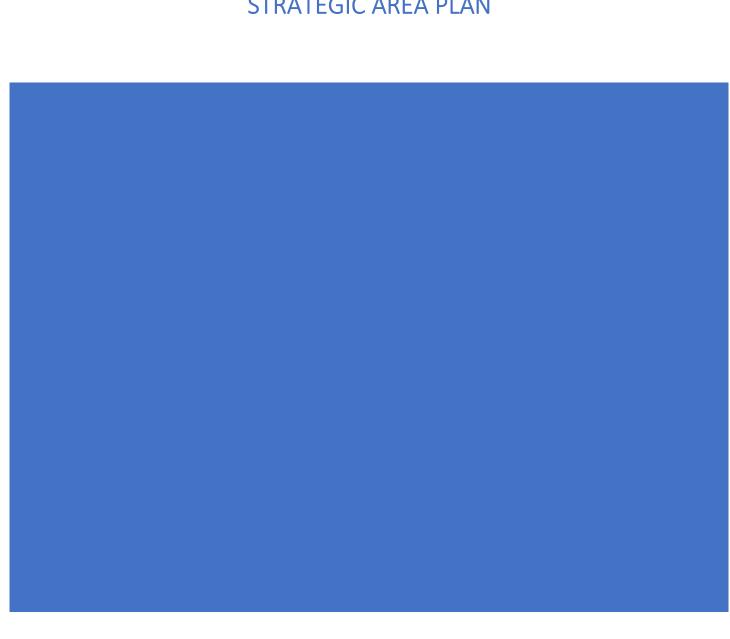
PART 1 - 2023-2026

CERTIFICATION, SIGNATURES, ASSURANCES, AND **AGENCY INFORMATION**

STRATEGIC AREA PLAN



Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Information and Certification Page

Legal Name of

Agency:

Area Agency on Aging Region 9, Inc.

710 Wheeling Avenue, Cambridge, Ohio 43725 Mailing Address:

Federal ID 31-0887396 Phone Number: 844-932-7277 Number:

Agency Mission Statement:

"We work with people, communities and organizations to help older adults and people with disabilities live independently and

enjoy the highest quality of life possible."

Agency Vision Statement:

"To be the recognized community leader helping older adults and people with disabilities live independently, with dignity and

choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible."

CERTIFICATION BY BOARD PRESIDENT, ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIR, AAA DIRECTOR:

I hereby certify that the 2023-2026 Strategic Area Plan documents:

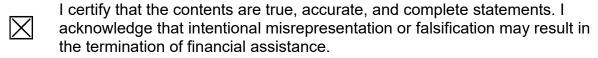
X	Include all required certifications, signatures, assurances, and plans to be
	followed by the AAA under provisions of the Older Americans Act (OAA).

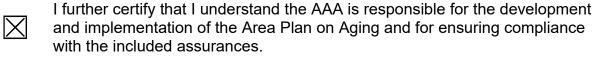
\boxtimes	Have been developed in accordance with all rules and regulations
	specified under OAA and related State of Ohio policies.

	Reflect input from a cross-section of service providers, consumers, and
\times	caregivers who are representative of all areas and culturally diverse
•	populations of the planning and service area (PSA).

\boxtimes	Incorporate the comments and recommendations of the AAA's Advisory Council
-------------	--

X	Have been reviewed and approved by the AAA's Board of Directors and
	respective governing bodies.





I have reviewed and approved this 2023-2026 Strategic Area Plan.

Agency Signature Page

President, Board of Directors

Name:

Gwen Morgenstern

Signature:

SwenE morgenstern

Date:

8/25/2022

Chair, Advisory Council

Name:

William Harding

Signature:

William Harding

Date:

8/25/2022

Executive Director, Area Agency on Aging

Name:

James A. Endly

Signature:

James C. Erdly

Date:

8/25/2022

AAA Advisory Council

Council Composition

 Describe the processes by which members are selected, as well as efforts undertaken to ensure membership is representative of the demographics of the PSA.

In order to accomplish the requirements of the Older Americans Act, one person, age 60 or older from each county is to be appointed by the county's commissioners; one person is to be appointed by each county committee/council on aging or county focal point. Membership may include persons from within our region representing the following: Health Departments, Community Mental Health Agencies, Metropolitan Housing Authorities, Social Security Administration, Departements of Job and Family Services, Community Action Agencies, Health Care Facilities, Veterans Associations, Representatives of Faith-Base Organizations, general public with experience working with older adults and/or senior organizations, experience as a consumer of services, Representatives of minority organizations. AAA9 recruits members based off the categories listed above. Current members are also involved in recruitment.

- Provide the total number of Advisory Council Members:
- Provide the number of Advisory Council Members that meet the following characteristics:

0	Older individuals, including minority and older individuals living in rural areas, who are participants or who are eligible to participate in programs funded under the OAA	15
0	Representatives of older individuals	1
0	Family caregivers of such individuals	1
0	Representatives of health care provider organizations, including providers of veterans' health care (if appropriate)	1
0	Representatives of supportive services provider organizations	2
0	Persons with leadership experiences in the private and voluntary sectors	5
0	Local elected officials	0
0	Representatives of faith-based organizations	3
0	The general public	15

Term(s) of Office

• Explain the term of office structure for the council members (e.g. one-third of members expire each year, term limits, etc.)

Each member of the Adivcory Council serve four-year terms and may be reappointed for additional terms at the discretion of the Advisory Council membership.

Frequency of Meetings

• Enter the anticipated schedule of council meetings for the term of the Area Plan. The Advisory Council meets not less than quarterly to coincide with the regular Board of Trustee meetings, on the morning of the fourth Thursday of the month.

Open Meetings Notification

• Describe the procedures or methods your agency will take to notify the general public of Board of Trustees meetings and Advisory Council meetings.

The Board of Trustee and Advisory Council meeting schedule is submitted to media in all nine counties, as well as if there is a change in the schedule.

