



# Silver Key Coalition

*Working to Make Michigan a No Wait State for Senior In-Home Services*

## Silver Key Coalition Background:

The Silver Key Coalition (SKC) formed in 2013 with the goal of increasing access to key state in-home services funded through the Older Michiganians Act and the Michigan Aging and Adult Services Agency (AASA). Using a data driven approach, the coalition advocated for a funding increase of \$10 million over 3 years to eliminate wait lists and fully meet the needs of older adults waiting for services such as home-delivered meals and personal care.

Governor Snyder and the Michigan Legislature made a strong commitment to Michigan's vulnerable older adults appropriating \$5 million for FY 2015 to serve the 4,500 older adults on wait lists for services in 2014.

## FY 2015 Return on Investment:

The Aging Network in Michigan over-performed and over-delivered on the promise to serve 4,500 older adults with the \$5 million (7.5%) in increased funding. **In FY 2015, the aging network served 6,212 more seniors<sup>1</sup>, a 10.5% increase.**

### Impact of FY 2015 Budget Increase

	FY15 Funding Increase	Seniors Served	% Increase	In-Home Service Units	% Increase
<b>In-home Care</b>	\$3.2 Million	1,778	8.9%	140,875 Hours	20.6%
<b>Home Delivered Meals</b>	\$1.8 Million	5,207	10.9%	589,434 Meals	7.6%

## Current Status:

Despite the higher than expected performance by Michigan's Aging Network to assist individuals seeking help to maintain their independence, waiting lists for in-home services continued to grow in FY 2015. In FY 2015, the number of older adults on wait lists for in-home services increased from 4,336 older adults in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, to 7,043 at the end of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter.

This increase in demand for in-home services could have been driven by an increased awareness of services due to increased outreach efforts related to the launch of Integrated Care and publicity generated by the coalition as well as population growth.

## FY 2017 Budget Request:

**The Coalition is advocating for an additional \$5 million investment for FY 17 to expand services to reach the 7,043 vulnerable older adults who are currently waiting for in-home services in Michigan.**

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<sup>1</sup> 773 individuals received both in-home services and home delivered meals.  
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## Silver Key Coalition Member Agencies

AAA of Western MI  
AARP of Michigan  
Advocates for Senior Issues  
Alzheimer's Association  
Area Agency on Aging 1-B  
Area Agency on Aging Association of Michigan  
Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan  
Community Home Supports  
Community Living Services  
Detroit Area Agency on Aging 1-A  
Disability Network of Michigan  
Leading Age  
Macomb County Senior Citizen's Services Office  
MCAAA  
Michigan Adult Day Services Association  
Michigan County Social Service Association  
Michigan Directors of Services to the Aging  
Michigan Association of Nutrition and Aging Service Providers (MANASP)  
Michigan Association for Home Care  
Michigan Association of Community Action Agencies  
Michigan Senior Advocates Council  
Montcalm County Commission on Aging  
NASW-Michigan Chapter  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, MI Chapter  
PHI – Midwest  
Presbyterian Villages of Michigan  
Region 2 Area Agency on Aging  
Region 3-A Area Agency on Aging  
Region 3-B Area Agency on Aging  
Region 3-C Area Agency on Aging  
Region IV Area Agency on Aging  
Region VII Area Agency on Aging  
Region 9 Area Agency on Aging  
Senior Regional Collaborative  
Senior Resources of West Michigan  
Senior Services Midland County Council on Aging  
The Senior Alliance  
Tri-County Office on Aging  
Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress (UPCAP)  
Valley Area Agency on Aging

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