

Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging

Percent of Total Surveyed

908 = Number Surveyed

260 29% Yes	Are you CURRENTLY receiving services from a Senior Center or Area Agency on Aging?
438 48% No	

Section 1: Demographic Information

Gender	637 70% Female	Income (monthly)	63 7% \$750 or less
	201 22% Male		46 5% \$751 to \$850
Race	209 23% African American		69 8% \$851 to \$1,005
	2 <1% Asian		151 17% \$1,006 to \$1,336
	3 <1% Hispanic		151 17% \$1,337 to \$2,010
	625 69% White		275 30% \$2,011 or more
	15 2% Other		114 13% Unknown
Age	13 1% Less than 40	Number in Household	394 43% 1 person
	14 2% 41 – 49		335 37% 2 people
	16 2% 50 – 54		78 9% 3 people
	25 3% 55 – 59		24 3% 4 people
	111 12% 60 – 64		16 2% 5 or more people
	192 21% 65 – 69		
	188 21% 70 – 74	Agency Distribution	2,399 Forms Distributed
	149 16% 75 – 79		908 Forms Returned
	89 10% 80 – 84		38% Percent Returned
	91 10% 85 or older		
Marital Status	313 34% Married	Distribution by County	
	239 26% Widowed		
	70 8% Separated	County	# Forms
	95 10% Divorced	Fairfield	102
	62 7% Living with Partner	Lexington	1,584
	100 11% Single	Newberry	57

County	# Forms	# Return	% Return
Fairfield	102	105	>100%
Lexington	1,584	582	37%
Newberry	57	47	82%
Richland	656	141	21%

2,399 875* 36%

* 33 Forms returned without specifying County.

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Section 2: Please check all the below items that YOU can relate to and are currently experiencing.

1	400	44%	3. I cannot do my yard work due to physical or medical reasons.
2	309	34%	7. I am concerned about falls or other accidents.
3	280	31%	1. I have trouble keeping my home clean.
4	214	24%	9. Sometimes I feel lonely or sad, even isolated.
5	185	20%	13. I need to exercise more but don't know where to start.
6	180	20%	4. It is difficult for me to get to the grocery store, pharmacy and/or medical appointments.
7	147	16%	10. I can't grocery shop or cook much so home delivered meals would be helpful.
8	147	16%	11. I don't know where the closest senior center is located.
9	130	14%	2. It is difficult for me to do my laundry due to lifting, folding and putting clothes away.
10	126	14%	5. I have trouble keeping up with paying my bills.
11	104	11%	8. I need legal advice, but I cannot afford it.
12	78	9%	15. I am taking care of one or more adults over the age of 60.
13	73	8%	6. I need assistance with bathing, dressing and toileting.
14	61	7%	12. Sometimes I don't have enough food to eat.
15	55	6%	16. I have a serious problem with bugs in my house.
16	38	4%	14. I am responsible for taking care of a child or children under the age of 18.
17	27	3%	17. I have bed bugs and can't get rid of them.

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Section 3: Please put a check by the items on the list below that you are concerned about when it comes to your ability to remain independent at home.

1	292	32%	3. My physical health is declining.
2	279	31%	9. I don't know how I could afford nursing home care when and if I need it.
3	236	26%	5. I am unable to make necessary repairs on my home due to the costs.
4	225	25%	10. I can't afford to pay for dental care.
5	172	19%	17. I struggle to make ends meet on a monthly basis.
6	153	17%	15. I have to deal with challenging family issues that are stressful.
7	148	16%	12. I can't afford eyeglasses.
8	143	16%	11. I can't afford hearing aids.
9	134	15%	7. I have problems keeping my paperwork in order and sometimes loose things.
10	105	12%	18. I struggle keeping my home warm or cool due to poor insulation, leaky windows and/or structural damage.
11	93	10%	2. I have difficulty paying for my prescription medicines.
12	91	10%	8. My Insurance premium are a struggle to pay monthly.
13	75	8%	16. I don't have friends, neighbors or others that have a positive influence on my life.
14	69	8%	6. I am unable to read and understand all my mail.
15	66	7%	1. I need safe and affordable housing.
16	48	5%	19. Other: (answers compiled in a separate report)
17	46	5%	13. I have trouble finding a doctor or medical specialist near me.
18	43	5%	14. I or someone close to me has a drug or alcohol problem.
19	41	5%	4. I have mental health issues that sometimes make it difficult for me to live on my own.

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Section 4: Family Caregivers

Please answer the questions below if you provide substantial care to a loved one over the age of 60 or anyone who has been diagnosed with dementia.

Do you provide hands on care for a loved one?

100 11% Yes

418 46% No

How many hours a week do you provide direct hands on care?

51	6%	Less than 10	4	<1%	40 – 49	31	3%	80 – 89
17	2%	10 – 19	4	<1%	50 – 59	2	<1%	90 or more
12	1%	20 – 29	3	<1%	60 – 69			
10	1%	30 – 39	2	<1%	70 – 79			

How many people are you currently providing direct hands on care for?

89 10% 1 person 5 1% 3 people

22 2% 2 people 4 people

Are you currently receiving funding from the Family Caregiver Support Program?

8 1% Yes

189 21% No

If so, would your loved one be able to remain at home without the support of the Family Caregiver Support Program?

6 75% Yes

1 13% No

Note: Data changed to only reflect "Yes" responses to above question.
Percent is also based on "Yes" answers.

Section 5: Senior Centers

Does your community have a Senior Center?

474 52% Yes

47 5% No

227 25% I don't know

If so, do you attend?

223 25% Yes

294 32% No 158 17% Answered "If no, why not?"