AAA Advisory Council Members

Name	Occupation / Affiliation	County	Member Since <mm yy=""></mm>	Current Term of Office <mm yy=""> to <mm yy=""></mm></mm>
Ronald 'Ron' Hopkins	Pastor	Belmont	08/07	08/20-08/24
Joni Fox	Retired Care Center Administrator		03/21	03/21-03/25
Rose Weiss	Retired Manager; Actively involved at the Senior Center	Carroll	11/21	11/21-11/25
Elaine Myers	Actively involved at the Senior Center		09/18	09/18-09/22
Joyce Sees	Retired Secretary; Actively involved at the Senior Center	Coshocton	04/07	04/20-04/24

Nathaniel 'Nate' Womack Sr.	Hospital Chaplain; Counseling	Guernsey	12/18	12/18-12/22
Shirley Kurtz	Actively involved at the Senior Center		04/21	04/21-04/25
Dietta 'Sue' Dodd	Consumer of Services; Former Caregiver		05/21	05/21-05/25
Pam Tope	Retired Teacher; Former Elected Official	Harrison	02/21	02/21-02/25
Debbie Jewell	Retired LSW – Adult Protective Services – 30 yrs	Holmes	03/21	03/21-03/25
Katherine 'Kate' Findley	Retired Teacher		03/21	03/21-03/25
Edward 'Ed' Florak	Retired Community College President	Jefferson	09/18	09/18-09/22
Rev. Michael 'Mike' Bongart	Pastor; Commissioner for Veterans Service		05/20	05/20-05/24
Regina 'Susan' Jones	Senior Apartment Manager; Real Estate	Muskingum	02/21	02/21-02/25
William 'Bill' Harding	Retired Hospital CEO	Tuscarawas	03/16	03/20-03/24
Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.

Older Americans Act: Section 306 Area Plan AAA Assurances

The AAA assures the following:

- 1. The AAA assures that it will provide, through a comprehensive and coordinated system, for supportive services, nutrition services, and, where appropriate, for the establishment, maintenance, modernization, or construction of multipurpose senior centers (including a plan to use the skills and services of older individuals in paid and unpaid work, including multigenerational and older individual to older individual work), within the planning and service area (PSA) covered by the plan, including determining the extent of need for supportive services, nutrition services, and multipurpose senior centers in such area (taking into consideration, among other things, the number of older individuals with low incomes residing in such area, the number of older individuals who have greatest economic need (with particular attention to low-income older individuals, including low-income minority older individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas) residing in such area, the number of older individuals who have greatest social need (with particular attention to low-income older individuals, including low-income minority older individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas) residing in such area, the number of older individuals at risk for institutional placement residing in such area, the number of older individuals at risk for institutional placement residing in such area, and the number of older individuals who are Indians residing in such area, and the efforts of voluntary organizations in the community), evaluating the effectiveness of the use of resources in meeting such need, and entering into agreements with providers of supportive services, nutrition services, or multipurpose senior centers in such area, for the provision of such services or centers to meet such need. (§306(a)(1))
- 2. The AAA assures that an adequate proportion, as required under section 307(a)(2) of the OAA and ODA Policy 105-SVC-01, OAA Required Funding Allocations, of the amount allotted for part B to the planning and service area will be expended for the delivery of each of the following categories of services:
 - a) Services associated with access to services (transportation, health services (including mental and behavioral health services), outreach, information and assistance (which may include information and assistance to consumers on availability of services under part B and how to receive benefits under and participate in publicly supported programs for which the consumer may be eligible), and case management services;
 - b) In-home services, including supportive services for families of older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders with neurological and organic brain dysfunction; and

c) Legal assistance.

The AAA assures it will report annually to ODA in detail the amount of funds expended for each such category during the fiscal year most recently concluded. (§306(a)(2))

- 3. The AAA assures it will designate, where feasible, a focal point for comprehensive service delivery in each community, giving special consideration to designating multipurpose senior centers as such focal point. The AAA assures that it will specify, in grants, contracts, and agreements implementing the plan, the identity of each focal point designated. (§306(a)(3))
- 4. The AAA assures it will set specific objectives for providing services to older individuals with greatest economic need, older individuals with greatest social need, and older individuals at risk for institutional placement. The AAA assures that it will include specific objectives for providing services to low-income minority older individuals, individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas, and include proposed methods of carrying out the preference in the area plan (§306(a)(4)(A)(i))
- 5. Each AAA shall provide assurances that the AAA will include in each agreement made with a provider of any service under this title, a requirement that such provider will:
 - a) Specify how the provider intends to satisfy the service needs of low-income minority individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas in the area served by the provider.
 - b) To the maximum extent possible, provides services to low-income minority individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas in accordance with their need for such services; and
 - c) Meet specific objectives established by the AAA, for providing services to low-income minority individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas within the planning and service area. (§306(a)(4)(ii))
- 6. The AAA assures, with respect to the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which such plan is prepared, it will:
 - a) Identify the number of low-income minority older individuals in the planning and service area:
 - b) Describe the methods used to satisfy the service needs of such minority older individuals; and

- c) Provide information on the extent to which the AAA met the objectives. (§306(a)(4)(iii))
- 7. The AAA assures it will use outreach efforts that will identify individuals eligible for assistance under this Act, with special emphasis on:
 - a) Older individuals residing in rural areas;
 - b) Older individuals with greatest economic need (with particular attention to low-income minority individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas);
 - c) Older individuals with greatest social need (with particular attention to low-income minority individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas);
 - d) Older individuals with severe disabilities;
 - e) Older individuals with limited English proficiency;
 - f) Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders with neurological and organic brain dysfunction (and the caretakers of such individuals); and
 - g) Older individuals at risk for institutional placement, specifically including survivors of Holocaust.

The AAA assures it will inform the older individuals identified above, and the caretakers of such individuals, of the availability of such assistance. (§306(a)(4)(B))

- 8. The AAA assures it will ensure that each activity undertaken by the agency, including planning, advocacy, and systems development, will include a focus on the needs of low-income minority older individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas. (§306(a)(4)(C))
- 9. The AAA assures it will coordinate planning, identification, assessment of needs, and provision of services for older individuals with disabilities, with particular attention to individuals with severe disabilities and individuals at risk for institutional placement, with agencies that develop or provide services for individuals with disabilities (§306 (a)(5)).
- 10. The AAA assures that it will take into account in connection with matters of general policy arising in the development and administration of the area plan, the views of recipients of services under such plan. The AAA assures it will serve as the advocate and focal point for older individuals within the community by (in cooperation with agencies, organizations, and individuals participating in activities under the plan) monitoring, evaluating, and commenting upon all policies, programs, hearings, levies, and community actions which will affect older individuals. (§306(a)(6))

