

Senior Services of WILL COUNTY

Connecting Resources, Information, Services and Programs to help seniors live safe, healthy and independent lives.



Senior Services and Northern Illinois Food Bank working together help Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Surveys report the most common concerns by seniors are having enough money and the fear of dementia. But there is a new concern that has become all too real; being a grandparent and raising grandchildren full time. There are more than 2.5 million “grandfamilies,” trying to find a way to stretch fixed income budgets and feed a family. Senior Services of Will County in partnership with the Northern Illinois Food Bank distributes two boxes of nutritious non-perishable food to grandparents raising minor grandchildren, stretching those limited dollars. Nearly fifty families each month now receive a supply of nutritious food while reducing the strain on the grandparent’s budget.



“Learning My Options” Focuses on Health Screenings and Education

2018 we launched an innovative approach to community health for seniors, “Learning My Options”. Using Large scale public gatherings we were able to bring health care professionals together with our resources to keep seniors safe, healthy and independent. Hundreds of seniors who might not have otherwise sought out medical screenings were able to be tested, hear their results and be provided resources all in real time. Collaborations were established with over 30 service providers connecting seniors to medical screenings without an appointment.



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Call for Information

Eyes on the Future

Welcome to the Ovation Center!

Thousands of seniors are touched by Senior Services each month and tens of thousands each year. In the spring of 2018 the Board of Directors discussed the possibility of expanding services into a building that would be larger and give greater access to seniors. The proposed expansion took on a new name, *The Ovation Center: Applauding a Life Well-Lived*. The concept includes larger classrooms, an auditorium for events, more parking become a new home for service providers who focus on seniors. Programs, concerts, computer classes, workforce education, dances, and even cross generational programs as a host for recitals. All of this while maintaining the current offerings and case management assistance that built the Center.



Senior Services of Will County presents . . .
Kentucky Derby Party
 Saturday, May 4th - 3:00PM
 at American Legion Post 1080, 2625 Ingalls Ave, Joliet
THREE CHANCES TO WIN
 Pick your horse, Win, Place or Show drawing splits the pot
 (Horse Tickets: \$5=1, \$20=5, \$50=50 tickets)
 (1st Place-60%, 2nd Place-30%, 3rd Place-10%)
 Come to the party and enjoy buffet with cash bar

Presenting Sponsor
Harrahs
 JOLIET
 For more information
 815-723-9713
\$25 Buffet!
Cash Bar!
Door Prizes!



The
 Henrietta Lange Burk
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Better Together. Better Care.

SENIOR SERVICES OF WILL COUNTY Statement of Financial Record 2018

REVENUES

NEIAAA Government Funding	742,048
IDOA Government Funding	1,213,000
Program Income	234,223
Public Contributions	245,500
Individual Contributions	73,634
Fund Raisers	23,187
Other	32
TOTAL REVENUES	2,531,624

EXPENSES

Personnel & Fringe	1,781,116
Outside Services	79,276
Building Utilities & Maintenance	42,088
Assistance to Individuals	285,162
Supplies and Equipment	52,532
Telephone	20,946
Postage	13,768
Repairs and Maintenance	35,788
Conferences and Training	3,039
Travel	51,410
Publications, Printing, Promotional	24,073
Health Education Recreation	33,639
Insurance	19,361
Interest	2,639
Other	7,797
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,452,633
Revenues Over (under) Expenses	78,991
Depreciation	60,804
Total Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	18,187

(Totals subject to change pending annual allocations)

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SNAPSHOT TOTALS

Total seniors engaged -15,000+	Information and Assistance - 8,745*
Phone calls handled - 77,051	Assessments - 8,969*
Case Management - 57,045	Health Screening - 1,394*
Safe At Home Service Calls - 627	Fitness Classes - 3,599*

*Units of Service are the equivalent to contacts and assistance provided, not necessarily unduplicated

Senior Shuttle

The Rotary Club of Joliet generously purchased a minivan to help us reach more seniors who have transportation issues to get to their medical appointments. Each week a senior calls in desperation to get to their doctor either for an exam or for treatment. They may have no family member available, their friends are either unable to drive any longer or have passed.



Many of the calls are for dialysis which require ongoing care each week. Thanks to the minivan we were able to help a senior live a healthier life. Our very first rider was in fact a veteran who had a son in the area, but couldn't get off work to help. The client was transferred to a senior facility in Will County from Chicago and his help was from there. He had an oxygen tank and was so ill, he didn't speak much during the ride to the VA Hines clinic in Joliet. He was so grateful and just a few minutes after he arrived at the clinic, a doctor came into the lobby to find our driver. This veteran was in such poor medical condition that they took him by ambulance to the hospital.

Senior Services continues to use the minibus for many appointments each week and now are supplementing the rideshare program with volunteer drivers. The smiles are plentiful when a senior learns they no longer need to worry about a ride.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER DRIVER

Know Someone Who Needs Help?

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Senior Celebration 2018



2018 Senior Celebration annual meeting, took place March 5th in the Presence St. Joseph Medical Center's Wallin Auditorium. Nearly 200 people gathered to recognize the previous year financial partnerships and special collaborations. The Trifecta Award was given to Harrah's Casino for their three-way support: Sponsorship, Employee payroll matching and for their volunteering at the Resource Festival. The Home Depot was also recognized as a first time donor for their support of the Safe at Home program. A highlight of the program was the presentation of the Senior Services of Will County Lifetime Achievement Award to Illinois Secretary of State, Jesse White for his work after age 65.



Safe At Home

Simple Home Repairs

In fulfillment of our mission to keep seniors "safe, healthy and independent," we had to address the buildings where seniors call home. While there are a great number of luxurious senior living facilities being built, many seniors can ill afford the cost. A better option is to help them stay in their current home, for as long as possible. So we hired service technicians and for the projects which were beyond our scope we vetted companies we could trust and began to do home repairs. When the Joliet Township Board of Directors asked how they could help, we pointed them toward our program, Safe At Home. They purchased us a truck, we added a director with home rehab experience and never looked back.

We linked arms with Will County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the Village of Bolingbrook, the City of Joliet, Home Depot, Community Service Council, Habit for Humanity and the United Way of Will County. This enabled us to help some of the most needy seniors remain at home. No worries about scam artists, poor workmanship, strangers in their home, we assisted more than 600 seniors with home repairs. Senior Services of Will County continues to be the name the aging community can trust.

Connecting Resources, Information, Services and Programs

Social Services

Case Management
Information/Assistance
Title XX
Support Groups
Caregiver Support
Respite Services
Bereavement Care

Health Screenings

Diabetes
Blood Pressure
Bone Density
Wellness
Podiatry Care
Balance
Spinal Exams
Hearing

Outreach

Township Programs
Mobility Equipment Loan
Tax Preparation
Educational Programs
Safe at Home
The Senior Express
Food Pantries
Grandparent food

Classes

Artist Guild
Woodworking
Facebook
Exercise
Safe Driving
Smart Phone
Senior Scams
Computer

Recreation

Parties
Card Players
Dominos
Wii Bowling
Knit and Crochet
Yoga and Tai Chi
Line Dancing
Internet Café

SENIOR SERVICES OF WILL COUNTY

For over 50 years Senior Services of Will County, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, has been connecting resources, information, services and programs to those over the age of 60 to keep them safe, healthy, and independent. Senior Services maintains a myriad of programs, activities, and case management services through its corporate offices located at 251 N Center Street, Joliet, Illinois, and services through its six satellite offices throughout Will County.