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Attachments: ARPA Senior Center Funding Opportunity- update from Aging and Disability Services' Commissioner Amy Porter

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Hello,

As you're aware, this past legislative session, the General Assembly chose to forgo formal adjustments to the state's biennium budget. Instead, the legislature re-directed more than \$370 million in unspent federal pandemic relief grants to support ongoing core programs like health care and social services ([Public Act 24-81](#)). Unfortunately, this included reducing, from \$10 million to \$6.5 million, the ARPA funds initially awarded to our agency for distribution to, and in support of, Connecticut senior centers.

To date, Aging and Disability Services (ADS) has approved nearly \$5.3 million of this ARPA funding for senior center projects. With the remaining \$1.2 million, we are only able to fund project submissions received through May 7, 2024, when the funding reduction became effective. This also means we currently do not have enough funding to support submissions received after May 7th or any statewide senior center initiatives, as originally planned.

As your submission was received on or before May 7, 2024, it is currently under review; if the projects are approved, there is funding available to fully fund those requests.

ADS-BOA Staff will be in touch with you regarding your submission.

It is important that you do not incur any costs or start any projects until your submission has gone through the review process, been approved, and you have a fully executed agreement in place.

I look forward to working with you,
Claire



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