Arapahoe County

Board Summary Report

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To: Board of County Commissioners

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Subject:

2:30 PM *Update on the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families administered by the Department of Human Services

Purpose and Request:

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is providing information to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) on the current state of the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) And Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) programs relative to funding and caseload volume.

Background and Discussion: Due to changes resulting from HB22-1295, Department of Early Childhood and Universal Preschool Program, as well as recent state/federal rule changes made to the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP), and due to changes resulting from HB22-1259, Modifications to the Colorado Works Program, DHS would like to provide information concerning the current state of both programs. DHS would also like to show the efforts that have been made to address the needs of Arapahoe residents.

Fiscal Impact: There will be fiscal implications resulting from these changes that will **likely** require reductions to TANF supportive services contracts beginning in State Fiscal Year 2025/26 in the amount of approximately $2 million per year. In addition, a CCCAP freeze on new applications will be implemented in January 2025.

Alternatives: This study session is to share information with the BOCC.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

☐Be fiscally sustainable

☒Provide essential and mandated service

☐Be community focused

Staff Recommendation: None.

Concurrence: Not applicable