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# A Message from the Secretary

We are pleased to present this annual report of the Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA), which describes our accomplishments and services during 2007 and our budget presentation for fiscal 2009.

As you know, we face a major demographic challenge in the years ahead. In the year 2000, the number of seniors in Maryland was just over 800,000. Today there are about 900,000 and in five years there will be over one million seniors in Maryland. By 2030, the number is projected to increase to 1.7 million seniors. Just as we



plan for schools and roads, we must plan for the impact that retirement of Maryland's baby boomers will bring. Fortunately, not all 1.7 million seniors will be looking to the State for assistance. Many will be healthy, independent and financially secure. However, as the population increases, so will the actual number of persons who will require assistance. That assistance may take the form of subsidies to help pay for community-based long-term care in order to avoid less desirable and more costly nursing home care; protection of people who are wards of the State through public guardianship appointments; assistance to people who reside in nursing homes; and the provision of programs and services that will keep people healthy and engaged in community life.

During my extensive legislative career, and most recently as Secretary, I have been privileged to meet thousands of seniors who have confirmed what I long suspected to be true: most seniors want to remain in their homes and remain active and connected to their communities. This requires continuing efforts to develop and implement long-term planning initiatives and community-based alternatives to institutional care. Not only is this what seniors want and need, it can save Maryland tens of millions of dollars in long-term institutional care. The bottom line is that many of our programs and services that help Maryland's seniors stay healthy and remain in their homes and communities are good for seniors and good for Maryland taxpayers.

These are just some of the challenges ahead. The Maryland Department of Aging and Governor O'Malley look forward to continuing our partnership with the aging network and the people of Maryland to provide solutions that will improve the overall quality of life for our older adults, their families, and for all citizens in Maryland.

Sincerely,

Gloria Lawlah Secretary

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# **History**

- \* In 1959, the Department originated as the *State Coordinating Commission on the Problems of the Aging* (Chapter 1, Acts of 1959).
- \* It was renamed *Commission on Aging* in 1971 (Chapter 595, Acts of 1971).
- \* The *Governor's Coordinating Office on Problems of the Aging* was established by the Governor in 1974.
- \* In 1975, the *Commission on the Aging* and the *Governor's Coordinating Office on Problems of the Aging* merged to form the *Office on Aging*, a cabinet-level agency (Chapter 261, Acts of 1975).
- \* In July 1998, the Office was restructured as the *Department of Aging*, a principal executive department (Chapter 573, Acts of 1998).

# Statutory Base

Two statutes serve as the primary base for the Maryland Department of Aging's (MDOA) operations: Title 10, Human Services Title, Annotated Code of Maryland and the federal Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended. The major duties assigned to MDOA under these statutes are to:

- \* Administer programs mandated by the federal government;
- \* Establish priorities for meeting the needs of Maryland's senior citizens;
- \* Evaluate the service needs of Maryland's senior citizens and determine whether or not programs meet these needs:
- \* Serve as an advocate for seniors at all levels of government; and
- \* Review and formulate policy recommendations to the Governor for programs that have an impact on senior citizens.

# Organization

The Maryland Department of Aging receives State general funds, as approved by the General Assembly, and federal funds through the Older Americans Act and other sources to carry out it mission.

The partnership between the Maryland Department of Aging and the 19 local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) provides programs and services for seniors statewide. AAAs are local government or non-profit organizations designated by MDOA, under federal statutory authority, to provide for a range of services to meet the needs of older Marylanders. Each AAA is required to submit a plan for the delivery of services. Approval from MDOA is based on AAAs having met State and federal statutory and regulatory requirements. State and federal funds are allocated to AAAs based on formulas developed by MDOA in cooperation with the AAAs.

# **Organization** (Continued)

AAAs receive additional funds through county and municipal support and public/private contributions. AAAs provide services to seniors either directly or through contracts with other public or private organizations. While programs such as information and assistance and nutrition are available to all seniors, the increase in the numbers of seniors and limited public funds necessitate that services be directed first to those seniors in greatest social and economic need and those who may be at risk of institutionalization.

# Vision

The Maryland Department of Aging envisions Maryland as a State where all people are able to age with dignity, opportunity, choice and independence.

# Mission

The Maryland Department of Aging, partnering with the Area Agencies on Aging and other organizations, provides leadership, advocacy and access to information and services for Maryland seniors, their families and caregivers.

# Key Goals

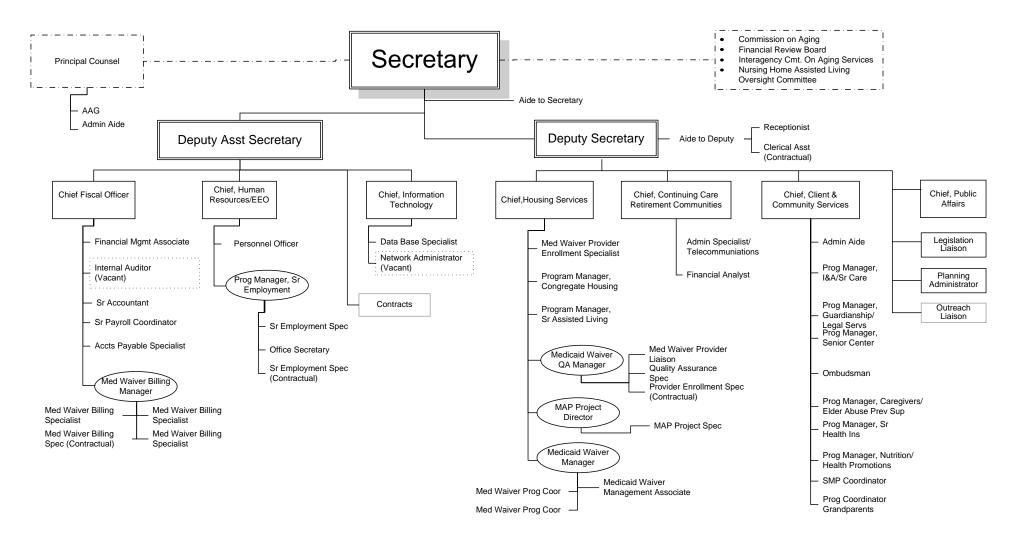
To ensure that older citizens are treated with dignity and respect, the Maryland Department of Aging, through leadership, advocacy and community partnerships, has established eight goals. Programs and services administered by MDOA are the vehicles for achieving the goals, which allow for flexibility and change in the way programs can be structured for future generations of seniors. The goals are:

Goal #1:	To enable seniors to live in the most appropriate residence within the community for as long as possible.
Goal #2:	To ensure that all seniors are treated with dignity; and to the extent possible, that resources are available to protected our most vulnerable seniors against abuse, exploitation and consumer fraud.
Goal #3:	To enhance the quality of nutrition, health education, physical fitness and socialization activities offered to Maryland seniors.
Goal #4:	To provide direct access to information on services for seniors and their caregivers.

# **Organization** (Continued)

Goal #5:	To promote the continuous civic engagement of seniors by providing a broad range of employment training options and opportunities for volunteerism.
Goal #6:	To enhance the quality of programs and services by through data collection, analysis, research, policy development and training.
Goal #7:	To promote integrity and confidence in Maryland's Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) and to monitor the viability of existing CCRCs and the feasibility of planned CCRCs.
Goal #8:	To develop innovative programs to meet the needs of baby boomers entering the ranks of seniors.

# Maryland Department of Aging



- $\checkmark$  Accessible Homes for Seniors
- ✓ Congregate Housing Services Program (CHSP)
- ✓ Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) and Continuing Care at Home (CCAH)
- ✓ Emergency Preparedness
- $\checkmark$  Evidence Based Health Initiatives
- $\checkmark$  Long Term Care Awareness Campaign
- ✓ Maryland Access Point (MAP)
- $\checkmark$  Maryland Senior Mediation Project
- $\checkmark$  Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults
- ✓ Medicare Part D Rollout
- ✓ Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs)
- $\checkmark$  Nursing Home Diversion Grant
- ✓ Senior Assisted Living Group Home Subsidy Program (SALGHS)
- ✓ Senior Care Program
- ✓ Senior Centers
- ✓ Senior Center Plus
- ✓ Senior Information and Assistance Program (I&A)
- $\checkmark$  Senior Employment Program
- $\checkmark$  Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
- $\checkmark$  Senior Nutrition
- $\checkmark$  Special Older Americans Month Events

### **Accessible Homes for Seniors**

This initiative, funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development and jointly sponsored by the Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA), offers zero-interest loans to income eligible households (maximum income of \$42,504-\$51,240) to be used for home modifications to enable seniors to "age in place." Installation of grab bars, lever handles on doors, wider doorways and first-floor bathrooms are examples of such modifications.

In 2007, 40 persons made accessibility-related improvements to their homes at a cost of \$676,211, an average of \$16,905 per homeowner. For many seniors, these improvements are critical to allowing them to stay in their home and maintain their independence.

### **Congregate Housing Services Program (CHSP)**

In 2007, almost 800 frail, low-income seniors received services through the Congregate Housing Services Program. A combination of participants' co-payments, \$1,604,257 in State funds, \$792,615 in federal funds and \$645,395 in local contributions allowed these seniors to remain in their apartments with in-home services.

### **Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs)**

In 2007, MDoA issued initial certificates of registration that allowed for expansion of two existing CCRCs, Broadmead in Baltimore County and Brooke Grove Retirement Community in Montgomery County. In addition, the Maryland Department of Aging approved a new CCRC in Montgomery County called Ingleside at King Farm and is evaluating feasibility studies for a new facility in Howard County, an expansion of Asbury Methodist Village in Montgomery County, and a newly registered continuing care facility in Montgomery County.

### **Emergency Preparedness**

As part of the 2006 amendments, the Older Americans Act included an Emergency Preparedness requirement, i.e., Sec. 306(17), which asks local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) to describe how they will coordinate activities and develop long-range emergency preparedness plans with local and State emergency response agencies, relief organizations, local and State governments and other institutions that have responsibility for disaster relief service delivery. In response, MDoA worked closely with each AAA by focusing on four key areas, i.e., educating seniors about the value and importance of emergency preparedness; outreach initiatives to identify unknown vulnerable seniors; use of senior centers as "secondary shelter locations;" and personnel training on emergency management procedures.

### **Evidence Based Health Initiatives**

In an effort to reduce rates of disability, improve mental and cognitive function, and lower health care costs, the Maryland Department of Aging is leading an effort to promote healthy behaviors in older adults. Research has shown that older adults, who increase physical activity, adopt healthy eating habits, and take steps to minimize the risk

of falling, can live longer and healthier lives. Funded by a three-year, \$750,000 grant from the U.S. Administration on Aging, the Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with six Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), service providers, and local health departments are working to implement the Chronic Disease Self Management Program developed at Stanford University. The program, known in Maryland as "Living Well – Take Charge of Your Health," features a series of six-week classes around the state that is training people to manage chronic diseases. To date, 392 individuals have participated in classes to assist them in managing their chronic conditions.

### Maryland Access Point (MAP)

In October 2003, Maryland was one of the first 12 states to be awarded an \$800,000 federal grant to pilot Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC). The program provides states with an opportunity to effectively integrate their long-term support resources for consumers into a single coordinated system. To date, 43 states have been awarded ADRC grants. In Maryland, the ADRC Grant Program is known as Maryland Access Point, or MAP.

The MAP program invited proposals from local governments and non-profit agencies to develop new MAP operational sites. The competitive process resulted in planning grants to two new MAP sites, the Area Agencies on Aging in Washington and Anne Arundel counties. The new sites plan to be operational early in 2008.

### **Maryland Senior Mediation Project**

With a grant from the Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office, the Maryland Department of Aging is working to enhance the availability of mediation centers to provide senior mediation services. Senior mediation services can assist seniors and their families with making decisions and resolving conflicts without going through the court system. Senior mediation is helpful when families are grappling with issues related to an elder's financial responsibilities, capacity to make important decisions or arrangements regarding daily living and assistance needs.

### **Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults**

The Waiver for Older Adults (WOA) provides services and other long-term supports to low-income individuals aged 50 and older, who would otherwise reside in nursing homes. In 2007, the waiver served over 3,500 individuals. Accomplishments for the year include:

- Implementation of new policy and procedures for Waiver provider billing in response to amended regulations designed to eliminate the duplication of Medicaid payments for participants in assisted living facilities that also attend adult medical day care.
- Established a Quality Assurance Unit that resulted in an improved provider application process and increased the oversight and technical assistance to enrolled Waiver providers.

- Improved the Reportable Event (RE) data collection system that enhanced the ability to analyze, track and trend incidents impacting Waiver participants' health, welfare or safety. This resulted in recommendations for systemic changes to the program service delivery.
- Effective November 2007, an electronic plan of care (ePOC) was incorporated into the Waiver Tracking System for the development and storage of the client's most up-to-date Plan of Care information.

### **Medicare Part D Rollout**

The 19 Area Agencies on Aging and the staff of the Maryland Department of Aging played a key role in helping Maryland Medicare beneficiaries to understand and enroll in the Medicare Prescription Drug program. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) reported that about 80% of Maryland's Medicare beneficiaries have enrolled in some type of plan with drug coverage, exceeding their target of 70%.

### Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs)

In 2007, the Maryland Department of Aging provided continuation grants to two NORCs. One community, Senior Friendly Neighborhoods, is in Northwest Baltimore and the other, Community Partners, is in Rockville, Maryland. The NORCs bring together a coalition of community partner agencies to provide services to older adults living in their own homes in a community that has a high concentration of people aging in place. Services include a range of social and health supports including transportation, case management, personal care, social activities, volunteer opportunities, education, preventive health services, building community, and many other activities that are identified by the constituent populations. The goal of the NORC is to deliver a range of services to people 60 years of age and older that enables them to stay in their home while enjoying a safe and secure lifestyle enhanced by wellness, social, recreational, and social work services. Other sources of funding include the federal government, local government, and foundations.

### **Nursing Home Diversion Grant**

In September 2007, Maryland was one of 12 states to receive an 18-month, \$500,000 Nursing Home Diversion Grant Program. The grant is funded by the U.S. Administration on Aging and provides an opportunity for the Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with five Area Agencies on Aging and other long-term care stakeholders, to help individuals who are not yet eligible for Medicaid to avoid nursing home placement. The project will create a protocol to identify and target older adults who are at risk of long-term nursing home placement and Medicaid spend down and offer those individuals a self-directed spending benefit to purchase services that will assist them to remain in the community.