- 11. The AAA assures that where possible, it enters into arrangements with organizations providing day care services for children, assistance to older individuals caring for relatives who are children, and respite for families, so as to provide opportunities for older individuals to aid or assist on voluntary basis in the delivery of such services to children, adults, and families. (§306(a)(6)(C))
- 12. The AAA assures if possible, regarding the provision of services under this title, enter into arrangements and coordinate with organizations that have a proven record of providing services to older individuals, that:
 - a) Were officially designated as community action agencies or community action programs under section 210 of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2790) for fiscal year 1981, and did not lose the designation as a result of failure to comply with such Act; (§306(a)(6)(C)(i))
 - b) Came into existence during fiscal year 1982 as direct successors in interest to such community action agencies or community action programs; and that meet the requirements under section 676B of the Community Services Block Grant Act; (§306(a)(6)(C)(ii)), and
 - c) Make use of trained volunteers in providing direct services delivered to older individuals and individuals with disabilities needing such services and, if possible, work in coordination with organizations that have experience in providing training, placement, and stipends for volunteers or participants (such as organizations carrying out Federal service programs administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service), in community service settings. (§306(a)(6)(C)(iii))
- 13. The AAA assures it will establish an advisory council consisting of older individuals (including minority individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas) who are participants or who are eligible to participate in programs assisted under this chapter, family caregivers of such individuals, representatives of older individuals, service providers, representatives of the business community, local elected officials, providers of veterans' health care (if appropriate), and the general public, to advise continuously the AAA on all matters relating to the development of the area plan, the administration of the plan and operations conducted under the plan. (§306(a)(6)(D))
- 14. The AAA assures it will establish effective and efficient procedures for the coordination of entities conducting programs that receive assistance under this chapter within the planning and service area served by the AAA and entities conducting other Federal programs for older individuals at the local level, with particular emphasis on entities conducting programs described in OAA Section 203(b) within the area. (§306(a)(6)(E))
- 15. The AAA assures that in coordination with ODA and with the State agency responsible for mental and behavioral health services, increase public awareness of

mental and behavioral health disorders, remove barriers to diagnosis and treatment, and coordinate mental and behavioral health services (including mental and behavioral health screenings) provided with funds expended by the area agency on aging with mental and behavioral health services provided by community health centers and by other public agencies and nonprofit private organizations. (§306(a)(6)(F))

- 16. The AAA assures that if there is a significant population of older individuals who are Indians in the planning and service area of the area agency on aging, the area agency on aging shall conduct outreach activities to identify such individuals in such area and shall inform such individuals of the availability of assistance under this chapter. (§306(a)(6)(G))
- 17. The AAA assures that in coordination with ODA and with the State agency responsible for elder abuse prevention services, increase public awareness of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and remove barriers to education, prevention, investigation, and treatment of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation as appropriate. (§306(a)(6)(H))
- 18. The AAA assures that to the extent feasible, it will coordinate with ODA to disseminate information about the State assistive technology entity and access to assistive technology options for serving older individuals. (§306(a)(6)(I))
- 19. The AAA assures that it will facilitate the area-wide development and implementation of a comprehensive, coordinated system for providing long-term care in home and community-based settings, in a manner responsive to the needs and preferences of older individuals and their caregivers, by:
 - a) Collaborating, coordinating activities, and consulting with other local public and private agencies and organizations responsible for administering programs, benefits, and services related to providing long-term care;
 - b) Conducting analyses and making recommendations with respect to strategies for modifying the local systems of long-term care to better respond to the needs and preferences of older individuals and family caregivers; facilitate the provision, by service providers, of long-term care in home and community-base settings; and, target services to older individuals at risk for institutional placement, to permit such individuals to remain in home and community-based settings;
 - c) Implementing through the agency or service providers, evidence-based programs to assist older individuals and their family caregivers in learning about and making behavioral changes intended to reduce the risk of injury, disease, and disability among older individuals; and
 - d) Providing for the availability and distribution (through public education campaigns, Aging and Disability Resource Centers, the area agency on aging

itself, and other appropriate means) of information relating to the need to plan in advance for long-term care; and the full range of available public and private long-term care (including integrated long-term care) programs, options, service providers, and resources. (§306(a)(7))

- 20. The AAA assures that case management services provided under this Title will:
 - a) Not duplicate case management services provided through other Federal and State programs;
 - b) Be coordinated with services provided through other Federal and State programs;
 - c) Be provided by the public agency or a nonprofit private agency that:
 - Gives each older individual seeking services under this title a list of agencies that provide similar services within the jurisdiction of the AAA;
 - II. Gives each individual a statement specifying that the individual has a right to make an independent choice of service providers and documents receipt by such individual of such statement;
 - III. Has case managers acting as agents for the individuals receiving the services and not as promoters for the agency providing such services; or
 - IV. Is located in a rural area and obtains a waiver of the requirements described in clauses (i) through (iii). ((§306(a)(8))
- 21. The AAA assures, in carrying out the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman program under OAA Section 307(A)(9), will expend not less than the total amount of funds appropriated under this Act and expended by the agency in fiscal year 2019 in carrying out such a program under this title. The AAA assures that funds made available pursuant to section 712 shall b used to supplement and not supplant other Federal, State, and local funds expended to support activities described in section 712. ((§306(a)(9))
- 22. The AAA assures it will provide a grievance procedure for older individuals who are dissatisfied with or denied services under this title. ((§306(a)(10))
- 23. The AAA assures it will provide information and assurances concerning services to older individuals who are Native Americans (referred to in this paragraph as older Native Americans) including:
 - a) Information concerning whether there is a significant population of older Native Americans in the planning and service area and if so, an assurance that the AAA

- will pursue activities, including outreach, to increase access of those older Native Americans to programs and benefits provided under this title;
- An assurance that the AAA will, to the maximum extent practicable, coordinate the services the agency provides under this title with services provided under title VI; and
- c) An assurance that the AAA will make services under the area plan available to the same extent; as such services are available to older individuals within the planning and service area, whom are older Native Americans. (§306(a)(11))
- 24. The AAA assures it will establish procedures for coordination of services with entities conducting other Federal or federally assisted programs for older individuals at the local level, with particular emphasis on entities conducting programs described in OAA Section 2013(b) with the planning and service area. (§306(a)(12))
- 25. The AAA assures it will maintain the integrity and public purpose of services provided, and service providers, under this title in all contractual and commercial relationships. (§306(a)(13)(A))
- 26. The AAA assures it will disclose to the Assistant Secretary and the State Agency:
 - a) The identity of each non-governmental entity with which such agency has a contract or commercial relationships relating to providing any service to older individuals; and
 - b) The nature of such contract or such relationship. (§306(a)(13)(B))
- 27. The AAA assures it will demonstrate that a loss or diminution on the quantity or quality of the services provided, or to be provided, under this title by such agency has not resulted and will not result from such non-governmental contracts or such commercial relationships. (§306(a)(13)(C))
- 28. The AAA assures it will demonstrate that the quantity and quality of the services to be provided under this title by such agency will be enhanced as a result of such non-governmental contracts or commercial relationships. (§306(a)(13)(D))
- 29. The AAA assures it will, on the request of the Assistance Secretary of State, for the purpose of monitoring compliance with this Act (including conducting an audit), disclose all sources and expenditures of funds such agency receives or expends to provide services to older individuals (§306(a)(13)(E))
- 30. The AAA assures that preference in receiving services under this title will not be given by the AAA to particular older individuals as a result of a contract or commercial relationship that is not carried out to implement this title. (§306(a)(14))

