

**OLDER AMERICANS ACT (TITLE III) – AGING
2015 FUNDING FOR THE DIVISION ON AGING, DISABILITY & VETERANS
Funding Priorities**

**County Fiscal Year (CFY) 2015 Older Americans Act
Estimated - \$870,000 Community Services**

Subgrant Term: January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015

Match Requirements: 25% of Total Program Costs

- The minimum 25% match must be non-Federal dollars
- In-Kind match may only be used for Personnel (volunteer hours and Third Party contributions) and Building Space (if donated by a Third Party)

Minimum Funding Request: \$5,000

The Aging, Disability and Resource Connection (ADRC) is a program offered in all 21 counties to provide seniors and/or their caregivers with direct access to the services needed by those 60 years of age and older. The Morris County Department of Human Services, requires all agencies funded by Older Americans Act funding to participate in this program by providing consumers with the same linkages and support.

***For 2015 Older Americans Act funds will be a renewal application.**

Funding Specifications: In addition to participation in ADRC, all applications for Older Americans Act services will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- Services must be designated for those 60 years of age or older, frail, vulnerable or disabled populations.
- Programs may not use income as a basis for eligibility for services
- No fees may be charged for services
- Each program must provide clients with the opportunity to make voluntary donations to offset program costs
- All funded agencies must address the needs of the targeted areas of impoverished, minority, frail/disabled and/or vulnerable/at-risk senior populations.
- Special consideration will be given to providers who can demonstrate enhanced coordination of existing services and cost savings through agency consolidations and/or the merger of specific services offered by more than one agency.
- The County of Morris may be implementing cost sharing with the exception of information and assistance, outreach, case management, APS, legal assistance, congregated or home delivered meals.

There is a 25% required match for Title IIIB – Aging Services, Title IIIB- Disease Prevention/Maintenance, Title IIIE- Caregiver Assistance, SSBG- Social Services Block Grant and a 10% required match for SHTP- Safe Housing and Transportation.

Based on the priorities in the Area Plan Contact, program monitoring, quarterly reports and ongoing requests for services, the Division is looking to purchase the services listed below as identified by the Administration on Aging (AoA) National Aging Program Information System (NAPIS) guidelines. These services are for individuals who require assistance with the following:

Impairments in Activities of Daily Living (ADL's): the inability to perform one or more of the six activities of daily living without assistance: eating, dressing, bathing, toileting, transferring in and out of bed/chair, and walking.

Impairments in Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL's): the inability to perform one or more of the eight instrumental activities of daily living without assistance: preparing meals, shopping for personal items, medication management, managing money, using telephone, doing heavy housework, doing light housework and transportation ability.

Community Services:

Care Management: The development of a coherent care plan for arranging and coordinating the delivery of multiple services to vulnerable and/or functionally impaired older individuals.

Housekeeping Assistance: A service provided by a volunteer or paid staff person for routine basic upkeep and management of homes, for the purpose of enabling older persons to maintain themselves in their place of residence by removing housekeeping barriers.

Home Delivered Nutrition: The provision of nutritionally adequate meals to older persons in their places of residence.

Respite Care: Provide well-trained, reliable volunteers affiliated with community and faith-based organizations that can respond quickly and courteously to caregivers' requests for help.

Information and Assistance: The provision of specific information or assistance to or on behalf of older persons or caregivers that provides individuals with information on services available within the communities; links individuals to the services and opportunities that are available within the communities; and to the maximum extent practicable, establishes adequate follow-up procedures.

Personal Care: Providing personal assistance, stand-by assistance, supervision or cues for persons having difficulties with one or more of the following activities of daily living: eating, dressing, bathing and toileting.

Legal Assistance: Legal advice, assistance, and/or representation provided by or under the supervision of a lawyer, in order to protect and secure the rights of older persons.

Outreach: A service, initiated by the service provider designed to locate and identify specific older persons or their caregivers in need of specific service(s), and is conducted to encourage and assist older persons to utilize a particular benefits and/or programs available to them.

Additional services identified as priorities include: Friendly Visiting, Telephone Reassurance, Protective Services Investigation, Supportive Counseling and Homemaker/Bill Paying Assistance and In-Home Counseling.

Please be reminded that all funding is subject to budget availability and at the discretion of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. Should the County receive notification of a reduction in State or Federal funds, 2015 funding and/or future funding may be reduced or terminated. Morris County will not be responsible for replacing or maintaining funding levels in the event of any reductions.