OUR EVOLUTION

- **1972** Senior Neighbors, Inc. is established as an **independent agency**.
- **1983** Senior Neighbors continues to grow and now employs 26 people **working to meet the needs of local seniors**. Today, there is a staff of 62.
- 1986 The Kent County RSVP program, what is known today as **AmeriCorps Seniors**, becomes a part of Senior Neighbors.
- **1993 Robert Barnes** is named Executive Director, a position he continues to hold today, providing years of knowledge and committed leadership.

Kent County Senior Millage is passed in 1999, allowing for even more essential services to be offered to local seniors.

2006 New programs provide exercise classes to seniors and help with choosing the right health insurance plan.

- 2013 The **Refugee Program** begins again, after a brief pause, with funding from the State of Michigan.
- 2015 In response to unprecedented population growth, the **Housing Coordination Program** is born.
- 2017 The Veteran Home Repair Program launches.
- 2022 New programming assists seniors with using new technology and accessing devices.
 - Senior Neighbors celebrates
 50 years of service to the community!



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2022 Impact Report

50 years serving area seniors since 1972



no longer alone





22 50 years in the making

Fifty years ago, Senior Neighbors started with the simple idea of providing nutritious meals for local seniors. Over the following decades, with the support of generous donors, **Senior Neighbors has evolved into a community cornerstone for those facing the challenges of aging**. As Kent County's growing population of seniors tripled over those 50 years, Senior Neighbors has continued to adapt to the changing needs of older adults. Today we serve seniors with a complete array of programs, including transportation, healthy living, socialization, overcoming personal crises, and keeping seniors safe in their own homes.

2022 is a testament to what hasn't changed these past 50 years a supportive community in West Michigan that cares deeply for improving the lives of local seniors. For the past half century, compassionate individual donors and steadfast agency partners have helped ensure seniors in West Michigan have never been alone in their pursuit of healthy and happy living. Thank you for being a part of this growing community.



The "Downtown Center" was located at the SE Corner of Ionia and Weston until it moved in 2009.



Senior Neighbors Centers are just as important to the community in 2022 as they were in 1972.

More to see inside

A HELPING HAND FOR INDEPENDENCE

With the generous financial support of our community, Senior Neighbors connects local seniors to resources to help them maintain independence and navigate through times of crisis.



94% of seniors served reported improved health, reduced stress, and reduced isolation.



Among survey respondents, 100% of seniors reported **improved independence and self-sufficiency** after working with a case manager.



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improved after working with Senior Neighbors.

99% said their **financial situation**

Among survey respondents, 100% of seniors facing a housing crisis **remained in their homes** with the assistance of Senior Neighbors.

- Looking Back SENIOR NEIGHBORS 50TH ANNIVERSARY | 1972-2022

When we started 50 years ago, Senior Neighbors offered only a few essential programs. Now, with more than a dozen different services, we address a more complete array of local senior needs, including:

Volunteer Programs + Case Management + Healthy Aging Classes + Home Maintenance Home Repair for Veterans + Housing Assistance + Medicare and Medicaid Counseling Pet Assistance + Refugee Support + Senior Centers + Technology Support + Transportation







Fechnology Support program in action!

SERVICE & BELONGING FOR EVERYONE



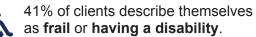
According to the census, 91% of Kent County seniors identify as white. Our clients identify as:

Native American 1%



	CLIENT AGE				
5% nale	60 to 69	45%	80 to 89	16%	
	70 to 79	35%	90+	4%	

Over 1/3 of Senior Neighbors clients live on less than \$14,000 a year.



VETERANS SERVED 421 veteran spouses served.



Senior Neighbors has four senior centers throughout Kent County.* These centers provide vital community and emotional support to seniors who might be isolated from family and friends through no fault of their own.

Grandville + Grand Rapids + Lowell + Sparta

29,242 MEALS SERVED



79% reported eating more regularly because of meals provided by their local center.



93% report their center helped them be more active.

90% have seen an improvement in their health because of activities offered at their center.



Jooking Back SENIOR NEIGHBORS 50TH ANNIVERSARY | 1972-2022 -

From Senior Neighbors' first tag line in 1975, "To make living more beautiful," to the current version of "No Longer Alone," Senior Neighbors has always put seniors first to ensure they are cared for and supported.

*The Walker Center was temporarily closed during the pandemic but a new location is being readied to open soon.



It's a Matter of Balance

Did you know, the fear of falling can be more debilitating than experiencing the fall itself? In the older adult population,



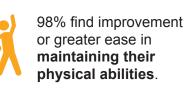
this fear leads to social isolation, depression, poor health, and an increased risk of falls.

Senior Neighbors strives to help older adults feel more confident in their abilities to prevent a fall. Those who participate in the many Engaging Wellness classes find themselves more physically

fit and confident in their own strength and balance to help manage the fear of falling. Numerous classes offered at all levels:

EnhanceFitness + Tai Chi + Gentle Yoga

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program + Virtual Fitness Classes



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HELP SERVE LOCAL SENIORS FOR THE NEXT 50 YEARS!

More services funded by community donations

Make a tax-deductible donation today!

To join us in supporting area seniors, scan the code below with your phone or visit SeniorNeighbors.org for safe and secure online giving.



Scan here to support area seniors





Oh how we've grown! In 1972, our first year of operation, Senior Neighbors provided services to local seniors valued at \$167,876. Thirty years later, in 2002, our programs had grown more than tenfold, reaching a cost of \$2,015,288. Now, after 50 years of serving our community, Senior Neighbors dedicates more than \$4 million annually to essential services for local seniors.

live alone

49%



97% report the classes help their mind become healthier as well as their bodies.

Seniors are now riding in a brand new bus!

TRANSPORTATION

Many older adults depend on transportation assistance. The greatest need is getting to medical appointments, followed by grocery shopping, other miscellaneous trips, and finally to our centers for meals.

- Of those surveyed, 100% of seniors showed improved follow though with medical visits and treatment because of transportation services.
- 91% reported reduced isolation through transportation services.

More direct financial assistance to local seniors

Jooking Back SENIOR NEIGHBORS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

\$2,015,288

\$4M+





HOW FUNDS WERE RECEIVED IN 2022

Government Support	75%
Donations	13%
In-Kind Partnerships	6%
Fundraising Events	3%
Program Revenue	2%
United Way Grants	1%

Senior Neighbors Inc is funded in part by:



Kent County Senior Millage



HOW FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED

Programs	90%
Administration	10%



Revenue: \$4,297,011 **Expenses:** \$4,686,157

To view more financial information, please visit SeniorNeighbors.org/finance



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Fiscal Year 2022 Financial

Revenue: \$4,297,011 Expenses: Program Services: \$4,297,011 Fundraising: \$279,668 Administration: \$208,540 TOTAL: \$4,686,157

Net Assets: \$1,982,146 Liabilities: \$234,273 To view more financial information, please visit: <u>seniorneighbors.org/finance</u>