



# Senior Initiative

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Senior Initiative is a multi-year, cross-departmental project to (1) improve coordination, community outreach and promotion of programs designed to serve seniors, and (2) identify and plan for the short and long term needs of seniors.

## LINKAGE TO COUNTY RESULTS AREAS

- Vital Living for All of our Residents
- Healthy and Sustainable Communities
- Safe Streets and Secure Neighborhoods

## PROGRAM CONTACTS

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## SUSTAINABLE GOVERNMENT

The number of residents age 65+ in the County is projected to more than double between 2010 and 2040, from 120,000 to 244,000. Since taking office, the County Executive increased services that support the County's senior community. The County Executive's primary focus has been on the following issues that directly affect Seniors:

- Age and Dementia Friendly Community
- Housing
- Food Security
- Transportation
- Safety
- Engagement
- Communication

**Creation of the Senior Subcabinet on Senior Vital Living:** In response to the increasing number of seniors who expressed their desires to remain active in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors, the County Executive hosted a Senior Summit in 2008. This summit was attended by nearly 400 participants including business leaders, faith community representatives, nonprofit organizations, advocates and consumers, elected officials, and other key stakeholders who collaborated to identify key areas to promote seniors. One of the major accomplishments of this Summit was the creation of the Subcabinet on Senior Vital Living whose mission is to increase senior connectedness, community engagement, and knowledge of and access to available resources.

**AARP/WHO Age Friendly Community and Certified Dementia Friendly Initiative:** In December 2015, the County Executive hosted the second Senior Summit that showcased the County's enrollment in the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)/World Health Organization (WHO) Age-Friendly Communities Network and designation as an "Age Friendly Community." The initiative provides a framework for developing a comprehensive approach toward ensuring that the needs of older adults and all County residents are recognized and acknowledged. Also, in partnership with BrightFocus Foundation, the County enrolled in the Dementia Friendly America Initiative. This national initiative fosters the creation of communities that better recognize and help those affected by dementia, their families, and care partners. With a continued commitment to the County's senior population, the County Executive has expanded public safety support to strengthen and empower individuals living with dementia and their families.

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**Housing:** In response to one of the primary issues facing seniors, affordable housing, the County Executive has dedicated and leveraged funds for a number of senior housing projects throughout the County. Major developments include the Bonifant and Victory Crossing developments in Silver Spring, Washington McLaughlin Apartments in Takoma Park, Covenant Village in Germantown, and Victory Court in Rockville.

Since FY08, the County has developed 18 senior housing projects, of which 7 are complete, 2 are underway, and 4 are committed. In all, these projects will produce or preserve over 1,800 total senior rental units, including approximately 1,400 units affordable to seniors. The County has dedicated \$74.12 million dollars in funding for senior housing while leveraging \$4.06 for every \$1 invested. The County Executive recommends to allocate \$4 million for senior affordable housing in FY18 to further support senior communities in the County.

**Food Security:** The Senior Nutrition Program has served as a focal point for the County Executive's commitment to increase food security and nutrition options for seniors. This program provides meals for older adults to improve food security and provide access to other supportive services, such as health and wellness promotions and education. A key aspect of the program is the community support seniors receive from those who deliver meals to adults who are frail, homebound due to illness or disability, or otherwise isolated. It is administered in cooperation with a vast network of public, private, and nonprofit organizations.

The Senior Nutrition Program has served over four million meals since FY08. The County Executive has supported enhancements to the program including meal choices that reflect the diversity of residents served and the creation of the Cold Meal Box Program, which delivers lunch meals three times per week during the peak winter months.

**Senior Transportation:** In FY08, the County Executive established the Senior Transportation program which is designed to provide escorted transportation for older adults and adults with disabilities. Through January 2017 the program, which is administered by various nonprofit partners, has provided 280 residents with a total of 483 trips. The County Executive implemented a second senior transportation initiative called "Seniors Ride Free." This program has facilitated participation at senior centers by providing curb-to-curb service to seniors living within an approximate three to five mile radius of each senior center.

