

Saving Residents Money, Improving Home Performance



Income-eligible energy kits

- **Municipal role:** Physical distribution; assure \$ eligibility
Benefits: Saves \$76/year.
- **Eligible customers:**
 - ComEd customers whose income falls below 80% of the Area Median Income
- **Efforts involved:** Self-installation of the devices



Home energy assessments

- **Municipal role:** Promotion only
- **Benefits for residents:** Free and discounted products installed on the spot, saves \cong \$170/yr
 - Installation especially beneficial for older adults, low-income individuals
- **Eligible customers:**
 - All income levels
 - ComEd and/or gas utility customers
 - Residents in SF homes, two-flats, condos and townhomes
 - Renters with landlord permission (above building types) .
- **Ineligible customers:**
 - Renters in multi-family buildings. Services offered to landlords and property managers only.



Feedback and questions

- Questions or comments?

Contact Sustainability Specialist Cheryl Scott at
cscott@mayorscaucus.org

AgeGuide Dementia Friendly Communities Training

DO YOU WANT TO BE A BETTER ALLY TO PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

Dementia Friendly communities foster the ability of people living with dementia to remain in the community and engage and thrive in day to day living. These communities welcome and support people with dementia so they can continue to do what they love. You can be a leader in the movement by taking a few simple steps.

BECOME A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY ALLY

Take our FREE 45-minute online training and receive a certificate of completion.

LEARN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT

- Signs of dementia versus normal aging.
- What to do if you notice signs of dementia.
- How dementia impacts people living with the disease.
- Tips for communicating and interacting with a person who has dementia.
- Resources in your community.

SHARE THIS VALUABLE TRAINING WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS!

VISIT [COURSES.AGEGUIDE.ORG](https://courses.ageguide.org) TO REGISTER & TAKE YOUR DEMENTIA FRIENDLY TRAINING



AgeGuide Dementia Friendly Business Training

Dementia Friendly businesses foster the ability of people living with dementia to remain in the community and engage and thrive in day to day living. The trainings focus on understanding dementia and taking action to create an environment that is safe, respectful, and welcoming for people living with dementia.

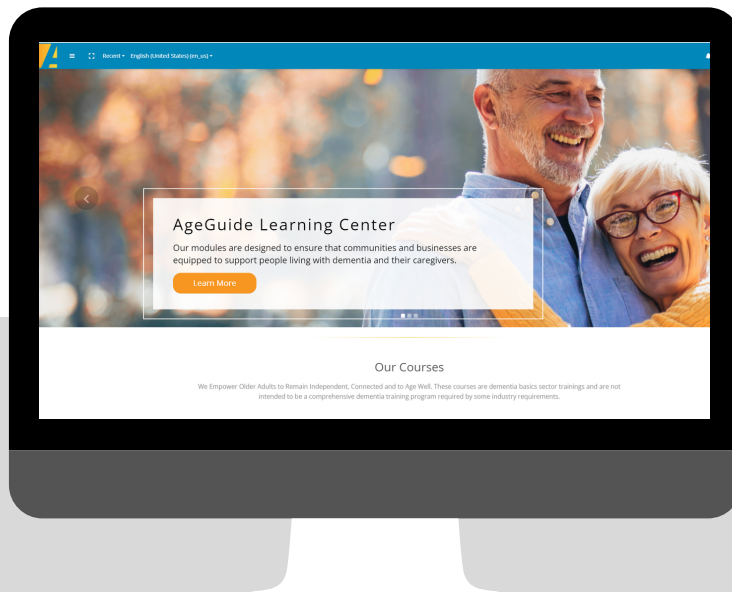
INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY BUSINESS?

The AgeGuide Learning Center is offering FREE online Dementia Friendly Business Sector training modules. Each training takes less than 45 minutes to complete and includes a printable certificate of completion. Businesses who meet specific business standards receive a customizable certificate and window cling for prominent display.

TRAINING OBJECTIVES:

- Learn what dementia is and some facts about Alzheimer's Disease
- Recognize the signs of dementia
- Learn tips for communicating and interacting with a person who has dementia
- Learn tips for creating a dementia-friendly physical space
- Get familiar with resources in your community

TO SCHEDULE YOUR DEMENTIA FRIENDLY BUSINESS TRAINING FILL OUT OUR FORM OR CONTACT COLETTE JORDAN AT 630-785-2616 OR CJORDAN@AGEGUIDE.ORG



AgeGuide Advocacy Update – November 2021

Despite the weather and the ongoing pandemic, there is a lot to be thankful for in the world of aging services. At the top of the list is the passage of the federal infrastructure bill which will impact access and equity for older adults right here in our region. At the same time, we have an historic opportunity to impact long-term policies and funding to bolster home and community-based services and other supportive services for older adults by advocating for passage of several bills. In celebration of Thanksgiving this year, AgeGuide invites you to join us in advocating for aging services by sending [a quick and easy email](#) to your legislators.