### Senior Assisted Living Group Home Subsidy Program (SALGHS)

More than 600 seniors received subsidized assisted living placements through the statewide SALGHS program. A combination of residents' personal income and \$3.4 million in State general funds allowed frail elders no longer able to live on their own to live in a supervised residence where their daily needs are met. Without subsidy assistance, many of these seniors might be placed in nursing homes, which could cost over \$62,000 a year. The State spends an average of \$4,400 annually per participant. In 2007, the maximum program benefit was increased from \$550 to \$650 per month

### Senior Care Program

The Maryland Department of Aging, through the 19 Area Agencies on Aging, was able to serve more than 3,800 seniors with Gapfilling funds. Additional funds of \$750,000 in the FY07 budget allowed AAAs to enhance case management services, cover increased service costs and serve about 200 additional people from the waiting list. The program provides coordinated, in-home services to seniors who need help with daily tasks so that they can remain in the community.

### **Senior Centers**

Through the Senior Citizens Activities Centers Capital Improvement Grants Program, the State has provided in excess of \$29,326,000 in capital improvement grants to local governments for senior center development since the program's inception in 1979. The Maryland Department of Aging awarded \$500,000 in operating funds to twenty-five senior centers in seven jurisdictions for innovative program development during FY07. Many of the new programs are evidence based health promotion projects aimed at helping participants reduce health risks and increase their ability to manage chronic conditions.

### **Senior Center Plus**

Senior Center Plus is a supervised social day care program held in a non-residential setting and is designed to promote socialization, improve mental and physical functioning and address the nutritional needs of frail seniors. Currently, there are 48 sites operating in 19 of the 24 jurisdictions in Maryland. Additional sites are anticipated in 2008.

### Senior Information and Assistance (I&A) Program

Annually, the I&A program provides one-on-one assistance to over 45,000 seniors who require aging services, including affordable housing, prescriptions and health care, utility assistance, income management, and more. In 2007, the Senior I&A workers located in the 19 Area Agencies on Aging received state-wide mediation training under the Maryland Senior Mediation Project, a partnership with the AAAs and Community Mediation Maryland. Through this effort, I&A staff were instructed on the mediation process and how to identify and refer seniors who are experiencing issues that are appropriate for mediation.

### Senior Employment Program

For 2007, the U.S. Department of Labor awarded a \$1,190,913 grant to MDoA to support the Senior Community Service and Employment Program (SCSEP). This program trains 166 participants through community service in government and non-profit agencies.

This year, the Customer Service Surveys sent to participants, host agencies and employers yielded an 87% approval rating on the federal American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI).

### Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

MDoA, working with the Maryland Department of Agriculture and the AAAs, provided 8,700 vouchers to low-income seniors for the purchase of fresh fruits and vegetables at Maryland farmers' markets. The U.S. Department of Agriculture provided a grant for this program. Seniors received nutrition education materials and information on the importance of consuming at least five servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

### **Senior Nutrition**

The Maryland Department of Aging, through the 19 Area Agencies on Aging, served more than 1.48 million meals at senior centers and other nutrition sites. Senior Centers with large ethnic populations served special ethnic meals to accommodate participants. The socialization that occurs is as important as the nutritional value of the meals for seniors who might otherwise be isolated.

An additional 1,296,000 meals were delivered to the homes of frail seniors. Trends show that persons receiving meals use the meal services for a longer period of time because they are able to stay in their own homes as they age. These Marylanders are "aging-in-place."

### **Special Older Americans Month Events**

The Maryland Department of Aging joined the Maryland Centenarians Committee, Inc. in hosting the 15th Annual Maryland Centenarians Recognition Luncheon on May 10, 2007 at Martin's West in Baltimore County. This Older Americans Month celebration pays tribute to Maryland citizens who have reached or surpassed the landmark age of 100. Fifty-six centenarians, ranging in age from 99 to 109, were guests of honor at the luncheon, attended by over 900 relatives, friends, caregivers, volunteers and exhibitors. The Maryland Department of Aging has co-sponsored this event since 1993. Currently, there are more than 1,000 centenarians in Maryland.

The Maryland Department of Aging received grants in 2007 from the following funding sources:

- Administration on Aging, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Administration on Aging
- Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO)
- Office of Refugee Resettlement, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Maryland Office for New Americans, Department of Human Resources
- U. S. Department of Agriculture
- U. S. Department of Labor

### Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program

The Maryland Department of Aging's Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), has been in operation since 1987, and has been designated by the Governor as the agency to receive funds under the Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Grants Program (Section 4360 of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1990, P.L.101-508).

The mission of Maryland SHIP is to offer locally-based assistance and counseling with respect to the many problems Medicare beneficiaries encounter regarding health insurance. In fulfilling the mission, SHIP provides services, using trained volunteer counselors, in five general areas: (1) health insurance claims assistance and problem resolution to Medicare beneficiaries and/or their caregivers regarding Medicare, Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plans, Medicare supplements, Medicaid programs, managed care plans, and long term care insurance; (2) information and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries and/or their caregivers in selecting appropriate health insurance products; (3) public education activities, printed materials, and media coverage on health insurance issues; (4) referrals and assistance to other appropriate community services and to governmental organizations; and (5) assistance with health insurance claims, reconsiderations, grievances and appeals.

SHIP funds are granted to all 19 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) to operate the program at the local level. The Maryland SHIP is a volunteer-based program, using approximately 120 trained volunteers as counselors or in support positions.

Funding Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Project Period: April 1, 2007-March 31, 2008 - Renewed annually Amount: \$484,120 (State cost match is \$52,814)

### Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)

In June 1997, the Maryland Department of Aging received a federal grant from the Administration on Aging to develop a project to respond to Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste, error, and abuse. This grant is part of a nationwide initiative called Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP).

The purpose of the SMP project is to reduce the amount of federal and State funds lost due to health insurance fraud by increasing the public's ability to detect and report possible fraud, waste and abuse. SMP has been successful in recruiting and training retiree volunteers to act as health insurance educators. One hundred and five volunteers have been involved in SMP activities this past year. Activities included public speaking engagements and instructing Medicare beneficiaries in monitoring health care expenditures and identifying potential discrepancies.

MDoA collaborates with partners at the local Area Agencies on Aging, the Rural Maryland Council, Maryland Insurance Administration, Maryland Attorney General's Office, AARP, and other state and private agencies to identify, recruit and train SMP volunteers who, having a variety of skills, education and experiences, will work together to educate the hard to reach populations of Maryland in fraud prevention, detection and reporting. Currently, there are 13 AAAs selected to operate the SMP projects (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, Kent, Caroline and Talbot, Frederick, St. Mary's, Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico, Worcester. Queen Anne's counties, and Baltimore City.

Funding Source: Administration on Aging (AoA)

Project Period: July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007

Amount: \$180,000 Renewed annually

### **Empowering Older People To Take More Control of their Health Through Evidence-Based Prevention Programs**

The Maryland Department of Aging received a three-year Evidence Based Prevention Programs grant from the Administration on Aging. We are implementing the Chronic Disease Self Management Program (CDSMP), which is known in Maryland as Living Well – Take Charge of Your Health. The CDSMP was developed at Stanford University and is an accountability program that empowers people with chronic disease to take control of their own health.

Six AAA/community provider partnerships are participating, covering eight counties. These include Baltimore, Howard, Caroline, Kent, Talbot, Montgomery, Prince George, and Worcester Counties. Montgomery County is providing an additional evidence based program called Active for Life, which focuses on helping people age 55 and over to stay active.

Each local partnership includes a community service provider (including two community colleges, a hospital, a commission on aging, and two in-home service providers), the area agency on aging, local health department, and a variety of additional partners including churches, insurance companies, low-income housing providers, and health care providers.

Two local participants (MAC and Howard County) have implemented the CDSMP in previous years, and are using their expertise to continue and expand the project. Howard County staff provides mentoring to all participants. Towson University Center for Progressive Aging is the evaluator for the grant. The National Council on Aging provides additional technical assistance. Maryland is developing a capacity to expand the program beyond the current participants and the three years of the grant.

Funding Source: Administration on Aging

Project Period:

Year 1-September 30, 2006-July 31, 2007

Year 2-August 1, 2007-July 31, 2008 Year 3-August 1, 2008-July 31, 2009 Amount: \$250,000 each year

### Legal Services Grant

The Maryland Department of Aging is partnering with the Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. to implement a grant whose overarching goal is to strengthen the coordination among various aging programs, Area Agencies on Aging and legal services providers to increase their knowledge of each other's services and substantive expertise, and support and expand the innovative Senior Legal Helpline operated by the Legal Aid Bureau. This collaboration will result in a better-coordinated legal services system targeting underserved seniors in two critical legal areas – advance directives and assisted living. The specific objectives are: 1) to improve information and services to elders concerning advance directives for English, non-English speaking and limited English proficiency seniors by partnering with Asian American and Spanish advocacy groups, healthcare, and faith-based entities; 2) provide elder residents with legal advice and brief services, as well as placement of their cases with appropriate IIIB providers; 3) create an Online Resource Center on Assisted Living targeted to operators of small residences (1-4 beds) and families of residents; and 4) provide callers at all intake/access points with accurate, legal information and guidance on assisted living and advance directives; and 5) to conduct a legal services needs assessment. Funding Source: Administration on Aging

Project Period: September 30, 2006-May 31, 2009 Amount: \$100,000

### **Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant**

Maryland was awarded a three-year grant for the ROSE (Respite, Outreach, Support, and Education) Project. The ROSE Project works within the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP) to identify and provide services to caregivers and families that are affected by dementia. The goal of the project is to improve the ability of rural and Latino/Hispanic family caregivers to be better prepared to care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease by improving access and availability of support networks for themselves using public and private resources through a coordinated effort of partnering agencies. Volunteers from faith-based organizations are being trained to provide in-home respite care.

Three AAAs are the grantees: USA, Inc., Washington County, and Baltimore City. Baltimore City recently expanded its outreach to minority populations other than Latino/Hispanic, (African American and Russian) because federal immigration raids have lowered the numbers of Latinos willing to ask for assistance from government Funding Source: Administration on Aging

Project Period: July 1, 2005-June 30, 2008

Amount: \$290,000 each year

### The Maryland Senior Mediation Project

The Maryland Senior Mediation Project is a program of the Maryland Department of Aging, in collaboration with Community Mediation Maryland, Maryland Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and The Center for Social Gerontology, and in cooperation with private and court-based mediators, the elder law bar, Legal Aid Bureau, the judiciary, AARP, and other organizations. The Project was initiated in February 2005 with funding from the Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO), an office of the Maryland Judiciary that helps fund and coordinate the development of mediation in courts, communities, schools, business, and government in Maryland. The Project has received two MACRO grants to date, as well as training support from AARP Foundation, and intends to apply for a third MACRO grant in June 2007.

The purpose of the project is to determine the status of mediation and related ADR services that were being directed to seniors or in issues particularly affecting seniors in Maryland and around the country; increase stakeholder and public understanding of the possible role of senior mediation; increase the availability of senior mediation in Maryland. Topics for the grant include decision-making and conflict resolution approaches by older persons and their families in caregiver, housing, estate planning, health care, employment, community, and other issues

Funding Source: Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office (MACRO) Project Period: Year 1 – February 2005-September 2006 Year 2 – August 2006-October 2007 Amount: Year 1 - \$49,000 Year 2 - \$40,000

### Farmers Market Nutrition Program

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is a program established by Congress and operated by the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service. The purposes of the SFMNP are to:

- 1) Provide resources in the form of fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables and herbs from farmers' markets, roadside stands, and community supported agriculture (CSA) programs to low-income seniors. Increase the domestic consumption of agricultural communities by expanding or aiding in the expansion of domestic farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSAs; and
- 2) Develop or aid in the development of new and additional farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSAs.

Maryland has participated in the program since its inception in 2001. The SFMNP is administered by the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA). The Maryland Department of Agriculture applies for the grant, and handles financial management, market management and the printing of checks, market maps and instructional pamphlets for participants. The Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA) recommends check allotment amounts per jurisdiction, provides technical support such as updates, progress, timelines, and other needed information for each AAA Farmers Market contact, and conducts reviews for compliance with program regulations. Area agencies on aging educate and authorize qualified seniors, issue checks and ancillary materials, and provide nutritional education.

To participate in the SFMNP, applicants must provide proof of age (60 or above), Maryland residency, and valid documentation of participation in a means-tested qualifying program. Eligible seniors receive a book of 5-\$3 SFMNP checks (total benefit level is \$15) to purchase locally grown produce from authorized farmers at authorized farmers markets.

Funding Source: USDA

Project Period: Annually, June 1 - October 31 Amount: 2007 - \$104,276

### Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant

In October 2003, Maryland was one of the first 12 states to be awarded a federal grant to pilot Aging and Disability Resource Centers in two counties (Howard and Worcester). Recently ADRC grants have been awarded to Anne Arundel and Washington counties.

ADRC programs are intended to provide individualized "one-stop shop" information and referral services as well as entry into long term care systems, programs and related benefits. ADRCs will provide support to individuals of advanced age and persons with disabilities, their family caregivers, and those planning for health and long term support needs. ADRCs are a resource for both public and private-pay individuals by helping families plan for future LTC needs, coordinate private LTC insurance with other benefits, access publicly funded LTC services, and link to important related programs. They also serve as a resource for health and long term support professionals and others who provide services to the elderly and to people with disabilities.

The ADRC in Maryland is known as the Maryland Access Point Program (MAP). The Maryland Department of Aging, in collaboration with its partners, the Department of Disabilities, the Department of Human Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, works to:

- a) Address relevant systems change information and strategies
- b) Share relevant information about programs and plans to accelerate consumer access

to eligibility determination and services
c) Identify and support the financial resources for statewide implementation.
Funding Source: Administration on Aging/CMS
Project Period:
Period 1 - October 2003-June 2006
Period 2 - September 2006-June 2008
Amount:
Period 1 - \$800, 000
Period 2 - \$400,000

### Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)

SCSEP provides training and employment assistance to eligible older workers through participating 501(c)(3) non-profit agencies or government entities (Host Agencies) that provide a community service to the general or senior populations. While in the Program, qualified older workers update and enhance their skills through opportunities for training provided by their Host Agencies. A federal grant from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and authorized under Title V of the Older Americans Act pays for participants to work 20 hours per week in positions that will provide workers with the experience and skills to find unsubsidized employment. The goal of the program is to enhance employment opportunities for older workers and to promote older workers as a solution for businesses seeking a trained, qualified, and reliable workforce.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), as authorized under Title V of the Older Americans Act

Project Period: Annually Amount: \$1,190,913

Amount: \$1,190,913

### **Targeted Outreach and Linkage to Older Refugees**

The purpose of the three year grant to MDoA was to improve access of refugees age 60 and over to financial, health-related, and other social services and benefits. The project was implemented in Montgomery County. The primary sub-grantee was Catholic Charities-Montgomery County Center. The Montgomery County Area Agency on Aging also received funding.