**Adult Protective and Public Guardian Services:** Adult Protective Services (APS) and Public Guardianship Services, provide multi-disciplinary assessments, care planning, and case management services to frail seniors and adults with disabilities. The purpose of the program is to prevent abuse, neglect, self-neglect, exploitation, and inappropriate institutionalization. As of 2016, APS served 808 clients by preventing and investigating abuse and developing remedial actions for vulnerable adults to prevent self-neglect. In FY18, the County Executive proposes to expand the Adult Protective Services program by adding two investigative staff positions to the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Engagement:** To keep pace with the County's growing active senior population, the County Executive has supported increased senior participation by opening two new Senior Centers in White Oak and North Potomac and expanded programming at the remaining community recreation centers. These centers facilitate senior engagement by conducting a wide breadth of senior events. In FY18, the County Executive committed funding for a full-time position for the Maryland Senior Olympics.

**Senior Mini-trip Program:** In FY15 the County Executive established the Senior Mini-trip program which conducts local trips for seniors that they might not otherwise be able to afford or attend. Trips include downtown museums in Washington D.C., theatres, the Montgomery County Fair, Mt. Vernon, the Air & Space Museum Annex at Dulles Airport, and shopping venues.

**Senior Fellows Program:** The Senior Fellows program, created in FY11, taps the experience and skills of retired seniors. These senior fellows add valuable capacity and increase the focus across a range of issues from affordable housing to transportation options, with special attention to senior engagement. In FY18, the County Executive proposes to expand the program by adding two senior fellows to the Community Engagement Cluster.

**Communication:** In FY17 the County Executive increased funding for County events and services published in the *Beacon*. This newsletter, published in multiple languages, provides a vital link for seniors to be informed of multiple events, volunteer opportunities, and information on government services to increase senior engagement and quality of life.

## FY18 RECOMMENDED ENHANCEMENTS

The FY18 Approved Budget includes approximately \$29.99 million in tax supported resources identified for seniors, including funds for community organizations that augment County services for seniors and respond to the needs identified in the County Executive's 2015 Summit on Aging. In addition, the recommended budget includes \$15.1 million in non-tax supported resources

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## Department of Recreation

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- Provide an additional \$37,791 in County funding for a full-time staff person for six months to support the Maryland Senior Olympics.

## Department of Health and Human Services

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- Increase funding for the Adult Foster Care reimbursement rate to reduce the gap between the County and State subsidy for senior assisted living group homes.
- Add two full-time Social Worker positions to Adult Protective Services to provide investigative services to prevent and investigate abuse.
- Maintain funds to enhance Medical Adult Daycare subsidies for clients to attend an Adult Day Care program two days per week for socialization and medical supervision.
- Continue funding to provide mandated Adult Evaluation and Review Services (AERS) evaluations to identify available services to help seniors and adults with disabilities remain in the community while functioning at the highest possible level of independence and personal well-being.

## Department of Transportation - Transit Services

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- Continue the enhanced the Call-n-Ride program by decreasing the minimum age for eligibility from 67 to 65, which added 445 participants to the program.
- Continue to provide Medicaid transportation services to qualified/certified County residents.
- Continue enhanced support for Seniors Ride Free on Saturdays from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.
- Continue offering transit - provided trips to grocery stores and senior recreation centers.

## Community Engagement Cluster

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- Add two Senior Fellow positions to conduct outreach to match interest and skills of retired seniors with nonprofits and government agencies.

## Fire and Rescue Service (MCFRS)

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- Continue support for enhanced Senior Safety Outreach to provide home safety evaluations, education, and outreach programs to address the specific needs associated with the projected growth in the County's senior population.

## Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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- Add funds to support senior housing to be located adjacent to the East County Regional Service Center in Silver Spring. This project will provide 120 units of mixed-income senior rental units, of which 60 units will be affordable to residents at or below 60 percent of the area median income (AMI).