Infrastructure Bill

On November 5th, the House passed the \$1.2T Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The bill passed with bipartisan support and was signed into law by the President.

The bill includes the following for Illinois:

- \$1.7B to improve drinking and wastewater infrastructure throughout Illinois
- \$9.8B for federal highway projects
- \$1.4B for bridge replacement and repairs
- \$4B to improve public transportation options across the state
- \$616 million for airport improvements
- \$100 million for broadband coverage across the state

Currently, there are about 228,000 Illinoisans who do not have broadband. About 2.9 million low-income Illinoisans will now get an internet access benefit. This means that every older adult will have access to reliable high-speed internet to access classes, participate in activities and stay in touch with family and friends.

In addition, the **All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP) Act**, introduced by Congresswoman Marie Newman (D-IL3), was included as part of the bill. This measure provides municipalities with the funding they need to ensure their public transit systems meet or exceed accessibility standards under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Build Back Better Act (BBB)

On October 28th the Biden Administration released a revised \$1.75T Build Back Better (BBB) Act framework. The revised framework represents a scaled down version of the original \$3.5T proposal but still includes significant increases for aging services.



This is the budget reconciliation bill that contains critical funding for the Older Americans Act (\$1.2B) including home and community-based services, Long-Term Care Ombudsman, transportation, nutrition, caregiver services, and Medicare expansion (hearing and vision). The Build Back Better bill represents a critical investment in the aging services workforce and infrastructure.

What Happens Next?

At this time, the BBB bill is still in the U.S. House awaiting passage. You can help! Consider sending a message to your member of Congress [using this quick email action link](#). As they negotiate and consider changes to the bill, Congress needs to know that these investments are critical for older adults and the workforce that supports them.

Federal Budget

The clock is ticking for Congress to pass their federal funding appropriations bills to keep the government running past Dec 3rd when the current Continuing Resolution runs out. Negotiations are underway between the chambers and the Administration to reach an agreement around final FY 2022 appropriations levels, including for the Labor-HHS-Education bill that affects the Older Americans Act (OAA) funding.

Current proposals in the House and Senate include increases to the following programs that impact older adults:

- Home & Community-Based Supportive Services
- Nutrition Services (congregate and home-delivered meals)
- National Family Caregiver Support Program
- Evidence-Based Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)
- State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (help navigating Medicare enrollment)
- Lifespan Respite Care (for older adults and people with disabilities)
- The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)
- The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- The Foster Grandparent Program
- The Senior Companion Program
- Housing programs
- Transportation programs

What Happens Next?

The budget negotiation process continues in overdrive as Congress and the Biden administration negotiate final spending levels for a dozen spending bills. With funding set to expire on December 3rd, Congress has to reach consensus or pass another Continuing Resolution. Please contact your congressional delegation on FY 2022 appropriations levels by using this [quick email action](#)

RESPECT FOR
YESTERDAY,
SUPPORT FOR
TODAY,
PLAN FOR
TOMORROW



State Plan on Aging FY22-FY24



About IDoA

The mission of the Illinois Department on Aging is to serve and advocate for older Illinoisans and their caregivers by administering quality and culturally appropriate programs that promote partnerships and encourage independence, dignity, and quality of life.



