

## FOR IOWA'S COMMUNITY PROVIDERS:

- Utilize the \$14.6 million outlined in the Governor's budget proposal for an across-the-board increase for all community providers. This would increase HCBS and Habilitation rates by 5%.
- An additional \$7.1 million is needed to impact specific services for children and better community integration identified by the Health and Human Services Strategic Framework Workgroup:
  - An investment of \$1.5 million toward Residential-Based Supported Community Living (RB-SCL) would increase the rate allowing community providers to build capacity in this service area identified by Iowa HHS. Since 2019, this service has shrunk by 53% and more children are sent to out-of-state facilities for lack of in-state options.
  - An investment of \$5,628,730 toward Intermittent Supported Community Living (SCL) would increase the rate by 25% allowing community providers to sustain this essential service for both children and adults. This is a lower cost service that prevents more expensive 24-hour placement. As of SFY21 claims, 65% of providers reported a loss of more than fifty cents on the dollar. Additional investment over the next two years to reach a 75% rate increase would build capacity for more individuals receiving services in their own homes.