Vietnamese- and Amharic-speaking outreach specialists, hired by Catholic Charities, identified refugees from Vietnam and 11 other countries by visiting ethnic places of worship, grocery stores, and mutual aid organizations, as well as low-income senior apartment buildings, health clinics, senior centers and other places older refugees congregate. At those venues, the outreach specialists met with staff, interacted with individual refugee seniors, and gave presentations to groups of seniors. Once refugees with service needs were identified, Catholic Charities assisted in linking those persons with the AAA and other service providers. Since U.S. citizenship is a prerequisite to receiving or maintaining certain vital public services and benefits, Catholic Charities presentations to

refugee seniors raised consciousness about the need to learn English and to apply for citizenship.

In Year 2 of the project, with input from MDoA, MD Office for New Americans, and Catholic Charities, the Montgomery County AAA produced a brochure entitled "Citizenship for Older and Disabled Immigrants," containing information on the benefits of citizenship and how to find classes for learning English and citizenship preparation in Montgomery County. In Year 3, the brochure was translated and printed in 6 refugee languages (Amharic, Farsi, French, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese) and circulated widely to refugees and service providers by both grantees.

Funding Source: Office of Refugee Resettlement, U.S. DHHS through MD Office for New Americans, DHR

Project Period: October 1, 2004 - September 30, 2007 Amount: \$65,000

### **Nursing Home Diversion Grant**

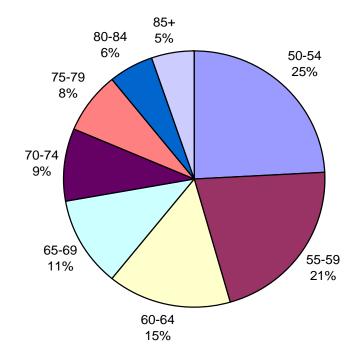
In September 2007, Maryland was one of 12 states to receive an 18-month, \$500,000 Nursing Home Diversion Grant Program. The grant is funded by the Administration on Aging and provides an opportunity for the Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with five Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and other long-term care stakeholders, to help individuals who are not yet eligible for Medicaid to avoid nursing home placement while using a consumer directed model of service delivery. This opportunity is designed specifically to help the Aging Services Network to transform the way it uses existing State and Federal funds to reflect the latest research and best practices in the field.

The Project will create a protocol to identify and target older adults who are at risk of longterm nursing home placement and Medicaid spend down and offer those individuals a selfdirected spending benefit to purchase services that will assist them to remain in the community.

Funding Source: Administration on Aging

Project Period: September 30 2007 – March 31, 2008 Amount: \$500,000





Age Distribution in Maryland 50+ Population, 2006



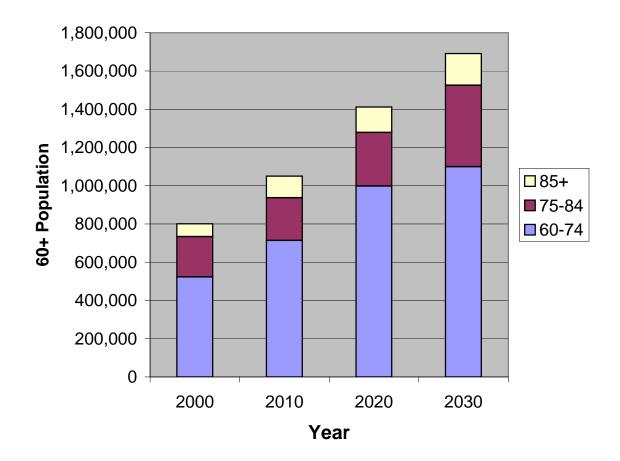
### **Facts and Figures**

In the State of Maryland, several demographic trends shape the Maryland Department of Aging's goals and priorities for service to seniors.

- Individuals over the age of 85 are the fastest growing segment of the population. This cohort will grow in number, statewide, from 66,902 in 2000 to 165,293 by the year 2030. A graphic representation of this increase is provided on page 18.
- The number of older Marylanders is increasing. Of the nearly 5.3 million people in Maryland in 2000, 15% (801,036) were over the age of 60. The percentage is expected to increase to 25.1% of Maryland's projected population of 6.7 million by the year 2030. The tables on pages 19 and 21 provide further information on the growth of the 60+ population.
- The geographic distribution of Maryland's senior population will change as the overall population distribution changes over the next 30 years. In 2000, 67.4% of Maryland's seniors resided in Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Montgomery and Prince George's counties. In 2030, these remain the top jurisdictions for individuals over 60, however, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties are each projected to increase their 60+ populations by over 230%. In addition, Howard, Frederick, Carroll, Cecil and Queen Anne's counties over 60 populations are projected to increase by more than 150%. The graph on page 20 illustrates the projected increases by jurisdiction.
- The greatest number of the State's minority seniors live in Baltimore City. In 2000, 32.3% of 60+ minority individuals lived in Baltimore City. The two counties with the next highest percentage of minorities are Prince George's County with 24.4% and Montgomery County with 15.7%. Of the population of older minority Marylanders who were 85+, 35% lived in Baltimore City, 19% in Prince George's County and 14% in Montgomery County in 2000. See table on page 23.
- Low-income older individuals are concentrated in the Baltimore Metropolitan area. A smaller number of poorer individuals aged 60 and over reside in Western Maryland and on the Eastern Shore. In 2000, 63,978 older Marylanders lived in poverty as defined by the federal poverty guidelines. See table on page 24.

Sources: U. S. Census, 2000; MD Department of Planning Population Projections, Revised August, 2007.

### Elderly Population in Maryland by Age Group, Age 60+, Years 2000-2030



	2000	2010	2020	2030
60-74	523,014	713,873	998,658	1,099,935
75-84	211,120	223,743	279,967	425,993
85+	66,902	112,392	133,180	165,293
Total	801,036	1,050,008	1,411,805	1,691,221

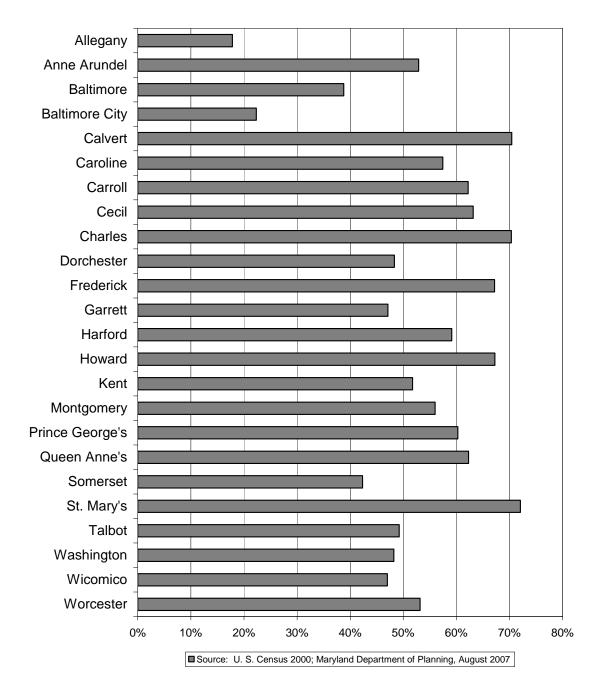
Source: U.S. Census 2000; Maryland Department of Planning Projections, August 2007

Jurisdiction	2000	2005	2010	2020	2030	% Change 2000-2030
Allegany Co.	17,105	17,065	17,689	19,861	20,817	21.7%
Anne Arundel Co.	67,510	77,881	92,578	119,419	143,339	112.3%
Baltimore City	110,961	108,493	114,955	135,601	142,867	28.8%
Baltimore Co.	140,313	145,833	164,126	205,629	229,227	63.4%
Calvert Co.	9,149	11,701	14,755	22,850	30,935	238.1%
Caroline Co.	5,264	5,775	6,740	9,649	12,373	135.0%
Carroll Co.	21,770	25,953	31,860	44,758	57,630	164.7%
Cecil Co.	12,254	14,445	17,643	25,610	33,273	171.5%
Charles Co.	13,547	16,943	20,953	31,929	45,710	237.4%
Dorchester Co.	7,008	7,553	8,631	11,672	13,564	93.6%
Frederick Co.	25,355	30,118	37,815	57,051	77,284	204.8%
Garrett Co.	5,962	6,586	7,419	9,756	11,271	89.0%
Harford Co.	30,352	36,213	44,460	61,319	74,294	144.8%
Howard Co.	26,606	33,991	44,371	65,183	81,251	205.4%
Kent Co.	4,677	5,293	6,145	8,142	9,696	107.3%
Montgomery Co.	130,647	149,686	179,062	247,729	296,889	127.2%
Prince George's Co.	90,558	107,884	132,595	186,304	228,001	151.8%
Queen Anne's Co.	7,105	8,603	10,356	14,836	18,850	165.3%
St. Mary's Co.	10,876	13,746	17,420	28,126	38,952	258.1%
Somerset Co.	4,563	4,897	5,519	7,244	7,915	73.5%
Talbot Co.	8,832	9,914	11,414	14,913	17,397	97.0%
Washington Co.	24,225	26,099	29,514	38,987	46,797	93.2%
Wicomico Co.	14,018	15,377	17,530	23,053	26,452	88.7%
Worcester Co.	12,379	14,046	16,458	22,184	26,437	113.6%
State of Maryland	801,036	894,095	1,050,008	1,411,805	1,691,221	111.1%

### Maryland's 60+ Population Projections by Jurisdiction, 2000 - 2030

Source: U.S. Census, Maryland Department of Planning, August 2007

### Projected Growth of 60+ Population by Jurisdiction, 2000-2030



# Maryland Population Projections by Age and Gender 2000-2030

						% of Total
	Age		Male	Female	Total	State Population
2000	60-64		96,399	105,330	201,729	. 3.8%
	65-69		77,449	90,793	168,242	3.2%
	70-74		66,542	86,501	153,043	2.9%
	75-79		51,439	77,052	128,491	2.4%
	80-84		30,253	52,376	82,629	1.6%
	85+		18,710	48,192	66,902	1.3%
		Total	340,792	460,244	801,036	15.1%
2005	60-64		118,335	132,030	250,365	4.5%
2000	65-69		84,583	98,080	182,663	3.3%
	70-74		65,092	81,901	146,993	2.6%
	75-79		52,891	75,763	128,654	2.3%
	80-84		36,221	61,186	97,407	1.7%
	85+		26,920	61,093	88,013	1.6%
		Total	384,042	510,053	894,095	16.0%
2010	60-64		149,857	172,173	322,030	5.5%
	65-69		105,660	123,996	229,656	3.9%
	70-74		72,542	89,645	162,187	2.8%
	75-79		52,420	72,113	124,533	2.1%
	80-84		37,969	61,241	99,210	1.7%
	85+	Tetal	36,158	76,234	112,392	1.9%
		Total	454,606	595,402	1,050,008	17.8%
2020	60-64		188,300	215,888	404,188	6.3%
	65-69		149,442	181,579	331,021	5.2%
	70-74		116,080	147,369	263,449	4.1%
	75-79		74,431	99,421	173,852	2.7%
	80-84		42,850	63,265	106,115	1.7%
	85+		44,647	88,533	133,180	2.1%
		Total	615,750	796,055	1,411,805	22.1%
2030	60-64		175,078	203,749	378,827	5.6%
	65-69		177,834	211,296	389,130	5.8%
	70-74		147,408	184,570	331,978	4.9%
	75-79		106,613	145,660	252,273	3.7%
	80-84		69,629	104,091	173,720	2.6%
	85+		57,883	107,410	165,293	2.5%
		Total	734,445	956,776	1,691,221	25.1%

Source: Maryland Department of Planning, August 2007

### Maryland's 2000 Population by Jurisdiction and Age

	% of Total 60+	60+	65+	75+	85+
Allegany Co.	2.14%	17,105	13,429	6,669	1,667
Anne Arundel Co.	8.43%	67,510	48,820	20,985	4,440
Baltimore City	13.85%	110,961	85,921	41,205	9,956
Baltimore Co.	17.52%	140,313	110,335	54,762	12,757
Calvert Co.	1.14%	9,149	6,627	2,948	664
Caroline Co.	0.66%	5,264	4,031	1,915	492
Carroll Co.	2.72%	21,770	16,267	7,728	2,011
Cecil Co.	1.53%	12,254	8,995	3,859	807
Charles Co.	1.69%	13,547	9,402	3,974	902
Dorchester Co.	0.87%	7,008	5,423	2,551	629
Frederick Co.	3.17%	25,355	18,836	8,752	2,088
Garrett Co.	0.74%	5,962	4,461	2,072	558
Harford Co.	3.79%	30,352	22,160	9,254	1,888
Howard Co.	3.32%	26,606	18,468	8,098	2,143
Kent Co.	0.58%	4,677	3,708	1,804	466
Montgomery Co.	16.31%	130,647	98,157	48,054	12,983
Prince George's Co.	11.31%	90,558	61,951	25,138	5,686
Queen Anne's Co.	0.89%	7,105	5,227	2,232	517
St. Mary's Co.	1.36%	10,876	7,825	3,489	775
Somerset Co.	0.57%	4,563	3,503	1,571	388
Talbot Co.	1.10%	8,832	6,897	3,347	821
Washington Co.	3.02%	24,225	18,690	8,887	2,246
Wicomico Co.	1.75%	14,018	10,823	4,931	1,189
Worcester Co.	1.55%	12,379	9,351	3,797	829
Total	100.00%	801,036	599,307	278,022	66,902

Source: U.S. Census 2000; MD Department of Planning. Rounding may affect totals

### Estimates of Maryland's 2000 Minority Population 60+ By Jurisdiction and Age

	% of Total Minority 60+	60+	65+	75+	85+
Allegany	0.19%	366	260	125	87
Anne Arundel	4.35%	8,613	5,894	2,280	526
Baltimore	8.51%	16,836	11,315	4,378	1,109
Calvert	0.73%	1,454	1,037	447	112
Caroline	0.42%	835	639	306	72
Carroll	0.38%	761	510	215	46
Cecil	0.33%	648	457	167	33
Charles	1.54%	3,037	2,044	776	165
Dorchester	0.77%	1,522	1,173	540	128
Frederick	0.87%	1,728	1,175	487	123
Garrett	0.03%	61	46	14	5
Harford	1.33%	2,625	1,837	651	160
Howard	2.68%	5,292	3,432	1,245	301
Kent	0.38%	750	553	243	70
Montgomery	15.67%	31,005	20,685	7,802	1,860
Prince George's	24.37%	48,218	30,045	10,360	2,404
Queen Anne's	0.45%	893	688	318	94
St. Mary's	0.91%	1,809	1,328	568	134
Somerset	0.58%	1,143	858	384	102
Talbot	0.56%	1,111	850	400	127
Washington	0.38%	744	527	217	56
Wicomico	1.44%	2,851	2,122	927	232
Worcester	0.81%	1,603	1,193	544	153
Baltimore City	32.31%	63,922	47,560	20,049	4,465
Total	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>197,827</b>	<b>136,228</b>	<b>53,443</b>	12,504

Source: U.S. Census 2000, Summary File #1, prepared by the MD Department of Planning 11/03. Note: Minority status is determined to be all persons who are Hispanic or some race other than white alone. Rounding may affect totals.

