



About us



AREA AGENCY ON AGING 8

Our mission is to advocate for and educate older adults and their caregivers and promote long-term care choices and consumer protection so they can take advantage of opportunities that enable them to maintain wellness, independence and dignity.

The Area Agency on Aging works to assist communities in developing a range of services and opportunities for serving seniors and their caregivers. Efforts are directed toward developing a comprehensive and coordinated community-based service delivery system.

Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District manages the District 8 Area Agency on Aging. Serving seniors in Athens, Hocking, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Perry, and Washington Counties, AAA8 fosters cooperative efforts in planning and implementing programs and services including the Medicaid waiver PASSPORT and Assisted Living Programs.

**SERVING ATHENS, HOCKING, MEIGS, MONROE,
MORGAN, NOBLE, PERRY & WASHINGTON COUNTIES**

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Southeast Ohio
Aging & Disabilities
Resource Network

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Providing Caregivers with
**SUPPORT, RESPITE SERVICES,
EDUCATION AND OUTREACH**



**OFFERING SUPPORT TO INFORMAL
CAREGIVERS WHO ARE PROVIDING
CARE FOR LOVED ONES AT HOME.**

Services provided through this program include in-home caregiver training, one-on-one support by a case manager, information and referrals to community providers, legal services and respite assistance.

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Would you like to know more?
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THE CAREGIVER ADVOCACY PROGRAM ADDRESSES THE GROWING NEEDS OF INFORMAL CAREGIVERS PROVIDING CARE FOR LOVED ONES AT HOME.

CAREGIVER ADVOCACY Program

The AAA8 Caregiver Advocate will provide information about the services offered through the Area Agency on Aging 8 and other community resources to help caregivers create a plan of care or to complement a care plan already in action.

PROGRAM GOALS Provides ongoing support, respite, education and outreach to caregivers. These services help the caregiver understand when and how to access assistance, helping to decrease caregiver stress.

FUNDING The National Family Caregiver Support Program and Title III-E of the Older Americans Reauthorization Act of 2000 fund the Caregiver Advocacy Program. The amount of services received by participants is subject to change depending on available funding.

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To learn more about the Caregiver Advocate Program call the Area Agency on Aging 8 at:

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This program also includes the following:

Information and/or Referral: Provides information about and referrals to community resources such as legal, financial, transportation, support groups, home health, hospice, health services and emergency services for financial aid, shelters, food and clothing.

Medication Management Program: Helps seniors understand the medications they are taking and identify potentially dangerous interactions with other medications they are taking as well as their potential side effects.

Respite: Provides relief for the caregiver by arranging for services such as personal care, homemaking or adult day programs (that provide short-term caregiving assistance.) Respite allows the caregiver to take care of their own needs or to simply take a break.

Legal Services: Helps provide education and assistance to caregivers in matters of Living Wills, Health Care Powers of Attorney and Estate Planning.

Caregiver Training: Provides in-home training to caregivers on: proper body mechanics in moving, lifting or transferring a care recipient; techniques on how to provide personal care for a bed-bound individual; use of assistive devices such as gait belts; and use of medical equipment such as a hydraulic hoist lift.

Medical Equipment Purchases: Assists and complements care through limited medical equipment as determined necessary by the program coordinator.



PROJECT LIFESAVER

A rapid response search and rescue service using state-of-the-art technologies and strategies to reduce the potential of harm to individuals with Alzheimer's, Downs Syndrome, Autism, traumatic brain injuries and other cognitive impairments. These individuals may walk, wander or dart away from their residences and become lost.

Using state-of-the-art technologies, individuals wear a one-ounce transmitter that emits a personalized, silent radio signal 24 hours a day. The transmitter is housed in a unit that looks like a watch. It can be worn on the wrist or ankle. The radio signal can be located up to several miles away. Once notified of an incident, the professional search team responds to the wanderer's area and begins searching with the mobile Project Lifesaver tracking system.