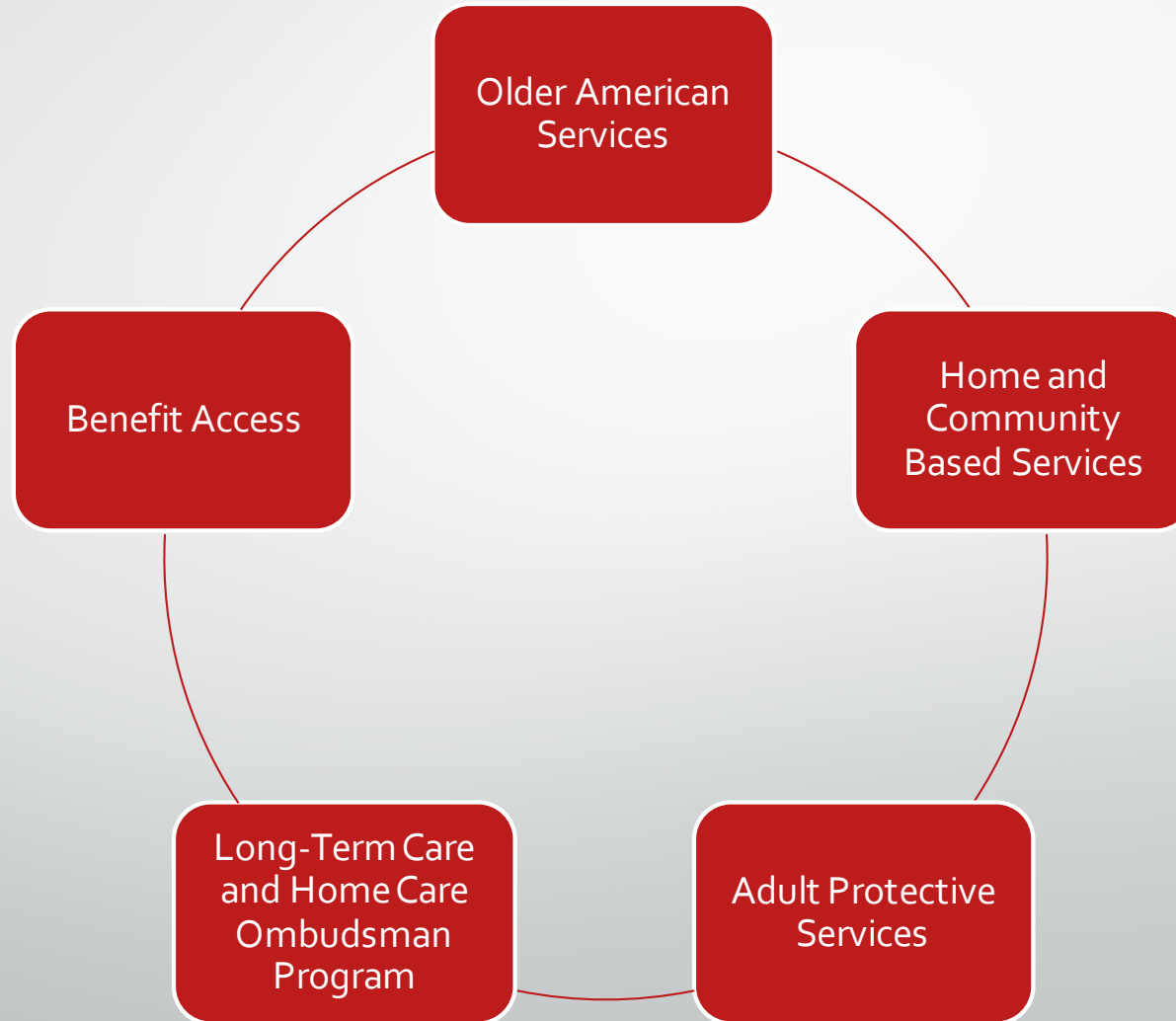
State Plan on Aging

Requirement of the Older Americans Act and the Administration for Community Living (ACL).

Meets mandate as State Unit on Aging, incorporates elements of Area Agency on Aging area plans, and recommends innovative strategies to address the diverse needs of older adults.

Incorporates lessons learned from COVID-19 pandemic and addresses needs of diverse populations with a focus on equity and inclusion.

IDoA Programs



COVID: Formation of New Partnerships

- Collaboration with FEMA and IEMA – PPE & Shelf Stable Meals.
- Coordination with the Department of Public Health – review of IDoA guidance.
- Coordination with the Local Health Departments – COVID vaccination outreach.
- Collaboration with various University partners & Academic Professionals UIUC, UIC, RUSH – quality webinars.
- Launch of the Illinois Care Connections in collaboration with the Illinois Assistive Technology Program.

Looking to the Future: COVID Lessons Learned

- What have learned from COVID?
 - **Emergency Preparedness**
 - Participant & Workforce safety - availability of PPE at outset.
 - Flexibilities in service provision.
 - Preparation for remote work.
 - IDoA Guidance to assist the Aging Network with navigating the COVID-19 landscape.
 - **Sustaining our Seniors & the Aging Workforce**
 - Availability of federal & state funding to support the Aging Network – Federal Provider Relief funding for HCBS providers, CARES & FFCRA funding, ADS preservation grants, PPE off set payments.
 - Gap filling services - Emergency Senior Services (ESS), expansion of Home Delivered Meals, ADS remote services, remote service delivery via Senior Services and ADS.

Purpose of the State Plan on Aging

- Serves as the document that enables Older Americans Act funding to flow to the State of Illinois and to AAAs.
- Develops key strategies to address the needs and desires of the rapidly growing and diverse population of older adults who desire to be served in their homes and communities.
- Focus on translating activities, data and outcomes into proven best practices, which can be used to leverage additional funding.
- Provides a blueprint that articulates how the IDoA and the Aging network will aim to meet the needs of older adults; including integrating health and social services delivery systems.