## State's Attorney

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- Maintain funding for two positions to the Crimes Against Seniors and Vulnerable Adults (CASVA) unit to provide specialized attention to District Court cases involving seniors and vulnerable adults and reduce the backlog of case referrals.

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## Public Information Office

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- Maintain funds to support regular ads promoting County programs, resources, and events for seniors in the Senior Beacon.
- Continue enhanced senior outreach through printed materials and through translation into other languages.

## Department of Technology Services

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- Maintain funds for Senior Planet Montgomery technology training for older adults.

## Non-Departmental Account Community Grants

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- Provide grants to our community partners of \$1,078,423 for 38 proposals for seniors to respond to the needs identified in the County Executive's 2015 Summit on Aging supporting diverse senior communities, with particular focus on support for Villages, housing, friendly visitor programs, and in-home services for frail elders. These community organizations are critical to an effective network of services and are often able to provide these services in a more cost-effective, culturally appropriate, and flexible way than County Government. They are also able to leverage community resources that may be unavailable to County Government.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Senior Initiative is a comprehensive response to the various issues facing the growing number of seniors in our community. Montgomery County, much like the rest of the United States, will experience unprecedented growth in the senior population in the coming decades. The number of residents age 65+ in the County is projected to more than double between 2010 and 2040, from 120,000 to 244,000. This will raise seniors' share of the population from 9 percent in 1990 to 20 percent by 2040. The number of residents aged 85 and older is expected to grow the fastest, to 42,900 by 2040.

At the same time, the share of minority residents among the 65+ population is expected to increase from 34 percent in 2010 to 57 percent by 2040. Today, Asian residents make up the largest minority group among County residents age 65+, accounting for 14 percent, with Black residents accounting for 12 percent and Hispanic residents accounting for 8 percent. Today, 31 percent of residents who are age 65 and older speak a language other than English at home, with 18 percent of residents age 65+ speaking English less than very well.

Regarding income, 6.5 percent of the County's seniors live in poverty, with an additional 5.4 percent of seniors living between 100 and 150 percent of the poverty line. Additionally, many seniors are housing burdened; 27 percent of Montgomery County senior homeowners and 61 percent of senior renters are spending more than 30 percent of income on housing. (Source: US Census American Community Survey 2013 and 2014 for current estimates; State of Maryland for population projections.)

To address the needs of this burgeoning population, the County Executive is strategically enhancing a variety of critical senior services. At the same time, through the creation of a Senior Subcabinet, the County Executive has charged his departments with ensuring that senior services are delivered in a coordinated and effective manner.

The leadership of this effort is provided by the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Director of the Department of Recreation who serve as Co-Chairs of the County Executive's Senior Subcabinet on Vital Living. The Senior Subcabinet has representatives from the following departments: Health and Human Services, Recreation, Fire and Rescue Service, Transit Services, Public Libraries, Housing and Community Affairs, Police, Office of Consumer Protection, Commission for Women, Office of Public Information, Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, CountyStat, and the Office of Community Partnerships (Community Engagement Cluster), as well as the Commission on Aging.

Building upon previous efforts to assess the current needs of seniors and plan for emerging needs (e.g., "A Report on the Needs of Low-Income Seniors in Montgomery County, MD," June 2002; "Strategic Planning Study of Senior Needs," December 2002; "Imagining An Aging Future for Montgomery County, MD," May 2007; "Senior Outreach Strategic Communications Plan for Montgomery County," October 2007; the "County Executive's Senior Summit," November 2008; "A Community for a Lifetime: The Senior Agenda," December 2012; the County Executive's Summit on Aging," December 2015; "Summit on Aging Report," February 2016) eight key areas have been identified as essential for Montgomery County seniors to "age in community" with safety, dignity, and vitality:

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- Communications and Outreach
  - Housing and Zoning
  - Transportation and Mobility
  - Health and Wellness
  - Civic and Social Engagement
  - Home and Community Support Services
  - Safety
  - Employment

During the months of October and November 2015, the "Age Friendly Montgomery County Survey" was conducted and Focus groups were held to obtain information from County residents age 55 years and older regarding the aspects of life in the County that they consider positive or favorable and those areas where improvements are needed. Over 2,000 residents responded to the survey and 400 residents participated in focus groups providing valuable insights into the priority concerns and needs of our aging residents. On December 3, 2015, the County Executive convened the "Summit on Aging" to review progress made in advancing the County as an "age friendly" community and to review the survey and focus group results to develop a strategic plan for ensuring that Montgomery County is a community for a lifetime. The County Executive's 2015 Summit on Aging again addressed these critical elements - with an additional focus on diversity, elder abuse and technology.

Services benefiting seniors are incorporated in the general department program offerings, as well as targeted services. These services respond to critical needs facing the County and the desired outcome of promoting "vital living for all residents." Below are some of the major County government programs currently supporting County seniors:

## Department of Recreation

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- Operate six full-service Senior Centers that offer social opportunities, health and wellness programs, life-long learning and educational programs, exercise classes, dance classes, lectures, cultural programs, and facility bookings.
- Operate a Senior Transportation Service providing limited range access to each of the five Senior Centers.
- Operate 13 55+ Active Adult Centers where seniors gather for educational programs, friendship, entertainment, sports, and other activities.
- Operate a Senior Nutrition Program at eight facilities in cooperation with HHS.
- Operate the Senior Sneaker Exercise Program that provides for adults over 55 years of age access to quality exercise and fitness rooms at Recreation Department Community Centers with a reduced annual membership fee.
- Offer Senior Outdoor Adventures in Recreation day trip programs for active adults over 55 years of age.
- Coordinates, advertises, registers and operates the annual Maryland Senior Olympics.
- Continue the popular senior mini-trip program. Each senior center and Active Adult Program now receives four trips per year to take seniors to local destinations of interest.
- Works with other agencies, departments, hospitals, and non-profits to provide a variety of programs, classes, and services identified as community needs to the residents age 55+ of Montgomery County. This includes such programs as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, Tech Fairs, Health and Wellness Expos, Bone Builders, and Senior Fit classes and a huge variety of ongoing classes and programs.

## Department of Health and Human Services

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- Prevent or reverse nursing home placement for Medicaid eligible persons of all ages by providing supports planning, nurse monitoring and community based services.
- Transport seniors using Transit Services Ride On buses during off-peak hours to provide transportation to County community recreation centers once or more per week and to grocery stores for a limited number of senior housing complexes one time each week.

- Provide supportive contractual services to seniors including "friendly visitor" services, escorted grocery shopping, legal assistance, and Alzheimer's support services.
- Continue the Escorted Transportation Project with the Jewish Council for the Aging to expand and coordinate new and existing escorted transportation services.
- Promote and expand transportation options available to seniors and people with disabilities through the County Mobility and Transportation Manager who works with advocates and public and private service providers.
- Offer one-stop, hands-on assistance and outreach to County residents regarding services for seniors, persons with disabilities, and their families and caregivers to clarify their needs and identify and access resources.
- Help protect more than 7,700 County residents in 190 assisted living facilities and 34 nursing homes by maintaining a regular presence, investigating complaints, and advocating for seniors rights.
- Guarantee that seniors over the age of 60 have access to meals, nutrition education, and the opportunity for socialization at community and senior centers and senior apartment buildings.
- Provide home delivered meals to chronically ill clients, age 60 and above, to address the nutritional needs of the County's most frail and vulnerable seniors who are home-bound due to illness or disability and cannot get out or prepare healthful meals on their own. Special consideration is given to low-income individuals, minority individuals, those in rural communities, those with limited English proficiency, and those at risk of institutional care.
- Investigate complaints of maltreatment for abuse and neglect against seniors, secure resources, and provide surrogate decision-making for adults adjudicated through the courts.
- Provide in-home support services to help vulnerable seniors remain safe and cared for in the community and to prevent premature and/or inappropriate institutionalization.
- Offer the Home Care Chore Services Program, which is targeted to low income frail elderly and people with disabilities who need help with light cleaning, vacuuming, laundry, and/or meal preparation in order to remain in their own homes and in the community.
- Maintain funding for respite care services for older adults and persons with disabilities.
- Continue support in the Adult Protective Services/Social Services to Adults Program to address an increase in investigations of financial exploitation resulting from new mandatory reporting requirements for banks.
- Provide Heavy Chore Services to serve seniors with hoarding behaviors to prevent evictions, condemnation, or to correct health and safety conditions. Services include heavy commercial cleaning and pest fumigation.
- Offer short-term respite services to caregivers who provide ongoing care to frail elders.
- Provide Senior Mental Health Services for home-bound seniors and coordinate medication with medical providers.
- Help meet older adult challenges of remaining independent in their homes as they age in their communities through the "Village" model, a grassroots, consumer driven, and volunteer first model. The Village Coordinator assists 14 current and nine emerging "Villages" and promotes the creation of new ones.

