



Advocacy. Action. Answers on Aging

Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging

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- Are part of a national network of over 600 on-the-ground organizations in each state, mandated by the Older Americans Act, and charged with helping vulnerable older adults live with independence and dignity in their homes and communities.
- Are granted by the Older Americans Act with the flexibility to ensure that local needs and preferences are taken into consideration and that the resulting local delivery system is tailored to the community.
- Are mission-driven primarily not-for-profit organizations that operate a complex service delivery system that provides access to community-based, in-home and elder rights services.
- Work with public and private partners to respond to the unique needs of older adults, individuals with disabilities, and their families.
- Manage over 4100 contracts with local partners to deliver direct services, such as meals, transportation, personal care, and home modifications to individuals in their regions.
- Have been the champion of rebalancing HCBS to NF efforts in Ohio for over 40 years.

Ohio is an Aging State

- Ohio has the 6th largest population age 65 and over in the nation.
- Between 2015 and 2030 Ohio's overall population growth will be flat with an increase of under 2%.
- Between 2015 and 2030 the population age 65 and older will increase by 40%; the population 80 and older will increase by 46%.
- By 2030 Ohio's older population with severe disability will increase by 43%.
- By 2050, there will be only 3 potential family givers for every person of late old age in Ohio.
- Chronic disease rates and disability are higher among baby boomers than members of the previous generation at the same age. The Health Ranking for Ohio seniors dropped from 30th in 2015 to 34th in 2018.
- Less than 5% of Ohioans aged 40 and older have private long term care insurance, resulting in Medicaid paying for the majority of long term care.

