WHAT IS THE ROLE OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING?

Formally established in 1973 by the Older Americans Act (OAA), Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) are charged with helping vulnerable older adults live with independence and dignity in their homes and communities.



ASSESS



community needs and develop and fund programs to respond.



EDUCATE

and provide direct assistance to consumers about available resources in their community.



SERVE

as portals to care via assessments, eligibility determinations, and coordination of services.



MAXIMIZE

use of public and private funds to serve as many consumers as possible.



DEVELOP

fund, and coordinate a wide range of services.

CORE SERVICES PROVIDED BY AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

AAAs operate **complex** delivery systems that provide access to a **range** of community-based, in-home and elder rights services beyond the core services outlined in the OAA.

A portion of those services are made possible through contracts with senior center providers.

NUTRITION

Home-delivered and congregate meals provide vital nutrients and important socialization.

SUPPORT SERVICES

From dedicated
Information and
Assistance phonelines to
Care Coordination
services, AAAs help
seniors find the support
they need.

FAMILY CAREGIVER SERVICES

Information and resources to make their care more effective and their duties more manageable.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Exercise classes and wellness courses help keep active adults fit, healthy and involved.

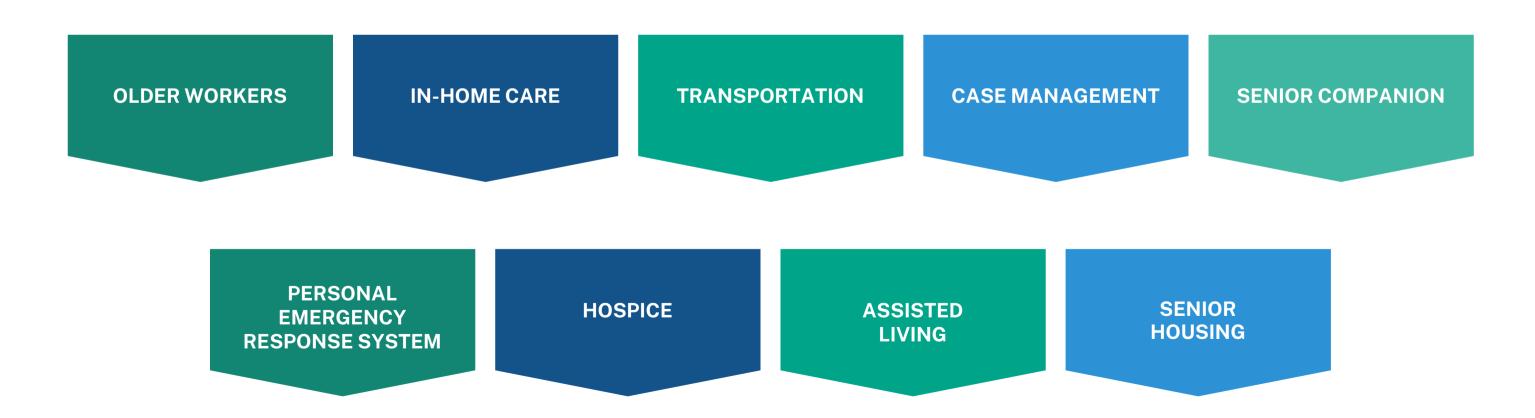
ELDER RIGHTS

AAAs advocate for the health, safety, welfare, and rights of older Arkansans.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

OAA **requires** AAAs to tap **other funding streams** and take on **other roles** to further meet their missions and to serve more older adults and caregivers.

