



CALHOUN COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

AT A GLANCE

- **6,760** Seniors served by Millage-funded programs
- **\$4.1** Million spent serving county seniors
- **15** Mini-grants awarded

SENIOR SERVICES OFFICE

In 2020, voters renewed the Calhoun County Senior Millage for an additional ten years. Calhoun County Senior Services administers Senior Millage tax dollars funding 21 programs through 9 trusted, non-profit community organizations. Staff provide certified Medicare counseling, information and referral, program development and plan special events for older adults.



Rebecca de Finta, Specialist; Helen Guzzo, Manager and Teri Zadigian, Administrative Assistant

SENIOR AMBASSADORS



Senior Ambassadors are volunteers who represent cities and townships within Calhoun County and meet once a month to receive training on the variety of programs funded by Senior Millage. Since the creation of this group there has been a noticeable increase of participation in Senior Millage programs.

From left to right: Janet Kolassa, Isabell Nazar, Deb Withee, Donna Rook, Barbara Gladney, Marline Prather, Cheryl Roberts, Evelyn Union, Juanita Solis-Kidder, Sheila Austin, Phil Raleigh,

Not pictured: Pat Raleigh, Helen Starkey, Judy Bush, Sheryl Willerick, Vicki Laupp.

SENIORS SERVED

2019	2020	2021	2022
6,568	5,458	5,727	6,760

SENIOR MILLAGE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE



L-R back row: Tom Hunsdorfer, Diane Peters, Tom Tarkiewicz, Dominic Oo, Willie Tabb, Bob Lyng
Front row: Jim Powers, Michelle Hill, Shirley Tuggle
Missing: Commissioner Diane Thompson, Isabell Nazar, Bobbie Smith

MINI-GRANTS

AWARDED 15 MINI-GRANTS TO:

- **Albion Community Gardens:** Gardening Assistant
- **Albion Health Care Alliance:** Commodity Distrib.
- **BC Community Foundation:** St. Thomas Breakfast
- **Bedford Township:** Coffee & Conversation
- **City of Albion:** Amenities for Holland Park
- **City of Marshall:** Albion-Marshall Connector
- **EastEnd Studio & Gallery:** Heritage Commons Art
- **Eckford Township:** Senior Socials
- **Forks Senior Center:** Building Modifications
- **Kool Family Center:** Pool Table Reconditioning
- **Lee Township:** Tuesday Senior Social
- **Neighborhoods, Inc:** Homelessness in Older Adults
- **Talons Out Honor Flight:** Senior Veterans Trip to DC
- **Village of Mill Creek:** Emergency Generator
- **Walk the Beat:** Summer Concert Series

\$64,690 Total Amount Awarded



2022 Seniors Served



# Served	Services & Providers	Contractual Spending
18	Adult Daycare , <i>Marian E. Burch Adult Daycare, Reopened December 2022</i>	\$38,264
21	Bed Bug Remediation , <i>Milestone Senior Services</i>	\$30,000
758	Benefits Counseling/MMAP , <i>CareWell Services</i>	\$38,117
368	Community Care Options , <i>Senior Health Partners</i>	\$370,448
286	Dental Services , <i>Fountain Clinic</i>	\$395,000
97	Guardianship/Payee , <i>Guardian Finance & Advocacy Services</i>	\$78,346
262	Handy Helper , <i>Milestone Senior Services</i>	\$73,517
103	Hearing Services , <i>CareWell Services</i>	\$233,000
422	Home Heating Assistance , <i>Community Action</i>	\$140,000
210	Legal Assistance , <i>Legal Services of South Central Michigan</i>	\$40,000
772	Meals Congregate , <i>CareWell Services through Milestone Senior Services</i>	\$183,986
705	Meals Home-Delivered , <i>CareWell Services through Milestone Senior Services</i>	\$298,014
172	Minor Home Repair , <i>Community Action</i>	\$575,000
28	Money Management , <i>Guardian Finance & Advocacy Services</i>	\$17,125
633	Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) , <i>CareWell Services</i>	\$153,089
65	Prescription Assistance , <i>Fountain Clinic</i>	\$45,000
23	Ramps for Accessibility , <i>Milestone Senior Services</i>	\$59,221
666	Senior Center Support , <i>Forks Sr. Center, Albion & Heritage Commons, Marshall</i>	\$105,000
484	Senior Fitness & Fun/Rural Health Education , <i>Senior Health Partners</i>	\$150,000
557	Senior Transportation , <i>Community Action</i>	\$433,300
109	Vision Services , <i>CareWell Services</i>	\$24,255
	15 Mini-Grants awarded to community organizations	\$64,690
6,760	Total Seniors Served (Unduplicated by program)	TOTAL CONTRACT SPENDING \$3,545,372

