

SENIOR MILLAGE SPOTLIGHT

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Genesee County Office of Senior Services

Special Points of Interest:

- *Helping you understand what the senior millage is.*
- *Learning what services your millage dollars are providing.*
- *What can your local senior center offer you?*



FISCAL YEAR 2011 FIRST QUARTER REPORT

The following services were funded by the Genesee County Senior Millage for the first quarter of FY 2011.

Adult Day Care: **46** seniors served totaling **9707** hours.

Assessment, Coordination, and Referral services: **152** seniors served totaling **2083** hours.

Congregate Meals: **1311** seniors served totaling **10,358** meals.

Home Delivered Meals: **604** seniors served totaling **72,768** meals.

In-Home Personal Care: **1,271** seniors served totaling **12,627** hours.

Legal Assistance: **34** seniors served totaling **528** hours.

Respite services: **44** seniors served totaling **1,066** hours.

Senior Care Transport (MTA): **131** seniors served totaling **7,063** trips.

Guardianships/Conservatorships: **67** seniors served.

Elder Abuse Prevention: **117** seniors served totaling **1,856** hours and **16** warrants served.

Probate Court Audits: **13** seniors served totaling **640** hours.

Statistics taken from the FY2011 Senior Services Report: 10/10-12/10



WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

- More than 5.3 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's Disease; nearly 24,000 in Central Michigan.
- Every 70 seconds someone develops Alzheimer's disease.

- If nothing is done 10 million baby boomers will develop Alzheimer's disease by 2050.

Central Michigan's WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Genesee County/Grand Blanc-Nature Trails at Genesys, September 17
www.walktoendalz.kintera.org/geneseecounty

Alzheimer's Association—Greater Michigan Chapter

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FEATURED SERVICE PROVIDER-MICHIGAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

Michigan Community Services, Incorporated (MCSI) was organized as a State of Michigan nonprofit corporation on January 21, 1982. The mission of Michigan Community Services, Inc., is to enable individuals facing obstacles to independence to live, work, and participate in the community as normally and as independently as possible, and to progress to their fullest poten-

tial toward independence. People currently served are individuals with developmental disabilities, individuals experiencing mental illness and the elderly. The Corporate Agency believes in the intrinsic worth of every individual, whether consumer or staff, and their right to dignity, respect, and opportunity for achievement. MCSI's record of quality consumer services and advocacy is proof of this commitment to these ideals. Michigan Community Services, Inc. was organized by a team of experienced mental health

and management professionals, with specialized training and experience in the field of community services for the developmentally disabled. Based on their combined expertise and desire, this team felt confident of its ability to meet the special needs of consumers. The Senior Respite Program is designed to give the primary caregiver an opportunity to take a break from caring for their loved one. Our employees provide safety and companionship for the senior in their home in the absence of the primary caregiver.

Information taken from <http://mcsionline.org/>

SENIOR SERVICES PROVIDERS

"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible!'"

Audrey Hepburn

Center for Gerontology (Adult day care)

Family Service Agency (In-home personal care and Guardianships/Conservators)

Genesee County Community Action Resource Dept (Home Delivered meals and Congregate meals)

Jewish Community Services (Specialized (kosher) meals and specialized assessments)

Genesee County Probate Court (Audits)

Genesee County Prosecutor (Elder abuse)

Integrated Community Services (Assessment, coordination, and referral services)

Loving Hands (Adult day care and medication management)

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (Legal assistance)

Mass Transportation Authority (Senior care transportation)

Michigan Community Services, Inc. (Respite in-home care)

Office of the Genesee County Sheriff (Elder abuse and exploitation prevention)

Valley Area Agency on Aging (Meals assessment and MI choice waiver)

UNDERSTANDING YOUR SERVICES FUNDED WITH SENIOR MILLAGE DOLLARS

What is Adult Day Care?

An adult day care center, also commonly known as adult day services, is a non-residential facility providing activities for elderly and/or handicapped individuals. Most centers operate 10 – 12 hours per day and provide meals, social/recreational outings, and general supervision. Adult daycare centers operate under a social model and/or a health care model. Centers may focus on providing care only for persons with Alzheimer's and related dementias or their services may be available for any disabled adult. Some centers maintain a nurse on-site. They may also provide transportation and personal care

as well as counseling for caretakers.