- 31. The AAA assures that funds received under this title will be used to provide benefits and services to older individuals, giving priority to older individuals identified in Section 306(4)(A)(i) and in compliance with the assurances specified in Section 306(a)(13) and the limitations specified in Section 212. (§306(a)(15))
- 32. The AAA assures to provide, to the extent feasible, for the furnishing of services under this chapter, consistent with self-directed care. (§306(a)(16))
- 33. The AAA assures it will include information detailing how it will coordinate activities, and develop long-range emergency preparedness plans, with local and State emergency response agencies, relief organizations, local and State governments, and any other institutions that have responsibility for disaster relief service delivery. (§306(a)(17))
- 34. The AAA assures it will collect data to determine the services that are needed by older individuals whose needs were the focus of all centers funded under title IV in fiscal year 2019 and the effectiveness of the programs, policies, and services provided by such AAAs in assisting individuals. (§306(a)(18))
- 35. The AAA assures it will use outreach efforts that will identify older individuals eligible for assistance under OAA, with special emphasis on those older individuals whose needs were the focus of all centers funded under title IV in fiscal year 2019. (§306(a)(19))

Certification Regarding Department Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion Pursuant to 45 CFR Part 76

45 CFR Part 76 adopts a governmentwide system of debarment and suspension for HHS non-procurement activities (76.100) to ensure the integrity of federal programs by conducting business only with responsible persons (76.110 (a)). A federal agency uses the non-procurement debarment and suspension system to exclude from federal programs persons who are not presently responsible (76.110 (b)).

The AAA certifies by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. (766.355)

Where the AAA is unable to verify to any of the statements in this certification, such as AAA shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans & Cooperative Agreements Pursuant to 31 U.S. Code Section 1352

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No federal appropriated funds have been or will be paid, by or on behalf of, the undersigned to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-contracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclosure accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that if any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employer of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to ensure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure. I certify that I read the above and comply with the Assurances: Initial <u>JAE</u>

Assurance of Compliance with Non-Discrimination Laws and Regulations

The AAA provides this assurance in consideration for and for the purpose of obtaining Federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts, or other Federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

The AAA assures the compliance with the following:

- 1. **Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964**, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services(45 C.F.R. Part 80), to the end that, in accordance with Title VI of that Act and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Department.
- 2. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (codified at 29 U.S.C. § 794), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 C.F.R. Part84), to the end that, in accordance with Section 504 of that Act and the Regulation, no otherwise qualified individual with a disability in the United States shall, solely by reason of her or his disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Department.
- 3. **Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972**, as amended (codified at 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45C.F.R. Part 86), to the end that, in accordance with Title IX and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Department.
- 4. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 C.F.R. Part 91),to the end that, in accordance with the Act and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the basis of age, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Department
- 5. Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 18116), and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to

the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 CFR Part 92), to the end that, in accordance with Section 1557 and the Regulation, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any health program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance from the Department.

6. As applicable, the Church Amendments, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 300a-7), the Coats-Snowe Amendment (codified a t 42 U.S.C. § 238n), the Weldon Amendment (e.g., Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019, Div. B., sec. 507(d), Pub. L. No. 115-245, 132 Stat. 2981, 3118 (Sept. 28, 2018), as extended by the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2020, and Health Extenders Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-59, Div. A., sec. 101(8), 133 Stat. 1093, 1094 (Sept. 27, 2019)), Section 1553 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 18113), and Section 1303(b)(4) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 18023(b)(4)), and other Federal conscience and anti-discrimination laws, including but not limited to those listed at https://www.hhs.gov/conscience/conscience-protections, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Regulation of the Department of Health and Human Services (45 C.F.R. Part 88), to the end that the rights of conscience are protected and associated discrimination and coercion are prohibited, in any program or activity for which the Applicant receives Federal financial assistance or other Federal funds from the Department for which the Federal conscience and anti-discrimination laws and 45 C.F.R. Part 88 apply.

The AAA agrees that compliance with this assurance constitutes a condition of continued receipt of Federal financial assistance, and that it is binding upon the AA, its successors, transferees and assignees for the period during which such assistance is provided. If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the AAA by the Department, this assurance shall obligate the AAA, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits. If any personal property is so provided, this assurance shall obligate the AAA for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property. The AAA further recognizes and agrees that the United States shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance.

I certify that I read the above and comply with the Assurances: X Initial JAE

PART 3 - 2023-2026 STRATEGIC AREA PLAN GOALS TEMPLATE

Introduction

This portion of the Strategic Area Plan serves to capture your area agency on aging (AAA) strategic goals, objectives, and strategies for the 2023-2026 Area Plan cycle. In addition, this template captures the action steps for implementing such strategies and the measures to demonstrate that strategies have been completed.

Information that may assist in completion of this template is listed below:

- This template is structured around the conceptual framework of the <u>Strategic Action Plan on Aging (SAPA)</u>, which will serve as the foundation for the new 2023-2026 State Plan;
 - The six SAPA "topic areas" are now the "focus areas" within this template (community conditions, healthy living, access to care, social connectedness, population health, and preserving independence);
 - o The fifteen SAPA "issues" and associated "outcomes" are now the "objectives" within this template;
 - The SAPA "strategies" are the same "strategies" listed as a drop-down menu within this template;
- Goal statements written for each focus area should be SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-bound);
- Priority populations within this template are those identified in the SAPA as being most at risk for poor outcomes, as well as those identified as priority populations in the Older Americans Act;
- Action steps should include specifics about how your AAA will implement or accomplish the strategies, including a
 description of the programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, responsible parties, communication
 of progress or results; and
- If additional rows within the template are needed because your AAA would like to prioritize more than 3 strategies for each objective, please contact Morgan Fitzgerald at mftzgerald@age.ohio.gov to have the template modified.

Focus Area 1: Community Conditions	Target Date
Goal statement: To improve community conditions for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	6/1/2025

Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want?

Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments and community surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?

	Focus Area 1 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal						
	1: Improve Financial Stability	lost all that apply).					
☑ Title III ☑ S		,					
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target			
J	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date			
Housing supports	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English 	1.AAA9 will develop partnerships related to improving and increasing affordable housing options-We are considering opportunities throughout our region to partner with developers, housing authorities, and others to increase and improve housing options. 2. AAA9 will continue to	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Number of new partnerships developed. Projects started/completed. Outreach/advocacy/awaren ess events hosted or	1/1/2024			

individuals and communities regarding senior housing options and affordable housing units. This assistance will continue to be provided through the AAA9 OBLTSS staff, Outreach staff, and Communications person, among others. Resources for affordable housing will be maintained current and readily available. 3. Temporary Ramp Program-At the request of ODM several years ago, AAA9 elected to continue the oversight and administration of a temporary ramp program that was originally funded by an ODM grant. It has proven to be a very successful componenet of our housing program. The availability of temporary aluminum ramps helps fulfill a need and improves the accessibility of disabled older adults and helps them to remain independent in their own home. It will remain par t of the Development & Community Options (DCO) division at AAA9 and subsidizes our housing and maintenance options. 4. Housing Assistance Grant Program (HAGP)- we again applied for, and received funding for this grant-funded program. It remains the key

	1			1
		cog of our AAA9 housing		
		assistance program. It remains		
		part of the DCO division.		
		5. Respondents to our		
		Community Needs		
		Assessment (CNA) identified		
		the availability of affordable		
		housing for seniors as a top 10		
		area of concern. To assist		
		older residents, AAA9 will		
		conduct outreach, information		
		& referral, advocacy, and		
		strive to develop partnerships		
		and relationships in an effort to		
		increase housing options and		
		awareness within our service		
		area. Community partners		
		will/may include our County		
		focal points, elected officials,		
		Community Development		
		Associations and Port		
		Authorities, Housing		
		Authorities and other potential		
		community partners, as		
		applicable.		
Income	⊠ Ohioans of color⊠ Ohioans with disabilities	1. AAA9 will conduct outreach	Select a basic measure: %	12/31/2023
supports	□ □ □ □ □ □ □	and provide	of recipients satisified with	
	 ☒ Rural or Appalachian regions 	education/assistance to	program or service received	
	☐ Immigrant or refugee	seniors, helping them		
	☐ Religious minorities	understand and apply for	OR	
	☐ LGBTQ+	benefits through Medicaid,		
	☑ Older adults who live alone☑ Older females	Medicare, MIPAA, HEAP,	Other measure not listed	
		SNAP, etc. This meets a need	(describe): Click or tap here	
	☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease	identified in the CNA. This will	to enter text.	
	and related disorders	be conducted primarily		
	☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional	throught he agency OBLTSS		
	placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English	and outreach staff.		
	proficiency	2. 1.The availability of		
	<u> </u>	assistance programs to help		

Retirement and health-care planning	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☑ LGBTQ+ ☑ Older adults who live alone ☑ Older females ☑ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	1.AAA9 will offer community education and training events on the subject of Long Term Care and estate planning. We will also continue to offer and promte the availability of our traditional resources; I&A related to long-term care planning through our Front door and OBLTSS and Longg Term Care consultations (LTCC). We will also offer a series of community education events addressing this subject.	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	1/31/2024
		seniors pay for utilities was identified as a top community need in our CNA. AAA9 will conduct outreach throughout our region. When appropriate, we will offer payment help and assistance to seniors for utilities like heat, electricity, and water. Affordable and available internet was also identified as a priority concern in our CNA. Direct strategies to address these concerns will/may include; continued HEAP awareness and assistance endeavors, information about, and referrals to assistance programs, bill paying assistance/education and participation in other education and discount programs (i.e. application for SNAP to improve flexible income).		

Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): ☑ Title III ☑ SCS ☐ ARPA ☐ CARES ☐ NSIP ☐ Alzheimer's Respite ☐ Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Other State Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Local Levy ☑ Other (specify): Tax credit incentives				
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date
Affordable housing development	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	1.(See also Objective 1.1 above). AAA9 is exploring the possibility of pursuing involvement in community housing projects through tax credit applications and/or H.U.D section 8 funding. This was an identified community need in our CNA and also an identified need of local economic development organizations.	Select a basic measure: # of new partnerships/collaborations OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	5/31/2025
Housing accessibility and quality		1.(See objective 1.1 above for more detail). AAA9 will continue to offer and expand (as appropriate) both our temporary ramp program and our HAGP programs. 2.As with many appalachain and rural communities, community accessibility is often a barrier for seniors with limited mobility. This was also identified as an area of concern in our CNA. We will	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/29/2024

		focus on outreach & education to local community business, recreational sites, elected officials, and others to request they consider the needs of seniors and disabled individuals in their business and community planning processes. We will strive to assist in the development of age-friendly communities and businesses in our region.		
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.
Objective 1.3	: Improve Transportation Access			
⊠ Title III ⊠ SC	rces Supporting these Strategies (seles S	mer's Respite Other Federa	al Funding (specify): Click or er (specify): Click or tap here	=
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target
	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date

Public	☑ Ohioans of color☑ Ohioans with disabilities	1.At the request of ODA, we	Select a basic measure: #	4/30/2024
transportation	 ☑ Unloans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment 	are involved in the Mobility	of consumers, service	
	⊠ Rural or Appalachian regions	Ohio pilot program. The pilot region is inclusive of counties	recipients, or participants	
	☐ Immigrant or refugee	within the AAA9 region.	OR	
	☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+	Mobility Ohio proposes to pilot	OR	
	☐ Older adults who live alone	a Regional Transportation	Other measure not listed	
		Resource Center (RTRC), a	(describe): Click or tap here	
	☑ Older males☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease	one-stop hub where	to enter text.	
	and related disorders	consumers can conveneintly		
	☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional	schedule trips by phone or		
	placement (including Holocaust survivors)	online for multiple trip		
	☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	purposes. The desired		
		outcome is to provide more		
		trips to more people, more		
		conveniently, with existing		
		funding levels. AAA9 will continue to work with the pilot		
		program, through ODA to help		
		reach the desired outcome		
		and make the pilot a success.		
		2. Reliable local transportation		
		for seniors with differing levels		
		of mobility to get to health care		
		appointments, grocery stores,		
		and community activities was		
		identified as an important		
		community need in our CNA.		
		We will attempt to address this		
		issue by continuing to provide		
		transportation funding to our focal points, directing those		
		with needs to transportation		
		resources via our OBLTSS		
		staff, and by conducting		
		targeted outreach and		
		education in noted areas from		
		our CNA.		

