MONMOUTH COUNTY 2023 SENIOR AREA PLAN PUBLIC SURVEY

The Monmouth County Office on Aging distributes funding to agencies and government entities to support senior services under the federal mandate of the Older Americans Act. The five service areas are: access services, nutrition, in-home support services, community support, and caregiver services. In order to receive funding for these services for Monmouth County residents, the Office on Aging is required to submit a yearly area plan to the NJ Division of Aging Services that addresses these service areas. We encourage public input to assist in our survey to better serve Monmouth County seniors.

Demographic Information

1. Age range

- □ 60 69
- □ 70-79
- □ 80-89
- □ 90 and older

2. Race/Ethnicity

- Check ALL that apply: Asian
 - Black
 - □ Hispanic/Latino
 - U White
 - □ Other:
- 4. Living arrangement 5. Primary language
 - □ Alone
 - □ With others
- English
- Spanish
- Other: _____

3. Gender

- Female
- □ Male
- Identify as: _____
- Choose not to disclose

6. Veteran Status

- □ Yes
- 🗆 No
- □ Spouse of Veteran

What do you feel will be your greatest challenges as you age in your home?

1. Home living - (choose 2)

- □ Chores & house keeping
- Grocery shopping
- Preparing meals
- □ Taking medication as prescribed
- □ In-Home assistance with bathing, dressing

3. Socialization/Recreation - (choose 2)

- □ Living far from family
- Living alone
- □ No neighbors/friends for socialization
- □ Unable to access recreation activities in my area

5. Physical and Cognitive Health - (choose 2)

- Chronic health issues
- □ Memory loss/confusion
- □ Falling (loss of balance)
- Access to health care providers

2. Financial/Home Management - (choose 2)

- □ Ability to manage finances independently
- □ Financial means to remain living at home (taxes, utilities, rent, mortgage...)
- □ Cost of home repairs
- Ability to pay for medical costs (Insurance, medications)
- 4. Mental Health (choose 2)
- Grief/loss of spouse/loved one(s)
- Depression
- □ Anxiety
- Isolation and loneliness
- Substance abuse
- 6. Caregiver- caring for family (choose 2)
- Not applicable
- □ Emotional & physical stress
- □ Lack of self-care (sleep, etc.)
- □ Caregiver isolation/ lack of support
- □ Compassion fatigue

- 7. Transportation concerns (choose 2)
- Driving/Loss of Independence
- □ Affordable transportation
- Available transportation to meet my needs
- No local family/ friends to assist me

Food Insecurities

Within the past 12 months was money for food a concern?

- Often true
- Sometimes true
- Never true

Funding Priorities

Identify the **top 5 services** that Monmouth County Division on Aging **should prioritize** if funding was reduced or eliminated?

Transportation
Home delivered meals
Nutrition Sites
Personal and In-home Care Services
Health Education Programs
Physical Fitness
Evening/Weekend Programming

Home repairs and accessibility modifications
Legal Services
Grandparents support Programs
Caregiver support/ Education
Health screening and assessments
Senior Centers
LGBTQQIAAP Support Services

Comments

Do you have any questions, concerns or comments regarding programs and services available to older adults?

Please return this survey to Division on Aging, 3000 Kozloski Rd. Freehold NJ 07728

If you would like more information about services offered through the Monmouth County Division on Aging, Disabilities & Veterans Services Please call: 732-431-7450 8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday