Oregon State Unit on Aging Intrastate Funding Formula October 1, 2021

Oregon's Older Americans Act (OAA) grant award, Oregon Project Independence, and Legislative special purpose appropriations are allocated to individual Area Agencies on Aging based on a combination of a Base Amount formula, a Land Area formula, and a Population formula on a biennial basis. OAA Sections 305(a)(2)(C) have been met, and criteria set forth in Sections 305(a)(2)(C)(i) and (ii) have been considered and factor weights in Oregon's funding formula are based upon the most current census data released.

<u>Summary</u>

The *base amount formula* allocates a predetermined amount to each area agency.

The *land area formula* allocates a percentage based on the agency's share of Oregon's total square mileage:

- 5% of Older Americans Act award after subtracting base amount for applicable titles
- 5% of Oregon Project Independence appropriation

The method used to meet the needs for services in rural areas are percentages of the OAA allocation distribution based upon each AAA share of Oregon's total square mileage. The land area formula is used in allocating Title III B, IIIE and VII funds and Oregon Project Independence.

The *population formula* bases an agency's percentage of the grant allocation on the agency's share of population factors compared to Oregon's total for each factor. The amount allocated based on population is the total amount less allocations for base amount and/or land area where applicable.

The population factors overlap: For example, those who are 75+ are counted once in the 60+ factor and again in the 75+ factor. Those who are in poverty are counted once in the 60+ and again in this separate factor. Similarly, those who are a minority senior 65+ are counted twice (once in the 60+ and once in the factor for minority). The result is that those 75+,

minority 65+, and poverty 65+ are weighted twice that of those 60+. If a senior were 75+, minority and in poverty, they would be counted in all four demographic factors.

The number of minority older Oregonians was used in calculating the allocations for Title IIIB, IIIC, IIIE and VII. Minority plus poverty was the primary factor used in allocating Title IIID Preventive Health funds. Each funding source has a separate allocation (supportive services, congregate meals, home delivered meals, family caregiver support, elder abuse prevention, preventive health, Oregon Project Independence and when applicable, Legislative special purpose appropriations). The chart below demonstrates how the three formulas are used to allocate the available funds for the seven programs.

	Biennial Base Amount	Land Area	Population Formula 1	Population Formula 2	Population Formula 3
OAA Title IIIB: Supportive Services	\$55,000	5.0%	remaining 95%	Not used	Not used
OAA Title IIIC- 1: Congregate Meals	Not Used	Not Used	100%	Not used	Not used
OAA Title IIIC- 2: Home Delivered Meals	Not Used	Not Used	100%	Not used	Not used
OAA Title IIID: Preventive Health	\$3,000	Not Used	Not used	remaining 100%	Not used
Title IIIE: Family Caregiver Support	Not Used	5.0%	Not used	Not used	remaining 95%
Title VII: Elder Abuse Prevention	\$1,000	5.0%	remaining 95%	Not used	Not used

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Oregon							
Project	Not		remaining				
Independence	Used	5.0%	95%	Not used	Not used		
Legislative	Not	Varies depending upon purpose of funds:					
Special	Used	General use – 5% land, 95% population;					
Purpose		health promotion use – \$3K base and					
Appropriation		Population Formula 2.					

Population Formula 1: (IIIB, IIIC-1, IIIC-2, VIIB, and OPI)

- a. population 60 years and older, plus
- b. population 75 years and older, plus
- c. minority population 65 years and older, plus
- d. poverty population 65 years and older with incomes below 125% of federal poverty level.

Population Formula 2: (IIID)

- a. population 75 years and older, plus
- b. minority population 65 years and older, plus
- c. poverty population 65 years and older with incomes below 125% of federal poverty level.

Population Formula 3: (IIIE)

- a. population 70 years and older, plus
- b. minority population 65 years and older, plus
- c. poverty population 65 years and older with incomes below 125% of federal poverty level.

Minimum Congregate and Home Delivered Allocation:

Because both nutrition titles determine allocation on population alone, Oregon's least populated region tends to receive less than what it costs to provide minimum services. For this reason, a minimum was set for Harney County to guarantee continuation of services. Harney's minimum funding level for congregate meals is \$32,000 and \$4,000 for home delivered meals. If the population based factors provide less than the minimum to Harney and the minimum is allocated, the additional funding is taken out of all other AAAs funding. The remaining amount is distributed based on the population factors outlined above. Oregon's current minimum Title IIIB expenditure requirements for funding for priority services of access, in-home and legal assistance services are:

- > Access: 18%
- Legal: 3%
 In-Home: 3%