Medical transportation	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	1.The Mobility Ohio Pilot is limited to only a subset of our region. We are hopeful it will prove to be successful and eventually expanded thoroughout our region. For those counties not included in the pilot, we will continue to serve them through traditional means. We will also work to expand transportation options through non-traditional means possibly utilizing volunteers, Uber/Lyft expansion, Public transportation expansion, and other means. 2. Same as Public transportation described above.	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	5/2/2023
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional		
placement (including Holocaust survivors)		
☐ Older individuals with limited English		
, ,		
proficiency		

Focus Area 2: Healthy Living	Target Date
Goal statement: To improve Healthy living options for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	1/1/2025
Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want? Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments a surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?	and community

Focus Area 2 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal				
Objective 2.1: Improve Nutrition				
Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): ☑ Title III ☐ SCS ☐ ARPA ☐ CARES ☑ NSIP ☐ Alzheimer's Respite ☐ Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Other State Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Local Levy ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.				
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date
Disease management	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males 	1. Promotion and leading of Evidenced based courses that focus on disease management- Chronic Disease self management, Diabetic Self management,	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	6/30/2024

Retail-based	 ✓ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ✓ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency ✓ Ohioans of color ✓ Ohioans with disabilities 	Chronic pain self management. 1. AAA9 will work with our Select a basic measure: #	9/30/2024
supports and incentives	 ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☑ Older adults who live alone ☑ Older females ☑ Older males ☑ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	designated focal points and also with non-traditional partners to encourage, support, and develop congregate dining offerings in local restaurants and non-traditional partners. 2. During Covid, using CARES money, AAA9 piloted a restaurant voucher program that proved to be very popular with consumers. We would like to explore revising the program utilizing at least one restaurant in each of our counties within our service region.	
Community- based healthy food access	 ☒ Ohioans of color ☒ Ohioans with disabilities ☒ Low income or educational attainment ☒ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) 	Nutritious and healthy food choices/access is affordable/available for our seniors – was identified as a priority need in our CNA. 1. Meals are provided to consumers through traditional OAA providers who are responsible for documenting client characteristics and	5/31/2023

Objective 2.2	Older individuals with limited English proficiency 2: Improve Physical Activity	seeking out and serving OAA priority populations as identified. 2. AAA9 will conduct outreach through old and new partnerships with faith-based groups. We will distribute information to OAA target populations and others and will educate all providers on the importance of reaching out to targeted populations and AAA9 will support their outreach efforts.		
⊠ Title III ⊠ S		imer's Respite ☐ Other Feder		tap here to
☑ Title III ☑ S enter text. ☑ Ot	CS □ ARPA □ CARES □ NSIP □ Alzhe her State Funding (specify): HAGP □ Local Le	imer's Respite ☐ Other Feder vy ☐ Other (specify): Click or	tap here to enter text.	
⊠ Title III ⊠ S	CS □ ARPA □ CARES □ NSIP □ Alzhe	imer's Respite ☐ Other Feder		Target Date

	 ☑ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	and able to continue living in their own homes safely. AAA9 also runs an internal Temporary ramp program that we implemented when the Ohio Medicaid ramp program closed. We offer temporary aluminum ramps for egress and accessibility.	Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Disease management	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☑ Older adults who live alone ☑ Older females ☑ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	AAA9 provides Title III funding to our community focal points to support evidence-based programming to improve disease management & wellbeing of our community members. We assist in planning, training, recruitment and advertising of courses such as; Matter of Balance, Tai Chi for Arthritis, Tai Chi for falls prevention, Geri Fit and others.	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	4/30/2024
Choose a strategy.	☐ Ohioans of color ☐ Ohioans with disabilities ☐ Low income or educational attainment ☐ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Focus Area 3: Access to Care	Target Date
Goal statement: To improve access to care for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	3/31/2024
Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want?	

Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments and community surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?

Focus Area 3 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal						
Strategy 3.1:	Strategy 3.1: Improve Health-care Coverage and Affordability					
Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply):						
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date		
Health-care cost reduction programs and services	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Our CNA identified "In-home care is available, affordable, and of quality for seniors" as a priority community resource subject. 1. AAA9 will address this issue by providing I&A through our OBLTSS unit. Services and assistance will include access to appropriate forms and assistance completing the forms	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/28/2025		

		as needed, applicationsand connection to financial assistance programs and other assistance as appropriate. We will always offer guidance and information about internal programs such as; MIPPA, OSHIIP, HEAP, SNAP, discount drug programs, veteran's programs, Medicare & Medicaid assistanceetc. 2. AAA9 will provide education on the above mentioned assistance programs during routine Long term care consultations and assessments as appropriate. 3. AAA9 will provide community education related to Long term care planning.		
Health insurance enrollment and coverage	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) 	Participants in focus groups in support of our CNA identified resources specific to, "Medicare is sufficient to pay for prescription medications for seniors," and "Medicare is sufficient to cover dental care needs for seniors" as prioity concerns. 1. To address these concerns, AAA9 will continue to provide I&A	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	8/31/2024

Choose a	☐ Olioans of color	1.	through our OBLTSS unit. In addition, we will offer Medicare/Medicaid information sessions to the community as well as information specific to enrollment and coverage through health insurance products, assistance and resources offered through MIPPA, OSHIP, discount drug programs, Medicare & Medicaid, and other programs as appropriate. AAA9 will provide education on the previously mentioned programs for assistance during routine Long term care consultations and assessments and duing all consumer interactions. AAA9 will also provide community education related to Long term care planning and open enrollment guidance.	Select a basic measure:	Click or tap to
strategy.	 ☐ Ohioans with disabilities ☐ Low income or educational attainment ☐ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ 	Oliok C	i tap hore to enter text.	Choose an item. OR	enter a date.

	 ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 		Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.						
Strategy 3.2: Improve Home and Community-based Supports									
Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): Title III									
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target					
	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date					
Long-term care planning and support services	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Also identified as priority needs/concerns in our CNA included; "Local Assisted/Independent Living Communities are available and affordable." "The community is informed about AAA9 services and programs." "Seniors have access to local dental care." And " Seniors can receive care for drug additctions and/or alcohol in the community." 1. To address these concerns, AAA9 will provide resources and information pertaining to, affordable housing suitable for those with a level of care need	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/28/2025					

and we will continue to
generate and keep
current resource lists.
We will always
advocate for the needs
of those in our
communities specific to
these subjects.
2. To help address these
concerns. We created
a new staff position to
help conduct outreach
and education on these
subects as well as
others regarding
services and supports
available to
consumers.
3. AAA9 supports the
Oral Health Care
initiative and support
efforts and initiatives
towards improving
affordable dental care
for older adults. We
also will continue to
provide resources
related to improve
access and awareness
to/about affordable
dental care and dental
clinics. We will work
with our community
partners to provide
mobile dental clinics in
our region to assist
those with the greatest
need.