Participation in adult day care often prevents re-hospitalizations and may delay admission to residential long term care. For participants who would otherwise stay at home alone, the social stimulation and recreational activities may improve or maintain physical and cognitive function. For caregivers, adult day care centers pro-

vide respite care, enabling caregivers to work or to have a break from their caregiving responsibilities.

More than 4,600 adult day centers are operating in the United States providing care for 150,000 older Americans each day.

Taken from Wikipedia

FEATURED SENIOR CENTER-DAVISON AREA SENIOR CENTER

The Mission of the Davison Area Senior Center is to provide, with the help of its staff and volunteers, information and a range of services, activities and volunteer opportunities which promote personal growth, health, friendship and independence for those 50 and older in the Davison Area.

The senior center was built with Community Development Block Grant funds in May of 1981. In its first year, the Center offered a variety of social activities such as potlucks, card parties, programs, dance and square dancing. Since then, programs and services have expanded significantly to include

workshops, seminars, clinics, health screenings and other events that promote a healthier lifestyle and improve the well-being of older persons in the community. The Volunteer Corps has helped enable the senior center to expand its programs and services through staffing assistance, communica-

tions and fundraising. We are proud of all the Center has to offer.

Take some time to stop in and meet the always smiling and pleasant Executive Director Kathy Davis for a tour of this wonderful facility.

10135 Lapeer Rd
Davison, MI 48423

SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Genesee County Senior Citizen Services Advisory Committee members meet at 10:00 a.m. on the second Monday of each month at the Genesee County Administration Building, on the basement level in the Human Resources, Training Room, or unless otherwise noted as follows:

APRIL 11, 2011 – Mass Transportation Authority

MAY 9, 2011 – Grand Blanc Senior Center

JUNE 13, 2011 – Forest Township Area Senior Center

JULY 11, 2011 – Swartz Creek Area Senior Center

AUGUST 8, 2011 – Davison-Richfield Senior Center

SEPTEMBER 12, 2011 – Eastside Senior Center

OCTOBER 10, 2011 – City of Flint (Brennan Center)

NOVEMBER 14, 2011

DECEMBER 12, 2011

These meetings are open to the public.

*Don't be
anxious about
tomorrow.
Live one day
at a time .*

GENESEE COUNTY SENIOR CENTERS

The following is a list of Genesee County Senior centers that are fully or partially funded by senior millage dollars.

Loose Senior Center 735-9406

Eastside Senior Center 250-5000

Grand Blanc Senior Center 695-3202

Swartz Creek Area Senior Center 635-4122

Clio Senior Center 687-7260

Flushing Senior Center 659-4735

Forest Township Area Senior Center 631-3407

Burton Senior Center 744-0960

Davison Area Senior Center 658-1566

Carman-Ainsworth Sen. Cen-

ter 732-6290

Montrose Senior Center 639-2822

Krapohl Senior Center 785-2270

Thetford Senior Center 686-0630

Brennan Community Center 766-7238

Pierce Senior Center 766-7424

Hasselbring Senior Center 766-7128

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The Michigan Office of Services to the Aging is seeking nominations for the Senior Citizen of the Year. Two of Michigan's older adults will be honored at the State Capitol Building on June 15, 2011, during the 4th Annual Older Michigianians Day event. Nominations must be postmarked by Monday May 2, 2011, and mailed to:
2011 Senior Citizen of the Year Award Program
Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
P.O. Box 30676
Lansing, MI 48909-8176



MESSAGE FROM LYNN M. RADZILOWSKI

Hello friends!

Spring is finally here and I am thrilled to say the least! The golf clubs are clean and I am ready to hit the golf course. I also stocked up on a few extra dozen golf balls since we all know the first few times out on the course the golf balls have a mind of their own!

It has been wonderful talking to all of you and learning more about your needs and con-

cerns. I will continue visiting the senior centers with the hopes of answering all of your questions and educating you on your senior millage.

My two new staff have started and have hit the ground running. I am very happy to have Deb McCrackin and Paul Edwards on board. We look forward to seeing you out in the community.

Have a very blessed Easter!

The Office of Senior Services is dedicated to improving the health, safety, and quality of life for seniors in Genesee County. The office oversees the senior millage dollars to area senior centers and contracted service providers to ensure quality services and programming for the senior citizens of Genesee County.