REVENUE	
Property Taxes	\$2,811,812
Other Property Taxes/Interest	\$46,748
Personal Property Tax Reimb.	\$564,384
Firekeepers Revenue Sharing	\$71,380
Senior Fair & Other	\$16,938
From Fund Balance, Supplementals & Sr.	\$622,144
Total 2022 REVENUE:	\$4,134,155

EXPENDITURES	
Senior Millage Contract Spending	\$3,545,372
Senior Services Administration	\$364,752
Senior Strategic Projects	\$224,031
Total 2022 EXPENDITURES:	\$4,134,155

SENIOR STRATEGIC PROJECTS

2022

- **Albion Community Foundation:** Age-Friendly Albion
- **Albion Community Gardens:** Hoop House
- **Guardian Finance & Advocacy Services:** Tech. Upgrade/Cyber Security
- **Milestone Senior Services:** Volunteer Recruitment
- **True Care Living:** Garden Activity Center

2021

- **Albion Health Care Alliance:** Food Distribution Site Relocation
- **Heritage Commons Senior Enrichment Center:** Renovation/Relocation

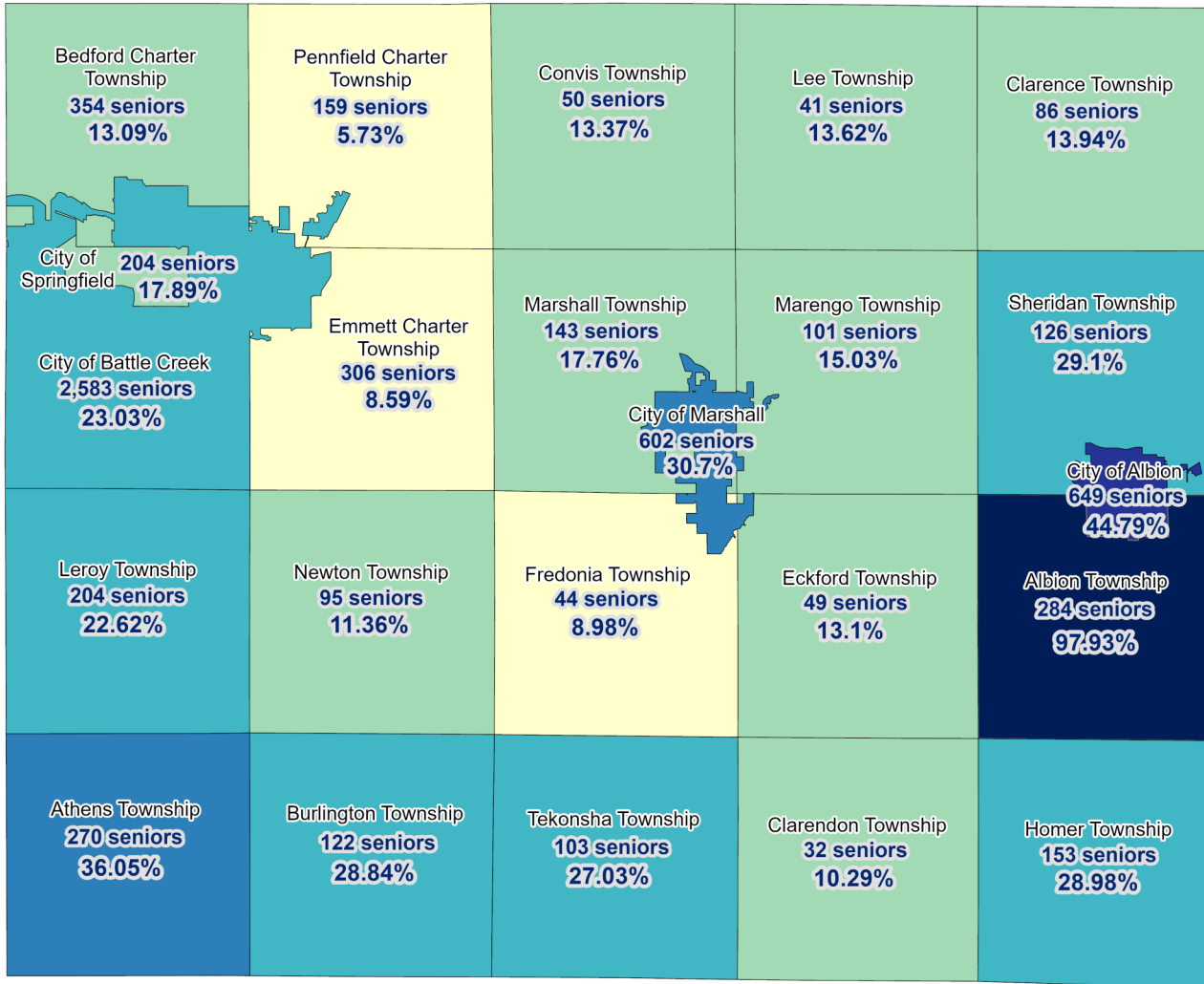




2022 Demographics



Older Adults Served By Senior Millage



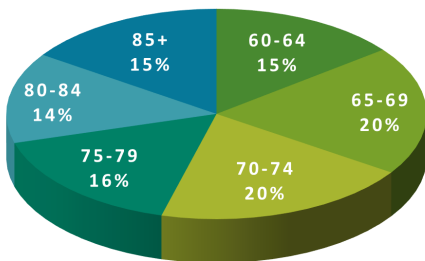
Total:
6,760 seniors
20.31%
of the County's
33,291 senior
population

Percent of seniors 60 years or older that were served by Senior Millage programs

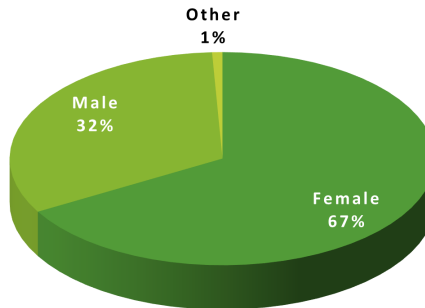


Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2021 ACS 5-Year Estimates Calhoun County GIS, 2023

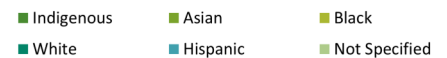
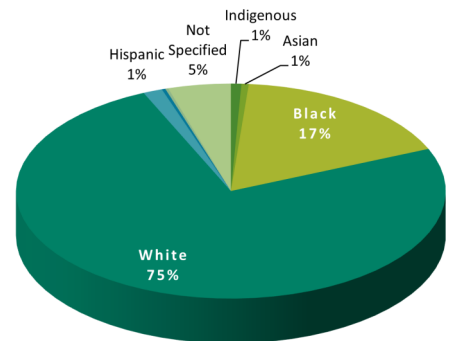
Age



Gender



Race/Ethnicity





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HIGHLIGHTS



772 seniors ate 23,656 meals and socialized at six group meal programs and the restaurant dining program at the Copper Kettle in Athens



705 homebound seniors received 43,031 home delivered meals



557 seniors took 19,947 rides to medical appointments, grocery shopping and to socialize



484 older adults exercised 9,176 times at 11 sites throughout Calhoun County



