

## **Narrative of Changes – MaddieLuke Support Budget Modification as of April 1, 2016**

### **1) Transfer \$7,495 from Respite to Assistance with Access –**

This contract year we have received several Respite vouchers back where the care provider has charged less than \$10 per hour. This has allowed a small decrease in our unit cost for the Respite service. This transfer of funds will help us to better fund staff costs, including coordinators to help locate caregivers, whilst not diminishing the funding of the Respite Voucher program.

### **2) Transfer \$1,000 from Caregiver Support Groups to Assistance with Access –**

As in previous years, we have had very little interest in the Support Group service. We have begun a partnership with a Support Group in Lawton and have seen some small success in this area resulting in some units of service – we anticipate meeting goal this year. The cost to deliver this service is minimal and it is felt that we will not expend all funds under Support Groups and that funds would be better utilized under Assistance with Access to help fund staff costs, including coordinators to help locate caregivers in the service area.