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**Deputy Joan Collins
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.**

Re: PQ 17816/24

Dear Deputy Collins,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this Department for response.

“To ask the Minister for Health the funding provided by HSE to meals on wheels service providers in 2022, 2023 and to-date in 2024, in tabular form. - Joan Collins”

As noted in previous responses, there are currently 317 Meals on Wheels Organisations in operation across the country delivering on average 239,000 meals monthly to approximately 19,000 clients monthly. These organisations are geographically located across nine Community Health Organisations (CHO) and budgets are managed through each CHO's Older Persons Service.

Details of the amounts provided specifically to Meals on Wheels service providers for 2022 is not centrally available.

Meals on Wheels			
CHO	2022	2023	2024
	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>	<i>EUR</i>
Total Recurring Funding	3,500,000	5,250,000	6,250,000
<i>Additional funding provided included in total above</i>			
CHO1		230,000	98,101
CHO2		210,000	136,076
CHO3		110,000	66,456
CHO4		430,000	265,823
CHO5		160,000	85,443
CHO6		90,000	50,633
CHO7		170,000	101,266
CHO8		180,000	101,266
CHO9		170,000	94,937
Total additional funding	-	1,750,000	1,000,000

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Tighe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'D' and 'T'.

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