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ELDERLY HOT MEALS PROGRAM FUNDED

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole announced today the allocation by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare of \$1,176,919 to the State of Kansas for the funding of Hot Meals Programs for the elderly across the State.

The funds are awarded under Title VII of the Older Americans Act and will be channeled through the State to the eleven Area Agencies on the Aging in Kansas. The funds will be available for obligation through June 30, 1975.

Dole, a sponsor of the original Older Americans Legislation, applauded the effort of the Older American Act Programs to help meet the nutritional and social needs of our older citizens. "These funds will help assure that many elderly residents of Kansas will have a more nutritious diet and the opportunity to get out of their homes and enjoy the companionship of their fellow citizens," Dole said.

The Elderly Hot Meals program was initiated last year by the Area Agencies on Aging with \$2 million federal grant made available to the State last August. The funds announced today will assure continued operation of the Elderly Nutrition Program through the coming year.