

Denver Mill Levy Services

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What is the Denver Mill Levy?

In 2003, Denver residents approved a mill levy, or property tax, to support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Denver.

Denver Human Services directs most property tax income from the mill levy to RMHS to help individuals with I/DD and their families by:

1. *Increasing access to services.*
2. *Increasing options to address individual needs.*

How does RMHS use the mill levy funding it receives?

RMHS uses mill levy funding in three ways:

1. ***Client-Directed Funds:*** To empower Denver residents with I/DD to directly access mill levy funds to meet their individual needs for services and support.
2. ***Community Partners:*** To support individuals, nonprofit organizations and businesses that provide unique I/DD services and support.
3. ***Enhanced RMHS Services:*** To provide additional support to Denver residents who access RMHS services by eliminating wait lists, enabling service coordinators more time to work with clients, and enhancing clinical programs.



Meeting Individual Needs

Denver residents with I/DD and their families can request services and support to meet their individual needs that are not available through other resources. Examples include:

- Adaptive equipment
- Durable medical equipment
- Dental and medical costs
- Evaluations and assessments
- Transportation
- Caregiver and parent training
- Car seats
- Safety items
- Cribs and beds
- Some Medicaid-limited services and support



Denver residents with I/DD and their families can access mill levy funds for these items in two ways.

1. If you have an RMHS service coordinator, contact him or her to submit your request.
2. If you do not have an RMHS service coordinator, visit www.rmhumanservices.org/individual-requests to complete an online form, or contact RMHS at 303.636.5865 or MillLevy@rmhumanservices.org.

Partnering to Provide Unique I/DD Services

Tools to help people start businesses or find employment opportunities. Programs that offer inclusive community activities. Organizations that facilitate support groups for parents and siblings.

These are a few of the unique services that are available to Denver residents with I/DD and their families, thanks to mill levy funding.

To learn more about our community partners and their programs for Denver residents with I/DD, visit www.rmhumanservices.org/our-community-partners.

RMHS accepts applications from the community for mill levy-funded projects that would increase the service options and provider base to benefit Denver residents with I/DD. To learn more about funding and the next application period, visit www.rmhumanservices.org/community-partners.

Enhancing RMHS Services

RMHS uses a portion of the mill levy funding it receives to enhance services for Denver residents with I/DD. Below are examples of ways RMHS uses this funding.

- **To enable** case managers to provide more than the annual Medicaid cap of 60 hours to children from birth to age 3 with developmental delays and adults with I/DD.
- **To reduce** the wait time for children from birth to age 18 to receive assessments for developmental delays and disabilities, so they can receive therapies as soon as possible.
- **To provide** additional funding beyond state dollars for direct services and case management for families of children ages 3 and older with I/DD. Without mill levy funding, these families would wait for services.
- **To offer** state-mandated trainings, such as first aid, to family members who provide services to Denver residents with I/DD.



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Rocky Mountain Human Services (RMHS) is a nonprofit organization that believes that by empowering people with resources, Colorado will thrive as a strong, inclusive place where everyone can take part.

RMHS provides personalized case management and services for:

- Children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their families.
- Military veterans who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
- People transitioning from inpatient mental health facilities to the community.





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For More Information

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