



# News Release

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## **Council for Older Adults Board of Directors Announces 2012 Grant Awards**

The Council for Older Adults Board of Directors has approved grants for 2012 totaling \$668,436 to local nonprofit organizations serving older adults in Delaware County. The Council funds these grants annually as one approach to addressing local service gaps and encouraging local service coordination. Funding for these grants is provided by the Delaware County senior services levy.

Those receiving grants are:

**Alzheimer's Association of Central Ohio** - \$51,700, to improve the caregiving abilities of families caring for persons of Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia and to diminish or reduce the disability of the disease for those diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, resulting in improved quality of life for both the caregiver and the individual with dementia.

**Catholic Social Services** - \$27,966, to support the Senior Companion Program

**Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging** - \$6,000, to support the Volunteer Guardianship Program for Delaware County

**Community Action Organization** of Delaware, Morrow and Union Counties - \$24,000, to provide home repair for older adults

**Delaware Area Transit Association** - \$299,511, allowing DATA to provide affordable transportation service to all senior citizens of Delaware County

**Delaware County Job and Family Services** - \$32,836, to support the Summer Youth Chore Program, which assists older adults with needed home chores

**Delaware County Juvenile Court** - \$4,600, to provide financial support for staffing of Delaware County Juvenile Court which supervises assigned students from the Suspension Alternative Program to provide community service by completing various chores for older adults

**Delaware General Health District** - \$26,014, to provide continued support to the Falls Prevention Program for Delaware County in partnership with other community agencies

**Delaware Speech and Hearing Center** - \$45,395, to expand and enhance direct hearing and speech health service resources to older adults and their families

**Grady Memorial Hospital (D.R.I.V.E.)** - \$6,000, for Driver Rehabilitation for Instruction and Vehicle Education program for older adults

**HelpLine of Delaware & Morrow Counties - Connections Volunteer Center**

Senior Companion program site management - \$31,973

To operate a volunteer center - \$47,861

**Heritage Day Health Centers** - \$20,700, for adult day care adjunctive therapies

**HomeReach Telehealth Program** - \$9,600, to assist at risk patients in monitoring their own vital signs in their own homes, which increases independence and the quality of in-home care, while decreasing repeat hospitalizations and healthcare costs

**LifeCare Alliance - Supportive Services** - \$28,280, to provide supportive services for foot care

**People in Need** - \$6,000, to provide emergency financial assistance