### Maryland's Population in Poverty By Jurisdiction, Total Poor and Minority Poor 2000

County	Total Poor 60+	% Total Poor	Minority Poor 60+	% Minority Poor
Alleganv	1.593	2.49%	69	0.24%
Anne Arundel	3,550	5.55%	1,109	3.93%
Baltimore County	8,535	13.34%	1,572	5.57%
Calvert County	480	0.75%	182	0.65%
Caroline County	634	0.99%	221	0.78%
Carroll County	1,011	1.58%	94	0.33%
Cecil County	838	1.31%	51	0.18%
Charles County	964	1.51%	494	1.75%
Dorchester County	920	1.44%	351	1.24%
Frederick County	1,331	2.08%	134	0.48%
Garrett County	777	1.21%	7	0.02%
Harford County	1,729	2.70%	327	1.16%
Howard County	1,470	2.30%	491	1.74%
Kent County	381	0.60%	139	0.49%
Montgomery County	6,746	10.54%	3,188	11.30%
Prince George's Co.	5,897	9.22%	4,019	14.25%
Queen Anne's County	539	0.84%	175	0.62%
St. Mary's County	794	1.24%	272	0.96%
Somerset County	768	1.20%	397	1.54%
Talbot County	868	1.32%	234	0.83%
Washington County	2,247	3.51%	111	0.39%
Wicomico County	1,192	1.86%	443	1.57%
Worcester County	767	1.20%	273	0.97%
Baltimore City	20,182	31.55%	13,990	49.60%
Totals	<u>63,978</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	28,203	100.00%

Source: U. S. Census 2000 Sample Data. Minority Poor 60+ Estimates Prepared by Maryland Department of Planning, Planning Data Services 8/2000

### Maryland Total Population – Rural Status – 60+ (2000)

	Total	%	60+	% 60+
County	Rural	Rural	Rural	& Rural
Allegany	19,390	25.9%	4,301	25.1%
Anne Arundel	27,564	5.6%	4,638	6.9%
Baltimore County	46,978	6.2%	8,437	6.0%
Calvert County	34,134	45.8%	4,509	49.3%
Caroline County	23,325	78.3%	3,811	72.4%
Carroll County	64,842	43.0%	9,764	44.9%
Cecil County	45,045	52.4%	6,750	55.1%
Charles County	40,672	33.7%	6,200	45.8%
Dorchester County	18,124	59.1%	4,023	57.4%
Frederick County	55,815	28.6%	8,329	32.8%
Garrett County	24,798	83.1%	4,692	78.7%
Harford County	48,726	22.3%	8,183	27.0%
Howard County	31,291	12.6%	4,336	16.3%
Kent County	14,195	73.9%	3,269	69.9%
Montgomery County	24,589	2.8%	3,931	3.0%
Prince George's County	20,652	2.6%	3,421	3.8%
Queen Anne's County	24,428	60.2%	4,689	66.0%
St. Mary's County	53,614	62.2%	7,887	72.5%
Somerset County	12,778	51.6%	2,995	65.6%
Talbot County	21,308	63.0%	5,959	67.5%
Washington County	41,879	31.7%	6,989	28.9%
Wicomico County	26,658	41.5%	4,420	31.5%
Worcester County	17,012	36.6%	3,633	29.3%
Baltimore City	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Maryland	737,818	13.9%	125,166	15.6%

Source: U.S. Census 2000, Prepared by Maryland Department of Planning, Planning Data Services 11/20/03.



Promoting overall health, physical fitness and mental acuity for seniors is the goal of the Client and Community Services Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Program.

The Home-Delivered Meals Program depends on more than 3,000 volunteers who provide daily meals to homebound seniors. In 2007, 5,279 persons received meals through the Program.





Senior Centers serve as focal points for education, recreation, socialization, nutrition and health screening to improve the quality of life for Maryland's senior population, and points of contact for seniors and their families to obtain information.

The Senior Information and Assistance Program (I&A), operated by the Maryland Department of Aging, provides "one-stop" centers at the local level where older adults and their caregivers can access information about programs, services, and benefits.



# **CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES** Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

**Program Description:** Health Promotion and Disease Prevention programs are aimed at increasing independence for seniors by providing education and essential services to promote overall health, physical fitness and mental acuity. The Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) provide educational sessions on current health topics as well as fitness activities that include dance, exercise and fitness centers. Medication management programs target the needs of homebound seniors who would otherwise not have access to nurses or pharmacists. This program helps to ensure that medications are being taken and stored properly and safely.

Ms. D, a woman in her early 60s, had been attending a seated exercise class at a local senior center where participants have the option of sitting or standing for many of the exercises. Ms. D dropped out of class for five weeks because she was packing and moving to a larger apartment. When she returned, she reported that "all the exercise I got from packing and moving didn't make me feel as good as this class does, but I would never have been able to do anything myself if it weren't for this class."

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible individuals are those who are age 60 and over. In accordance with the Older Americans Act, there are no income or asset restrictions but preference is given to serving older individuals with the greatest social and economic need.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes: There are many
Individual Couple	None	None	types of classes for people of all abilities, including those with arthritis and other physical and medical problems.

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Health Screening Sessions	47,281	48,227	49,191
Health Education Sessions	26,357	26,884	27,422
Physical Fitness and Exercise Sessions	127,372	129,919	132,518
Number of Participants	59,196	60,380	61,588
Program Funding:			
Federal	\$366,268	\$366,898	\$366,310
State	0	0	0
Local Contributions/Program Income	134,170	134,170	134.170
Total	\$500,438	\$501,068	\$500,480

**CONTACT PERSON:** Joseph Gennusa, Program Manager, 410-767-1090, jvg@ooa.state.md.us

# CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

**Program Description:** Long-term care ombudsmen are advocates for residents of longterm care facilities (nursing homes and assisted living facilities). Paid and volunteer ombudsmen work in every jurisdiction to advocate on behalf of individuals and groups of residents, and provide information to residents and their families about the long-term care system. They provide an on-going presence in long-term care facilities, monitoring care and conditions and providing a voice for those who are unable to speak for themselves.

Ms. C., in her 70s, has resided in a nursing home for more than ten years. Because of health issues, she spends most of her time in bed. She loves to read. Ms. C. began to have problems with her vision and was told by the facility's physician that she probably had cataracts and would need surgery. Ms. C. refused to accept this diagnosis without a thorough examination by a specialist. The Ombudsman was contacted and worked with Ms. C. to find a specialist, secure transportation, and arrange for a special wheelchair to facilitate the exam. She had the surgery and enjoys reading once again.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible individuals are residents of any age who reside in long-term care facilities.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes:
Individual Couple	None	None	

Program Data:	FFY06 (Actual)	FFY07 (Estimate)*	FFY08 (Estimate)	FFY09 (Estimate)
Number of Complaints	4,492	4,017	3,615	3,977
Number of Abuse Cases	637	637	637	669
Number of Volunteers	108	108	108	127
Program Funding:		(Actual))**		
Federal	\$784,602	\$596,243	\$436,544	\$436,544
State	1,850,018	1,782,511	1,785,365	1,785,365
Local Contributions	346,145	277,988	277,988	277,988
Total	\$2,980,765	\$2,656,742	\$2,500,008	\$2,500,008

\*Federal Fiscal Year 2007 final data is not available until January.

\*\*As of September 30, 2007

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# **CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES** National Family Caregiver Support Program

**Program Description:** The National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP) provides services to family and other non-paid caregivers in recognition of the tremendous work that they do in caring for their loved ones. The NFCSP provides five categories of services: Information about available services; assistance to access these services, including case management; education, training and support services including individualized counseling; respite care to enable temporary relief from caregiving responsibilities; and supplemental services that include other services not identified above.

Mr. and Mrs. E signed up for NFCSP services with the local area agency on aging. Mr. E. had dementia and Mrs. E, his caregiver, had cancer. Education was a priority for the family. Mr. and Mrs. E. were enrolled in the Safe Return program managed by the Alzheimer's Association. Although their children live out of state, they met with a legal representative to complete advanced directives and other legal documents. With the guidance of NFCSP staff, the family asked their pastor for help. The church now provides supports in the form of rides, friendly visitation, and respite care, with 12 church members participating in "Sharing the Caring". The NFCSP and family shared the cost of adapting the home to suit their new needs, and Mrs. E attended support groups recommended by the NFCSP staff.

Program Eligibility Criteria: There are two categories of caregivers who benefit from these services:							
Caregivers caring for someone 60 years of age or older, including persons not related by blood or marriage; and							
grandparents and other relative caregivers over the age of 60 as the primary caregiver for a child or children age							
18 or younger. In accordance with the Older Americans Act, there are no income or asset restrictions but							
preference is given to serve older individuals with the greatest social and economic need.							
Eligibility	Eligibility Monthly Income Annual Asset Notes: Respite and supplemental services may						
	Test	Т	est	1	to caregivers		0
Individual	None	No	one		th physical ar		
Couple					their ability to	o perform n	ormal daily
1				tasks.			
<b>Program Data:</b>		FY07 (	Actual)	FY08	8 (Est.)	FY0	9 (Est.)
Number of CaregiversPeopleUnitsPeopleUnits							
Number of Car	egivers	People	Units	People	Units	People	Units
Number of Car Served/Units of	0	People	Units	People	Units	People	Units
Served/Units of	0	<b>People</b> 3,977	<b>Units</b> 4,681		<b>Units</b> 5,149	<b>People</b> 4,812	<b>Units</b> 5,664
Served/Units of	Service	-		4,375		-	
Served/Units of Education, Tr	Service aining or Support	3,977	4,681	4,375 2,047	5,149	4,812	5,664
Served/Units of Education, Tr Respite	Service aining or Support Services	3,977 1,861	4,681 93,250	4,375 2,047 1,350	5,149 102,575	4,812 2,252	5,664 112,833
Served/Units of Education, Tr Respite Supplemental	Service aining or Support Services	3,977 1,861 1,227	4,681 93,250 67,554	4,375 2,047 1,350 21,643	5,149 102,575 74,309	4,812 2,252 1,485	5,664 112,833 81,740
Served/Units of Education, Tr Respite Supplemental Access Assist Information	Service aining or Support Services	3,977 1,861 1,227 19,675 55,801	4,681 93,250 67,554 30,993 53,659	4,375 2,047 1,350 21,643 61,381	5,149 102,575 74,309 34,092 59,025	4,812 2,252 1,485 23,807 67,519	5,664 112,833 81,740 37,502 64,927
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**Waiting List:** There were 71 caregivers awaiting respite services, and 188 who were waiting for supplemental services on September 30, 2007.

Program Funding:					
Federal	\$2,448,996	\$2,445,998	\$2,445,998		
State	12,50	12,650	12,650		
Local Contributions	411,083	411,083	411,083		
Total	\$2,872,729	\$2,869,731	\$2,869,731		

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# CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Public Guardianship

**Program Description:** The Public Guardianship program serves adults 65 years and older who have been deemed by a court of law to lack the capacity to make or communicate responsible decisions concerning their daily living needs. The law requires that the Secretary of the State Department of Aging or a director of a local Area Agency on Aging (AAA) be appointed by the court as a "guardian of person" when there is no other person or organization willing and appropriate to be named. When the local director of the AAA is named as guardian of person, the local guardianship coordinators manage the guardianship responsibilities and duties. The goal of the program is to provide protection and advocacy on behalf of the disabled older adult.

Ms. A was a hospital patient who was mentally ill and homeless. The hospital petitioned for public guardianship so she could be placed in a nursing home. A local AAA was appointed guardian, and insisted on medical testing to determine why Ms. A had suddenly become unable to walk. The attending physician commented that she was happy and there was no need to pursue the matter further. Testing revealed that Ms. A required immediate surgery in order to avoid permanent paralysis. The public guardian obtained court approval for the procedure and Ms. A is doing very well. Without the intervention of a medically savvy guardianship case manager and patient advocate, Ms. A would no doubt be paralyzed and confined to a nursing home for the rest of her life. Once the guardian is able to place her in an appropriate community setting, guardianship may be terminated

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: The program serves seniors who are 65 years and older who have been deemed by a court of law to lack the capacity to make or communicate responsible decisions concerning their daily living needs.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	<b>Annual Asset Test</b>	Notes:
Age 65 and older	None	None	

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Total Number of Guardianship Wards	749	764	774
Number of New Cases	187	187	187
Group Education Sessions Provided	76	76	76
Individual Consultations (post-	14,344	14,344	14,344
guardianship)			
Number of Public Guardianships	350	362	375
Avoided			
Program Funding:			
Federal	0	0	0
State	\$693,823	\$642,692	\$642,692
Local Contributions	0	0	0
Total	\$693,823	\$642,692	\$642,692

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## CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Senior Care

**Program Description:** The Senior Care Program provides coordinated, community-based, in-home services to seniors with disabilities. Senior Care provides "Gapfilling" funds for services for seniors who may be at risk of nursing home placement. Senior Care clients are provided with case managed access to existing publicly and privately financed services. When needed services are not available through other means, Senior Care will provide Gapfilling services that may include personal care, chore service, adult day care, financial assistance for medications, medical supplies, respite care, home delivered meals, emergency response systems, medical transportation and other services.

