

# Cheyenne Housing Authority and Laramie County Senior Services

A program of the Cheyenne Housing Authority

# Cheyenne Housing Authority

- Serves as the Public Housing Authority for Cheyenne and Laramie
- Owns, manages, and/or maintains 568 housing units
- Administers 1,800 Housing Choice Vouchers in Cheyenne, Laramie, Rawlins, Lander/Riverton, Cody/Powell, Sheridan, Buffalo, Gillette, and Wright
- Administers 153 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers housing chronically homeless veterans in Cheyenne, Sheridan, and Gillette
- Sponsors the Welcome Home Wyoming program that to date has provided down payment assistance to over 1,000 new homeowners throughout Wyoming
- On behalf of HUD, performs statewide contract administration services for 51 properties with 2,165 rental units



# Overview of Laramie County Senior Services

LCSS has served the needs of the elderly (individuals 60 and older) in Cheyenne since 1972.

The program focuses on several areas of service:

- Nutrition
- Senior Services/Activities
- Family Caregiver including the Loan Closet and Health Promotion.

LCSS is funded with:

- Federal and State Grants
- County and City funds
- Donations and Fundraising

# LCSS Overview (continued)

LCSS serves, on average, 60,000 meals per year through the main meal site downtown and the three satellite locations in Cheyenne.

We provide a wide range of activities to over 400 unduplicated participants per year, including: card games, billiards, exercise classes, yoga, various monthly social events and outings, and brain stimulators.

Every year we host AARP Tax Services. In 2019 we served 750 households, 625 in 2020, and 690 in 2021.

Volunteer opportunities are provided for one-time or ongoing events.



# LCSS Guest Comments

"Meals are so good"

"Excellent"

"I like to come and learn about other people and hear their stories"

"I enjoy the variety of things to do and the socialization"

"I like going to the exercise classes to work my body out in the fellowship of other people my age"

"I was lonely when COVID was bad and I couldn't go out, I missed talking to people, I am happy to be back"

"I like the company"

LCSS operates out of the  
Laramie County Senior Activity Center  
2101 Thomes Avenue in Cheyenne





# The current facility limits LCSS's ability to serve all Laramie County seniors

- Building is 45+ years old and in need of major repairs
- At 8,567 square feet is not large enough to serve Laramie County's growing senior population, which has grown to 16.5% of Laramie County's population, or approximately 16,600 seniors

## Difficult to access:

- ✓ surrounded by City growth
- ✓ limited general parking
- ✓ no adjacent accessible parking
- ✓ difficult to locate because line-of-site visibility is limited