Background on the State Plan on Aging



Submitted every
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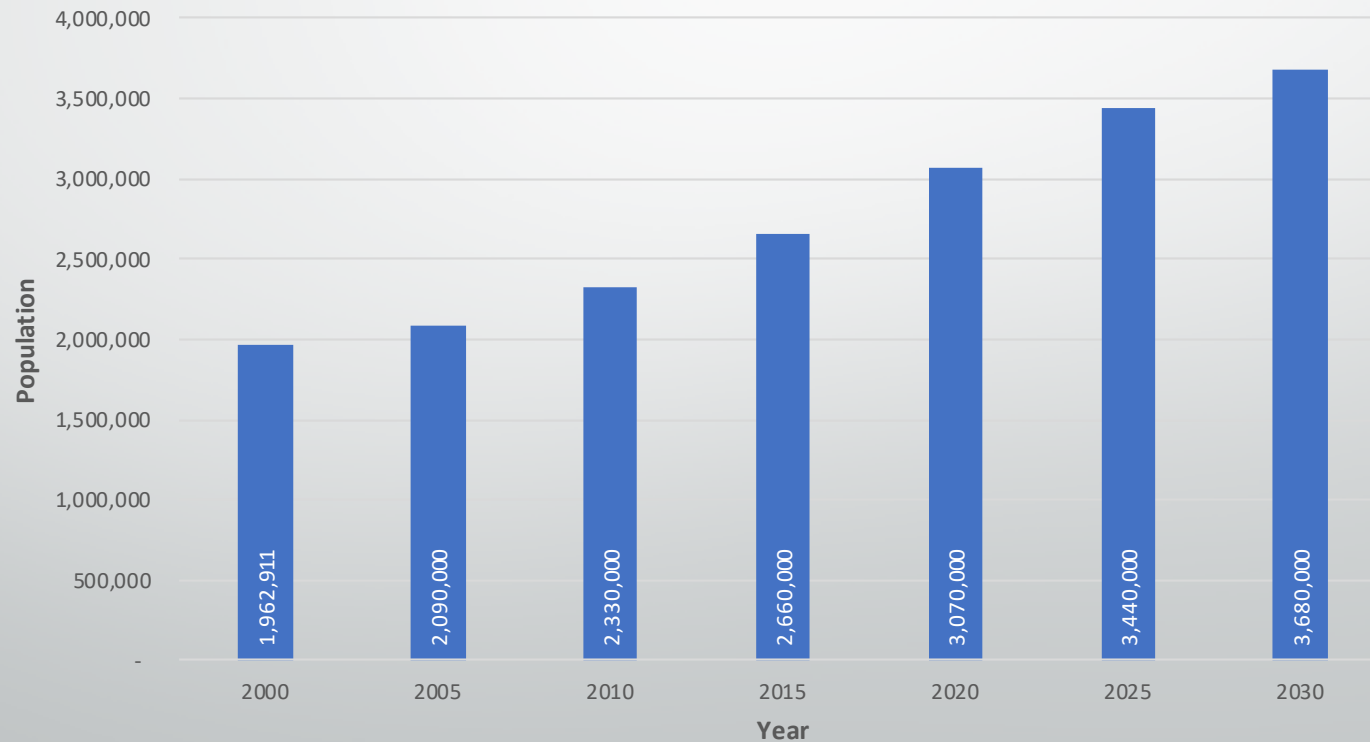
Public comment
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September 2021

