

Dear Ms. Long,

I write in support of the application submitted by Neighbor Network of Northern Nevada (N4) for the Alzheimer's Disease Programs Initiative (ADPI) project proposal through the Department of Health and Human Services. N4 is doing important work with its innovative village model that connects people in Nevada for inclusive, community-based services, volunteer opportunities, and affordable transportation. N4 is shaping the culture in Nevada by valuing the assets and gifts of each individual and organization, and ensuring everyone has full community access with its Community Care program, N4 Connect transportation program, Time Exchange, and Volunteer Village.

N4's ADPI project proposal would support a statewide effort to provide training, consultation, and direct services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), people living with dementia, and their family care partners. This project will provide support for people living alone with dementia, people diagnosed with both an I/DD and dementia, and assisting family care partners to manage the behavioral symptoms of dementia. This project will include both in-person and virtual (telehealth) expert consultation from the State of Nevada's Aging & Disability Services Division and the Alzheimer's Association using evidence-based interventions across the entire state. N4 will expand its Community Care program to provide much needed direct services to people with I/DD, people living with dementia, and their family care partners with a person-centered and community-focused approach. N4 also utilizes Nevada's No Wrong Door/Single Entry Point system to ensure people are connected to other needed resources and services.

N4's ADPI project will help reduce family caregiver burnout with necessary support and consultation. This project will build a more effective workforce of paid caregivers who are trained to identify the early signs of dementia, how to manage the behavioral symptoms of dementia, and how to support a person with an intellectual or developmental disability and dementia. N4's track record for building strategic partnerships and collaboration in the community will ensure people living alone with dementia have the information and support they need to live healthy and independent lives as long as possible and with greater personal choice and self-direction.

Since its incorporation, N4 has demonstrated how hard Nevadans will work to tackle community issues and support the development of resourceful, collaborative, and sustainable solutions across all sectors. This project will keep Nevadans living with dementia at the center of its design while piloting new ways to ensure people have the necessary information and services to achieve a greater quality of life.

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Please give fair and full consideration to their application. If you have any questions, you may refer them to Trevor Dean, at 202-224-5930 or Trevor_Dean@cortezmasto.senate.gov. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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