

Issues Facing Our Community: SENIOR SERVICES

OVERVIEW

As the senior population continues to experience growth in our community, senior services are essential to the health and financial stability of older individuals. Services allow seniors to continue living in their own homes. There are a number of needs that seniors may have including; home health aides, skilled nursing care, meal delivery, help with household chores, transportation, as well as counseling, advocacy and legal aid. In addition caregiver assistance programs that provide family caregivers with information, counseling, and respite services are also vital.

SERVICES/ORGANIZATIONS

Local services that have programming or the ability to assist with seniors needs.

- Senior Coordinator
- Senior Linkage Line
- NAPS Program
- Mobile Food Drop
- Senior Center
- Meals on Wheels
- MOMS Meals
- Churches

- SR Companion Program
- Rainbow Rider
- Ready Ride
- Senior Perspective
- Law Enforcement
- Medicaid
- Assisted Living
- Nursing Homes
- Hospital
- Home Care Agencies
- Horizon Public Health
- Human Services
- Medical Alert
- Habitat - Brush with Kindness
- VA Services
- Senior College ATCC

THE COMMUNITY IMPACT COALITION

The coalition's strategic intent is to create long lasting impact in our community in the areas of education, income, and health by serving as a resource in identifying and meeting community needs, as well as being a resource to one another. Meetings take place once a month and are open to the community.

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BARRIERS TO MEETING NEEDS

Caregivers:

- Burnout
- Liability

Seniors:

- Pride
- Stigma
- Transportation
- Stipend guidelines
- Fixed income
- Internet access/use
- Application

Funding

Scheduling

Cases of Fraud

Service hours/days



NEEDS

Outreach

Respite Program

Engagement:

- Volunteers
- Youth volunteers

Socialization

Support Groups

Application assistance

Engagement:

- Youth volunteers
- Service learning
- Volunteers

Awareness:

- Newsletter
- Marketing

Meetings with Respite

Training:

- Families
- Volunteers

Resources

- Financial education
- Social Activities

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS