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FY24 Impact & Stewardship

Partnering for Aging in Place
Across a 9-County Region

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The Aging LANDSCAPE



TARGET

Aging at home is the preferred choice for most people, but accessing the right care can be complex.

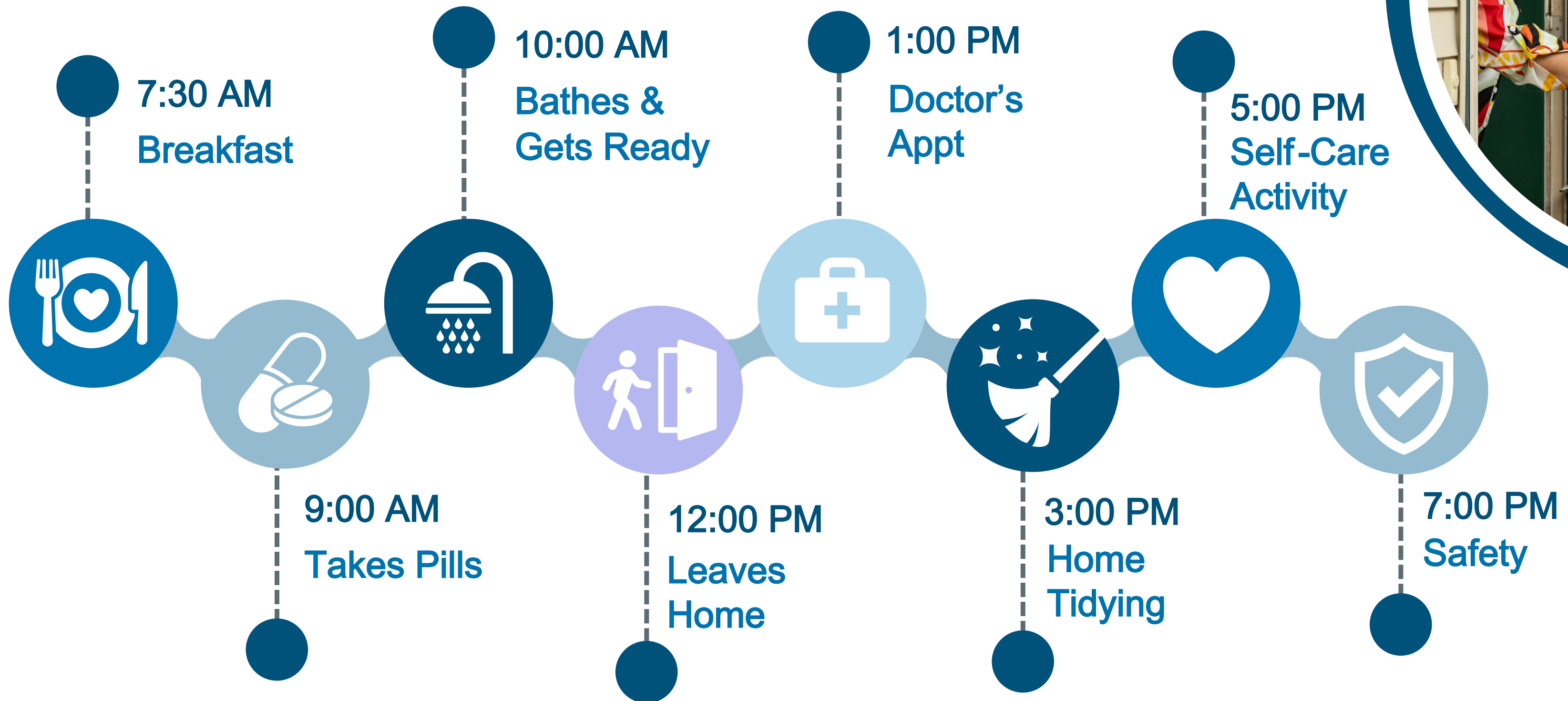


DID YOU KNOW?

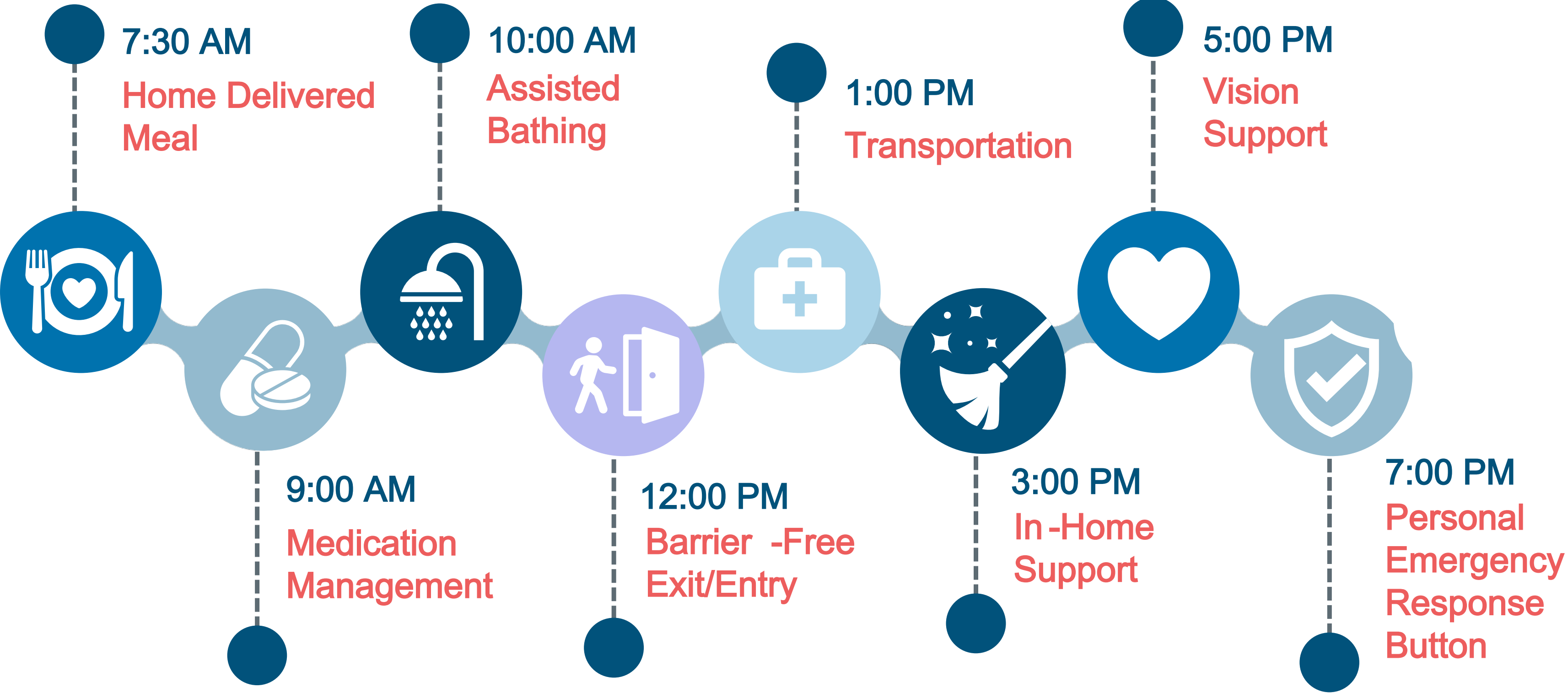
Nearly **1 in 5** Michiganders are already 65 or older, on track to be **1 in 4** by 2030.

A DAY in the Life

of a West Michigan Senior



WHAT DO THESE THINGS HAVE IN COMMON?





WHO WE ARE

For more than 50 years, the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan has supported older adults, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers to live independently and with dignity.

WHAT WE DO

AAAWM connects adults to quality services that promote and preserve their dignity, independence, and well-being. Also, we coordinate support and education for caregivers and lead advocacy efforts on behalf of older adults.

HOW WE DO IT

Administration of Older Americans Act Funding in a nine-county region that includes Allegan County.



PARTNER
COLLABORATION



PROVIDE OVERSIGHT &
MONITOR OUTCOMES



PROMOTION &
INFORMATION



WHY This Work Matters

50+
years of proven
results



SMART INVESTMENT

A single hospital stay can cost over \$30,000 . Evidence -based prevention programs cost less than \$500 per person.



TRUSTED OVERSIGHT

AAAWM is an expert on aging at the federal, state, & local levels, ensuring partner reporting, compliance, and client eligibility



REAL IMPACT

In our West Michigan region, our agency, along with our partner network, supported over 16,000 OAA clients last year.

How is Funding DETERMINED?



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TIMELINE

Per congress approval, local funding operates on a 3 -year cycle

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Organizations can propose for funding towards senior services

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REVIEW COMMITTEE

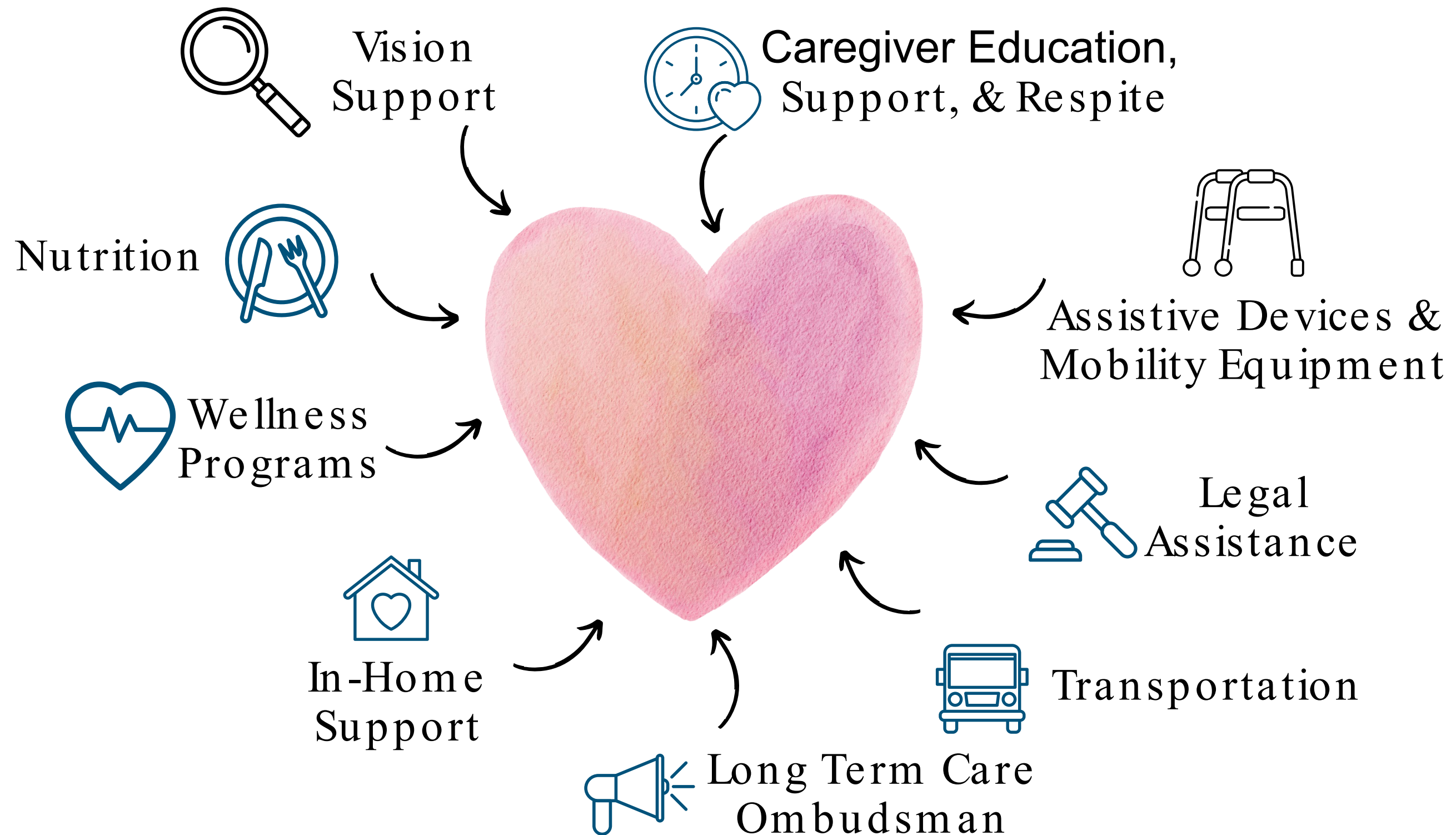
Community members and County Commissioners review

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MEETING NEEDS

Decisions are made to eliminate gaps in care, support caregivers, and allow seniors to age in place

WRAP AROUND Support in Allegan County



ALLEGAN COUNTY OAA Partners



By the NUMBERS

OAA FY24

\$8,946,686 spent.

15,708 unduplicated clients served.

97% of the original budget.



