

# MILL LEVY PROGRAM

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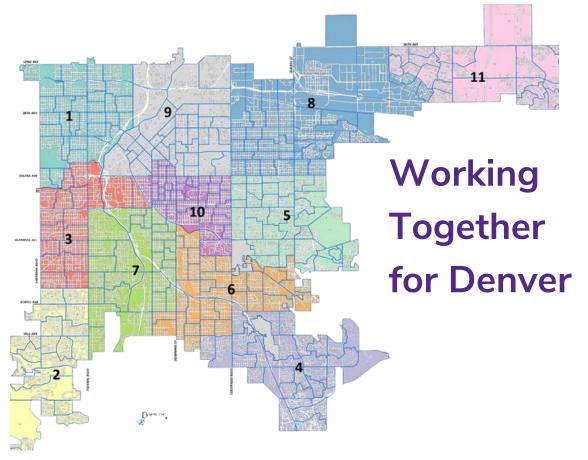


#### **People Supported**

RMHS is the DELEGATE OF THE STATE and ACCESS POINT for IDD SERVICES & SUPPORTS for ALL DENVER RESIDENTS

# **Community Centered**

RMHS service coordinators support Denver residents with an Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) in their community of choice. They assist them to access the services & supports they need to live the life they envision.



### RMHS Role | Proximity

IDD service delivery for people across their lifespan to receive the services & supports to live the life they envision.

Best positioned to ensure efficient access and flexible options for Denver residents to utilize mill levy funds.



#### **Empower**

individuals and families to request funding to meet unique needs.



#### Support

unmet needs
through wraparound services
and community
initiatives



#### **Provide**

direct access &
flexible provider
options for ALL
eligible Denver
residents



### 4563 People

In 2021, the Mill Levy Program served 4563 unique Denver residents with an IDD across multiple program areas, age groups, ethnicities, languages and gender identities regardless of immigration status.



Infants/Toddlers
Birth to 3 years



Children
3-17 years



Young Adults
18-21



Adults 21+

**1467** 

2010

173

913

### **Funding Distribution**

#### Administrative & Overhead

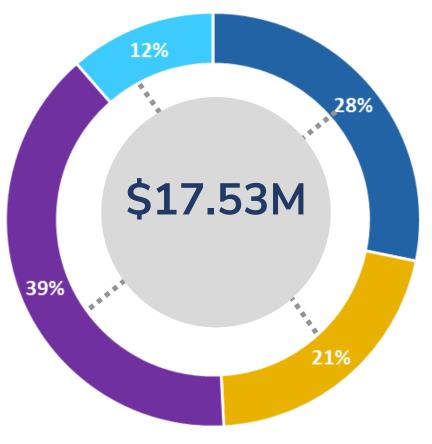
Indirect costs as defined and capped in ordinance

#### Individual Requests

Unique requests to meet individualized needs

#### Mill Levy Support Plans

Services that enhance the person's service plan and support needs



#### RMHS Initiatives

Specific positions and programs to fill system gaps

#### **Enhanced Service Coordination**

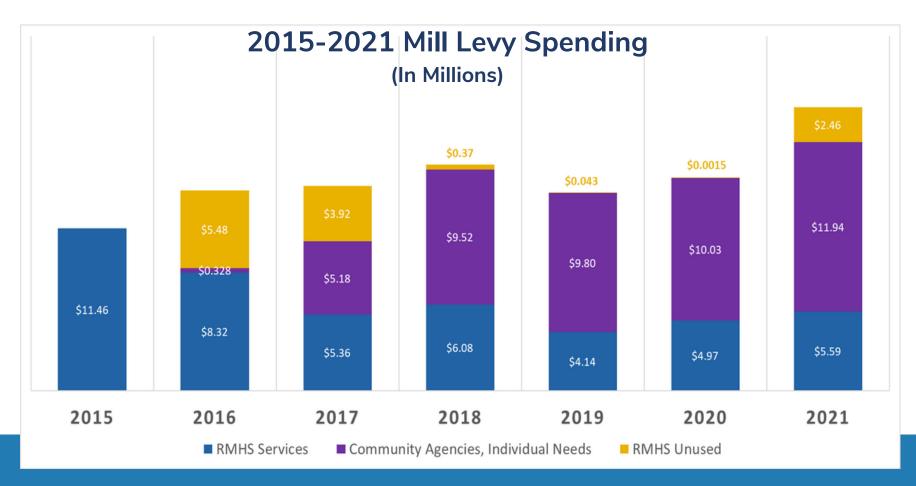
Service Coordinators that facilitate mill levy requests

#### **Community Initiatives**

Innovative projects that provide unique IDD services

Administrative & Overhead
 Community Initiatives
 RMHS Enhanced Services
 Client & Family Directed Funds

### **RMHS** Budget Management



Year over year RMHS demonstrates transparency, accountability, & commitment to manage our budget, maximize spending to directly benefit eligible Denver residents, and keep business costs lean.



#### Individual Requests | Mill Levy Support Plans

\$2.47M Approved

+39%

1950 Individuals

+81%

5193 Requests

+39%

\$3.9M Utilized +28%

Mill Levy Team Motto:

Get to a

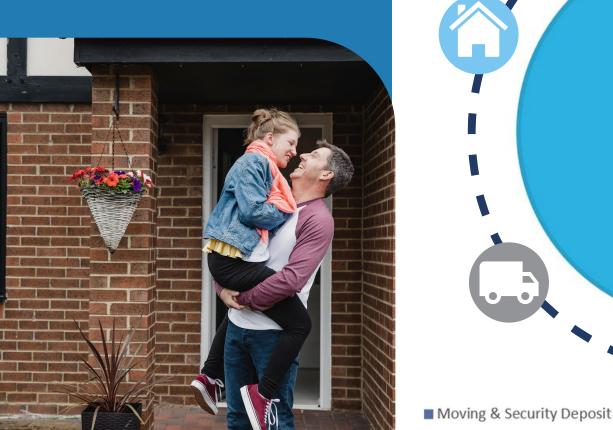
"YES!"