## Department of Transportation - Transit Services

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- Subsidize taxi service for low income seniors, age 65 and older, to allow for greater mobility and quality of life.
- Provide information and linkage to transportation resources to senior citizens, maintain a database of resources, help callers fill out forms for transportation programs, and link callers with transportation providers.
- Provide fixed route service (Ride On) to many senior centers.
- Transport seniors to five senior centers and for grocery shopping trips during Ride On's off-peak period.
- Provide free bus fares on Ride On and Metrobus during off-peak periods (Monday-Friday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM) and half price fares at all other times.
- Improve over 2,925 bus stops as part of Ride On's safety and accessibility program.
- Improve pedestrian crossings by re-timing all traffic signals to extend pedestrian crossing times to accommodate slower



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walking speeds, upgrade some traffic signals to include accessible/countdown pedestrian signals.

- Improve visibility by increasing street name signs to five inches and upgrade stop signs to 30-inch size (from 24-inches) for increased legibility.

## Department of Public Libraries (MCPL)

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- Provide programs specifically designed to engage seniors in creative, learning rich events which provide opportunities for social interaction at programs, and after them. These activities are essential to vital living, and provided via grant funding, staff work, and partnerships with Montgomery College's Lifelong Learning Institute.
- Provide library materials and programs relevant to senior issues. Topics include book discussions, finances, retirement, taxes, health, employment, technology, consumer issues, English language learning, and others. Recent programs include:
  - Partnership with the Alzheimer's Association of Montgomery County on a program series about coping with the disease for patients and caregivers;
  - Keeping Seniors Safe - partnership with Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service (MCFRS) and Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) on safety issues;
  - Stepping On - partnership with Maryland State Department of Health, programs on preventing falls; and
  - Holistic health and mediation program series.
- Provide lifelong learning services and materials, including our seniors-focused web page, and training on how to use e-books and computers.
- Offer large print library materials and other accessibility equipment and services for seniors.
- Provide Metro Senior SmarTrip cards for purchase at all library branches.
- Provide substantial volunteer opportunities that are frequently utilized by seniors at every branch, such as the MCPL "Grandreaders" program and Service Corps for Retired Executives business counseling.

## Fire and Rescue Service (MCFRS)

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- Identify strategies to reduce fire risk among the elderly.
- Identify homebound seniors and those with disabilities to provide information on fire safety and risk reduction assistance including the installation of approved smoke alarms appropriate for their needs.
- Increase collaboration between MCFRS, County agencies and departments, and professional organizations providing services to seniors.
- Initiate a public education and awareness campaign to educate and inform residents regarding the installation and upgrade of smoke alarms required by Maryland's new Smoke Alarm Law.
- Initiate a door-to-door campaign offering department services to seniors including the evaluation of existing residential smoke alarm equipment, replacement of outdated smoke alarms, and general injury prevention information.
- Offer a free residential safety evaluation for seniors.
- Assist and partner with communities and neighborhood organizations regarding fire safety, the development of home fire evacuation and escape plans and general injury prevention and information.
- Ensure members of the department are aware and responsive to the needs and risks faced by senior citizens.

## Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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- Continue partnering with "Rebuilding Together" by funding some administrative costs for a highly leveraged program that provides home repairs for low-income homeowners, most of whom are seniors and unable to undertake home repairs on their own.

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- Continue partnering with the Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County to provide rental assistance to low-income seniors.

## Office of the State's Attorney

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- Aggressively prosecute crimes against seniors and vulnerable adults through the newly created Crimes Against Seniors and Vulnerable Adults Unit of the Office of the State's Attorney.
- Continue to collaborate closely with Adult Protective Services and the Police Department to address crimes against seniors in an efficient and timely manner that holds offenders accountable for their criminal activity.
- Continue to chair the Montgomery County Elder/Vulnerable Adult Abuse Task Force, which brings together representatives from County Agencies to discuss cases of concern and hosts an annual event on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day to promote education/prevention of senior abuse.
- Collect data on metrics to include the number of investigations opened, inter-agency collaborations, and prosecutions.

## Community Engagement Cluster

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- Partner with community organizations to provide free tax preparation assistance to low-to-moderate income Montgomery County residents with special attention to seniors age 60+.
- Support opportunities for adults age 60+ to increase access to community activities, socialization, and lifelong learning.
- Provide individual and couples senior counseling services.
- Recognize senior volunteer contributions annually by honoring two seniors with the Neal Potter Path of Achievement Award.
- Continue the Senior Fellows program which taps the experience and skills of retired seniors across a range of issues from affordable housing to transportation options.

## Office of Consumer Protection

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- Continue to recruit seniors and retired professionals to work at Office of Consumer Protection as volunteers providing administrative and investigative assistance.
- Provide Office of Consumer Protection outreach initiatives to provide consumer education regarding consumer scams that target seniors and vulnerable adults.
- Collaborate with legislators and consumer organizations to enact and enhance laws designed to protect seniors from deceptive trade practices.

## Office Human Resources

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- Offer the Senior Fellows program to augment the County's workforce by tapping into the skill sets of highly talented, experienced, and seasoned professionals which includes seniors.

## Department of Finance

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- Beginning in levy year 2015, doubled the rate of Senior Tax Credit and expand eligibility to include homeowners who are 65 and older.
- Allow eligible seniors to defer, interest free, the annual increase in their County real property tax bill. The amount of the deferral can accumulate to up to half of the full cash value of the property and is not due until the property is sold or it is no longer used as the owner's principal residence.



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## Department of Environmental Protection

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- Apply for an exemption for curbside refuse and recycling services available to any individual who because of physical limitations (disability or age) is unable to bring containers to the curb.

## Office of Public Information

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- Produce "Seniors Today," a monthly cable television show highlighting services and programs of interest to seniors.
- Provide leadership for the Senior Subcabinet on Vital Living Committee's communications and outreach.
- Create and distribute the Senior Brochure Series including Transportation Options for Seniors (translated into eight languages), Caregiving Resources, Lifelong Learning, and Driving for Seniors.
- Manage seniors website, a central portal offering timely information to seniors and caregivers about County services and programs.

## Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD)

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- Maintain "Keeping Seniors Safe" crime prevention outreach program, which addresses financial and other frauds and scams; identify theft; shopping safety; and emergency preparedness through presentations from Community Outreach Officers and command staff, and brochures distributed widely.
- Conduct home security surveys in seniors' homes.
- Manage Project Lifesaver to help locate seniors with dementia/Alzheimer's Disease.