23

unique services



58

contracted +
POS partners



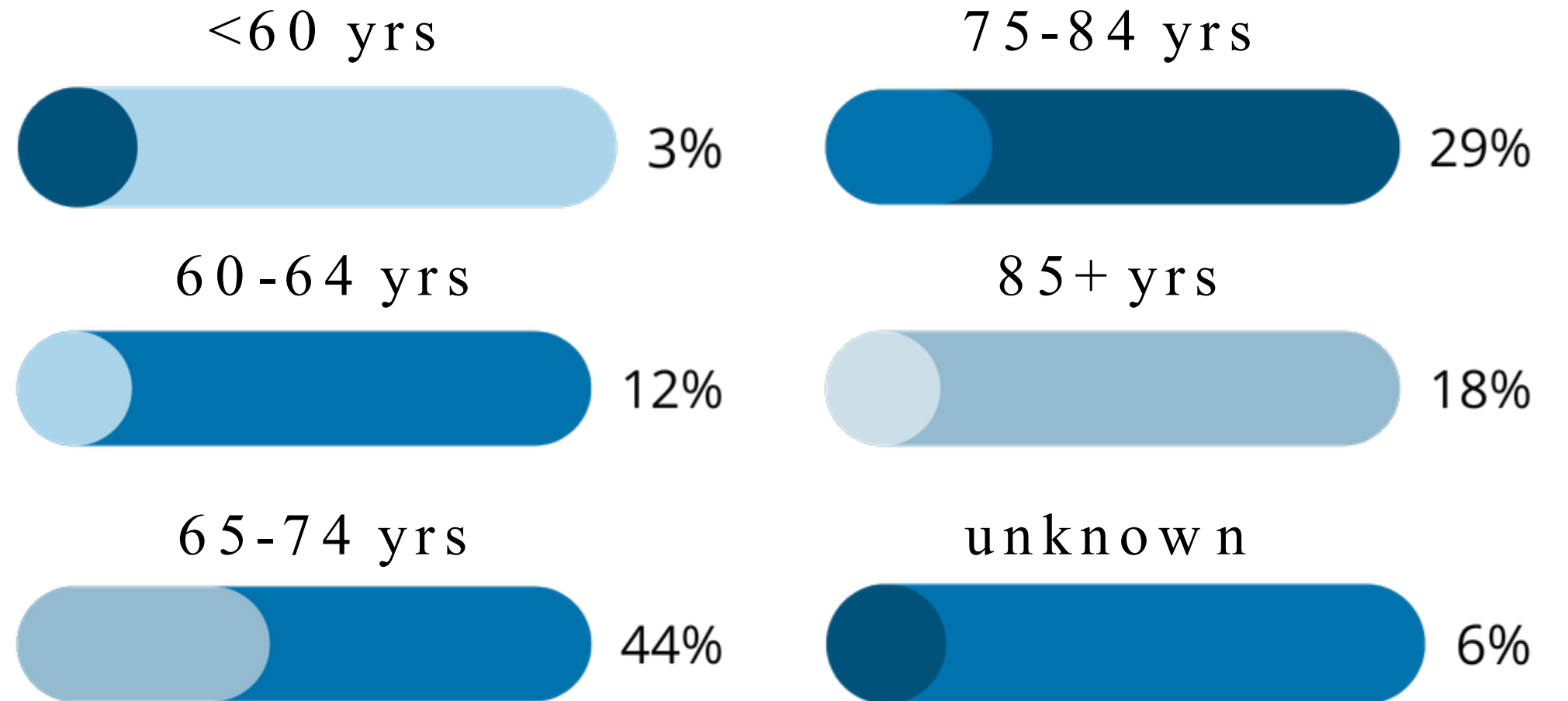
41%

live alone



23%

live below
poverty



BY THE NUMBERS: Allegan

OAA FY24

\$654,853 spent.

96% of the original budget.



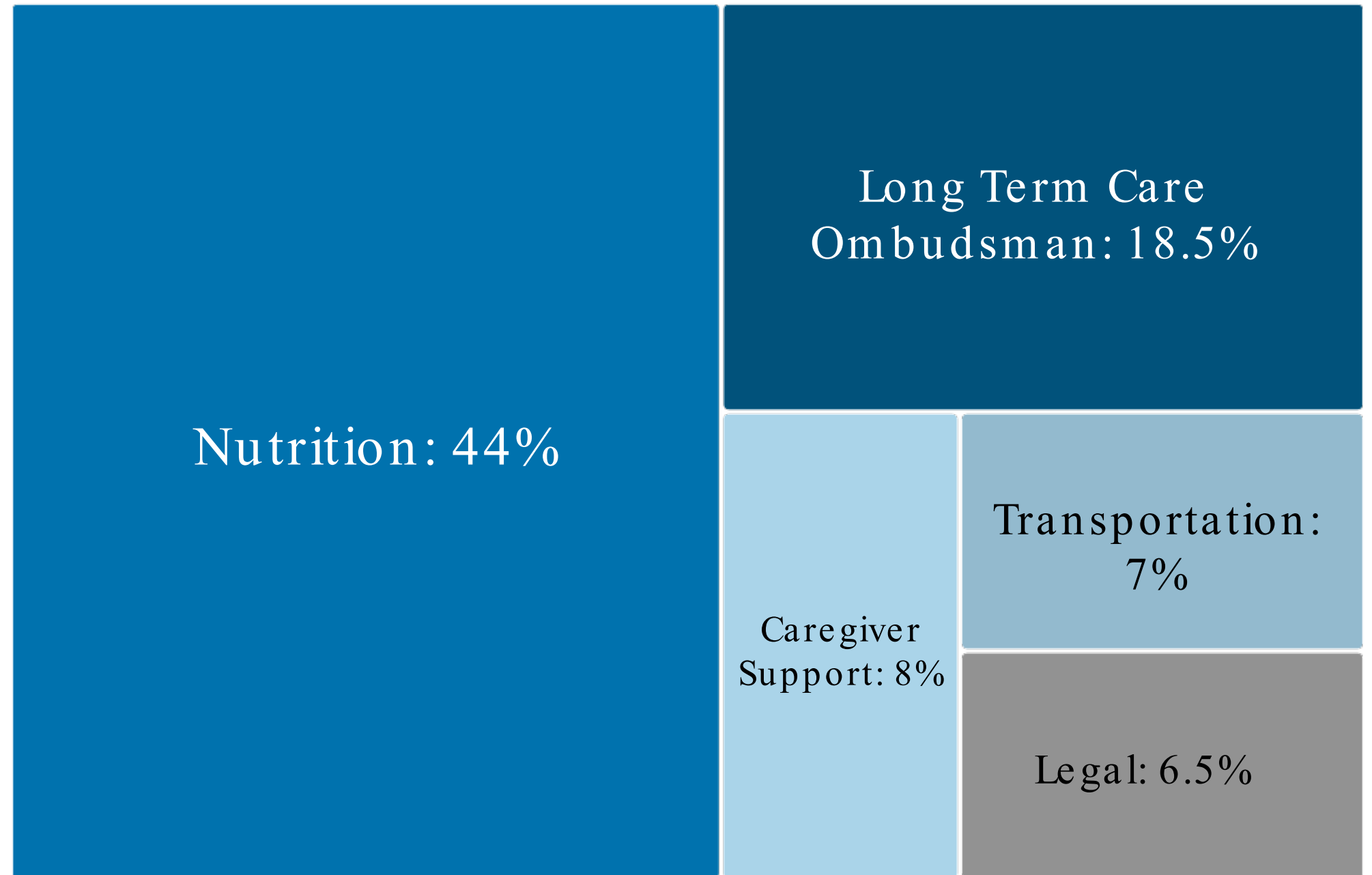
15

different services
accessed by clients



821

unduplicated
clients served



TOP 5 SERVICES UTILIZED BY ALLEGAN SENIORS

IN-HOME Care Programs



MI CHOICE MEDICAID WAIVER

long-term care for adults who need **nursing home – level care**, but wish to remain at home.



monthly income \$2,982, under \$9,950 assets, nursing home-level care

Medicaid Funded



CARE MANAGEMENT

coordinating **in-home services and long -term care** for older adults up to 4 hrs/wk.



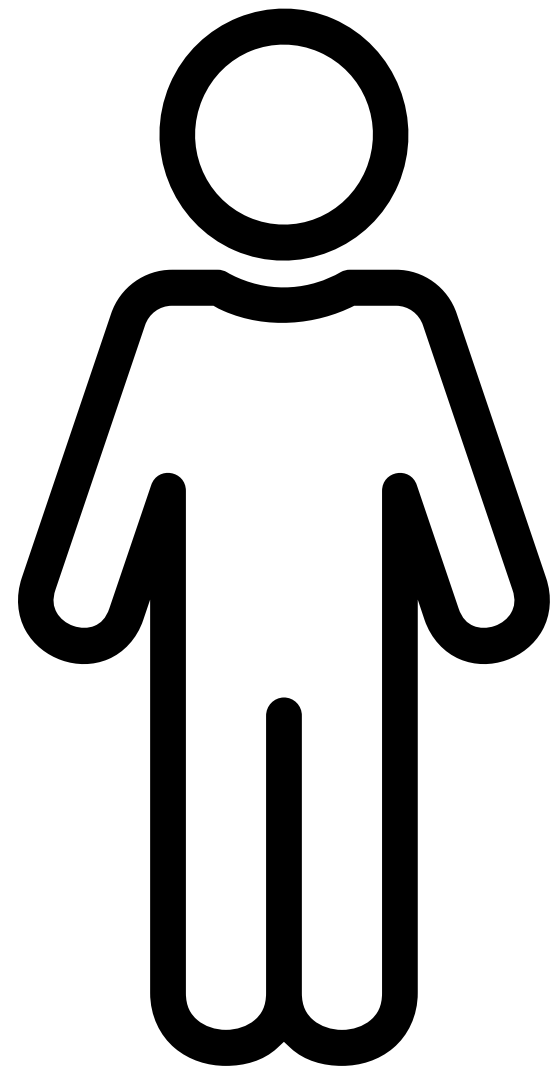
under \$35,000 assets, or \$45,000 and cost-share may be involved

OAA Funded

BY THE NUMBERS: Allegan

Waiver Program

PROVEN IMPACT



108 unduplicated clients with the highest level of care needs that could otherwise be in a facility setting.

\$2,316,692.13

FY25 waiver operations in Allegan County

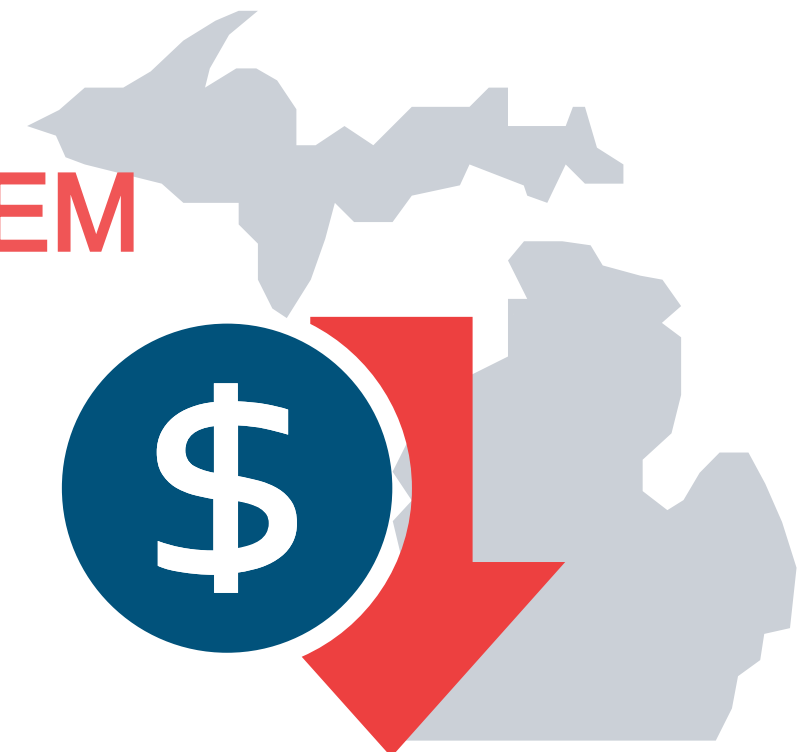
REAL SAVINGS

Provides home and community-based services at **less than half** the cost of institutional nursing home care.

SAVES THE

**MICHIGAN
MEDICAID SYSTEM**

**\$900
MILLION
ANNUALLY**





STORY of Impact

Allegan County Community Action provides transportation to individuals, reestablishing their freedom and giving their caregivers a much-needed break. Carol receives rides from volunteer driver Steve three times a week to medical appointments, establishing a friendship along the way.

“ I feel so **safe with him** . He’s been a long haul truck driver, & he’s just **very considerate** of you as a person. We have some things in **common**. It’s just **nice to talk with him.** ”

— Carol

Cost EFFECTIVENESS



REDUCES HEALTHCARE COSTS

enables older adults to
age in place with more
independence and
reduced hospital visits



FRACTION OF NURSING HOME CARE

nursing home cost:
~\$245-\$396/a day*,
OAA Care Management
is \$545.38 a month



CLIENT CONTRIBUTIONS \$559,000

cost share and program
income promote shared
responsibility and **long -
term sustainability**

Looking AHEAD

- ▶ Guidance from the MDHHS State Plan on Aging & our own Multi-year Plan
- ▶ Strong fiduciaries with a deep understanding of senior needs
- ▶ Filling gaps in care
 - Palliative Care
 - Advocacy for secure funding



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