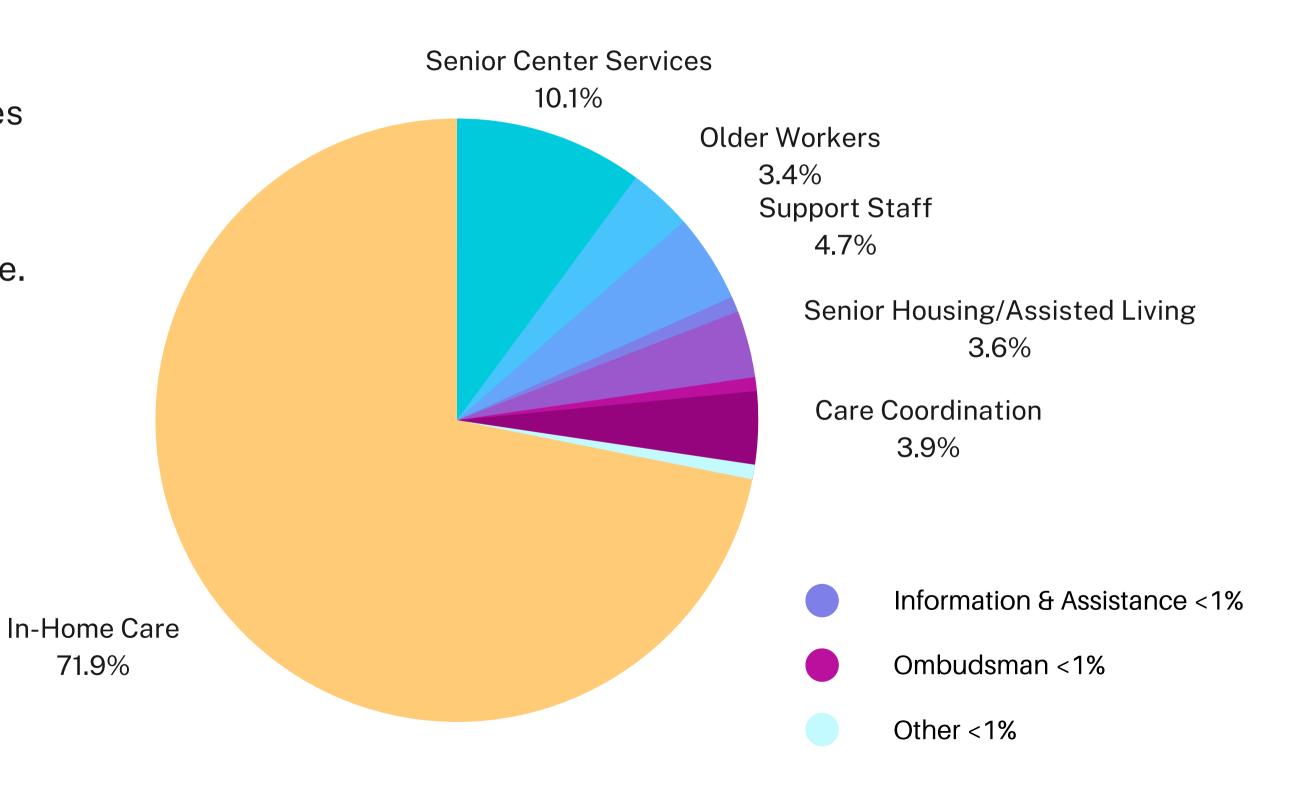
The OAA was intentionally designed to give AAAs the **flexibility** to ensure that the **local needs and preferences** of older adults are considered and reflected in the design and implementation of local service delivery systems.