		4.	As an agency, we will continue providing mental health resources and services as appropriate. We will continue to develop and maintain our resource database to ensure it provides a full, accurate, and current lisiting of mental health providers. We will develop outreach resources to mental health providers about the needs of the aging and disability populations. We will encourage the development and improvement of appropriate mental health supports within our communities.		
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click	or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.
Strategy 3.3:	Improve Home Care Workforce Capacit	ty and Caregiver Supports		
☑ Title III ☑ SC	rces Supporting these Strategies (seles	mer's Respite	al Funding (specify): Click or er (specify): Click or tap here	-
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date
General caregiver supports	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	"Grandparents who care for grandchildren or other children have support within the community" and "There are local support groups/educational opportunities for caregivers who care for seniors in the community." Were identified as priority needs in our CNA. 1. To address these concerns, AAA9 is building a selection of	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/28/2025

points to develop a course curriculum and aquire resources to assist peer-led groups. Career and Ohioans of color AAA9 is partnering with East Select a basic measure: # 6/14/2023	Career and	☑ Ohioans of color	aquire resources to assist peer-led groups.	Select a basic measure: #	6/14/2023
Technical Education □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Central Ohio Educational Services Center (ECOESC) to develop a home and □ OR □ Immigrant or refugee □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Central Ohio Educational Services Center (ECOESC) to develop a home and □ OR	Technical	☑ Low income or educational attainment☑ Rural or Appalachian regions	Central Ohio Educational Services Center (ECOESC) to	of training sessions	

(CTE) for home health care	□ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	community based - direct service worker class for high school seniors that would position them for a career in HCBS. We are preparing to begin this program in the fall of 2022. Students successfully completing the course will earn a certificate of completion/training that will allow them to provide HCBS services to older adults in our communities. If successful, we hope to expand the course to other schools in other areas served by ECOESC. We also intend to develop a post secondary version for adults pursuing a GED or seeking a career path.	Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Гариа Акар	4. Casial	Composteduces
rocus Area	4: 30 01a1	Connectedness

Target Date

Goal statement: To improve feelings of social connectedness for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	9/30/2024
Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want?	
Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments ar	nd community
surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?	

Focus Area 4 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal								
Objective 4.1:	Objective 4.1: Improve Social Inclusion							
☑ Title III ☐ SC	Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): ☑ Title III □ SCS ☑ ARPA □ CARES □ NSIP □ Alzheimer's Respite □ Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. □ Other State Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. □ Local Levy □ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.							
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target				
J	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date				
Physical activity	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	AAA9 provides title III funding to our focal points to support evidence-based progamming intended to improve disease management & wellbeing and increasethe physical activity of our older community members. AAA9 supports these efforts by assisting the planning, training, recruitment and advertising of courses such as - Matter of Balance, Tai Chi for Arthritis, Tai Chi for falls prevention, Geri Fit and othes as appropriate.	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/29/2024				

Self- management and prevention	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities 	"Opportunities to receive COVID-19 vaccines locally," was prioritized as #23 of 25 in the priority needs ranking within our CNA.	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program	5/31/2023
	□ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	 AAA9 will continue to support vaccine availability efforts and will continue to provide vaccine education through our OBLTSS unit/staff, assessment staff, CM staff and outreach personnel. When appropriate, AAA9 will provide connection and access to those who request assistance obtaining a vaccinations or vaccine information. This will include working to procure access to mobile clininics and other creative methods. 	OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Community engagement and social supports	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) 	"Seniors with limited mobility or who are in wheelchairs can access places within the community easily," and "There are social opportunities and entertainment available for seniors in the community." And "Seniors can get training on how to use the internet and electronic devices." Are needs	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	9/30/2025

☐ Older individuals with limited English	identifi	ed as a priority in our	
proficiency	CNA.	ed as a priority in our	
		AAA9 supports the	
		development and	
		creation of "Age-	
		Friendly" communities.	
		We will expand our	
		efforts to educate	
		community decision	
		makers and business	
		leaders about the	
		importance of	
		accessibility for all. We	
		will continue working	
		with our villages and	
		cities to raise	
		awareness about the	
		importance of being	
		"age-Friendly."	
	2.	Expanding on the	
		efforts listed above,	
		AAA9 will focus not	
		only on physical	
		adaptions but an	
		overall effort tto	
		improve "social	
		connectedness" with	
		equal oppurtunities for	
		everyone to engage.	
		We will raise	
		awareness of the	
		needs of seniors in	
	•	their communities.	
	3.	9	
		the use of ARPA	
		funding to provide	
		technology training for	
		older adults. We hope	
		to create an inter-	

		generational project for youth to train older adults to use technology including, tablets, laptops, and smart phones.		
Objective 4.2	: Increase Volunteerism			
⊠ Title III □ SC	rces Supporting these Strategies (sels > S ARPA	mer's Respite 🛛 Other Federa	al Funding (specify): AMERIO '): Click or tap here to enter te	-
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target
_	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date
Service opportunities for older adults	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☒ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Please treat this information as CONFIDENTIAL until after May 10 th : AAA9 has been selected to receive a significant grant through the Americorps Senior Demonstration Program for a 2 year period. The primary grant objective is to recruit, and train at least 50 senior volunteers to assist in 3 specific programming areas; a. Elder Justice b. Affordable senior housing & c. Workforce capacity	Select a basic measure: # of consumers, service recipients, or participants OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	6/30/2024
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.

	☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency		Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Choose a strategy.	☐ Ohioans of color ☐ Ohioans with disabilities ☐ Low income or educational attainment ☐ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Focus Area 5: Population Health	Target Date
Goal statement: To improve access to care and poor health care conditions for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	7/2/2024
Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want? Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?	and communi

