



# CENA

## COMMUNITY EXPANSION OF NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

In accordance with the Oklahoma Department of Commerce’s (ODOC) intent of the annual appropriations bill, the Office of Community Development (OCD) distributes the CENA Funds to Councils of Government and Area Agencies on Aging for distribution to eligible Multipurpose and Independent Senior Centers.

The funds are used to *address* nutritional and social needs of senior citizens through the purchase of food, insurance, payment of utilities, facility maintenance and purchase of equipment, transportation, food preparation, and many other activities.

### **SFY 2021 Performance Quick Facts:**

- *The Oklahoma Councils of Governments and Area Agencies on Aging reported 503 Eligible Multipurpose and Independent Senior Centers.*
- *A total of 314 Senior Seniors were funded to provide general facility improvements of nutritional conditions.*
- *CENA Funds assisted more than 21,836 Seniors 60+ in age with enhanced nutritional and social needs.*

### **Success Stories:**

Mounds had an emergency water line break due to the February 2021 abnormal winter storm with extreme freezing temps. CENA funds were used to help them out with this repair beyond their initial award.

*INCOG-Tulsa 2021*

*Several centers who went above and beyond by not only providing drive by pick up meals but made phone calls to provide welfare checks to their senior participants.*

*LTC-Enid 2021*

*A couple of centers were able to purchase new stoves, one was able to purchase a refrigerator and one 3 compartment sink.*

*KEDDO- Wilburton 2021*

### **Three Year Program Snapshot**

<b>CENA</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>
Annual Funding	1,881,867	1,960,278	1,820,009
Senior Centers Funded	314	316	318

Senior 60+ Assisted	21,836	23,559	23,187
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