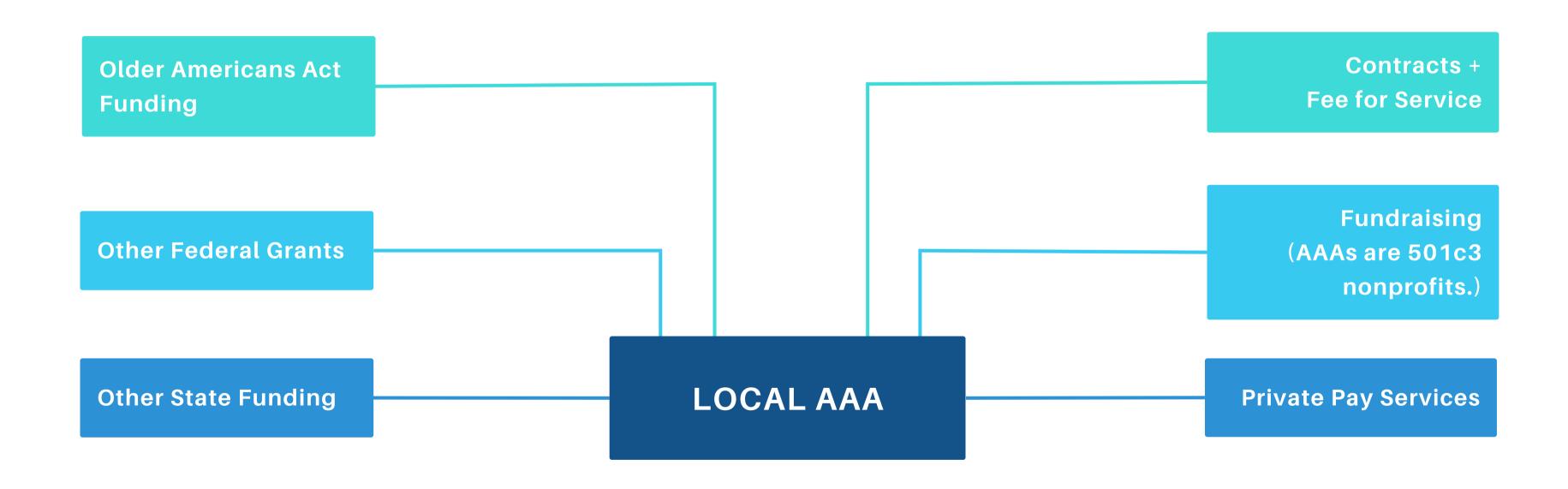
EMPLOYING ARKANSANS

AAA STAFF BY SERVICE

Across the state, Area Agencies on Aging employ over 2,360 individuals in a variety of capacities to serve older people.



AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUNDING SOURCES



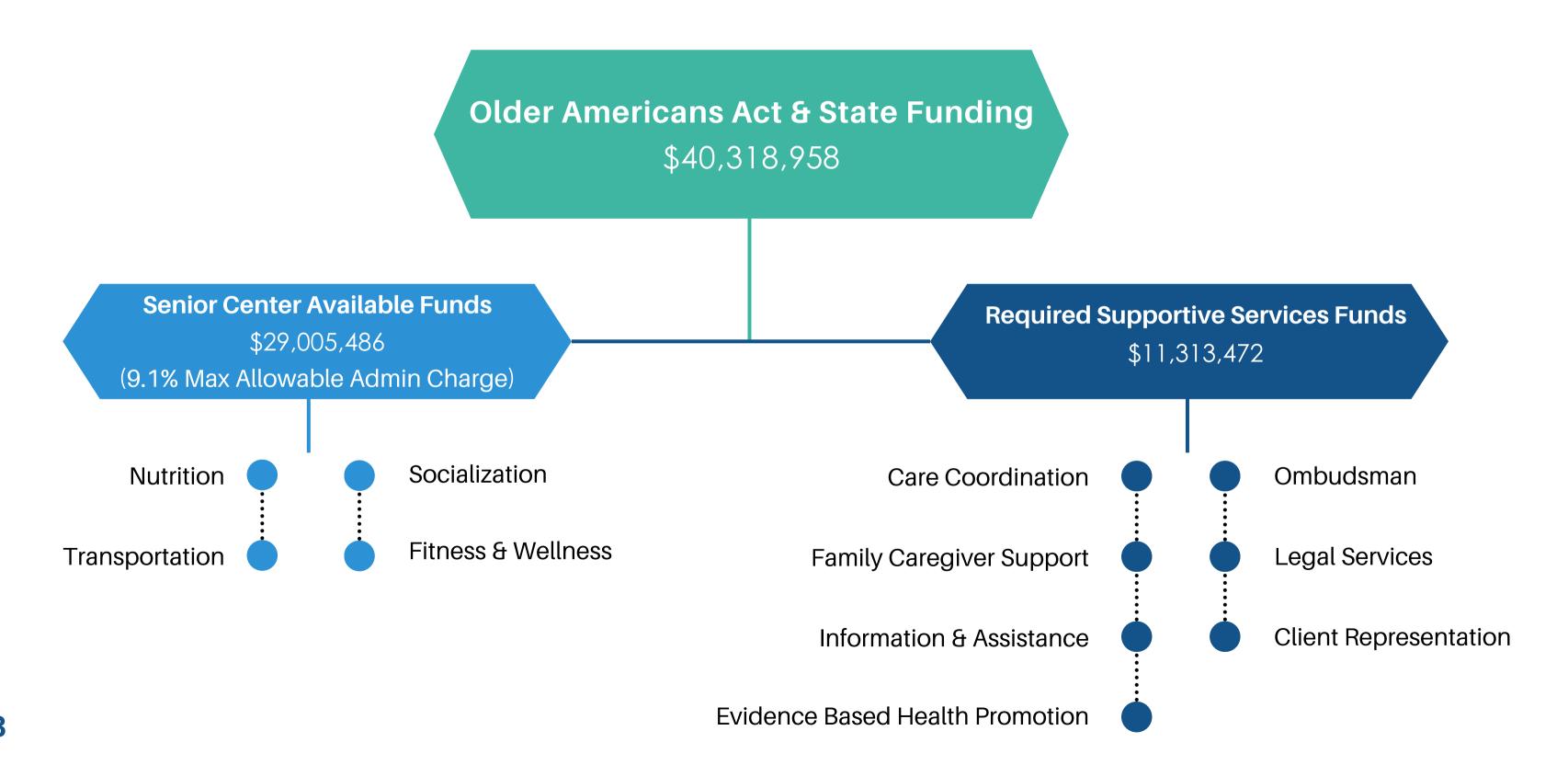
OAA & STATE SENIOR SERVICES FUNDING BY FISCAL YEAR

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 PROJECTED
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$19,133,839	\$26,445,688	\$29,905,676	\$18,138,548	\$27,567,383
STATE FUNDS	\$14,150,725	\$14,431,440	\$13,126,393	\$15,756,285	\$12,751,575
TOTAL FUNDS	\$33,284,564	\$40,877,128	\$43,032,069	\$33,894,833	\$40,318,958

ONE-TIME FUNDING

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$2,208,121 Families First Covid	\$9,380,070 CARES Act, HDC5 Act, Expanding Covid Vaccines	\$12,858,300 American Rescue Plan	\$ O	\$ 7,678,878 American Rescue Plan Older Armericans Act
STATE FUNDS	\$ O	\$1,000,000 Covid Steering Cmt	\$ O	\$3,000,000 Restricted Reserve	\$ 0
TOTAL FUNDS	\$2,208,121	\$10,380,070	\$12,858,300	\$3,000,000	\$6,828,678

FY 2024 PROJECTED FUNDS AND RELATED AAA SERVICES



OLDER AMERICANS ACT

RESTRICTIONS & REGULATIONS

The Older Americans Act has strict guidelines regarding use of funds.

Funding amounts are allocated by ACL and specify service categories in which the funds can be expended.

Match Requirements

Senior center providers must match 15% of federal OAA funds with local dollars.

Limited Transfer Authority

The majority of OAA funds cannot be transferred from the original purpose of funding, even if other service areas are in need of additional funding.

Specific Fund Distribution

State distributes OAA funds based on funding formula.

