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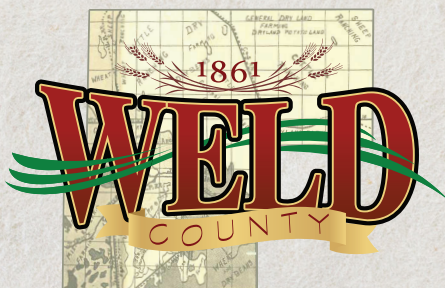
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# Chore Service Program

Dedicated to enriching the lives of Weld County older adults



## By the Numbers

- According to the AARP Public Policy Institute, 87 percent of adults age 65 years old and older want to stay in their current home and community as they age.
- By 2030, one out of every five people in the U.S. will be 65 years old or older.
- Older adults who stay in their own homes are likely to need help at some point with household chores.
- According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, as much as 77 percent of emergency room visits can be associated with falls involving consumer products such as ladders and yard and garden equipment.
- The injury rate associated with chore services in people age 65 years old and older is consistently higher than any other age group.



## About the Program

The Chore Service program provides funds to older adults for chore services which they are unable to complete safely by themselves.

The program is designed to help maintain independence by increasing the safety of individuals living at home.

## Eligibility

- Must be 60 years old or older.
- Must be a Weld County resident.
- Must complete an assessment to demonstrate inability to perform chore services.

## How it Works

After approval into the program, participants must hire their own provider (who cannot be a family member) to complete chore services. Participants pay the provider for services rendered and are reimbursed by the program up to the approved voucher amount.



## Services

Services may include but are not limited to the following:

- Cleaning appliances, including defrosting and cleaning refrigerators, deep cleaning ovens, etc.
- Cleaning and securing carpet and rugs
- Cleaning and waxing wood or walls
- Washing windows or walls
- Moving or rearranging furniture to provide safe entry and mobility
- Cleaning attics, basements, porches and outbuildings to remove fire and health hazards
- Grass cutting or leaf raking
- Clearing walkways of ice, snow and leaves
- Trimming overhanging tree branches
- Other services may be approved as needed

## Benefits of Aging in Place

Research shows that most older adults want to live in their homes and communities for as long as possible.

Aging at home brings with it many benefits, both to older adults and the communities in which they live, and can contribute to a higher quality of life.

A longtime home is a place of comfort and memories and can be a source of connections to family members, neighbors, friends, places of worship, community groups, familiar shops and health providers.

## Why Chore Service Matters

By helping with minor tasks around the home to meet the needs of the older adults who live in them, it helps support independent living, caregiving and the prevention of falls.

It is cost-effective to help someone in their home and reduces the potential need of additional support services.

