



Board Summary Report

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To: Board of County Commissioners

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Presenter:
Matt VanAuken, Executive Director and CEO, Developmental Pathways

Subject:
1:30 PM *Developmental Pathways Annual Mill Levy Review

Purpose and Request:

Developmental Pathways will provide their annual informational session on the use of mill levy funds in Fiscal Year 2025 to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities/delays (I/DD) in Arapahoe County in accordance with Referendum 4A passed in 2001. Developmental Pathways will allow time for discussion and input from the Board on future use of funding.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Economic Resilience and Stability - Strengthen systems-level investments and partnerships that advance food security and essential human services to promote economic stability.

Background and Discussion: Developmental Pathways is a Community-Centered Board (CCB) which contracts with the state to provide supports and services to people with I/DD residing in Arapahoe and Douglas counties and the entire City of Aurora. Voters of Arapahoe County passed a referendum in 2001 allowing a one mill property tax to be levied to support people with I/DD, specifically emphasizing a few key areas of focus:

1. Prioritizing assistance for those waiting for services and/or with unmet needs;
2. Raising service quality for people with I/DD;
3. Stabilizing service infrastructure, specifically by investing in staff training & retention;
4. Supporting the providers of last resort.

Each year, the executive leadership of Developmental Pathways presents an annual report of mill levy spending detailing how funds are were used to meet the criteria identified in the original referendum and the annual service agreement between Arapahoe County and Developmental Pathways.

Alternatives: This is an informational report.

Fiscal Impact: In Fiscal Year 2025, Arapahoe County contributed \$15,769,984 in mill levy revenue to Developmental Pathways to support people with I/DD.

Alignment with Strategic Implementation Strategies: N/A.

Concurrence: Arapahoe County Finance Department concurs with the fiscal information provided.