Ombudsman

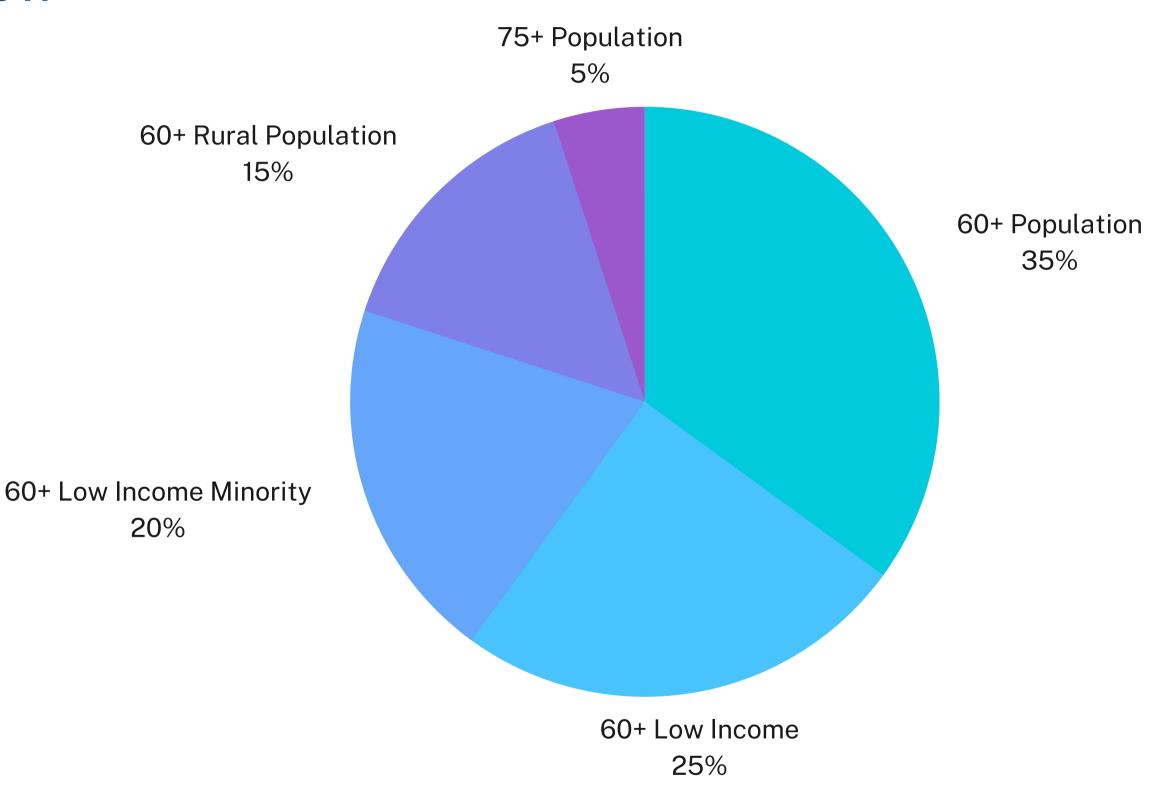
OAA requires maintenance of effort based on expenditures in benchmark federal fiscal year.

FUNDING FORMULA FOR OAA FUND DISTRIBUTION

OAA funds are distributed by the
State of Arkansas Department of Human
Services based on the intrastate funding
formula approved by ACL in the
Arkansas State Plan on Aging.

The 8 Arkansas AAAs receive 1% each of total funds.

The balance of 92% is distributed based on each region's proportions of the demographic characteristics noted at right, and weighted according to the listed percentages.

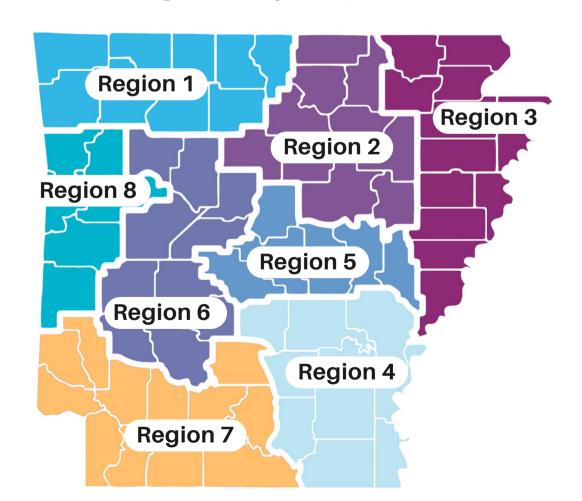


ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

AAAs partner with a total of 32 provider agencies to make services available.

