

Detroit Area Agency on Aging *Overview*

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Detroit Area Agency on Aging *“The Senior Solution”*

“Our mission is to educate, advocate, and promote healthy aging to enable people to make choices about home and community-based services and long-term care that will improve their quality of life.”



History of DAAA

- Since 1980, the Detroit Area Agency on Aging (DAAA) has provided services in Detroit as well as nine surrounding communities (*Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park and the five Grosse Pointes*).
- The Detroit Area Agency on Aging has built the infrastructure and formed the backbone of the home & community-based service (HCBS) delivery system for seniors and adults with physical disabilities for over the past four decades.
- *Partner with over 130 CBO's and similar entities to deliver services to approximately 90,000 seniors and caregivers annually.*
 - *Engaged over **294+** volunteers at 588 hours during COVID-19 to support and provide services to the senior community.*
- The DAAA has experience operating in the MLTSS industry through the MI-Choice, Aging and Adult Services Agency (AASA), and MI Health Link Programs.



Social Care + Health Care = Value Based Care

Profile of Older Adults Residing in DAAA Service Area



Approximately 150,000 Older Adults Reside in Region 1A

- *Close to 74% of our older adults are African American, 22% Caucasian, 2% Latina and 2% Other Race/More Than One. Very diverse culturally.*
- *About 1 in 5 older adults in our region live in poverty, more than double the state rate*
- *1-in-3 older adults (age 65+) in our region live alone*
- *89% or approximately 135,000 older adults residing in our region have at least one chronic illness*
- *Over one-third (39%) or close to 60,000 older adults in our region have 3 or more chronic illnesses such as hypertension, arthritis, heart disease, stroke and diabetes*
- *38% of Caregivers are 60+ years old*
- *51% of our older adults have Broadband Internet and 42% have smartphones*

The Impact of SDOH's is great

- *The death for older adults in our region, for the ages 50-59 is 122% higher in comparison to those age 50-59 in the rest of the State of Michigan and is 48% higher for ages 60-74*

Our Service Delivery Model

Provides Value and Keeps Individuals in Their Homes

- Adult Day Services
- *Caregiver Education, Support and Training*
- Chore Services
- Community Living Support
- Community Support Services
- Community Transportation
- *Community Wellness Service Centers*
- Congregate Meals
- Coordination & Support
- Counseling

- Deaf and Hearing Services
- Elder Abuse Prevention
- Environmental Home Modifications
- *Evidence Based Programs*
- Fiscal Intermediary
- Hearing Impaired Assistance
- *Home Delivered Meals*
- Homemaker Services
- Information Assistance
- Legal Assistance
- Long Term Care Ombudsman
- Meals on Wheels
- Medical Equipment & Supplies

- Non-Medical/Non-Emergency Transportation
- Nursing Facility Transition Services
- Outreach and Assistance
- Personal Care Services
- Personal Emergency Response Systems
- Respiratory Care
- Respite Care Services
- Senior Community Service Employment Program
- Telehealth
- Training
- Vision Services

COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE

EMERGENCY MEAL RESPONSE DUE TO COVID-19

- Distributed 3,800 produce boxes with fruits and vegetables at recreation centers.
- Partnered with City of Detroit and Gleaners Food Bank to delivery 8,760 Quarantine boxes to clients .
- Partnered with Isaiah Project/Gateway Gourmet to delivery 13,383 meal boxes.
- Partnered with three Community Wellness Service Centers to provide Emergency Grocery shopping, prescription drug pickup and delivery of incontinence items.
- Over 22,300 Wellness Calls were placed addressing Social Loneliness and Isolation.
- Partnered with the State of Michigan through MDHHS/AASA to distribute 40,300 disposable gloves, 102 gallons of hand sanitizer, 3,732 face shields, 4,150 masks, 23 boxes of disinfectant wipes, 22 boxes of gel hand sanitizer.
- Worked with World Medical Relief to distribute 2,000 pairs of gloves and other PPE items.



Present Challenges Facing DAAA

- Support for Lifespan Programs and Services
- Waitlist for Individuals in the MI Choice Waiver Program
- Lack of Resources to Support Caregivers (Formal and Informal)
- Digital Divide (Access to Services/Social Loneliness & Isolation)
- Additional Resources for Home & Community Based Services (Re-Balancing Initiative)
- Support for Home Repair Programs



Only 25% of one's health is determined by a doctor. 60-70% SDOH

Our Network



Tested

- We score high in healthcare and safety metrics with positive results, our network providers score equally high.

Authentic and Trusted

- Dedicated to senior care and the disabled needs, we have decades of experience in being effective and serving thousands.

Unique

- Our professional network of over a 100 healthcare related service providers is designed to meet the medical, behavioral, transitional housing, nutrition, societal transportation, and specialty needs of the many we serve.



**Social
Care**

**Value
Based
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**Health
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