

## How We Serve

**Dining Room Meals:** Provides a hot meal, developed by a registered dietitian five days a week, in a community setting to allow seniors an opportunity to socialize and participate in activities such as bingo and crafting.

**Meal Delivery:** Delivers meals to homebound seniors five days a week. By bringing right to their doorstep, we are able to provide a level of socialization that is often their only communication that day.

**Transportation services:** Transportation services are provided to those who have limited or no other access to transportation sources. Trips are provided to meal sites, medical facilities, grocery stores and other necessary destinations.

**Respite:** Allows caregivers and grandparents to receive a break from taking care of their loved one, to take time for themselves.

**Information and Assistance:** Trained staff answer a helpline 5 days a week to connect individual seniors, caregivers, family members and professionals to resources in the community which may best meet their needs.

**Long Term Care Ombudsman:** Advocates on behalf of residents living in a nursing facility. They advise residents of their rights, provide information, and help resolve problems.



# Areawide Aging Agency

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**LaDonna Wilson**  
2020-2021 Board Chair

## A Message from the Chair

With the mission of being dedicated to maintaining and advancing the dignity and independence of older adults in our community, my expectations were very high in what the agency did for the community, as well as for me personally. When I joined the Board of Areawide Aging Agency, the work of the agency far exceeded any of my expectations.

Like every other business and nonprofit in our community, 2020 presented challenges like none of us have seen before. Whether we are discussing COVID, record cold temperatures, or a disastrous ice storm, the staff, contractors, and volunteers at Areawide Aging Agency demonstrated their commitment to serving seniors, particularly those who are frail and alone, by overcoming the ever changing obstacles to provide these vital services. With your support, Areawide continues to adjust daily to ensure that the senior adults in our communities have food, contact with others, and most recently, helping find ways to assist with obtaining vaccines.

There are many services that our donors' funds cover in addition to the government grants and other special funding, some of the details of which you will see in this report. With our donors' funds we can look to more expanded services and most importantly continue to add to the number of senior adults we can assist.

We remain steadfast in our mission, and the staff and Board are actively engaged in strategic planning. As we closely watch the demographic shift upward in the aging population we know that we will continue to do so over the many coming years, and we are committed to enhancing our current support to the older adults in our community and to identify new opportunities for their independence. We greatly appreciate your support.

## Our Mission

Areawide Aging Agency is dedicated to maintaining and advancing the dignity and independence of older adults in our community.

## Who We Serve


The 20,000 seniors in Canadian, Cleveland, Logan and Oklahoma Counties in Oklahoma. Anyone over the age of 60 is eligible for our services; however, those living below the poverty line are the ones who depend upon these services the most to help make ends meet.

## At-a-glance

 **536,149**  
Meals Provided

 **68,469**  
Rides Provided

**10,143**   
Seniors & Caregivers Assisted

 **8,044**  
Nursing home residents aided

## By the numbers

2021 In Review

INCOME // \$6,153,226

OVERHEAD RATE // 4.96%

PROGRAM EXPENSES // \$5,879,990



## Members of the Board

LaDonna Wilson, Board Chair, American Fidelity  
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## Did you know?

- One in every five seniors face the threat of hunger
- 15 million American seniors live below the national poverty line
- A study showed that a senior receiving just one service was able to live at home 24.8 months longer



## Our clients are talking!

I'm 91 and the program lets me be in my own home. – *Norma R.*

Helps me manage my newly diagnosed diabetes. – *Arthur S.*

I love the volunteers. They are my only friends. – *Alma G.*

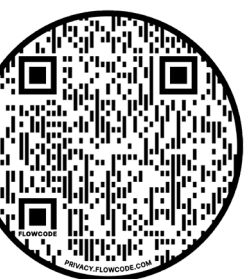
I am very thankful for each and every person I've met and of course the meals are great. God is good. – *Alice B.*



## You can help!

Our agency is funded through a variety of revenue sources including state and federal funds as well as generous donations from foundations, organizations and individuals. Areawide assesses the needs of seniors, and coordinates programs to allow older adults to live safely in their own home for as long as possible.

If you would like to help with a donation or volunteer, feel free to use this QR code to give online or contact one of our team members at 405-942-8500.



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