AAAs are responsible for ensuring all 145 senior centers in the state comply with regulatory requirements.



REGION	# CONTRACT PROVIDERS	# SENIOR CENTERS	
Region I	1	17	
Region II	5	19	
Region III	4	22	
Region IV	1	14	
Region V	6	26	
Region VI	4	13	
Region VII	4	17	
Region VIII	7	17	
Total	32	145	

SENIOR CENTER SUPPORT PROVIDED BY AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

The Older Americans Act requires Area Agencies on Aging to support local senior centers.

AAAs partner with senior centers to ensure each site meets requirements that affect their future funding.

Relationships with AAAs provide senior centers with economies of scale, access to robust, specialized experience, and staff support.

Software for Client Management, Reporting, Billing

Compliance Support/Site Assessments

Education/Expertise

Service to Billing Audits

AN AGING POPULATION

CHALLENGES FACED BY AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

Over **12,000** people **turn 65** in the U.S. **each day**.

Factors:

Declining Revenue Streams

AR Choices Meal Reimbursement Rates

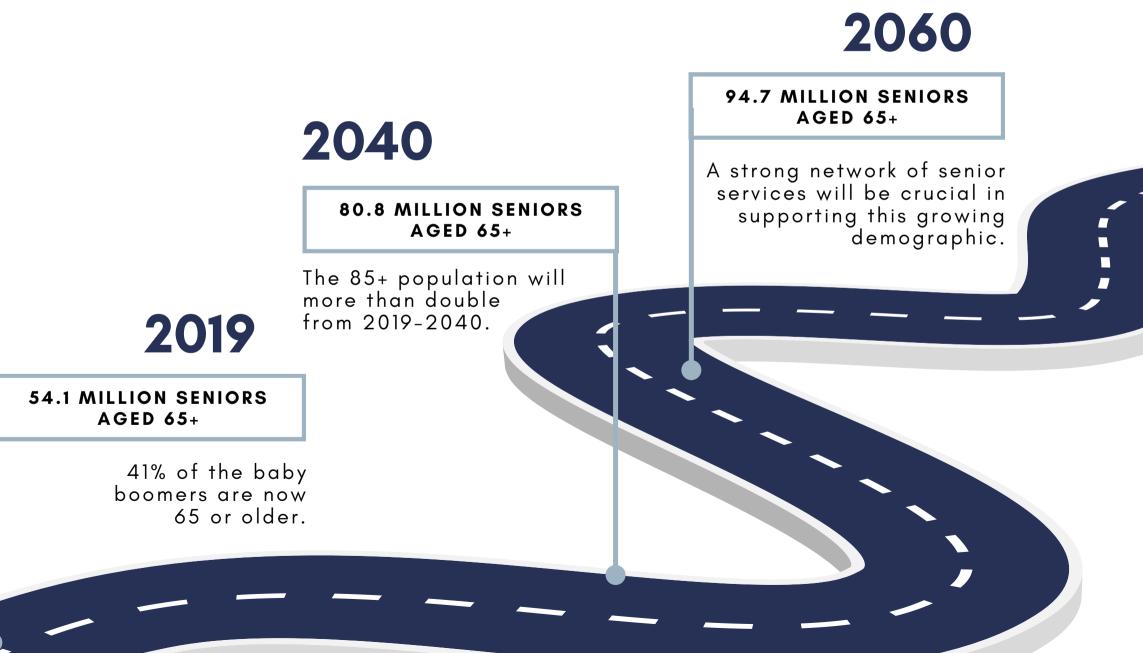
Costly Labor Market

Insurance Expenses

Food Inflation

The need for aging services outpaces the funding.

Fuel Cost



How can we partner to prepare for the challenge ahead?