Ms. W is an 80-year-old woman who has mental retardation, Glaucoma and cerebral palsy. She requires continuous care, which her niece provides. The record notes that Ms. W's niece is devoted to her care. Ms. W receives SSI, and is eligible for Medical Assistance. She receives Medical Assistance Personal Care each weekday morning, and Senior Care provides a personal care aide for an additional 6 hours per week. She is on the waiting list for In-Home Aide Service. Ms. W's niece receives 14 hours per month of respite from the Maryland Respite Program. In addition, she receives assistance from the MD Energy Assistance Program and home delivered meals.

60% of the State median income.						
Eligibility Individual Couple		<b>Annual Asset Test</b> \$11,000 \$14,000	eligibility is det	ermined as having evere rating on the		
Program D	ata:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)		
Number of Gapfilling S	Clients Served with Services	3,868	3,805	3,743		
Number of Clients Waiting for Services at end of Fiscal Year		2,259	2,229	2,229		
Number of Waiting List Clients who Enter Nursing Facilities		234	257	283		
Waiting Li	st: The Senior Care waiting	list decreased this yea	r partially due to a	dditional		
	FY07, 10% of people on the	waiting list were place	ed in nursing hom	es.		
Program F	Program Funding:					
Federal		\$1,283,500	\$1,283,599	\$1,283,500		
State		7,268,130	7,266,384	7,169,770		
Local Contr	ributions	449,184	449,184	449,184		
Total		\$9,005,814	\$8,999,068	\$8,902,454		

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible individuals are Maryland residents who: are age 65 or older; need assistance with bathing, dressing, chores, etc.; have a medical condition or disability that places him or her at risk of having to enter a nursing home; and have an income not greater than 60% of the State median income.

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## CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Senior Centers

**Program Description:** Senior Centers serve as focal points for education, recreation, socialization, nutrition and health screening to improve the quality of life for Maryland's senior population. They also are points of contact for seniors and their families to obtain information. Capital improvement funds are available to local governments to supplement the costs of new construction, conversions, renovations, acquisitions, and capital equipment needed to develop senior centers. Limited operating funds are also available to senior centers on a competitive basis to encourage innovative programming.

The Harford County Government received \$600,000 in Senior Citizens Activities Centers Capital Improvement Grant Funds in FY 2005 for the construction of the Havre de Grace Activity Center. The new facility opened in 2007 and is designated as a Senior/Youth Center. It serves as a focal point for senior services in the third highest concentration of elderly persons in Harford County. The facility is adjacent to shopping and medical services, and is located on a public transportation route.

Program Eligibility Criteria Senior Center Capital Improvement Funds: Title 10, Subtitle 5 of the MD Human Services Article limits each grant to a maximum of \$600,000. State funds must be matched by non-State funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis (inkind matches are not permitted).

Senior Center Operating Funds: State grants must be matched 100% by the grant recipient. In-kind matches are permitted. Operating fund grants are provided for innovative programming, and are given for a period not to exceed three years. The senior center grantees must identify alternate funding sources to maintain programming.

Program Data:				
	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)	
Capital Improvement Program				
Total Senior Centers	117	118	119	
New Construction	2	2	2	
Renovation	1	1	1	
<b>Operating Fund Program</b>				
Seniors Benefiting from Operating Funds	1846	2050	2050	
Capital Funds				
State	\$1,393,000	\$1,320,000	\$1,500,000	
Local	7,167,970	7,519,473	9,750,000	
Total	\$8,560,970	\$8,839,473	\$11,250,000	
Operating Funds				
State	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	
Local	760,739	760,739	760,739	
Total	\$910,739	\$910,739	\$910,739	

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### CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Senior Center Plus

**Program Description:** Senior Center Plus is a supervised social day care program held in a non-residential setting that meets Department of Aging requirements. The program is designed to promote socialization, improve mental and physical functioning and address the nutritional needs of frail seniors.

Senior Center Plus attempts to address some of the needs of seniors too frail to participate in regular senior center activities, yet not frail enough to need adult day care services. Senior Center Plus provides at least four hours of organized activities, crafts, music and movement, reality orientation and at least one meal containing one-third of the recommended dietary allowances. An important component of Senior Center Plus is to provide respite for family caregivers.

The Maryland Department of Aging certified two new Senior Center Plus Sites, the Golden Doves Adult Day Health Center in Baltimore City and the Glenwood Senior Center Plus in Howard County. The Golden Doves Adult Day Health Center is a new adult day care facility partially supported with a State grant from the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Glenwood Senior Center Plus Program is located in the new Glenwood Senior Center, and was partially supported with capital improvement funds from the Maryland Department of Aging.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible individuals are those individuals age 50 and older who are unable to perform two or more instrumental activities of daily living without substantial assistance or supervision

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Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes: N/A				
Individual Couple	None None	None None					

#### **Program Data:**

Ĩ	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Persons Enrolled	372	401	433
Number of Sites	48	49	49
Federal	N/A	N/A	N/A
State	N/A	N/A	N/A
Local Contributions	N/A	N/A	N/A

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## CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES **Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)**

**Program Description:** The Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program provides seniors and adults of any age who have disabilities with information and assistance on health insurance issues, including Medicare and Medigap, Medicare Part D Prescription Drug plans, preparing and filing health insurance claims, Medicare Advantage Plans, programs for low-income beneficiaries and longterm care insurance policies. State and local SHIP staff and volunteers provide one-to-one assistance, and conduct educational sessions throughout the State on a variety of health insurance related topics, most notably, the new Medicare prescription plans.

Special attention in the last year has been focused on outreach to Medicare beneficiaries who are limited-English proficient. As a result of these efforts and partnering with several ethnic organizations, SHIP staff and volunteers assisted at least fifty Korean-American seniors who had signed up for Medicare Advantage managed care plans without understanding how the plans worked. With the help of community volunteers as translators, SHIP was able to explain and counsel the Korean-American seniors, and helped many of them disenroll from the plans and select Medicare Part D prescription drug plans that better suited their needs.

and/ or Part B.			
Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	<b>Annual Asset Test</b>	Notes: There are no age
Individual	None	None	requirements to receive
Couple			assistance from SHIP.

Program Eligibility Criteria: Eligible individuals are those who reside in Maryland and have Medicare Part A

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual) April 06-Mar 07	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Number of Contacts for			
Medicare	3,323	3,489	3,665
Medicaid	5,794	6,084	6,388
Prescription Assistance	31,631	33213	34,873
Long Term Care	805	845	888
Number of Clients Served	23,560	24,738	25,975
Number Attending Events	13,767	10,000	12,000
Number of Volunteers	125	130	135
Number of Volunteer Hours	14,570	15,153	15,736
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Waiting List: There are 150 staff and volunteers available to counsel 623,000 Medicare beneficiaries. The main challenge for the SHIPs is keeping up with training requests, scheduled presentations and enrollment events while still providing health insurance information and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries, and outreach to homebound seniors and persons with disabilities.

Program Funding:			
Federal	\$379,177	\$399,730	\$399,730
State	1,595,364	52,814	52,814
Local Contributions	95,440	95,440	95,440
Total	\$2,069,981	\$547,984	\$547,984

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## CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES Senior Information and Assistance Program (I&A)

**Program Description:** The Senior Information and Assistance Program provides a single point of entry into the aging network system to obtain information concerning benefits and programs for older Marylanders, their families and caregivers. Through the program, seniors receive information to make informed choices about services, referrals to appropriate agencies, assistance in obtaining services and benefits, and follow-up. The program promotes awareness of services for the elderly through outreach and public education, and provides information about health care, Medicare/health insurance, in-home services, transportation, housing, legal services, senior centers, retirement communities, prescriptions drugs and more. There are approximately 120 Senior I&A sites located across the State.

Mr. and Mrs. B are a couple in their 80s living on a fixed income and residing in their own home. Mr. B is a WWI veteran. They are trying to pay off a second mortgage, but due to illness and hospitalizations, they are experiencing physical and financial hardships. The I&A worker contacted the Veterans Administration, the Health Department and the Aging Department and found several services to help the couple. Obtaining these services has freed up funds, enabling them to pay their mortgage. Additionally, they are now on the waiting list for Senior Care-In home services, and have been screened for several federal and state programs.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible clients must be 60 years and older. Persons can access the program through telephone and walk-in service, appointments, written correspondence and home visits.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes: Persons needing
			more in depth assistance
Individual	None	None	will be assessed to
Couple	Trone	Ttone	determine his/her specific
Coupie			need for services,
			programs and benefits.

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Information Units of Service	567,734	567,734	567,734
Number of Referrals	103,636	103,636	103,636
Follow-up Units of Service	50,339	50,339	50,339
Assistance Units of Service	102,056	102,056	102,056
Number of Assistance Clients	47,887	47,887	47,887
Program Funding:			
Federal	\$1,266,106	\$1,266,106	\$1,266,106
State	810,071	810,072	810,072
Local Contributions	551,676	551,676	551,676
Total	\$2,627,853	\$2,627,854	\$2,627,854

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## **CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES** Senior Legal Assistance Program

**Program Description:** The Senior Legal Assistance Program provides access to legal advice, counseling and representation to older Marylanders as well as legal support to local Ombudsmen, Health Insurance Counselors and Public Guardianship managers. Area Agencies on Aging contract with local attorneys and law centers to provide services. Priority is given to issues involving income maintenance, disability benefits, health care, protective services, abuse, institutionalization, guardianship and housing. In FY06, the Maryland Department of Aging received a three-year grant from the Administration on Aging to provide additional services for people seeking information on advanced directives and for assisted living residents.

A Southern Maryland office staff attorney helped a Mr. V, a frail, elderly man living in an assisted living facility, obtain access to his retirement benefits. His sister, who had been serving as his representative payee, had a stroke and was no longer able to handle his affairs. Mr. V's retirement checks continued to be deposited into her account and he was unable to access them to pay for medications and his assisted living bills. Mr. V's nieces did not have access to his account and petitioned for guardianship in order to handle their mother's affairs. The Legal Aid attorney persuaded all of the interested parties in the guardianship case, including the bank, to release the client's funds so that the court could approve the release of over \$10,000 to a new representative payee. The new payee was then able to pay Mr. V's delinquent bills, which allowed him to remain in the assisted living facility.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible residents are those who are 60 years of age or a caregiver of such person. There is no cost for legal assistance with priority issues as related to income, health-care, long-term care, nutrition, housing, utilities, protective services, defense of guardianship, abuse, neglect and age discrimination. Preference is given to older persons with the greatest economic or social need.

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Eligibility	Annual Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes:					
Individual Couple	\$19,000 \$25,000	\$20,000 \$40,000	Personal property is not counted as assets					

Program Data:	FY2007(Actual)	FY2008 (Est.)	FY2009 (Est.)
Hours of Service Provided	12,670	13,304	13,969
Number of Persons Served	3,635	3,817	4,008
Program Funding:			
Federal	\$370,971	\$370,971	\$370,971
State	0	0	0
Local Contributions	283,694	283,694	283,694
Total	\$654,665	\$654,665	\$654,665

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## **CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES** Senior Nutrition – Congregate Meals

**Program Description:** The Congregate Meals Program works to improve the quality of life for older persons by providing wholesome meals, nutrition education and counseling and increased social interaction. Meals are served in a variety of congregate settings, including senior centers and senior housing sites. There are 259 meal sites, 183 in low-income areas. Types of meals include traditional and non-traditional meals such as box lunches, salad bars, soup and sandwiches and culturally diverse meals. A very important benefit of congregate meals is the socialization that it encourages, particularly for seniors who do not have much interaction with family or their communities. There are 2,129 volunteers who assist with this program.

Ms. J has been attending the Senior School of the Korean-American Senior Citizen's Association of Maryland for four years. At 80 years old she has been enjoying the conversation, as she continuously strives to improve her English speaking capability. She practices and hones her skills over the heart-healthy meal that is served at her local senior center. She enjoys the meals and the good fellowship with old and new friends. "I wish the Nutrition Program would be known to more people in our community so that they might also have a better life rather than having tedious lives at home in their old age. I have become happier and healthier because of this program!"

	Older Americans Act, there are no income or asset restrictions, but preference is given to serving older					
individuals with the greatest social and economic need.						
	Eligibility Monthly Income Test Annual Asset Test Notes: Spouses and					
	Individual Couple	None	None	disabled dependents of any age are able to have meals when they accompany an eligible individual.		

Program Eligibility Criteria: Eligible individuals are those who are age 60 or older. In accordance with the

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)				
Number of Meals	1,475,246	1,445,741	1,416,826				
Number of People Receiving Meals	29,597	29,005	28,425				
Number Attending Nutrition	15,695	15,381	15,074				
Education	Education						
Waiting List: There are 512 current pa	articipants who w	ould benefit from	an additional				
meal.							
Program Funding:							
Federal	\$5,806,723	\$5,771,275	\$5,771,275				
State	1,251,267	1,251,267	1,251,267				
Local Contributions	3,147,799	3,147,799	3,147,799				
Total	\$10,205,789	\$10,170,341	\$10,170,341				

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## **CLIENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES** Senior Nutrition – Home-Delivered Meals

**Program Description:** The mission of the Home-Delivered Meals Program is to provide meals, nutrition assessments, and coordination of nutrition services and referrals for additional services when needed, to homebound elderly with the intent of maintaining them in their communities. The program depends on more than 3,000 volunteers who provide vital services by delivering the meals, and who are responsible for saving lives as they can identify and report on isolated seniors facing potentially dangerous situations. The program could not exist without the services of the volunteers.

Mr. S. has been receiving home delivered meals for almost a year. He lives alone in a small house with his dog to keep him company. Although Mr. S. has family in the area, he prefers to live alone and remain independent. On October 24th, Mr. S. celebrated his 100th birthday! Cecil County's meal caterer (Union Hospital) prepared his favorite meal for him; prime rib, red potatoes and green beans, and delivered it via his regular volunteer driver. Cecil County's director, volunteer coordinator, community services supervisor, the Food Services manager from Union Hospital, a family member and reporters were on hand to sing happy birthday to Mr. S. and share his special day. Mr. S. was surprised and overwhelmed by the attention, but reaffirmed that without his home delivered meals, he would be unable to live on his own.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible individuals are homebound seniors who are age 60 or older. In accordance with the Older Americans Act, there are no income or asset restrictions but preference is given to serve older individuals with the greatest social and economic need.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	<b>Notes</b> : Spouses and disabled dependents of
Individual Couple	None	None	any age are able to have meals if they reside with an eligible individual.