**Senior Initiative  
FY18 Recommended Operating Budget**

**Tax-Supported**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Project/Program</b>	<b>FY18 Recommended</b>
Health and Human Services	Mental Health Services for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities	531,221
	Aging and Disability Services Resource Unit	220,061
	Senior Community Programs	1,632,811
	Senior Food Program	795,610
	Adult Protective Services/SSTA/ Public Guardianship	3,620,819
	The Adult Day Care Subsidies Initiative	321,565
	Respite Services	438,026
	The Home Care Services program	2,102,429
	Senior Group Homes	52,772
	Adult Foster Care	830,179
	Ombudsman Services	518,094
	CFC Supports Planning	688,168
	CFC Nurse Monitoring	1,467,426
	Senior Dental Services	450,861
	The Medical Assistance Eligibility Services	286,962
<b>Sub-total, Health and Human Services</b>		<b>13,957,004</b>
Recreation	Long Branch Senior Center	133,230
	Damascus Senior Center	160,037
	Schweinhaut Senior Center	176,930
	Holiday Park Senior Center	300,578
	North Potomac Senior Center	168,367
	Senior Neighborhood Programs	158,442
	White Oak Community Recreation Center Senior programs	166,604
	Senior Outdoor Adventure Recreation	267,473
	JCA Senior Transportation	534,620
	Senior Mini Trips	50,240
	Full-time Staff to Support Maryland Senior Olympics	37,971
	Manager III - Senior Services	174,632
<b>Sub-total, Recreation</b>		<b>2,329,124</b>
Transportation	Call N Ride Program	3,409,686
	Jewish Council on Aging/Connect A Ride	153,860
	Special Transportation	125,389
	Seniors/Disabled Ride Free Program	257,445
<b>Sub-total, Transportation</b>		<b>3,946,380</b>
Other Departments	Community Engagement Cluster - Senior Volunteer Network	40,000
	Community Engagement Cluster - RSVP Leadership	46,487
	Police - Project Lifesaver Program	12,500
	State's Attorney - Senior Financial Exploitation Prevention Initiative	737,726
	Human Resources - Senior Fellows	100,000
	Department of Housing and Community Affairs - Elizabeth House	7,000,000
	Department of Housing and Community Affairs - East County Regional Service	600,000
	Public Information - Senior Beacon Advertising	18,000
	Community Grants NDA - Grants for Senior Services	1,078,423
Technology Services - Senior Planet Montgomery	120,000	
<b>Sub-total, Other Departments</b>		<b>9,753,136</b>
<b>Total Tax-Supported</b>		<b>29,985,644</b>
<b>Total Non-Tax Supported</b>		<b>15,060,029</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>45,045,673</b>

Note: Appropriations reported for programs in the Department of Transportation include funds supporting both seniors and the disabled, except Jewish Council on Aging/Connect-A Ride which serves older adults (50+). All other appropriations reflect only funds attributed to senior services.

## Non-Tax Supported

Department	Project/Program	FY18 Recommended
Health and Human Services	Aging and Disability Services Resource Unit	600,572
	Senior Community Programs	967,061
	Senior Food Program	1,939,059
	Adult Protective Services/SSTA/ Public Guardianship	2,571,976
	Respite Services	87,384
	The Home Care Services program	785,050
	Senior Group Homes	96,840
	Adult Foster Care	307,698
	Ombudsman Services	245,676
	The Medical Assistance Long Term Care program	3,070,220
<b><i>Sub-total, Health and Human Services</i></b>		<b>10,671,536</b>
Other Departments	Department of Housing and Community Affairs - HOME Care Partners, Inc.	30,000
	Department of Transportation - Call N Ride Program	379,107
	Fire and Rescue - Senior Safety Outreach	100,000
	Department of Transportation - Medicaid Special Transportation	3,879,386
<b><i>Sub-total, Other Departments</i></b>		<b>4,388,493</b>
<b>Total Non-Tax Supported</b>		<b>15,060,029</b>

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