

Proposed Division of Aging Services Budget Reductions for Fiscal Year 2010 / 2011

Program/Subprogram/Activity	Reduction
Elder Community Living Services	
<u>Alzheimer's Services</u> : day care and the internationally-recognized rural mobile adult day care program which provides not only service for the older adult (such as information and referral, transportation, medical monitoring, medication administration, therapeutic activities, speech and physical therapy, and nutrition) but also supports the caregiver who needs to work or who needs relief from the stress of caregiving	\$225,000
<u>Respite Services</u> : day care, in-home homemaker services, and in-home personal care services which are vital, low cost services aimed at keeping elders in their home communities and outside of institutions which are far more costly	\$1,376,718
Elder Abuse and Prevention	
<u>Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities</u> : a wide array of community-based support services targeted to communities of older adults living in Metro Atlanta and Savannah	\$145,000
Elder Community Living Services	
Georgia Caregivers Resource Center: rural mobile adult day care funding (see above)	\$36,228
Navigator Program: funding to place grandparents and relative caregivers in Metro Atlanta DFACs offices to help other relative caregivers navigate the social and public service systems	\$70,000
<u>Kinship Care Program</u> : case management, support groups, medical assessment, information and referral, and other support services for grandparents raising their grandchildren, 40% of whom are living in poverty	\$478,275
<u>Legal Services Contract (Sr. Legal Hotline)</u> : legal information, referral, and advice on civil matters from attorneys for seniors and caregivers, especially those who live in rural areas and lack affordable and accessible legal services, available statewide and free of charge through an "800" telephone line	\$259,669
Elder Abuse Investigation and Prevention	
<u>Long Term Care Ombudsman</u> : funding which brought local level staffing up to meet standards of care and promptness in responding to complaints from residents of nursing homes, personal care homes, and community living arrangements; making routine visits to monitor resident care; supporting family and resident councils; providing education for facility staff to ensure the rights of residents; and supporting system change to protect society's most frail citizens. This reduction in funding will result in loss of 12 FTE positions in the field and the elimination of some vital services.	\$500,000