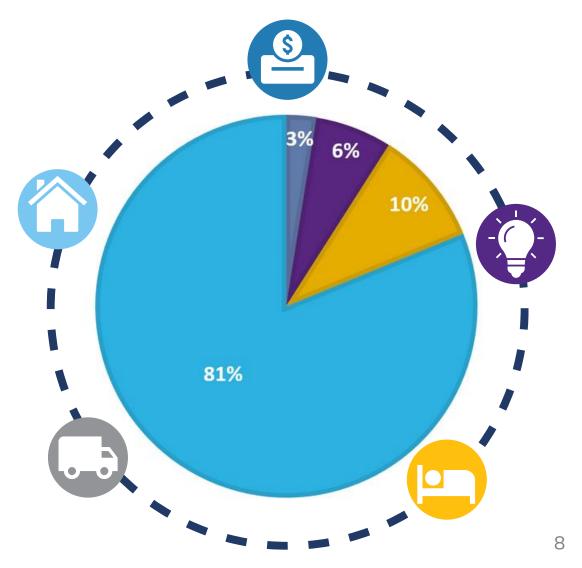
Meet Mikelle, the first & only nonverbal podcaster in the world. Mikelle submitted an individual request for better equipment to enhance the production quality of her podcast. Mikelle and her podcast continue to change lives around the world.

### **Housing Stabilization Assistance**

2021 Funding Distribution

258 unique Denver households received \$377,587 for housing stabilization assistance





■ Utilities

■ Hotel/Emergency Housing

Housing

### **Access For ALL Eligible Residents**

99 "Not-in-Program" clients received Mill Levy Service Coordination to facilitate individuals' requests and authorize Mill Levy Support Plans

#### Eligible Residents

All eligible Denver residents
may request mill levy
funding regardless where
they receive case
management services.

### Waitlist Management

22 of the 800 Denver residents waiting for residential services are not enrolled in another program. RMHS ensures access to Mill Levy.

### Undocumented Individuals

Approximately 12
individuals that do not
qualify for federally
funded programs have
Mill Levy Support Plans.



"We couldn't have done this without Mill Levy, and I would recommend Rocky Mountain Human Servicesto anyone,"- Thomas' father, Mitch

### RMHS INITIATIVES

Dedicated staff positions provide targeted services & supports to address client needs and address system gaps



#### El Engagement Specialist

- Assisted 56 families with Early Intervention services referral & application
- Provided training, resources, and information to 9 community partners
- Coordinated 33 Transition to Home packages

#### Early Intervention (EI) Denver

- Denver Early Steps: Delivered Early Intervention services to 55 children with developmental delays that no longer qualified under the State's eligibility threshold
- Transition Home Program: Provided supports to 36 infants and their families leaving the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- Non-El Children's Clinical: Completed 69 diagnostic evaluations for children over three years

#### **Infant Mental Health Specialist**

- Provided therapy sessions, to 12 families per week
- · Conducted 10 trauma-informed training sessions
- Launched "Gap Support" providing crisis help to over 15 families

#### **DPS Liaison**

- Conducted outreach to all 223 DPS schools
- Distributed 340 RMHS resources packets
- Conducted 45 meetings with DPS teachers, staff, and community agencies

#### **Crisis Case Manager**

- Consulted over 50 individual cases
- Collaborated with & provided educational trainings for 14 community organizations
- Conducted 7 investigations involving mistreatment, abuse, neglect, or exploitation, which included completing an investigative report with actions taken and outcome

### **Denver Early Steps**

Amid changes in State Early Intervention programs, families find stability in local services

### Community Screenings

Qualified Denver Early Steps staff use the ASQ screen tool in community settings to identify developmental concerns and ensure families get referred for El Colorado or Denver Early Steps.



### Developmental Monitoring

Wrap-around service provides a safety net for children exhibiting delays but do not quite hit the 25% delay threshold. This service mitigates the risk of them falling behind and not receiving critical early intervention services.



### Individual and Family Services

Traditional Early Intervention services and family group sessions for children that do not meet the threshold, but exhibit developmental delays.



# Investing in Community Initiatives



RMHS continues to shape the funding opportunities for community initiatives through Community Advisory Council recommendations, data analysis, and stakeholder feedback.

- Focus on priorities areas and system gaps
- Extend the reach to more Denver Residents
- Emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

AS 28
Projects

\$3.28M
Funding

**1,719** People

- EL GRUPO VIDA offers culturally competent community navigation and support services to raise awareness and accessibility for non-English speaking immigrant families.
- EVOKE successfully offers severe behavior treatment needs for youth that have exhausted all other options. EVOKE is the only willing and qualified Colorado provider.
- THERAPIES FOR HOPE prioritizes diversity, equity, and inclusion in their no-cost intensive therapy and sibling camps
- CFPD MISSION SUPPORTS seeks out Individuals
   at risk or experiencing homelessness and may qualify for IDD services. Provides intensive case management to support the intake & enrollment process.

RMHS is grateful to the City and County of Denver for its generosity to people with an IDD.

RMHS is resolved in our commitment to embrace challenges and to create innovative solutions through mill levy funding as demonstrated throughout this year.

Thankyou