Growth of the 60+ Population

60+ Population in Illinois



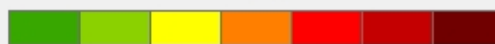
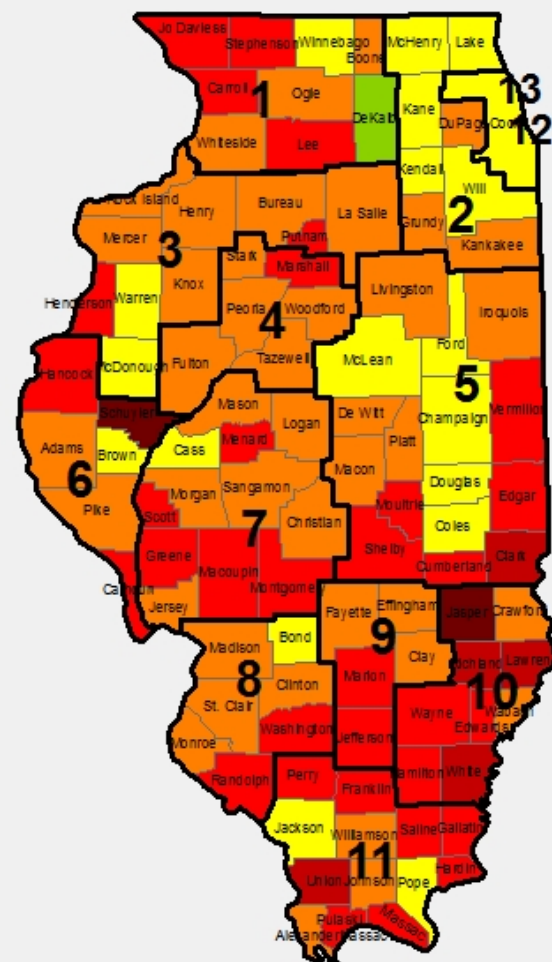
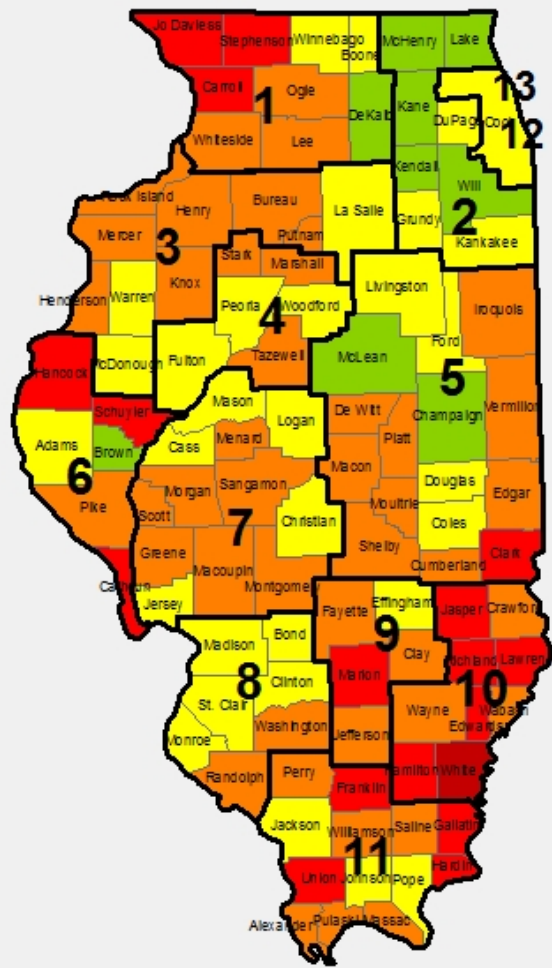
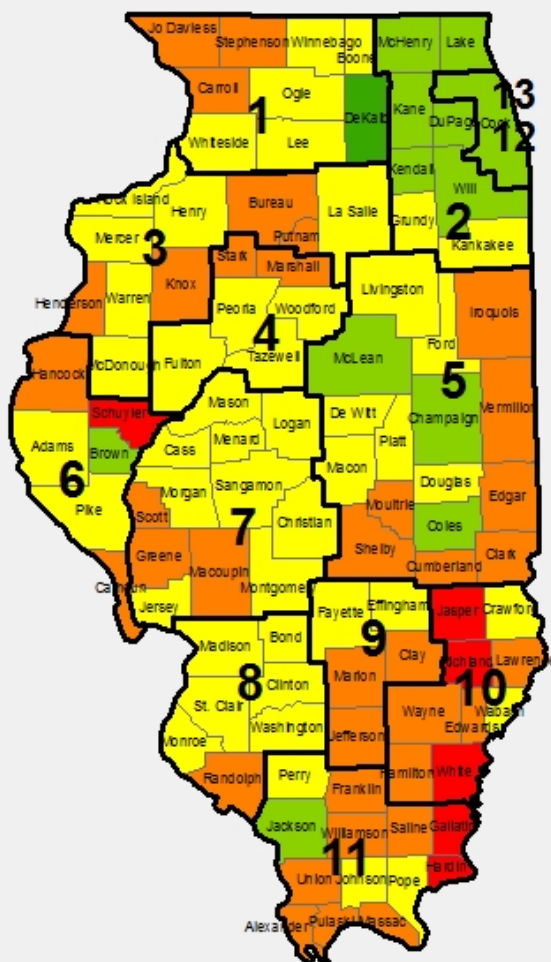
Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (2012).

