

Meals on Wheels	Ready in 2018
Total Cost: \$5,100,000	Funding Amount: \$1,600,000
<p>Description: The purpose of this project is to build a new facility for Meals on Wheels of Boulder that will be an asset to the community and an investment in Boulder’s future. Land valued at \$1.8-\$2M has been donated in the Mackenzie Junction development located at O Diagonal. The current facility in the West Boulder Senior Center is at capacity and continuing operation there is not part of the new Civic Area Plan. This new facility will allow for expanded meal delivery services to more Boulder area adults as the population ages, as well as more offerings on-site, classes, and opportunities to share space with other organizations.</p> <p>Learn more: www.mowboulder.org Population served: 2000+ people and 77,112 meals in 2016</p>	
<p>Planning: Meals on Wheels has been working with capital campaign consultants since 2015 to prepare to launch a capital campaign for this project. The organization has been working with the developer and contractors since mid-2016 to develop the concept and plan for the facility. The entire Diagonal Crossing Project site review was approved in April 2017, and special ordinance for the commercial kitchen was approved in June 2017. Coburn Architects is working on final design, costs and timeline for construction.</p>	
<p>Operating cost impacts: The new facility will result in increased costs. However, increased revenues will be realized through additional services that the current kitchen cannot presently offer. There will be opportunities to grow additional sources of income diversification through shared use of office space, commercial kitchen space, catering opportunities and more.</p>	
<p>Opportunities, challenges, and considerations: This expansion is preparation for the coming “Silver Tsunami” as the community’s Baby Boomers grow older and require greater support to “age in place,” at home. Meals on Wheels provides a single source service to the community which is aligned with the city’s Human Services Strategy goal for Health and Well-Being. Meals on Wheels’ home-delivered meal service is a resource residents can access to optimize their physical, mental and social well-being.</p>	