



Friends, Volunteers, and Valued Supporters,

As you have likely been hearing, the landscape of federal governmental funding for vital community services like the ones provided by Senior Services can sometimes shift unexpectedly, and we are currently navigating a period with some funding uncertainty. As long-time supporters of Senior Services we know you have questions, and we want to provide you with as much information as possible about what we know and what it means for Senior Services and how we're preparing and responding.

Our Funding Sources

For many years governmental funding for our programs has not kept pace with the need and demand for services in our community. Senior Services continually works to increase revenue and support for programs to respond to increasing needs. Government grants and funding sources along with community and philanthropic support play a large and important role in helping us fill critical gaps.

Nearly 48% of Senior Services funding comes from recurring governmental funding sources, with about a third of our funding originating at the federal level and trickling down through state and/or local government.

What's Happening?

Recent federal announcements, drafts of funding proposals, and federal agency restructuring signal a potential change in how critical services to older adults will be prioritized and supported. Through our networks we are carefully monitoring any proposed changes that have the potential to impact Senior Services.

Also, with state and local government funding sources already facing record-high requests for funding to support community services we are paying close attention to the additional "trickle-down" effects any federal cuts to state and local government may have on Senior Services.

What Are We Doing Right Now?

Information is changing rapidly and there are many unknowns. Until things become clearer, we are monitoring the evolving funding situation with a calm and strategic approach, ensuring we are prepared to adapt and continue delivering the crucial support our community relies on. Senior Services unique funding structure, built over decades and relying on a variety of revenue sources, helps us a bit in the short term as we navigate

uncertain times. We remain steadfast in our mission to provide programs, supports, and services that help older adults remain in their homes aging with dignity and living with purpose.

How Can You Stay Involved and Help?

Now, more than ever, the collective voice of our community is paramount. We believe in the power of advocacy – in sharing our stories, highlighting the impact of our work, and making sure the growing needs of older adult in Forsyth County are understood by those who shape policy. You can help!

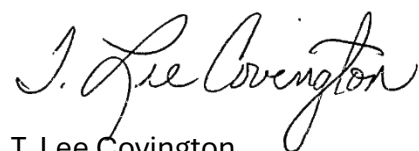
1. Visit our new [Funding at Senior Services](#) webpage. This space was created for you to learn more and get updates as information becomes available to us. It has tips for sharing your personal experiences with our services, information about contacting elected officials, and other tidbits you might find useful. Including the opportunity to **sign-up** for more frequent updates and specific opportunities to take action and share your story through advocacy.
2. Continue to share your experiences and the importance of services that support older adults in our community, every chance you get!
3. Keep doing what you're doing! Your continuing support through donations, volunteerism, and staying connected to our mission mean the world. This work doesn't happen without you.

The work we do together – providing direct service which helps 2,400 older adults remain safely in their homes, assisting thousands more with critical information, assistance, and referral support to plan their aging journey, delivering 230,000 meals, and so much more – is essential to the well-being of our community. Your dedication as volunteers, your generosity as donors, and your unwavering support are the bedrock of our success.

Navigating external changes and uncertainties is a reality nonprofit organizations must sometimes face. As people who play a critical part in our mission, please know we will keep you updated as we learn more.

We thank you for your continuing commitment.

With sincere gratitude,



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