of South Carolina.

Each AAA shall submit a budget for approval by the Department on Aging indicating the services to be provided. Any unexpended Home and Community-Base Services funds in this program shall be carried forward by the Department on Aging and used for the same purposes. Funds may not be transferred from the Home and Community-Based special line item for any other purpose.

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	FORM D – PRO	OVISO REVISION	<u>REQUEST</u>			
NUMBER	40.NEW					
	Cite the proviso according to the renumbered list (or mark "NEW").					
TITLE	Return of Unused Agency R					
	Provide the title from the renumbered list or suggest a short title for any new request.					
BUDGET	8900.000000X000 - 10% Ge	eneral Fund Carryforward				
PROGRAM						
	Identify the associated budget program(s) by name and budget section.					
RELATED	N/A					
BUDGET						
REQUEST	In this was not a second and a located	1 - 1 - 1 - 4 4 1	-16 FV 2026 20272 16it-it-l			
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REQUESTED ACTION	Add					
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OTHER AGENCIES AFFECTED	No state agencies but	will affect Area Agencies on	Aging (AAAs).			
	Which other agencies would	be affected by the recommended action	on? How?			
	Gives agency the ability remain unused after a	ity to replenish the agency r	eserve account if any portion of funices.	ds		
SUMMARY & EXPLANATION						

	Allows the agency to retain a better financial position for future funding emergencies by recouping unused reserve funds.
FISCAL IMPACT	

language now appears.

Provide estimates of any fiscal impacts associated with this proviso, whether for state, federal, or other funds. Explain the method of calculation.

Summarize the existing proviso. If requesting a new proviso, describe the current state of affairs without it. Explain the need for your requested action. For deletion requests due to recent codification, please identify SC Code section where

In the event of a delay or elimination of federal funding during the fiscal year, the Department of Aging may allocate funds in its General Fund Carryforward reserve account to ensure that services continue to be provided. Should these reallocated funds not be fully expended by the end of the current or subsequent fiscal year, the Department of Aging may return the unused funds to other agency reserves. **PROPOSED PROVISO TEXT** 

Paste existing text above, then bold and underline insertions and strikethrough deletions. For new proviso requests, enter requested text above.

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# FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION CONTINGENCY PLAN

TITLE

3% Cost Reduction

**AMOUNT** 

\$1,108,579

What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet prepared by EBO.

ASSOCIATED FTE REDUCTIONS

None - Services would be impacted by the 3% General Fund Cost Reduction.

How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?

PROGRAM / ACTIVITY IMPACT The following Aging programs would be reduced to support the 3% cost reduction:

- Geriatric Loan Forgiveness
- Silver Haired Legislature
- Family Caregivers
- VAGAL
- Home Stabilization

What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?

SCDOA is currently navigating a significant increase of our older adult population and is unable to manage a 3% reduction in budget without impacting current services. The following programs would be reduced by the reflected amounts:

- Geriatric Loan Forgiveness \$35,000
- Silver Haired Legislature \$15,000
- Family Caregivers \$458,579
- VAGAL \$300,000
- Home Stabilization \$300,000

**SUMMARY** 

Please provide a detailed summary of service delivery impact caused by a reduction in General Fund Appropriations and provide the method of calculation for anticipated reductions. Agencies should prioritize reduction in expenditures that have the least significant impact on service delivery.

## AGENCY COST SAVINGS PLANS

SCDOA continuously researches ways to reduce agency spending, however since most of the agency's costs are tied to service delivery, meeting the 3% cost reduction is a challenge. SCDOA is currently operating with minimal staff and cannot support agency operations if FTEs are reduced.

What measures does the agency plan to implement to reduce its costs and operating expenses by more than \$50,000? Provide a summary of the measures taken and the estimated amount of savings. How does the agency plan to repurpose the savings?