



Aging Services for Older Americans

New York State Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) were established under the Older Americans Act of 1965 to respond to the needs of Americans over age 60. New York State ranks fourth in the nation with this population. By providing home and community-based services, the AAAs help older adults live with independence and dignity in their homes and communities for as long as possible. The following services are provided with funding from the federal Older Americans Act, New York State, county government, and other sources.

Core Services Include:

- Home-Delivered Group Meals
- Nutrition Counseling
- Information and Assistance
- Caregiver Support Services
- Health Insurance Information & Assistance
- Home Energy Assistance
- Long-Term Care Information through NY Connects
- Adult Day Services
- In-home Services
- Legal Services
- Volunteer Opportunities



RECOMMENDATIONS

Counties support a State Aging Master Plan that Invests in Aging Services to address a waiting list of over 16,000 older New Yorkers for these services. To address the waiting list, without expanding to any new services, NYSAC requests an increase of \$42 million in funding for core aging services, including but not limited to personal care level 1-2 and similar needs.

Not addressing the needs of these residents will cost \$177 million in Medicaid costs for skilled nursing facility care and \$60 million in Managed Long-Term Care (MLTC)/Community Medicaid costs.