386 seniors received homecare 7,818 times in the Community Care Options program



286 seniors received dental care - cleanings, fillings, extractions and dentures



145 home repairs were made serving 172 older adults



106 older adults received hearing aids, reducing their risk for developing dementia

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 2022 saw the return of the **Calhoun County Senior Fair** at a new location, the Kellogg Arena on September 8, hosting 98 vendors and nearly 400 participants.
- The first **Tekonsha Senior Health & Safety Fair** was held on October 6 at the Tekonsha Fire Station with 41 vendors and 147 people attending.



- **301 free Merry Mile** coupons redeemed by seniors to drive through the lights display at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds.
- **Senior Day at the Calhoun County Fair** was well attended with over 690 people enjoying the activities. Hosted by Senior Times; Calhoun County Senior Services is one of the proud sponsors of this event.
- **The Centenarian Project** had over 40 people, 99 years and over, participate in this celebration of aging project. We documented the life story of 18 new centenarians and 13 centenarians attended the July celebration along with their families. BluFish, the company who provided the photography for the portraits, put together an **art exhibit** of 10 seniors from the project at the **Eastend Studio & Gallery** in Marshall.



JOANNE KONKLE AWARD



The 2022 Joanne Konkle Lifetime Leadership Award was given to Chuck Asher, retiring chief operations officer for Community Action and Cathie Davids, a long-time Meals on Wheels volunteer for Milestone Senior Services. Chuck has been with Community Action for 12 years and is a retired firefighter. Cathie has been volunteering with Milestone for over a decade.