#### **Program Data:**

	FY2007 (Actual)	FY2008 (Est.)	FY2009 (Est.)				
Number of Meals	1,296,126	1,283,165	1,270,333				
Number of People Receiving Meals	5,279	5,227	5,175				
Number of Volunteers	3,082	3,021	2,960				
Waiting List: There are an estimated 684 homebound elderly who are on a waiting list to							
receive meals.							
Program Funding:							
Federal	\$3,016,879	\$3,091,319	\$3,091,319				
State	601,521	601,521	601,521				
Local Contributions	1,473,992	1,473,992	1,473,992				
Total	\$5,092,392	\$5,166,832	\$5,166,832				

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Housing Services for Maryland's senior population include:

- Aging and Disability Resource Center/ Maryland Access Point (MAP)
- Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs)
- Congregate Housing Services Programs
- Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver for Older Adults
- Senior Assisted Living Group Home Subsidy Program



## HOUSING SERVICES Aging and Disability Resource Centers/Maryland Access Point (MAP)

#### **Program Description**:

In October 2003, Maryland was one of the first 12 states to be awarded an \$800,000 federal grant to pilot Aging and Disability Resource Centers. The program provides states with an opportunity to effectively integrate their long-term support resources for consumers into a single coordinated system. To date, 43 states have been awarded ADRC grants.

In Maryland, the ADRC Grant Program is known as Maryland Access Point, or MAP. It is a partnership between the Maryland Department of Aging, and the Departments of Health and Mental Hygiene, Human Resources, and Disabilities, as well as advocates for senior consumers and persons with disabilities. A goal of the program is to provide the public with more efficient access to information and quicker access to services for seniors, persons with disabilities, their caregivers, and the professionals who manage their care. Pilot sites are now operating in Howard and Worcester Counties and new sites will open in Anne Arundel and Washington counties in 2008.

Mr. S was in immediate need of housing services, so a friend of his called the MAP office for assistance. The Intake Coordinator spoke to the client's friend about shelters, but Mr. S had cancer and was going to start chemotherapy, which made a referral to a shelter inappropriate. After calling some resources on the housing list, the coordinator found an opening at a local subsidized apartment complex. The coordinator also secured approval from the Department of Social Services for rent assistance for the 1st month in addition to his disability income.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Older adults and persons over the age of eighteen with disabilities are eligible for the program.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes:
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	<b>FY08 (Est.)</b>	<b>FY09 (Est.)</b>
Number of contacts			
Howard County	18,329	18,603	18,882
Worcester	1,142	1,256	1,381

Program Funding:			
Federal	\$200,000	\$200,000	0
State	250,000	250,000	250,000
Local Contributions	755,327	755,327	755,327
Total	\$1,205327	\$1,205,327	\$1,005,327

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## HOUSING SERVICES Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs)

**Program Description:** The Continuing Care Contract Act authorizes the Maryland Department of Aging to regulate Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) and Continuing Care at Home (CCAH). MDoA also issues certificates of registration based on a review of organizational, financial and contractual documents and provides information to the public.

CCRCs are specific types of retirement housing which offer a combination of housing and services. The services include access to medical and nursing services or other health related benefits to individuals who have paid entrance fees and signed contracts for more than one year and usually for life. Health-related benefits may include full coverage of nursing care in an on-site nursing center at no additional fee, or may be limited to priority admission to a nursing home, with additional fee-for-service charges. The scope of services varies among CCRCs. Fees and service packages are specified in continuing care agreements.

CCAH offers a variety of services to individuals who remain in their own homes. Services include care coordination, home inspections by an occupational therapist, assistance with activities of daily living, skilled nursing services, routine assisted living services, routine comprehensive care services and assistance with home maintenance. These services are offered under a written agreement that requires payment of an entrance fee and monthly fees.

Mrs. W. is an 82 year old woman with some physical and mobility problems but no cognitive issues whose husband (her primary caregiver) passed away suddenly. She was unable to manage the family home on her own, and because she needed assistance with housekeeping, meals and transportation, chose to move to an independent living apartment in a CCRC in Baltimore County. After about a year in her apartment, she and her doctor felt she needed to be closer to the dining areas and receive more assistance with her multiple medications. As a result, she transferred to the assisted living unit. Mrs. W. is happy with her decision to move to the CCRC because she feels secure knowing that as her circumstances change, options are available right at hand.

#### **Program Data:**

	FY '07 (Actual)	FY '08 (Est.)	FY '09 (Est.)
Facilities	34	34	34
Units	15,770	16,068	16,068
Special Funds	\$342,617	\$324,001	\$401,391

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## **Continuing Care Communities Inventory**

Continuing Care Communities	(Operating)	Total	ILU	AL**	Comp***
BayWoods of Annapolis	Anne Arundel County	192	147	39	6
Ginger Cove	Anne Arundel County	349	243	51	55
Roland Park Place	Baltimore City	284	172	41	71
The Wesley, Inc.	Baltimore City	151	0	151	0
Augsburg Lutheran Home	Baltimore County	187	0	64	123
Augsburg Lutheran Village	Baltimore County	138	138	0	0
Blakehurst	Baltimore County	345	277	24	44
Broadmead	Baltimore County	373	278	16	79
Charlestown	Baltimore County	1,992	1,584	164	244
Edenwald	Baltimore County	417	289	56	72
Glen Meadows	Baltimore County	275	210	34	31
Maryland Masonic Homes	Baltimore County	233	35	110	88
Mercy Ridge	Baltimore County	457	408	49	0
North Oaks	Baltimore County	232	182	13	37
Oak Crest Village	Baltimore County	1911	1528	143	240
Pickersgill, Inc.	Baltimore County	177	0	145	240 41
Presbyterian Home	Baltimore County	100	0	78	22
	Calvert County	378	300	30	48
Asbury~Solomons Island		378 398	300 398		48 0
Carroll Lutheran Village	Carroll County			0	
Fairhaven	Carroll County	429	315	35	79
Buckingham's Choice	Frederick County	303	217	45	41
Frederick Home	Frederick County	29	0	29	0
Goodwill Retirement Village	Garrett County	56	30	21	5
Vantage House	Howard County	294	224	26	44
Heron Point of Chestertown	Kent County	275	192	45	38
Asbury Methodist Village	Montgomery County	1,264	815	164	285
Bedford Court	Montgomery County	355	219	76	60
Brooke Grove	Montgomery County	50	40	5	5
Maplewood Park Place	Montgomery County	260	207	22	31
National Lutheran Home	Montgomery County	444	144	0	300
Collington	Prince George's County	474	365	65	44
Riderwood Village, Inc.	Prince George's County	2,358	1,966	174	218
William Hill Manor	Talbot County	281	121	44	116
Fahrney-Keedy	Washington County	113	61	32	20
Homewood	Washington County	196	196	0	0
	Total Units	15,770	11,301	1,982	2,487
Continuing	g Care Retirement Commu	inities (Plani	ned)		
Expansions					
Broadmead	Baltimore County	9	9	0	0
Asbury Methodist Village	Montgomery County	103	103	0	0
National Lutheran Home	Montgomery County	15	15	0	0
William Hill Manor	Talbot County	1	1	0	0
New	-				
The Lutheran Village at Miller's Grant	Howard County	321	261	60	0
Homewood at Frederick, MD	Frederick County	341	165	56	120
Brooke Grove	Montgomery County	18	18	0	0
Friends House Retirement Community	Montgomery County	45	33	4	8
King Farm	Montgomery County	322	242	35	45
	Washington County	304	106	110	88
Ravenwood /Robinwood	Washington County Total Units	304 1 <b>,479</b>	106 <b>953</b>	110 <b>265</b>	88 <b>261</b>

#### HOUSING SERVICES Congregate Housing Services Program (CHSP)

**Program Description:** The Congregate Housing Services Program is a level of housing between independent living and institutionalization, which combines shelter with daily meals, weekly housekeeping and/or laundry, personal assistance as needed and service management. It provides assistance with activities of daily living to frail older persons who require help in performing personal and household functions. The Congregate Housing Services Program is offered in senior citizen apartment buildings, which serve low and moderate-income residents and may be operated by local housing authorities, non-profit organizations or housing management companies

Ms. L is an 85-year-old African-American single female with uncontrolled hypertension, bi-lateral venous insufficiency and leg edema. She also suffers from mild dementia. Since July 2001 Ms. L. has been a resident of Good Samaritan Senior Housing at Belvedere Green in Baltimore City. However in 2006, Ms. L. had multiple hospitalizations. Her chronic medical conditions made it very difficult to perform basic household and personal care functions. In addition, she has no family and no support network. Despite this situation, Ms. L. was resistant to accepting help. In response, the CHSP Coordinator provided counseling to help her accept the supportive services needed to remain living at Belvedere Green. The coordinator also arranged for a psychiatric evaluation for Ms. L. and worked closely with her primary physician. Once Ms. L was medically stable, she accepted CHSP services, i.e., daily meals, weekly housekeeping and laundry, and personal assistance. Since Ms. L has been receiving CHSP services, she does not need a higher level of care. She is managing well and is able to maintain her independent lifestyle.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible residents are those who: are at least 62 years of age; physically or mentally impaired; need assistance with one or more of the essential activities of daily living; need one or more congregate housing services available in the facility; and be able to function in the facility if provided with those services. In addition, the spouse of a participant may also receive services, provided the spouse is at least 55 years old and meets program eligibility criteria.

Eligibility	Monthly Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes: Provides financial assistance for
			Congregate Housing residents in selected
Individual	\$ 2,330	\$ 27,375	sites for individuals 62 and older whose
Couple	\$ 3,047	\$ 35,587	net monthly income is insufficient to pay
			the full monthly fee for Congregate
			Housing Services. Next expected
			change: 7/1/08

<b>Unmet Need:</b> 193 seniors are on the waiting list for State subsidies. 28 facilities have notified MDoA in writing that they are interested in starting a CHS program.							
Program Data:FY07 (Actual)FY08 (Est.)FY09 (Est.)							
Number of Residents Receiving Services	754	716	716				
Number of Buildings Receiving Services	28	28	28				
Program Funding:	Program Funding:						
Federal	\$792,615	\$784,568	\$784,568				
State	1,604,257	1,677,077	1,677,077				
Local Contributions	645,395	872,683	872,683				
Total	\$3,042,267	\$3,334,328	\$3,334,328				

CONTACT PERSON: Janice L. MacGregor, CHSP Manager, 410-767-1087, jlm@ooa.state.md.us

## HOUSING SERVICES Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults

**Program Description:** The Home and Community-Based Waiver for Older Adults enables older adults to remain in a community setting even though their age or disability would warrant placement in a long-term care facility. The Waiver allows services, which are typically covered by Medicaid only in a nursing facility, to be provided to eligible persons in their own homes or in assisted living facilities. These services include personal care, home-delivered meals, environmental assessments and accessibility adaptations, assistive devices, respite care, behavioral consultation, family and consumer training, dietitian/nutritionist services, personal emergency response systems and Senior Center Plus. Each program participant is assigned to a case manager who works with him or her to develop a plan of care that best meets his or her needs. Services and qualified providers are identified in the plan of care, and then monitored to assure the participant's needs are being adequately and continuously addressed.

Jane is 59 and married to Earl who is 70 and mildly retarded. Jane has a permanent tracheostomy and is on continuous oxygen. Her diagnoses include hypertension, morbid obesity, cardiomyopathy, seizure disorder, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder. She was referred to the Waiver for Older Adults (WOA) by the medical adult day center she attends because of staff concerns about her living conditions at home. Jane was taking her medication incorrectly, leading to frequent hospitalizations, while old bi-lateral ankle fractures along with her morbid obesity caused numerous falls. Because of her husband's mental health issues, he was not capable of helping her. The couple had very poor nutrition and survived on TV dinners. Additionally, Jane was frightened by her two adult dysfunctional children and gave them money out of fear, continuously depleting her funds. Jane was approved for the WOA and has shared a room with her husband in an assisted living facility for the last year. She has had no hospitalizations or falls and has lost 30 pounds. She said she feels good about herself now. In addition, the couples' check book and cash are locked up at the facility and Jane no longer lives in fear.

care admission criteria (nursing home level of care), and meet financial and technical requirements.					
Financial Eligibility Individual	<b>Monthly Income Test</b> \$1869 as of 1/1/07 (300% of SSI maximum) or higher if medically needy and spending down through allowable expenditures for medical and remedial services to the medically needy income limit of \$350/month.			Annual Asset Test \$2000-\$2500, depending on eligibility category	
Program Data:		FY07 Actual	FY(	<b>)8 (Est.)</b>	FY09 (Est.)
Number of Providers	Number of Providers			4450	4450
Number of Participar	ts – Unduplicated Count	3582		3750	3750

Program Eligibility Criteria: Eligible individuals are those who are age 50 and older, meet Medicaid's long-term

**Waiting List**: The Waiver for Older Adults maintains a registry of individuals interested in applying for this program. This registry is required because the program is funded to support a maximum of 3,000 participants at any one point in time and is currently 2,915. There are over 10,000 names on the registry. Generally 60% of those who apply for this waiver are determined eligible. If this holds true for those currently on the registry, more than 3,400 people in need of long-term support services may have no alternative to placement in a nursing home.

Program Funding:			
Federal (Administration and Case Management)	\$2,498,902	\$3,100,000	\$3,100,000
State (Administration and Case Management)	1,950,465	1,981,054	1,981,054
Total	\$4,449,367	\$5,081,054	\$5,081,054

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## HOUSING SERVICES Senior Assisted Living Group Home Subsidy Program (SALGHS)

**Program Description:** The Senior Assisted Living Group Home Subsidy (SALGHS) program provides low and moderate-income seniors with access to assisted living services in 4 to 16 bed group homes licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as Assisted Living Programs. The Maryland Department of Aging provides subsidies to eligible residents who might otherwise be in nursing facilities to cover the difference between the participant's monthly income (less a \$60/month personal allowance) and the approved monthly assisted living fee. The maximum subsidy, paid directly to the provider, is \$650/month. Subsidies are paid from State general funds.

Mrs. X is a 78 year-old woman who has received a SALGHS subsidy since moving to a Baltimore County assisted living facility in 2000. Prior to moving into the assisted living facility, she resided in a Florida assisted living facility. She has a history of glaucoma, hypertension and stroke. She uses a walker to assist with her ambulation. Her personal care needs are such that she requires total assistance from the assisted living staff. Mrs. X has no known biological family to turn to for help. Instead, she considers the facility staff and residents her family.

**Program Eligibility Criteria**: Eligible residents are low to moderate income persons residing in, or accepted for admission to, an assisted living facility, who are at least 62 years of age, physically or cognitively impaired, require assistance with one or more activities of daily and/or instrumental activities of living, and require 24 hour supervision.

