

Medina County
Office
for
Older Adults
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2022

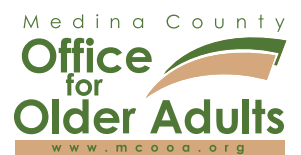
ANNUAL REPORT





mission

Medina County Office for Older Adults will offer support to older adults and adults with a disability to live independently and safely within their own homes and community.





Supporting Medina County seniors is our mission

Medina County Office for Older Adults is located at 246 Northland Drive on the ground floor. We offer a variety of social services for seniors and adults with disabilities as well as recreational activities for adults age 60 and over.

Our agency provides the public with a warm and welcoming place to contact for educational programs, information, nutrition, assistance, referral, support and benefits. MCOOA is the best place for family, friends, caregivers and providers to get what they need to support seniors in the community.

2022 was a fantastic year for the office. Adult Protective Services completed their first entire year under the OOA roof and we are providing more comprehensive services to vulnerable adults in the community. We planned and have begun tech classes to educate seniors on their own technology and help them to navigate Android, PC or Mac devices, accompanying classes are one-on-one tech help where seniors can bring in their devices and ask specific questions.

Capital improvements continued with office desk renovations in several areas. We continue to organize and plan for kitchen renovations in 2023.

Our large-scale county events are more popular than ever, with Senior Day 2022 brining more than 500 seniors from all over Medina County to the Medina County Fairgrounds to celebrate. In additional we had an Oktoberfest that was at capacity in the Medina Center. We are looking for an alternative venue for Oktoberfest 2023.

We are heavily supported by the Medina County Human Services Levy as well as the Medina County Senior & Adult Foundation, whose mission is to provide financial support to the programs benefitting seniors through Medina County Office for Older Adults. We thank the citizens of Medina County for their support of seniors.

We look forward to continuing to serve our county in the most efficient and effective ways possible by offering the right service to the right people at the right time. We have figured out that services can still be provided to seniors even in the most challenging times.

I thank all who have supported Medina County Office for Older Adults throughout the year and look forward to our continuing service together.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laura Toth, LISW-S
Director

MEDINA COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING AND DISABILITY

Our Advisory Council meets on a monthly basis and is charged with providing a community voice in the administration of county activities concerning aging and the disabled. They also assist with the determination of policies of the Medina County Office for Older Adults whose purpose it is to serve the needs of Medina County residents over age 60 and the disabled with education, social services, and defense of their rights through advocacy. The Council represents various parts of the county as a whole and the members include:

Township Trustees Association Representatives

Sarah Poling, Spencer
Amy Wermer, Medina
Joan Weigel, Valley City
Ronald Bischof, Medina

Village Mayors Association Representatives

Carol Carter, Seville
Member #2, Vacant

Brunswick City Representatives

Diane Madonna
Howard Elko

Medina City Representatives

Linda Williams
Sue Boggs

Wadsworth City Representatives

Bill Meyer
Jim Dull

County At Large

Sarah Gardner, Medina
Dave Wetzel, Medina
Mary Anne Rodgers, Medina
Kimberly Koehring, Wadsworth
Marie Edmonds, Medina

Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging Board Appointments

Kelly Rose Stallard, Medina Twp.

Five County Advisory Council of the WRAAA

Ashley Sorgen, Medina
Dave Wetzel, Medina

support services



Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

The Aging and Disability Resource Center provides services to adults age 60 and over; 18 and over with disabilities. These services include Specialized Information and Assistance, Benefits Assistance, and Long Term Options Counseling.

962
Individual
Contacts

Specialized Information and Assistance: This service helps consumers find the right information, assistance, resources and referrals that they need for their specific issue. MCOOA acts as a conduit for people who need information and then follows up to ensure that they receive the assistance they requested. In 2022, MCOOA's ADRC had 962 contacts with individuals seeking out Specialized Information and Assistance Services.

549.75
Hours of Benefits
Counseling

Benefits Counseling: A more specialized service, benefits counseling offers consumers the ability to sit down with a trained professional and discuss their finances, seeing where they may benefit from federal, state, or local program offerings. This includes things such as applying for Medicaid, choosing a Medicare Advantage plan or seeking local funds to assist with ongoing financial needs. In 2022, MCOOA's ADRC logged 549.75 hours of benefits counseling with consumers.

189.25
Hours of LTO
Counseling

Long Term Options Counseling: MCOOA is unique in offering this opportunity for a short term case management program to consumers in need. Options counseling is designed to help individuals and their families assess their current living situation, make changes (if necessary) to maintain placement in the community, set goals for their services and care, and plan for future needs of the consumer and their caregivers. This is a very popular program and allows consumers professional guidance while making informed choice. In 2022, MCOOA's ADRC logged 189.25 hours of Long Term Options Counseling with consumers.

The Medina County Commissioners make the ADRC service possible by Title IIIB funding provided by the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging through the Ohio Department on Aging.

