



**FACT SHEET**

**INTRASTATE  
FUNDING  
FORMULA (IFF):**

L.A. County Impact: Supporting  
a Validation Step Before Finalization



**What's Happening**

The State of California, through the California Department of Aging (CDA), is updating how funding is distributed to Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) through the Intrastate Funding Formula (IFF). These updates aim to better align funding with need by considering factors such as age, income, disability, and geography. L.A. County supports these goals and the focus on equity. A short validation step is needed to ensure the formula works as intended before finalization.

**Why This Matters in L.A. County**

L.A. County serves one of the largest and most diverse older adult populations in the state, representing approximately **24–25% of California's older adults**. At this scale, even small changes in funding can result in significant impacts on services.

**Estimated Impact**

Based on initial analysis of the proposed formula:

- Up to 17% reduction in funding
- Estimated \$5.9 million reduction across services
- \$4.1 million in nutrition programs alone

**What This Could Mean**

- Nearly 396,000 fewer meals each year
- About 1,571 fewer meals every day

**This includes:**

- More than 185,000 fewer congregate meals
- Nearly 210,000 fewer home-delivered meals

**396,000** → Meals Lost Annually

**1,571** → Meals Lost Daily

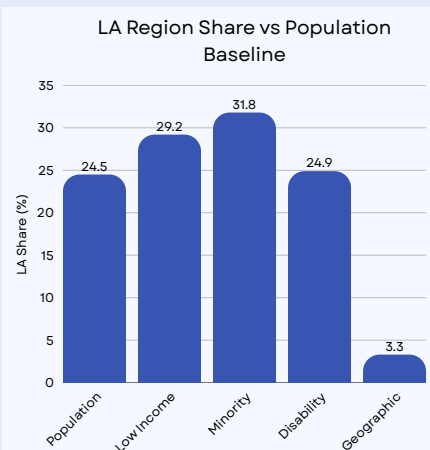
**Services at Risk**

Funding supports essential services such as:

- Home-delivered and congregate meals
- Transportation
- Caregiver support
- Ombudsman services
- Case management

A reduction at this scale could directly affect access to these services for older adults and people with disabilities.

**L.A. County represents about 24–25% of California's older adult population.**





## INTRASTATE FUNDING FORMULA (IFF):

### Key Consideration: Formula Sensitivity

Preliminary review shows that small changes in how factors are weighted can significantly affect funding outcomes across regions.

This is especially important for large, high-need counties like Los Angeles, where demand is influenced by multiple overlapping factors.

### Why Validation Is Needed

A short validation step helps ensure the formula produces results that reflect real-world service needs.



#### A short validation step would:

- Confirm the formula works as intended
- Ensure results reflect real-world service demand
- Test how small changes affect outcomes across regions
- Strengthen long-term equity and stability



### CALL TO ACTION

## What L.A. County Is Requesting

A short validation step before finalization, including:

- Running 2–3 alternative scenarios
- Testing how changes in factor weighting affect results
- Confirming alignment with actual service delivery

*This is a practical step to strengthen the model before implementation—not delay it.*