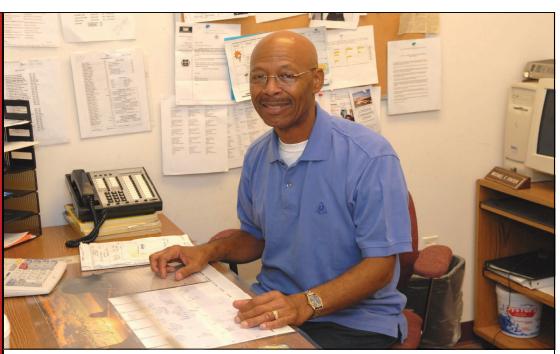
Subsidy	Monthly	Annual Asset Notes: Provides financial assistance for a limited num	
Eligibility	Income Test	Test	of eligible Assisted Living Group Home residents 62 and
			older whose net monthly income is insufficient to pay the
Individual	\$2,330	\$11,000	full monthly cost of a quality assisted living placement.
Couple	\$3,047	\$14,000	Next expected change: 7/1/08

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)	
Number of Residents Receiving Subsidies	661	661	661	
Waiting List: There are currently 258 persons	on a waiting list for	a subsidy. A MetLi	ife Market	
Survey of Assisted Living Costs in 2007 estimated the national average monthly cost for assisted				
living was \$2,968, with an average cost of \$3,334 in Baltimore. According to a needs assessment				
conducted by UMBC, there are more than 87,000 individuals aged 60+ in Maryland with disabilities				
who have less than \$25,000 in annual income and who may be eligible for community-based, long-				
term support services including assisted living. A significant number of those who would choose				
assisted living are unable to meet the high cost	without financial as	sistance.		
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Program Funding:			
Federal	0	0	0
State	\$3,285,240	\$3,454,929	\$3,454,929
Local Contributions	440,731	440,731	440,731
Total	\$3,725,971	\$3,895,660	\$3,895,660

**CONTACT PERSON**: Denise Adams, Program Manager, (410) 767-1269, dea@ooa.state.md.us





The Senior Employment Program matches unemployed eligible older workers, ages 55 and older, with local community-service assignments for on-the-job training. Participants are paid minimum wage under a federal grant for 20-hours per week of training while the community service agencies receive the benefit of the work they perform.

Computer, job search skills, and other training are also available to complement training assignments. The ultimate goal is for participants to move into jobs at market wages.

Some older workers have entered the job market as receptionists, administrative assistants, nutrition workers, retail clerks, senior center managers, cooks, and other positions.

## SENIOR EMPLOYMENT Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)

**Program Description:** SCSEP provides training and employment assistance to eligible older workers through participating 501(c)(3) non-profit agencies or government entities (Host Agencies) that provide a community service to the general or senior populations. While in the Program, qualified older workers update and enhance their skills through opportunities for training provided by their Host Agencies. Participants receive minimum wage (\$6.15/hr.) for 20 hours of work per week that is paid for by a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and authorized under Title V of the Older Americans Act. In return for furnishing supervision, instruction and training to the participants, Host Agencies also reap the benefits of the work they perform. Ultimately, participants are placed in permanent employment at the prevailing wage either with their Host Agencies or with non-profit, government or private sector employers.

A Senior Employment participant was hired as a resident assistant for 30 hours per week at \$8.13 per hour by the Housing Authority of Allegany County in March, 2007 after training at that site for ten months.

#### **Eligibility:**

Program Eligibility Criteria: Eligible participants are those who are unemployed income eligible persons 55					
years of age or older a	and in need of employment and	d training assistance.			
Family Size	Annual Income Test	Annual Asset Test	Notes: Add \$4,350.00 for		
			each additional family		
1	\$12,763.00	N/A	member. Annual Income		
2	\$17,113.00		Test represents 125% of the		
3	\$21,463.00		Federal Poverty Guideline.		
			Next expected change:		
			3/1/08		

Program Data:	FY07 (Actual)	FY08 (Est.)	FY09 (Est.)
Number of Training Positions	166	166	166
Number of Participants Trained	202	257	257
Program Funding:			
Federal	\$1,190,913	\$1,323,442	\$1,323,442
State	296,396	271,965	271,965
Total	\$1,487,309	\$1,595,407	\$1,595,407

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Governor Martin O'Malley and Charles Kauffman, Mid-Atlantic Director of the National Aging in Place Council. Governor O'Malley issued a proclamation designating October 1-7, 2007 as National Aging in Place Week in Maryland.

The Maryland Department of Aging, along with a consortium of community partners, co-sponsored free seminars to educate seniors about services and options available to help them make well-considered

decisions about staying in their homes or moving. According to an AARP survey, 9 out of 10 persons, age 65 and over, say they would like to remain in their homes for as long as possible.



Aging Service officials from the Department of Civil Affairs, Beijing City Government, met with staff of the Maryland Department of Aging to learn about the Department's mission and organizational structure, the state's senior population, the aging services provided by Maryland government and its funding management and allocation.

## SPECIAL PROJECTS Maryland Senior Medicare Patrol Project (Maryland SMP)

#### **Historical Background:**

In June 1997, the Maryland Department of Aging received a federal grant from the Administration on Aging to develop a project to respond to Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse. The Maryland Department of Aging used the grant to create the formerly named "Curb Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid Project" (CAMM), which is part of a nationwide initiative called "Senior Medicare Patrol Project" or SMP.

#### **Purpose and Process:**

The purpose of the SMP project is to reduce the amount of federal and State funds lost due to health insurance fraud by increasing the public's ability to detect and report possible fraud, waste and abuse. SMP has been successful in recruiting and training retiree volunteers to act as health insurance educators. Ninety-three volunteers have been involved in SMP activities this past year. Activities included public speaking engagements and instructing Medicare beneficiaries in monitoring health care expenditures, identifying potential discrepancies, and identifying issues having the potential for fraud concerning the selection of Medicare Prescription Drug Plans and Medicare Advantage plans.

Originally nine Area Agencies on Aging (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's Counties, Baltimore City and MAC, Inc. [Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester counties]) received funds to operate local SMP projects. Currently, there are 13 AAAs selected to operate the SMP projects. The latest counties awarded SMP grants are Kent, Caroline and Talbot counties (which constitute the Upper Shore Area Agency on Aging), and Frederick, St. Mary's and Queen Anne's counties.

#### **Accomplishments:**

The SMP grant to the Maryland Department of Aging was originally for a three-year period. MDoA has applied for and received additional competitive grants, the most recent extending until June 2008. In FY2007, MDoA continued to partner with local Area Agencies on Aging in reaching other ethnic populations, including Spanish, Russian, Korean, Mandarin Chinese and Vietnamese.

#### **Outcomes:**

In FY07, The SMP project provided 348 public educational sessions reaching 9,955 individuals, and conducting 5,073 one-on-one counseling sessions. The SMP staff processed 294 inquiries and/or complaints. Also, in FY07, 95 training sessions were sponsored by the SMP project for the 1,047 volunteers and aging network staff.

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#### special projects Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project

#### **Historical Background:**

The Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project is administered by the Administration on Aging to assist states in developing demonstration projects for planning, establishing and operating programs for persons with Alzheimer's disease and their families. Maryland was awarded a three-year federal grant for the ROSE (Respite, Outreach, Support, and Education) Project. This project seeks to improve the ability of rural, Hispanic, and urban African American caregivers to care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders and to assist them in developing a natural support network through a coordinated effort of partnering agencies. The grant amount is \$290,000 and will expire June 2008.

#### **Purpose and Process:**

The ROSE Project works within the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP) to identify and provide services to caregivers and families that are affected by dementia. The goal of the project is to improve the ability of rural, Latino/Hispanic and urban African American family caregivers to be better prepared to care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease by improving access and availability of supportive services, including caregiver training, and to empower caregivers to develop natural support networks for themselves using public and private resources through a coordinated effort of partnering agencies. Volunteers from faith-based organizations are being trained to provide in-home respite care.

#### **Expected Outcomes:**

- 379 family caregivers have been taught how to develop natural supports within their own families and communities.
- 2,861 family caregivers were trained in the care of people with Alzheimer's disease at all stages of the illness and educated about accessing formal and informal supports in the community.
- A caregiver self-assessment tool has been developed to assist caregivers to identify needs and supports. One hundred ninety-five assessments have been completed.
- 236 families have been provided with respite and supplemental services while learning to use a natural support network made up of family, friends and community partners.
- A support group has been established for Hispanic caregivers with a bilingual facilitator.

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## Appendix A: Area Agencies on Aging

The Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with the 19 Area Agencies on Aging, (AAAs) provides leadership and advocacy for older Marylanders and their families through information, education, programs and services that promote and enhance choice, independence and dignity. The Department and AAAs support equal opportunity and treatment for all persons regardless of age, race, color, national origin, sex or disability.

## Appendix B: Commission on Aging

The advisory body to the Maryland Department of Aging charged with the responsibility to review and make recommendations to the Secretary with respect to ongoing Statewide programs and activities that affect Maryland seniors.

## **Appendix C: Eligibility Levels for:**

- 1. Food Stamp Program and Maryland MEDBANK Program, and
- 2. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults.

## **Appendix D: Senior Centers**

## Appendix E: Senior Information & Assistance Offices

## AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

Appendix A

Jurisdiction	<b>Contact Person</b>	Address	Telephone/Fax/Email/Web
Allegany	Tammy Lawson	Allegany County Human Resources Development	301-777-5970 ext.143
	Director	Commission, Inc.	301-722-0937 - FAX
		19 Frederick Street	tlawson@allconet.org
		Cumberland, MD 21502	-
Anne Arundel	Sheryl Banks	Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and	410-222-4464
	Director	Disabilities	410-222-4360 - FAX
		2666 Riva Road - Suite 400	agbank00@aacounty.org
		Annapolis, MD 21401	
Baltimore City	John P. Stewart	Commission on Aging and Retirement Education	410-396-4932
	<b>Executive Director</b>	(CARE)	410-545-1539 - FAX
		10 North Calvert Street, Suite 300	john.stewart@baltimorecity.gov
		Baltimore, MD 21202	
Baltimore	Arnold J. Eppel	Baltimore County Department of Aging	410-887-2109
	Director	611 Central Avenue	410-887-2159 - FAX
		Towson, MD 21204	aeppel@baltimorecountymd.gov
			www.takingcareofmomanddad.net
Calvert	Bettina C. Dubas	Calvert County Office on Aging	410-535-4606
	<b>Division Chief</b>	450 West Dares Beach Road	301-855-1170 D.C. Line
		Prince Frederick, MD 20678	410-535-1903 - FAX
			dubasbc@co.cal.md.us
Caroline	Carl E. Burke	Upper Shore Aging, Inc	410-778-6000
Kent	<b>Executive Director</b>	100 Schauber Road	410-758-6500
Talbot		Chestertown, MD 21620	1-800-721-6651 (toll free)
			410-778-3562 - FAX
			cburke@uppershoreaging.org
Carroll	Richard Steinberg	Carroll County Bureau of Aging	410-386-3800
	Chief	125 Stoner Avenue	1-888-302-8978 (toll free)
		Westminster, MD 21157	410-840-0436 - FAX
			rsteinberg@ccg.carr.org

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Jurisdiction	<b>Contact Person</b>	Address	Telephone/Fax/Email/Web
Cecil	Susan E. Twigg	Senior Services and Community Transit of Cecil County	410-996-5295
	Director	200 Chesapeake Blvd., Suite 2550	410-620-9483 FAX
		Elkton, MD 21921	stwigg@ccgov.org
Charles	Karen Cieplak	Charles County Aging and Community Services	301-934-0109
	Chief of Aging	Division8190 Port Tobacco Road	301-934-5624 - FAX
		Port Tobacco, MD 20677	lehmank@charlescounty.org
Dorchester	Margaret Bradford	MAC, Inc.	410-742-0505
Somerset	Executive Director	1504 Riverside Drive	410-742-0525 - FAX
Wicomico		Salisbury, MD 21801	mab@macinc.org
Worcester			-
Frederick	Carolyn True	Frederick County Department of Aging	301-600-1605
	Director	1440 Taney Avenue	301-600-3554 - FAX
		Frederick, MD 21702	TTY Dial 711 in MD or 1-800-201-7165
			ctrue@fredco-md.net
Garrett	Adina Brode	Garrett County Area Agency on Aging	301-334-9431 ext. 143
	Director	104 E. Centre Street	301-334-8555 - FAX
		Oakland, MD 21550-1328	abrode@garrett.cac.org
Harford	Karen Winkowski	Harford County Office on Aging	410-638-3025
	Director	Area Agency on Aging	410-879-2000 ext. 3331
		145 N. Hickory Avenue	410-893-2371 - FAX
		Bel Air, MD 21014	kawinkowski@harfordcountymd.gov
Howard	Administrator	Howard Co. Office on Aging	410-313-6410
		6751 Columbia Gateway Dr	410-313-6540 - FAX
		2nd Floor	
		Columbia, MD 21046	
Montgomery	Elizabeth Boehner	Montgomery County Area Agency on Aging	240-777-1131
	Director	Aging and Disability Services	240-777-1436 - FAX
		401 Hungerford Drive, 4 <sup>th</sup> Fl.	elizabeth.boehner@montgomery
		Rockville, Maryland 20850	countymd.gov

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Prince George's	Theresa Grant	Prince George's County Department of Family Services	301-265-8450
	Director	Administration on Aging	301-248-5358- FAX
		6420 Allentown Road	tmgrant@co.pg.md.us
		Camp Springs, MD 20748	
Queen Anne's	Catherine Willis	Queen Anne's County Department of Aging	410-758-0848
	Director	104 Powell Street	410-758-4489 - FAX
		Centreville, MD 21617	cwillis@qac.org
St. Mary's	Lori Jennings-	St. Mary's County Department of Aging	301-475-4200 ext.1070
	Harris	41780 Baldridge Street	301-475-4503 - FAX
	Director	P.O. Box 653	lori.harris@co.saint-marys.md.us
		Leonardtown, MD 20650	-
Washington	Susan MacDonald	Washington County Commission on Aging	301-790-0275
-	<b>Executive Director</b>	140 West Franklin Street, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor	1-866-802-1212 (toll free)
		Hagerstown, MD 21740	301-739-4957 - FAX
		-	sjm@wccoaging.org

## **COMMISSION ON AGING**

#### History of the Commission on Aging:

The origin of the Commission on Aging dates back to 1959, when the General Assembly created the State Coordinating Commission on the Problems of the Aging in response to the rapidly increasing population of older persons. In 1971 the Coordinating Commission was re-designated the Commission on Aging, becoming an independent agency within the State Department of Employment and Social Services. In May 1973, the Commission was transferred to the Executive Department and charged as the State agency responsible for carrying out planning, coordination, and evaluation activities under the federal Older Americans Act. Legislation in 1975 merged the Commission on Aging into the Office on Aging to serve in both an advisory and policy making role. In 1989, legislation clarified the role of the Commission on Aging as the advisory body to the Office on Aging. Today, the Commission on Aging is the advisory body to the Maryland Department of Aging.

