Administration’s 2019 Federal Budget

**CUTS WILL IMPACT WISCONSIN OLDER ADULTS***

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**$2 Million in Elder Justice Act Cuts**
Funds intended to be used to address the prevention, detection, and treatment of elder abuse.

**$237 Billion in Medicare Cuts**
There are over 1 million Medicare beneficiaries in Wisconsin (85% are older adults).

**$72 Billion in Social Security Cuts**
Social Security keeps over 42% of older Wisconsinites out of poverty.

**$1 Trillion in Medicaid Cuts**
Over 170,000 Wisconsin Medicare beneficiaries count on Medicaid to help pay for services not covered by Medicare, including long-term care.

**$213 Billion in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Cuts**
Nearly 73,000 SNAP households in Wisconsin include an adult age 60 or older (2016 data).

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* https://www.ncoa.org/blog/straight-talk-seniors-administrations-fy19-budget-request-means-seniors
The nation’s only job training and placement program specifically for older adults. Wisconsin grantees serve over 1,700 older adults annually.

ACL provides funding to prevent falls through screening, treatment and evidence-based workshops. Every 19 minutes, an older adult dies from a fall; every 11 seconds an older adult is treated in an emergency room for a fall-related injury. The rate of fall-related deaths in Wisconsin is more than twice the national average. Falls are preventable.

Block Grants: SSBG, CSBG, and CDBG fund programs that provide states and localities with funding to improve economic security and independence for low-income families and older adults.

CNCS enlists older adults in volunteer service like the Senior Corps, VISTA, and AmeriCorps programs. In 2016-17, nearly 9,000 Wisconsin CNSC volunteers served at more than 1,200 local service sites.**

CDSME provides funding for community-based self-management workshops for people with chronic conditions. Over 90% of older adults have at least one chronic condition and two-thirds have two or more. These workshops help individuals learn how to manage and improve their health while reducing healthcare costs.

CSFP provides monthly food assistance designed for the unique nutritional needs of older adults. Wisconsin’s locally named Stockbox and Cupboard Bound programs are available to low-income older adults in 18 Wisconsin counties.

LIHEAP helps low-income individuals pay for heating and cooling costs. In Wisconsin, over 67,500 households receiving LIHEAP heating assistance benefits include an adult age 60 or older.

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