Adult Protective Services (APS)

Adult Protective Services is a mandated service provided by local social services districts in Medina County. Medina County Office for Older Adults is contracted to provide this service throughout the county, this contract was awarded in September 2021. OOA employs 3 full time social workers to this unit. It involves intake, investigation and assessment of referrals of abuse, neglect and financial exploitation of impaired, vulnerable adults age 60 and over who live in the community. APS workers develop service plans for eligible clients to remedy physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, neglect, financial exploitation or to address unmet needs of older adults.

580
Calls
Received

241
Cases
Opened

339
Cases
Screened Out

148
Cases
Closed



Transportation Services

Medina County Office for Older Adults contracts with Medina County Transit to provide all subsidized transportation services. Transportation is subsidized for any adult age 60 or over and includes direct transit trips to places such as the doctor, grocery store or bank. In 2022, MCOOA provided 6,982 subsidized rides. These trips are paid for in part by Title IIIB money from the Older Americans Act. Loop rides in Medina City, Brunswick and Wadsworth are paid for in a monthly bulk rate and seniors that ride the loop are given free transportation if they have an orange OOA transit ID card.

Outreach Services

782 hours of supportive services provided by Outreach workers throughout Medina County, including assessments for transit and meal services as well as supportive services, information and referrals.

757
Hours of Supportive Services



The Medina County Commissioners make the supportive services and transportation possible by Title IIIB funding provided by the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging through the Ohio Department on Aging.

Meal Services

(offered to adults age 60 and over)

Congregate Meals

We were able to offer 5840 meals to our Medina and Brunswick Congregate and Wadsworth restaurant voucher locations.

Home Delivered Meals

Our Meals on Wheels program provided 42,707 meals throughout Medina County to homebound individuals. This program is also a 'gatekeeper' service in that drivers are checking on the county's most vulnerable seniors four days (5 meals) per week during meal delivery.