#### The Role of the Commission:

The Commission is charged with the responsibility to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Aging with respect to ongoing statewide programs and activities.

#### **Current Membership**

The Commission consists of 13 members appointed by the Governor. The mandated membership of the Commission includes: 1 member of the Maryland Senate; 1 member of the Maryland House of Delegates; and 11 members (reflecting geographic representation) who are interested in the problems of older individuals. At least 7 members must be 55 years of age or older.

#### Membership

Mr. Stuart P. Rosenthal Ms. Jane M. Brewer Dr. Young Dae Cha Mr. Richmond T. P. Davis Ms. Queen L. Gladden Mr. W. Lee Hammond Ms. Maria V. Jimenez Ms. Louise Lynch Ms. Paula Martin Ms. Irene B. Reid Rev. David W. Simpson Delegate Barbara Frush

#### Term

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2011\* July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2009 July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2010\* July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2010\* July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2011 July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2009\* July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2010 July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2011 July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2011 July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2010\* July 1, 1995

#### **County of Residence**

Montgomery County Baltimore County Montgomery County Montgomery County Charles County Wicomico County Wicomico County Montgomery County Frederick County Prince George's County Baltimore City Howard County Prince George's County

\* Reappointed

	Monthly (or		
	Annual) Income	Annual Asset	Nuture
Federal/State Program	Test	Test	Notes
Federal Poverty			Next expected change: 2/1/08
Guidelines Individual	\$ 851		
maividual	(\$10,210 per year)		
	(\$10,210 per year)		
Couple	\$1,141		
coupie	(\$13,690 per year)		
Qualified Medicare	(Apply \$20 income		Pays Medicare Part A and B
Beneficiary Program	disregard – see note		premiums, co-payments, and
(QMB)	below)		deductibles.
Individual	\$ 851	\$4,000	Next expected change: 3/1/08
Couple	\$1,141	\$6,000	
Special Low-Income	(Apply \$20 income		Similar to QMB but pays only the
Medicare Beneficiary	disregard – see note		Part B premium.
Program (SLMB)	below)		
	+ + · ·	±	Next expected change: 3/1/08
I Individual	\$ 852 - \$1,021	\$4,000	
Couple	\$1,142 - \$1,369	\$6,000	
II Individual	¢1.022 ¢1.140	\$4,000	
Couple	\$1,022 - \$1,149 \$1,370 - \$1,541	\$6,000	
Primary Adult Care	(After applying	\$0,000	Provides MD residents, ages 19
Program (PAC)	exclusions and		and over, who do not qualify for
riogram (rric)	disregards)		Medicare or Medical Assistance,
	disrogurds)		with free primary care doctor
Individual	\$ 987	\$4,000	visits, free mental health visits
Couple	\$1,141	\$6,000	(psychiatric or counseling), and
1		. ,	low-cost or free prescription
			drugs. Does not cover hospital
			stays, ER visits, or specialty care.
			Call 1-800-226-2142 (toll-free)
			for application & information.
			Next expected change: 3/1/08

Note: \$20 may be subtracted from the individual's or couple's gross income; if the \$20 subtraction reduces the income to the number listed on the chart, then the individual or couple probably qualifies for the benefit. Grey highlight indicates changes effective in 2008.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	(Apply \$20 income disregard – see note		Effective: 1/1/08
Individual Couple	on previous page) \$637 \$956	\$2,000 \$3,000	
EXTRA HELP with Medicare D Prescription Drug Program Individual Couple (100% poverty & below)	Below \$851 Below \$1,141 (Are "dual eligible" – have <i>both</i> Medicare and Medical Assistance)	Under \$4,000 Under \$6,000	This financial assistance is only for Medicare beneficiaries who have a Medicare D prescription drug plan. Benefits vary depending on income level; assistance may help with cost of premiums, deductibles, co-pays. Apply through Social Security Administration (1-800-772-1213
Individual	Below \$1,149	Below \$7,620	or <u>www.ssa.gov</u> ) or Local Department of Social Services
Couple (up to 135% poverty)	Below \$1,540	Below \$12,190	No need to apply for Extra Help if you have Medical Assistance, QMB, SLMB, QI-1, or SSI
Individual	Below \$1,276	Below \$11,710	Next expected change: 3/1/08
Couple (up to 150% poverty)	Below \$1,711	Below \$23,410	
State of Maryland Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program (SPDAP) Individual	\$2,552.50/mo. (\$30,630/yr.)	No test	For persons enrolled in a Medicare Rx or Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug plan, SPDAP pays up to \$25 per month toward the cost of the premium for their chosen plan <i>except</i> for persons eligible for full federal EXTRA HELP (see the
Couple	\$3,422.50/mo. (\$41,070/yr.)	No test	"dual eligible" group above) as determined by the Social Security Administration AND have a household income at or below 300% of federal poverty standards. Applications for SPDAP are available through the Maryland Health Insurance Plan

			at 1-800-551-5995 or at www.marylandspdap.com. Effective: 1/1/08
Maryland Energy Assistance Program(MEAP) Individual Couple	\$1,488.96 \$1,996.46 (represents 175% of poverty level; previous year's limit was 200%)	No test No test	<ul><li>Provides eligible low-income Marylanders assistance with home heating bills; EUSP assists with electric bills.</li><li>Only one application is required for both MEAP and EUSP. Both programs administered by Office of Home Energy Programs</li></ul>
Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP) Individual Couple	\$1,488.96 \$1,996.46 (represents 175% of poverty level; previous year's limit was 200%)	No test No test	(OHEP), DHR. Next expected change: 7/1/08
Food Stamp Program Individual Couple	\$851 \$1,141 (net income)	\$3,000 \$3,000	A household's first \$134 per month is not counted in determining eligibility; household vehicles are not counted; there are also medical and housing deductions. Persons 60 and over (and their spouses) who are unable to purchase and prepare their own meals due to a disability, and who live and eat with others in a household whose combined income does not exceed 165% of the poverty level, <i>may</i> be considered a separate household. Effective: 1/1/08

Medical Assistance (Medicaid) Individual Couple	\$350 \$392	\$2,500 \$3,000	Requires documentation of disability; individuals can "spend down" to this income level to be eligible.
Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults	\$1,869 or higher if medically needy spending down through allowable expenditures for medical and remedial services to the medically needy income limit of \$350 per month.	\$2,000 - \$2,500, depending on eligibility category.	Assisted living and in-home services for individuals age 50 and older who meet Medicaid institutional eligibility rules; additional medical, financial, and technical eligibility requirements apply. Next expected change: 1/1/08
Senior Care Program			Case managed, in-home services program for individuals 65 and
Individual Couple	\$2,330 \$3,047	\$11,000 \$14,000	older. Next expected change: 7/1/08
Senior Assisted Living Group Home Program Subsidy			Provides financial assistance for a limited number of eligible Assisted Living Group Home residents age 62 or older.
Individual Couple	\$2,330 \$3,047	\$11,000 \$14,000	Next expected change: 7/1/08
Congregate Housing Services (CHSP) Subsidy Individual Couple	\$2,330 \$3,047	\$27,375 \$35,587	Provides financial assistance for a limited number of Congregate Housing residents in selected sites for individuals 62 and older whose net monthly income is insufficient to pay the full monthly fee for Congregate Housing Services.
			Next expected change: 7/1/08

Senior Employment Program (Title V)			Federally subsidized employment for persons ages 55 and over.
Individual	\$1,063.58 (\$12,763 per yr.)	No test	Next expected change: 2/1/08
Couple	\$1,426.08 (\$17,113 per yr.)	No test	
Accessible Homes for Seniors			Provides zero-interest loans to modify a home space for senior (age 55 or older) living. Loan
Individual	\$52,920 per yr. (Washington MSA – Calvert, Charles, Frederick, Mont-	No test	payments are deferred for 30 years or until the sale or transfer of ownership of the home.
	gomery, & Prince George's Counties) \$44,296 per yr.		If the senior resides in home of a relative, eligibility is based on the owner's income.
	(all other jurisdictions)		This pilot program is a joint initiative of the MD Dept. of Housing & Community
Couple	\$60,480 per yr. (Washington MSA)	No test	Development and the MD Dept. of Aging. Application available at <u>www.mdhousing.org</u> or by
	\$50,624 per yr. (all other jurisdictions)		calling 800-756-0119.
2008 State of Maryland	Plan is based on	Net worth is	Allows a credit against the
Homeowners' Property	relationship between	less than	homeowner's 2008 property tax
Tax Credit Program	property taxes and income; combined	\$200,000	bill if property taxes exceed a fixed percentage of the person's
	gross household	(excluding property on	gross income.
	income cannot	which you are	
	exceed \$60,000.	seeking credit	No age restrictions.
	For application, with further explanation,	and cash value of IRAs or qualified	Credit applicable only to dwelling which is your
	call 410-767-4433	retirement	permanent residence.
	(Balto. metro area) or 1-800-944-7403	savings plans).	Apply no later than 9/1/08.
	(other areas) or see <u>www.dat.state.md.us</u> .		

2008 State of Maryland	Plan is based on	Net worth is	Provides tax credit up to \$750 a
Renters' Tax Credit	relationship between	less than	year for renters who meet certain
Program	rent and income.	\$200,000	requirements on rent paid in
	For application, with further explanation, call 410-767-4433 (Balto. metro area) or 1-800-944-7403 (other areas) or see <u>www.dat.state.md.us</u> .		calendar year 2007. For persons age 60 and over, persons who are 100% disabled, or persons under age 60 (the latter not in subsidized housing and with dependent(s) under age 18 living with you). Apply no later than 9/1/08.

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Charles	Theresa	Charles County AAA	301-609-5712 or
County	Mason	Department of Community	301-870-3388 x5118
		Services	FAX: 301-934-5624
		8190 Port Tobacco Road	masont@charlescounty.org
		Port Tobacco, Maryland 20677	

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County	Contact	Address	Telephone
Dorchester	Mary Handley	Senior Information & Assistance	410-221-1930
County		Delmarva Community Services,	FAX: 410-221-1917
		Inc.	maryh@dcsdct.org
		P. O. Box 637	
		Cambridge, Maryland 21613	
Frederick	Elly Jenkins	Senior Information & Assistance	301-600-1604
County	-	Frederick Co. Department of	TTY – Dial 711 in MD or 1-800-
		Aging	201-7165
		1440 Taney Avenue	FAX: 301-600-3554
		Frederick, Maryland 21702	ejenkins@fredco-md.net
Garrett	Lynda Weeks	Senior Information & Assistance	301-334-9431 Ext. 140
County		Garrett County Area Agency on	FAX: 301-334-8555
·		Aging	lweeks@garrettcac.org
		104 E. Centre Street	
		Oakland, Maryland 21550	
Harford	Kathy Bond	Senior Information & Assistance	410-638-3025 - Harford
County	•	Harford Co. Area Agency on	410-879-2000 ext: 3331
		Aging	or ext. 3380 - Baltimore
		145 N. Hickory Avenue	FAX: 410-893-2371
		Bel Air, Maryland 21014	kmbond@harfordcountymd.gov
Howard	Pam Bilal	Senior Information & Assistance	410-313-5980 or 1-800-506-5806
County		Howard Co. Area Agency on	FAX: 410-313-7465
·		Aging	pbilal@co.ho.md.us
		6751 Columbia Gateway Drive,	-
		2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	
		Columbia, Maryland 21046	
Kent	Kim Porter	Senior Information & Assistance	410-778-2564
County		Ferris Adult Activity Center	FAX: 410-758-9994
·		200 Schauber Road	kporter@uppershoreaging.org
		Chestertown, Maryland 21620	
Montgomery	Jennifer Long	Senior Information & Assistance	240-777-3000
County	C	Montgomery County Aging and	TTY: 240-777-4575
		Disability Services	FAX: 240-777-1495
		401 Hungerford Drive, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	jennifer.long@
		Rockville, Maryland 20850	montgomerycountymd.gov
Prince	Floyd A.	Senior Information & Assistance	301-265-8450
George's	Johnson	Prince George's County	TTY: 301-277-0076
County		Area Agency on Aging	FAX: 301-248-5358
e o unity		Harriet Hunter Center	fajohnson@co.pg.md.us
		6420 Allentown Road	5

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		104 Powell Street	
		Centreville, Maryland 21617	
St. Mary's	Debbie Barker	Senior Information & Assistance	301-475-4200 Ext. 1064
County		St. Mary's County	FAX: 301-475-4503
		Department of Aging	debbie.barker@co.saint-
		Garvey Senior Center	marys.md.us
		P. O. Box 653	-
		Leonardtown, Maryland 20650	
Somerset	Jean Harrison	Senior Information & Assistance	410-651-0020
County		Commission on Aging-MAC, Inc.	FAX: 410-651-3350
-		11916 North Somerset Avenue	
		Princess Anne, Maryland 21853	
Talbot	Peggy Vance	Senior Information & Assistance	410-822-2869
County		Talbot County Senior Center	FAX: 410-820-9563
-		400 Brooklets Avenue	mvance@upppershoreaging.org
		Easton, Maryland 21601	
Washington	Liz Church	Senior Information & Assistance	301-790-0275
County		Washington County	FAX: 301-739-4957
		Commission on Aging, Inc./AAA	lchurch@wccoaging.org
		140 W. Franklin St., 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor	
		Hagerstown, Maryland 21740	
Wicomico	Teri Davidson	Senior Information & Assistance	410-543-0388
County		Pine Bluff – MAC, Inc.	FAX: 410-742-0525
		1504 Riverside Drive	tld@macinc.org
		Salisbury, Maryland 21801	
Worcester	Debbie Ritter	Senior Information & Assistance	410-632-1289
County		Worcester County	FAX: 410-632-2613
-		Commission on Aging	
		MAC, Inc Snow Hill Senior Ctr.	
		107 East Market St., P. O. Box 159	
		Snow Hill, Maryland 21863	

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