Illinois Population 60+ By County

2015

2020

2030

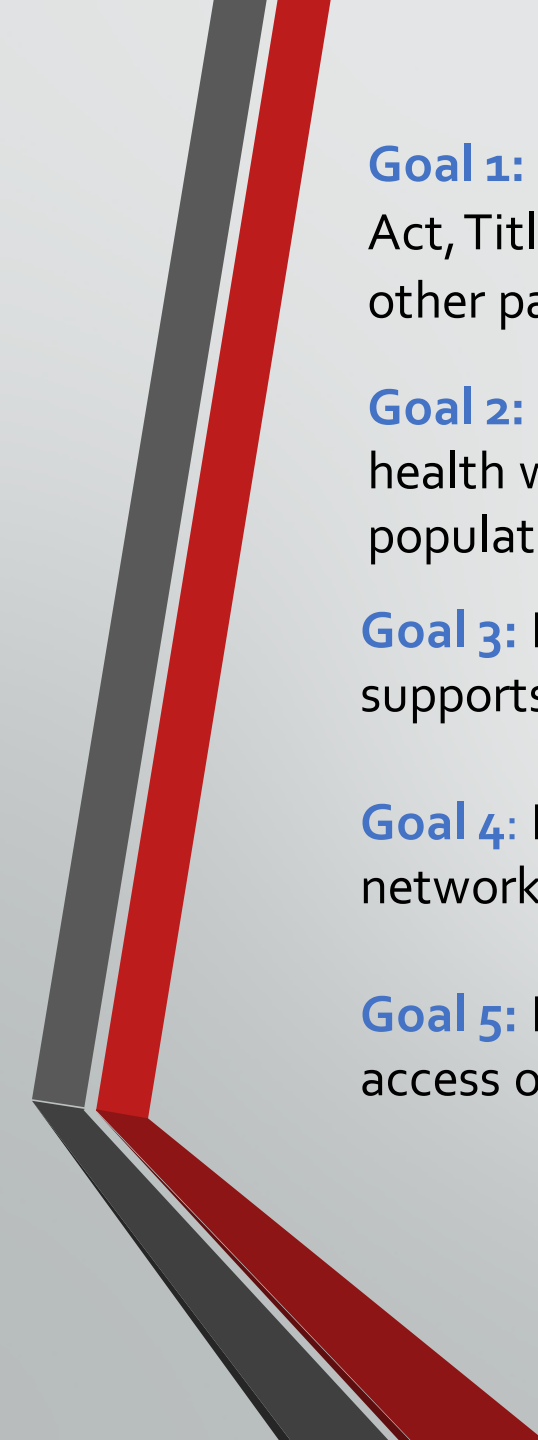


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Data Source: Census Bureau 2015
 Illinois Department on Aging
 Jean Bohnhoff, Director
 March 29, 2016



Goals



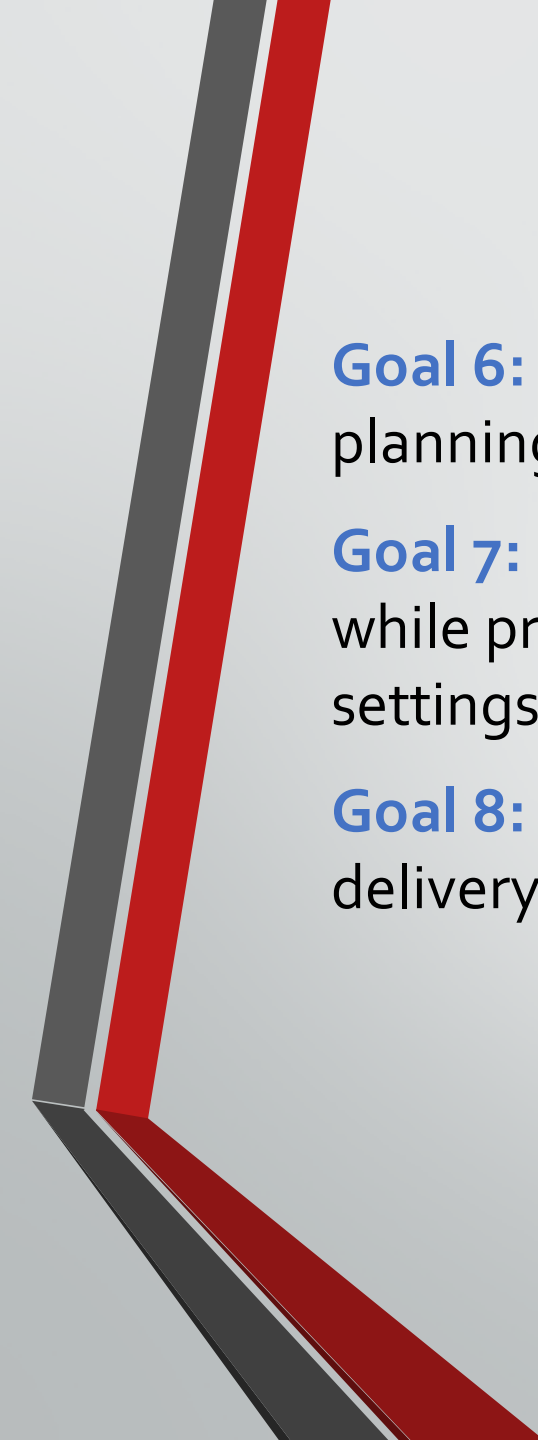
Goal 1: Fulfill mandate as the State Unit on Aging to effectively administer the Older Americans Act, Title III, and Title VII core programs in partnership with the Area Agencies on Aging and other partners in the Aging network.

Goal 2: Expand and ensure equitable access to programs that address the social determinants of health with a focus on identifying and understanding the needs of underserved and diverse populations.

Goal 3: Maximize federal, state, local and private resources to sustain and expand services and supports to older adults.

Goal 4: Ensure that adequate capacity for services and supports is developed in the Aging network to prepare for the projected growth and diversity in the aging population.

Goal 5: Enable older Illinoisans, their families, and other consumers to choose and easily access options that support older adults' ability to stay in their homes and communities.



Goal 6: Ensure implementation of federally-mandated person-centered planning requirements statewide.

Goal 7: Prevent and improve response to abuse, neglect and exploitation while preserving rights of older adults and persons with disabilities in all settings.

Goal 8: Promote responsive management and improve efficiencies within the delivery of services using data and enhanced IT systems.

