

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

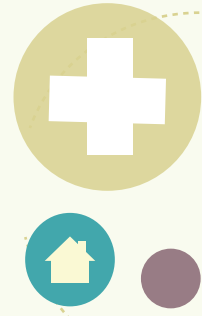
- SR Companion Program
- Rainbow Rider
- Ready Ride
- Senior Perspective
- Law Enforcement
- Medicaid
- Assisted Living
- Nursing Homes
- Hospital
- Home Care Agencies
- Horizon Public Health
- Human Services
- Medical Alert
- Habitat - Brush with Kindness
- VA Services
- Senior College ATCC

NEEDS

- Outreach
- Respite Program
- Engagement:
 - Volunteers
 - Youth volunteers
- Socialization
- Support Groups
- Application assistance

UNITED WAY 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. Learn more at www.uwdp.prg



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



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POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

- Engagement:
 - Youth volunteers
 - Service learning
 - Volunteers
- Awareness:
 - Newsletter
 - Marketing
- Meetings with Respite
- Training:
 - Families
 - Volunteers
- Resources:
 - Financial education
 - Social Activities