# Parking



Approximately 6 general parking spots, no accessible parking





Lobby / Reception area is small, including donation library



Rooms are dark and outdated, even with new LED lighting



Dining room and kitchen are small and outdated



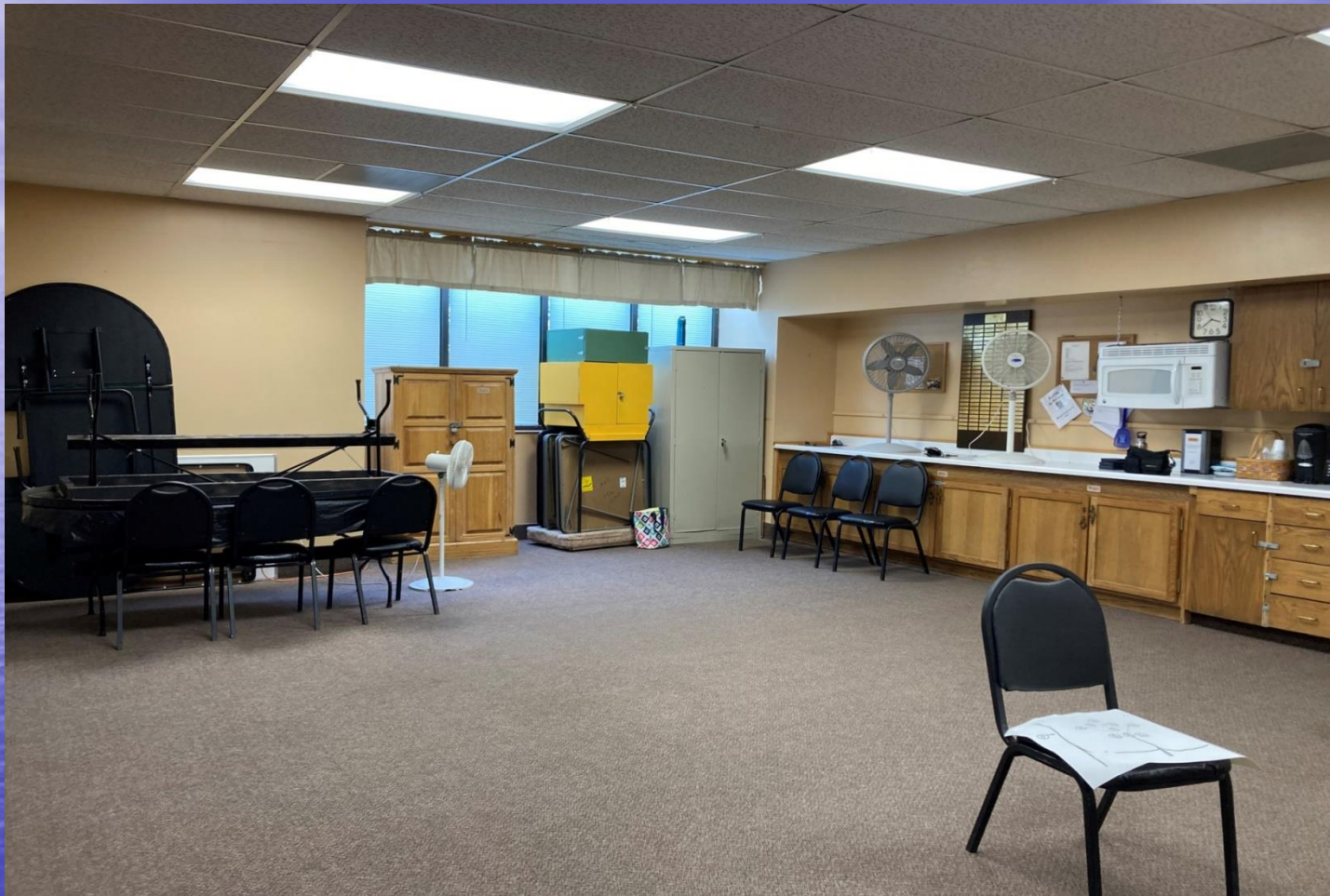


Living Room/TV Room seats approximately 12 persons





One small Wellness Room/Exercise Room limits activities



One Wellness, Activity and Socializing Room makes simultaneous activities impossible



# Best Solution: New Senior Activity Center

6<sup>th</sup> Penny Funding  
Proposition 9 on November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ballot

Future Location:  
Pershing Avenue, just East of the Maverick  
Gas Station @ College and Pershing





# Location Features

- Epicenter of Laramie County population
- On city bus route
- Adjacent CHA's Foxcrest Community Center
- Within 1 mile of 300 senior housing units
- Within 5 miles of an additional 700 senior housing units

# Future Senior Activity Center: Concept Drawings created by Architect Randy Pouppirt



SOUTHWEST CORNER



NORTHWEST CORNER

**POUPPIRT**  
NEW LARAMIE COUNTY SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER  
CHEYENNE, WY  
DATE: 06.09.21



# Southwest and Northwest View



NORTHEAST CORNER



SOUTHEAST CORNER

# Features of Concept Building

- Expands the 3,000 square foot Foxcrest Community Center into a 17,000 square foot facility
- Has 80+ parking spots, including accessible parking
- Has easy access off of Pershing and through the neighborhood
- Plans for reduced operating costs
  - ✓ will be constructed with durable, low maintenance materials
  - ✓ Will utilize high efficiency heating and cooling systems and LED lighting



For love of our parents and  
grandparents...

On November 2<sup>nd</sup> please vote "YES" on  
Proposition 9

A new Laramie County Senior Activity Center