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Residential Needs HOUSING: Over 11,000 individuals with Intellectual and Developmental (IDD) Disabilities who need residential supports are currently on OPWDD’s Residential Request List:

- **46% of Caregivers report being over the age of 60**
- **80% of Individuals placed in certified settings (from 7/2015-7/2016) were in CRISIS! Their transition was not Person-Centered!**
- **53% of households have only one caregiver**
- **61% of caregivers report that they are experiencing health related issues that make it difficult to care for their loved one**

OPWDD’s 2016-17 available supply of certified residential opportunities (vacancies + new capacity) is projected to be 1,421 – helping less than 43% of those living with aging caregivers.

NO Residential Development:

The \$120 Million from 2016-17 budget dedicated to supports to meet the needs of people living at home and transitioning from the school system (Community Hab, Day Hab, Employment) **is not available for certified housing.**

Only \$10 Million of the \$120 Million dedicated in the budget STATEWIDE is allocated to **residential supports** for people who are *not* Priority 1.

\$10 million = approximately \$2 million/region = approximately 12 people per region could be supported in certified housing. **But the DDROs were instructed to look at non-certified options, subsidies and less expensive options to serve more (which means higher functioning) people. Individuals requiring medication, nursing, or behavior support NEED care in a certified setting per OPWDD regulation.**

The lack of funding is unfair and discriminatory to those with more needs.

ASK:

\$100 million in NEW spending (State Share) dedicated to NEW Certified Residential Development

\$200 million (State and Federal share) in NEW annual spending= \$40 million/region = approx. 1,333 statewide, or 267 people per region will be supported in certified housing development.

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