Implementation

- Initially focus on low-hanging fruit and items “already in progress”
 - Alignment with other IDoA priorities, federal funding (American Rescue Plan Act, federal Medicaid assistance percentage (FMAP), etc.)
- Three buckets of work:
 - ACL requirements
 - Aging network providers
 - IDoA priorities/new initiatives
- Education and outreach
 - Communications plan, presentations to advisory groups, regional meetings

Alignment with MMC Age-Friendly Communities Collaborative

- **Objective 2.6:** Work toward becoming a dementia-friendly state by increasing capacity of existing Alzheimer's and dementia initiatives statewide in collaboration with AAAs, Aging Network, and other organizations specializing in Alzheimer's disease and dementia care
 - Strategy 2.6d. Collaborate with the Area Agencies on Aging to develop training webinars and tools to educate local governmental officials, community organizations, and other partners on their role in building dementia and age friendly communities.
- **Objective 2.8:** Explore the expansion of new Age-Friendly Communities throughout the State.
 - Strategy 2.8a: Educate AAA's about Age-Friendly Communities and the role they can play in their area.
 - Strategy 2.8b: Collaborate with AARP and others to develop an Illinois-based education and technical assistance center for communities interested in becoming a designated Age Friendly community.
 - Strategy 2.8c: Evaluate existing age-friendly communities in Illinois to understand and disseminate best practices and lessons learned.

How you can get involved: External

- Attend an Aging advisory committee or task force
- Reach out to and look for opportunities to partner with Area Agencies on Aging
- Fund pilot programs
- Subject-matter experts to provide training or conference speakers
- Outreach and communication:
 - Assist with developing innovative, multi-pronged and targeted outreach strategies to reach minority populations
 - Share link to State Plan on your website, newsletter, etc.
- Partner on submission of federal grant applications that align with mutual goals



Thank you!

The approved FY22-FY24, State Plan on Aging, is available on the
Department on Aging's web site:
<https://www2.illinois.gov/aging/Pages/stateplanonaging.aspx>

Contact:
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2021 Dates and Times (each cohort meets twice for 1 ½ hours)

Click the date to register

- [November 4th and 11th \(Thursdays, 3-4:30pm\)](#)
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- **More cohorts will be scheduled**

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Are you passionate about aging and equity? Are you interested in helping make policy change happen? Join us at a Policy Academy by clicking one of the dates above!

Over the two sessions, a variety of topics will be explored for attendees to understand the multiple policies, programs, and systems that impact individuals along the life path and as older people, as well as skills to advocate for policy change:

- Older Americans Act, aging policies, and waiver programs
- Long-term Services and Supports: Community-based services, housing, and health care
- Relevance of structural inequities and social determinants of health to aging
- Demographic trends
- Advancing equity by counteracting myths, bias, ageism, and other inequities
- Socioeconomics of aging and inequities in longevity
- Current aging initiatives
- Advocacy tools and training
- Each class builds on the information from the previous class. Between classes, there will be additional opportunities to learn from links to readings, videos, and other resources.

Virtual classes. All participants who complete the sessions will receive an e-certificate of completion. CEUs are provided through UIC; if participants would like CEUs, there will be an additional \$10 fee, payable to UIC at time of CEU request.

Registration fee: Sliding scale

Presented by: Health & Medicine Policy Research Group

Learn more about the presenters:

Sandra Pastore, MSW, Health and Aging Policy Organizer



Sandy joined Health and Medicine in March 2021 to develop and drive a campaign for a Strategic Action Plan for Aging to move toward aging equity in the state of Illinois. She is also spearheading an ongoing initiative to create a High School Gerontology program to support the needs of the older adult population through a better prepared upcoming labor force. Previously, Sandy was the Executive Director of Oswego Senior Center, which she helped develop from a grass-roots initiative into a non-profit post-school concept senior center with an integrated adult day program. With over two decades of professional experience in social services and the aging network, she is a systems thinker who understands how theory, policy, and practice intersect with trends, needs, and the preferences of diverse populations to create meaningful initiatives and develop sustainable programs that promote health equity. Sandra received her bachelor's degree from University of Illinois at Chicago in Sociology with a minor in Women's Studies and she received her Master of Social Work with a specialization in Gerontology from Aurora University. She is a member of the Kendall County 708 Mental Health Board, Oswegoland Park Foundation Board, and 100 Women Who Care: OMY. She enjoys cooking, art, woodworking, the outdoors, travel, and spending time with family and friends.

Wesley Eplin, MPH, Policy Director



Wesley's work focuses on advancing health equity and public health, health reform and health safety net, and aging equity across the life course. As Policy Director, he leads development of and tracking of Health & Medicine's annual policy agenda. Wesley advocates for equitable policies across structural inequities, making a public health argument for justice in social determinants such as housing. Wesley contributes to public health and broader planning efforts, including the *Healthy Chicago 2.0* and *Healthy Chicago 2025* plans, the *OnTo 2050* Regional Plan, and the *We Will Chicago* citywide plan. At Health & Medicine, Wesley helped develop and leads planning for the Chicago Forum for Justice in Health Policy. He is also on the steering committee for the Collaborative for Health Equity Cook County.