Restaurant Voucher Program

2,548
Vouchers were distributed

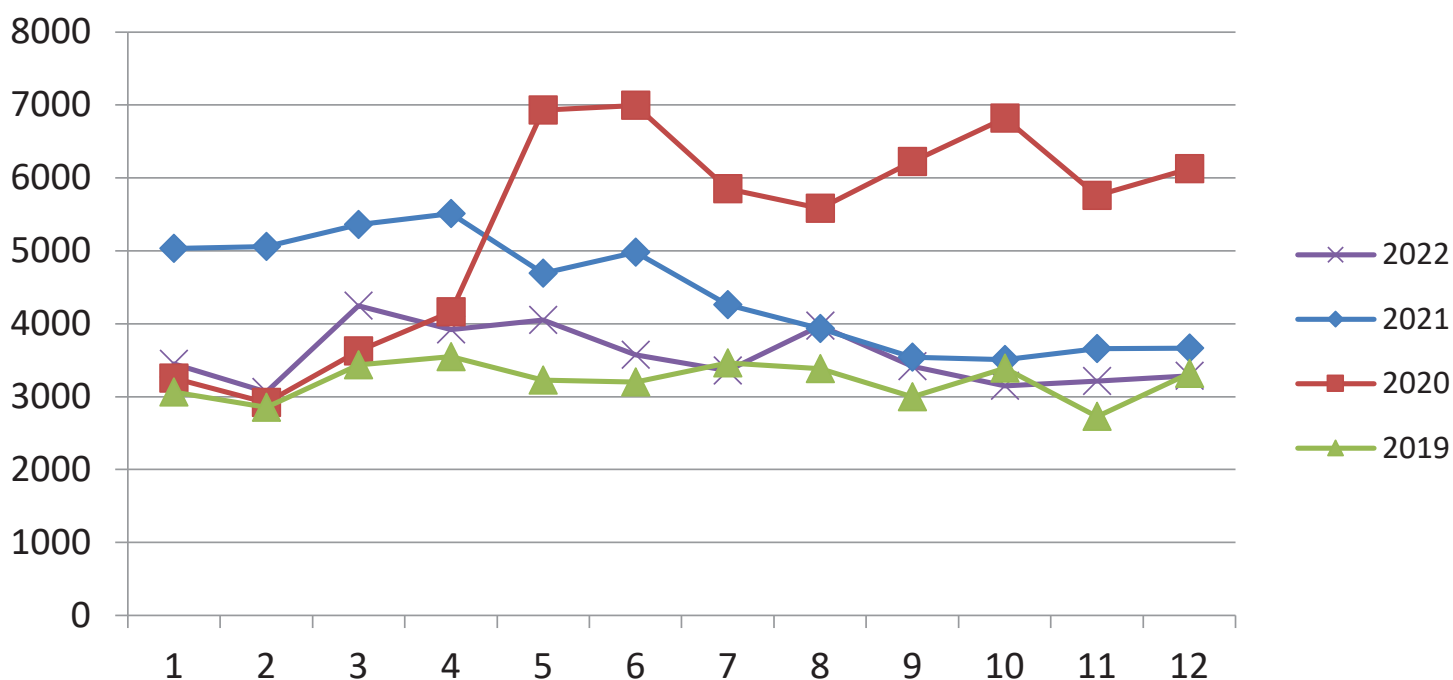


2022 MEALS PER MONTH

	HOME DELIVERED MEAL CLIENTS	NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED		CONGREGATE MEAL CLIENTS	NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED
January	189	3451		85	345
February	190	3065		88	344
March	199	4247		102	535
April	199	3920		107	530
May	201	4049		111	544
June	194	3575		104	597
July	178	3359		105	559
August	188	3974		116	632
September	174	3419		127	596
October	173	3150		122	591
November	178	3212		58	263
December	173	3286		60	304
TOTALS		42707			5840

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MEAL DELIVERY BY MONTH 2019-2022



Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program

In 2021, Medina County Office for Older Adults was awarded Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Voucher Packets. These packets contain ten \$5 coupons to be used at local Farmer's Markets. All of the packets were disbursed to Medina County residents who meet the age and income requirements. Packets are provided by the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging.

2022 SERVICE BREAKDOWN TOTALS

CITY / TOWNSHIP	NUMBER OF TRIPS	NUMBER OF HDM MEALS SERVED	NUMBER OF CONG. MEALS SERVED
BRUNSWICK CITY	950	10285	1283
BRUNSWICK HILLS	319	2120	156
CHATHAM TOWNSHIP	0	17	4
CHIPPEWA LAKE/GLORIA GLENS	250	610	0
CRESTON VILLAGE	0	169	0
GRANGER TOWNSHIP	274	900	0
GUILFORD TOWNSHIP	18	711	0
HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP	40	662	40
HINCKLEY TOWNSHIP	17	2261	37
HOMER TOWNSHIP	6	523	0
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP	857	1051	124
LITCHFIELD TOWNSHIP	305	630	51
LIVERPOOL TOWNSHIP	0	556	137
LODI VILLAGE	19	1700	6
MEDINA CITY	2110	8310	1060
MEDINA TOWNSHIP	293	2007	346
MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP	385	1358	38
RITTMAN	0	0	0
SEVILLE VILLAGE	333	697	0
SHARON TOWNSHIP	37	1254	70
SPENCER TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE	161	1277	124
WADSWORTH CITY	555	4134	2267
WADSWORTH TOWNSHIP	0	219	87
WESTFIELD CTR/WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP	11	427	0
YORK TOWNSHIP	40	733	8
TOTALS	6982	42611	5838



2022 UNDUPLICATED CLIENTS

CITY / TOWNSHIP	TRANSIT CLIENTS	HOME DELIVERED MEAL CLIENTS	CONGREGATE MEAL CLIENTS
BRUNSWICK CITY	46	84	27
BRUNSWICK HILLS	7	16	4
CHATHAM TOWNSHIP		1	3
CHIPPEWA LAKE/GLORIA GLENS	4	5	
CRESTON VILLAGE		1	
GRANGER TOWNSHIP	7	6	
GUILFORD TOWNSHIP	1	6	
HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP	3	5	1
HINCKLEY TOWNSHIP	2	14	2
HOMER TOWNSHIP	1	3	
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP	22	8	8
LITCHFIELD TOWNSHIP	5	6	1
LIVERPOOL TOWNSHIP		7	2
LODI VILLAGE	6	12	3
MEDINA CITY	70	66	44
MEDINA TOWNSHIP	13	22	16
MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP	3	12	5
RITTMAN			
SEVILLE VILLAGE	5	6	
SHARON TOWNSHIP	3	7	1
SPENCER TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE	4	9	
WADSWORTH CITY	42	31	84
WADSWORTH TOWNSHIP		1	3
WESTFIELD CTR/WESTFIELD TWP	2	5	
YORK TOWNSHIP	2	7	1
TOTALS	248	340	205



Social Activities

Medina County Office for Older Adults continues to work hard to keep seniors connected. The number of participants continue to steadily increase at both the Medina and Brunswick locations.

Picnic on the Patio came back in full force this year, with the outdoor dining and live entertainment on alternate Fridays drawing crowds throughout the summer.

Day trips were back on the road as well, and we continued innovative activities developed during the lockdown such as Parking Lot Bingo and Zoom classes.



Volunteers

Our volunteers help out in the office, in the kitchen, teach classes, lend a hand at events and so much more. Over 40 helpful volunteers pitched in to help our agency fulfill its mission in 2022. Of those 40, 17 comprise the Compassion in Action non-medical volunteer caregiving program. In February 2022, MCOOA assumed the operations of Faith in Action, taking over their mission of transportation to shopping and appointments, light yard work, light housekeeping and friendly visits. They transported seniors to 156 appointments in 2022.

533
Day Trip Participants

1,781
Medina Large Activity
Participants

586
Brunswick Large Activity
Participants

Compassion
in
Action
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