

## 2023 GRANT-IN-AID

### FUNDING PRIORITIES SUMMARY County Fiscal Year (CFY) 2022 GIA- Aging, Disabilities & Veterans Estimated - \$ 1,133,965

**Subgrant Term:** January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

**Match Requirements:** None

**Minimum Funding Request:** \$5,000

**Funding Specifications:** The primary purpose of the Grant-In-Aid Aging, Disabilities & Veterans funding is to provide services in Morris County to the elderly, adults with disabilities, or veterans to ensure the availability of community-based services as or alternative to institutionalization.

The County of Morris is committed to supporting agencies that offer client-centered, trauma-informed, recovery oriented care in a stigma free environment.

This public funding may only be billed for a specific unit of service when there is no third party insurance, Medicare, Medicaid or any other type of reimbursement, in whole or in part, for that service unit.

**Applicants must meet the following criteria:**

- Services must be designated for :
  - individuals over the age of 60
  - adults with disabilities
  - veterans and/or
  - caregivers of seniors or caregivers of individuals with a disability
  - Caregivers age 55+ caring for a child up to age 18.
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**Target populations:**

- Impoverished
- Minority
- Frail
- Disabled
- Vulnerable/At Risk

**Services the County is seeking are based on identified priorities in planning documents, provider reports and community forums:**

**Community Services:**

**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.

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

**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 and caregivers.

**Transportation:** Conveyance of older persons and their caregivers to and /or from community facilities and resources for the purpose of acquiring/receiving available services, benefits, or entitlements.

**Assisted Transportation:** To provide an individualized linkage for functionally impaired or isolated older persons and their caregivers to enable them to utilize community facilities and services, such as banks, stores, medical resources, and other necessary destinations which they are unable to access due to transportation and/or health barriers.

**Public Awareness/Information:** An activity conducted to promote awareness of programs, services and information of relevance to older persons, family caregivers, adults with physical disabilities age 18 and older and private-pay consumers.

**Assistive Technology:** Assistive technology is a service to aid individuals/caregivers aged 60 years and older to help maintain independence, reduce social isolation, enable socialization, help perform activities that might otherwise be difficult or impossible.

**Friendly Visiting:** An organized service that provides regular visits to socially and/or geographically isolated older individuals for purposes of providing companionship and social contact.

**Telephone Reassurance:** An organized service that provides regular telephone calls to homebound older persons to assure their well-being and safety and to provide social interaction and psychological reassurance.

**Residential Maintenance:** A service provided by a volunteer or paid staff person for intermittent household and/or yard care to eligible older persons and their caregivers whose health and safety are threatened because they cannot perform these services by themselves and/or are at risk of institutional placement.

**Housekeeping Assistance (Chore/ Program):** 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 and their caregivers to maintain themselves in their place of residence by removing housekeeping barriers. Also, light or heavy housecleaning, routine errands is included in this service.

**Volunteer Shopper Program:** A service provided by a volunteer or paid staff person for routine shopping assistance, such as grocery shopping, pharmacy pickups, and equivalent errands. Enabling older persons and their caregivers to maintain themselves in their place of residence by promoting access to nutrition.

**Certified Home Health Aide:** General support by certified and professionally supervised home health aides to maintain, strengthen, and safeguard the functioning of older individuals and families in their own homes during periods of illness or severe instability.

**Visiting Nurse:** Services designed to maintain older persons in their own residences or community-based settings by providing skilled nursing services or therapy, thereby avoiding or deterring the need for hospitalization or institutionalization.

**Homesharing/Matching:** A living arrangement in which two or more unrelated people share the common areas of a house (the living room, kitchen and often, bathrooms) but each person has private sleeping space.

**Adult Day Services Social:** A structured program for adults who require care and supervision in a protective setting for a portion of a 24 hour day, with emphasis on social and recreational activities in a group setting with emphasis on the physically or cognitively impaired older adults.

**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 and caregivers.

**Physical Health:** Screening, assessment, and treatment activities that assist older persons and caregivers to improve or maintain physical health by helping them to identify and understand their health needs and secure necessary medical, disease prevention or health maintenance services.

**Mental Health:** Mental health screening, assessment and treatment activities that assist older persons to improve or maintain mental health by helping them to identify and understand their mental and emotional health needs and secure necessary medical, preventive or mental health maintenance services.

**Physical Activity:** Planned and structured activities aimed at improving or maintaining a person's physical health.

**Counseling:** Services designed to assist older persons by advising them or providing them with specific information so that they can make appropriate decisions and/or choices in the arrangement for or delivery of needed services.

**Education:** Formally structured classes, lectures, or seminars that provide older persons and/or their caregivers with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills suited to their interests.

**Socialization/Recreation:** Planned and structured activities and programs provided to well and functionally impaired older persons and caregivers in order to facilitate social contact, reduce isolation, and improve personal life satisfaction.

**Money Management:** A bill paying service that provides older or disabled people with volunteer assistance in budgeting, the processing of routine bills, check writing, managing financial matters and/or reconciling bank accounts. The goal of the service is to provide guidance and non-intrusive bill paying assistance to maximize bill-paying capacity.

**Home Delivered Meals:** for the provision and delivery of nutritionally adequate meals, (one third of the current Dietary Reference Intakes DRI) to older persons in their place of residence.

**Respite Care:** Short term or intermittent care, provided to older persons and their caregivers either in their homes or in other appropriate facilities, because of the absence or the need for relief of those persons normally providing care.

**Support Group:** A group that meets on a regular basis, formed to help relieve caregiver stress and to provide peer support, education, and information to caregivers, both elderly and non-elderly, of older persons.

**Group Education:** Formally structured classes, lectures, or seminars that provide caregivers with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills that will aid them to continue in the role of caregiving.

**Caregiver Mental Health Counseling:** Provide individual mental health counseling to help the caregiver with the normal anger, frustration, guilt, isolation and depression that many individuals experience as caregivers.

**Professional In-Home Education and Support:** Provide individual education and support to unpaid caregivers at home so that they can improve their ability and effectiveness as caregivers and prolong their ability to provide care for an elderly individual or an individual who is less than 60 and has a diagnosis of early onset dementia.

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

**Wander Safety System :** A Tracking System to assist caregivers caring for *individuals with Alzheimer's and related dementias*, that puts them at risk for harm due to wandering. This service is designed to protect at-risk individuals by having the person wear a tracking device so they may be located promptly in the event that they wander out of the home or away from caregiver. The System can be radio wave, global positioning or a similar type of remote system.

**Supported Employment:** To provide employment training and job placement to individuals who have a disability. Employment training services should be aimed at enhancing the client's dignity and independence.

**Applicants must also include a copy of financial screening, sliding fee scale forms and the latest financial audit. The County will not consider requests that do not include this information.**

All 2023 applications will be reviewed by the Morris County Advisory Council on Aging, Disabilities and Veterans (ACADV). This review will determine 2023 Grant-In-Aid funding recommendations. County Grant-In-Aid will be awarded based upon availability of funds for calendar year 2023. Should the County receive notification of a reduction in State or Federal funds, 2023 funding may be reduced or terminated. Morris County will not be responsible for replacing or maintaining funding levels in the event that possible reductions occur in the 2023 allocation process.

***The County of Morris reserves the right to renew Subgrant agreements for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, based upon annual program review and the availability of funding.***

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For further specifications on services, please visit: <https://hs.morriscountynj.gov>

***Reminder: All 2023 applications due to MCDHS, 1 Medical Drive, Morris Plains, New Jersey 07950 by 2:00 p.m., Monday June 27, 2022.***