Please note that these numbers include both general and federal funds unless otherwise indicated. The amounts are rounded and the numbers of people to be served are estimates. The budget includes the mandated 4% funding increase for DD Community Services.

Community Services Proposed FY 2022 Budget = $1,487,820,229

**Summary:** The DDA budget increased by 8.4% over the current year due to the provider rate increase and the cost of new expansion planned for FY 2022 as well as the annualized base of FY21 expansions.

**RATES/WAGES FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES – 4%**
The Minimum Wage Act of 2019 mandated a 4% rate increase for DD Community Services funding. $51.2 million for FY22 is included in the proposed budget to continue the 4% rate increase that was implemented 6 months early on January 1, 2021. (General + Federal Funds)

**TRANSITIONING YOUTH**
$23 million
600 Individuals
This is projected to support 600 Transitioning Youth who are exiting the school system in fiscal year 21 and who are eligible for DDA employment and other day supports in FY22. (General + Federal Funds)

**EMERGENCIES**
$2.37 million
39 Individuals
This is projected to support 39 people to access community supports and services; for individuals in emergency situations. (average 6 months actual) (General + Federal Funds)

**WAITING LIST – CRISIS RESOLUTION AND PREVENTION**
$13.7 million
296 Individuals
Community supports and services for people in the highest priority categories on the DDA Waiting list, including people in Crisis Resolution and Crisis Prevention categories. (average 6 months actual) (General + Federal Funds)

**WAITING LIST EQUITY FUND**
$6.3 million
38 Individuals
Support for individuals on the DDA waiting list – priority is given to people with the oldest caregiver. (Special Funds)
DSS AGING OUT PLACEMENTS
$4.1 million
21 Young Adults
DDA- funded community supports for individuals aging out of Department of Social Services programs. (General + Federal Funds)

LOW INTENSITY SUPPORT SERVICES (LISS)
$5.5 million
2000 Individuals and families
Short term, low-cost services that support children and adults who aren’t receiving other DDA services. (General Funds- No matching Federal Funds)

The DDA budget hearings will be held on March 5, 2021 in both the House and Senate at 1:30 PM via Zoom.

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