Wesley earned a Master of Public Health degree in Community Health Sciences from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) School of Public Health (SPH) and a BA in Political Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In 2016, Wesley was selected for the inaugural cohort of the Culture of Health Leaders, a national leadership program supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to create collaborative solutions that address health inequities and move communities and organizations toward a Culture of Health. During the program, he co-developed and piloted the Organizing Health institute to train people in health organizing. Outside of his work at Health & Medicine, Wesley is a co-founder of Radical Public Health, a group at the UIC SPH that moves the public health field to focus on root causes of health inequities. In his spare time, Wesley enjoys gardening and cooking, reading, and travel.

November & December 2021 Illinois Aging Together Regional Roundtable Discussions

Please join us for a roundtable discussion to better understand the aging experience in your community and to explore a new strategic action plan and vision for aging equity in Illinois. This roundtable is hosted by Health & Medicine Policy Research Group and its Center for Long Term Care Reform.

Health & Medicine is convening *Illinois Aging Together*, a campaign seeking to have the State of Illinois demonstrate a new level of commitment to supporting Illinois' growing aging population, supporting families and caregivers, and supporting equitable aging across people's lives. We want to put aging in the forefront instead of as an afterthought through a new strategic action plan for aging equity that includes every Illinois State agency and every sector.

During the roundtable, we will discuss aging in your region, share information about this campaign for aging equity, and ways to become involved. We hope you will join us to share your insight and vision to help elevate this initiative across the state and build momentum for the *Illinois Aging Together, A Statewide Movement for Aging Equity*.

Region 1, Boone, Carroll, De Kalb, Jo Davies, Lee, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, and Winnebago Counties

Monday, November 8, 11am-12pm

Register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclc-6gqTopH9Kw32UaC2JvjbFjCUAGG6zw>

Thursday, November 11, 9am-10am

Register

here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tfuCtrz4rEt2bL6TBHml9aZMNbLcUZI1n>

Region 2, Lake, McHenry, Kane, Kendall, Will, Kankakee, DuPage, and Grundy Counties

Tuesday, December 14, 10-11am

Register here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAoduGtrj0qHdLauIHDl9A9GHJZ5SH6_cVU

Thursday, December 16, 2:30-3:30pm

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqd-6vpj8oGd2Wc_tJV_a_HVRBsKcK432Uu

Region 3, Bureau, Henderson, Henry, Knox, La Salle, Mercer, McDonough, Putnam, Rock Island, and Warren Counties

Tuesday, November 30, 9am-10am

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMpce-rqTMOgt22ky_CbiLtg_b7PkIA-3WS

Thursday, December 2, 9am-10am

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rf-uoqj0uE9HHAZH0aY0XI2BwEuvnj_8K

Region 4, Marshall, Stark, Fulton, Tazewell, Woodford, and Peoria Counties

Thursday, November 18, 2pm-3pm

Register here:

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Region 5, Champaign, Clark, Coles, Cumberland, De Witt, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, Macon, McLean, Piatt, and Vermillion Counties

Monday, November 15, 2pm-3pm

Register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpf-mqgD0sEtLttYbM-3KtiNDyboulkw6n>

Tuesday, November 16, 9am-10am

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Region 6, Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Hancock, Pike, and Schuyler Counties

Friday, November 19, 11am-12pm

Register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrc--grDgoHNBfDoRrkSPmtqZO650pK8gp>

Region 7, Cass, Christian, Greene, Jersey, Logan, Macoupin, Mason, Menard, Montgomery, Morgan, Sangamon, and Scott Counties

Tuesday, November 16, 1pm-2pm

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Tuesday, November 19, 2pm-3pm

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Region 8, Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair, and Washington Counties

Monday, November 22, 9am-10am

Register here:

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Tuesday, November 23, 9am-10am

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Region 9, Clay, Effingham, Fayette, Jefferson, and Marion Counties

Wednesday, November 10, 11am-12pm

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Thursday, November 11, 11:30am-12:30pm

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Region 10, Crawford, Edwards, Hamilton, Jasper, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash, Wayne, and White Counties

Monday, November 8, 2-3pm

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Region 11, Pope, Hardin, Pulaski, Gallatin, Alexander, Massac, Union, Saline, Johnson, Franklin, Williamson, Perry, and Jackson Counties

Friday, November 12, 9am-10am

Register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYuc-msqjwoG9eMox41pWFccUek1OI1W50S>

Region 12, City of Chicago

Monday, December 6, 9am-10am

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Wednesday, December 1, 1-2pm

Register here:

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Region 13, Suburban Cook County

Friday, December 3, 9am-10am

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Friday, December 10, 9am-10am

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