Focus Area 5 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal

Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): ☑ Title III ☐ SCS ☐ ARPA ☐ CARES ☐ NSIP ☑ Alzheimer's Respite ☐ Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Other State Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. ☐ Local Levy ☐ Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.						
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date		
Community engagement and social supports		"There are local health care providers that provide care for seniors with Alzheimer's, Dementia, and/or memory loss." This was identified in our CNA as a priority need. 1. AAA9 will work with local officials and our provider network to identify sources of support for those with Alzheimer's or dmenetia diagnosis. Through our OBLTSS unit, we will compile a Resource listing to provide for consumers seeking assitance. 2. We will educate our communities, especially homecare providers in our region on the need for specialization and/or dementia sensitivity training. We will also	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	12/31/2023		

		work with the Alzheimer's Association to provide outreach & education materials and get them to those in need of such materials.		
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Objective 5.2: Cardiovascular Health: Reduce Hypertension

enter text. □ Ot Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target
	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date
Physical activity	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	AAA9 provides Title III funding to our community focal points to support evidence-based programming intended to improve disease self-management & personal wellbeing and increased physical activity. We will continue to assist in the planning, training, recruitment and advertising of the courses that may include; Matter of Balance, Tai Chi for Arthritis, Tai Chi for Falls Prevention, Geri Fit, and others as appropriate.	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	10/31/2024
Disease prevention, management, and care coordination	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☑ Older adults who live alone ☑ Older females ☑ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders 	"Seniors can get good local medical care, screenings, and immunizations" was identified asa priority need in our CNA. 1. AAA9 will continue to provide vaccine education and information utilizing our OBLTSS staff, assessment, staff and	Select a basic measure: % of recipients satisified with program or service received OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	8/31/2023

Chandra	☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency ☐ Ohiocaust survivors)		case management staff as appropriate. This will include information about COVID as well as information and educational materials about the flu and pneumonia campaigns. We will continue working to connect individuals to and assist with access to those seeking vaccination assistance, connections to health care practioners/clinics, and other types of health care resources.		Click on ton to
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	Click	or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.
Objective 5.3: Mental Health: Reduce Depression					
Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): ☑ Title III □ SCS □ ARPA □ CARES □ NSIP □ Alzheimer's Respite □ Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to					
enter text. Other State Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. Local Levy Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.					

Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date
Mental health-care access and supports	□ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	"Seniors can get local counseling and other mental health services when needed" and "Mental health crisis care is available for seniors," are issues identified as priority needs in our CNA. 1. AAA9 will continue to provide resources to mental health services. We will continue to develop our resource database as well, to ensure it contains a complete and accurate lisiting of mental health providers in our region. 2. We will develop outreach materials and protocols to mental health providers of aging and disabled individuals. We will work to encourage the development and creation of appropriate mental health resources in our communities.	Select a basic measure: % of participants with increased knowledge, skill, ability, or confidence as a result of the program OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	2/29/2024
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.

	☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency		Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Choose a strategy.	☐ Ohioans of color ☐ Ohioans with disabilities ☐ Low income or educational attainment ☐ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item. OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap to enter a date.

Focus Area 6: Preserving Independence	Target Date	
Goal statement: To improve independence and consumer direction of care/access to care for the aging & disabled populations within our 9 county service area with special focus on identified priority populations.	2/28/2025	
Plan for measuring overall goal success – How will you know that you have achieved the results you want? Review of measurable data on requests of community members needs through OBLTSS dashboards, yearly needs assessments and communits surveys. Do we find a downward trend in requests of specific needs/services after strategies are applied?		

Focus Area 6 Objectives, Strategies and Steps to Meet Your Agency's Goal

Objective 6.1: Improve Chronic Pain Management						
Funding Sources Supporting these Strategies (select all that apply): Title III SCS ARPA CARES NSIP Alzheimer's Respite Other Federal Funding (specify): Click or tap here to enter text. Local Levy Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.						
Strategies	Priority Populations (Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	Action Steps (Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress, etc.)	Evidence of completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Target Date		
Self- management supports	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☒ Older adults who live alone ☒ Older females ☒ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☒ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	AAA9 provides Title III funding to our community focal points to support evidence-based training courses intended to improve disease-specific self-management and wellbeing techniques for the participants. We will continue to assist in the planning, training, recruitment, and advertising of the courses hoping to make them readily available in all communities. We will provide a specific focus on Chronic Pain self-management sessions designed to improve the preservation of independence and provide an alternative form of self management for those afflicted.	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	8/31/2024		
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.		

Home	☐ ☐ Ohioans of color	As detaild in other places	Select a basic measure: #	4/30/2024
	(Select the priority population(s) your organization would like to focus on or prioritize for each strategy)	(Include details such as specific programs or services you will implement, frequency, location, who is responsible/partners, how will you communicate progress,	completion (How will you know the strategies and steps have been completed and done well?)	Date
Strategies	Priority Populations	Action Steps	Evidence of	Target
Funding So	urces Supporting these Strategies (sel	imer's Respite □ Other Feder	ral Funding (specify): Click or her (specify): HAGP	tap here to
Objective 6.	☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 2: Improve Falls Prevention			
	 □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) 		Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
strategy.	☐ Low income or educational attainment☐ Rural or Appalachian regions☐ Immigrant or refugee		Choose an item. OR	enter a date.
Choose a	proficiency ☐ Ohioans of color ☐ Ohioans with disabilities	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure:	Click or tap to
	 ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English 		to enter text.	
	☐ Older adults who live alone☐ Older females		Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
	☐ Immigrant or refugee☐ Religious minorities☐ LGBTQ+		OR	

	□ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities □ LGBTQ+ □ Older adults who live alone □ Older females □ Older males □ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders □ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) □ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	through The Ohio Housing Assistance Grant Program (HAGP). We utilize this funding to assist those in our service area with minor home modifications and repairs. We also administer a temporary ramp program intended to improve accessibility and independence.	OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	
Falls prevention education and self- management	 ☑ Ohioans of color ☑ Ohioans with disabilities ☑ Low income or educational attainment ☑ Rural or Appalachian regions ☐ Immigrant or refugee ☐ Religious minorities ☐ LGBTQ+ ☑ Older adults who live alone ☑ Older females ☑ Older males ☑ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☑ Older individuals at risk of institutional placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency 	AAA9 provides Title III funding in support of our community focal points to provide evidence-based programming in their region. These programs are designed to improve disease specific self-management and wellbeing as well as providing an opportunity for increased physical activity. We will continue to assist in the planning, training, recruitment and advertising of the courses that include; Matter of Balance, Tai Chi for Arthritis, Tai Chi for falls prevention, Geri Fit, and others as appropriate.	Select a basic measure: # of training sessions OR Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.	3/31/2024
Choose a strategy.	 □ Ohioans of color □ Ohioans with disabilities □ Low income or educational attainment □ Rural or Appalachian regions □ Immigrant or refugee □ Religious minorities 	Click or tap here to enter text.	Select a basic measure: Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.

☐ LGBTQ+ ☐ Older adults who live alone ☐ Older females ☐ Older males ☐ Older individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders ☐ Older individuals at risk of institutional	Other measure not listed (describe): Click or tap here to enter text.
placement (including Holocaust survivors) ☐ Older individuals with limited English proficiency	

Focus Area 7: Additional ACL Priorities

The following are additional priority areas identified by ACL that are required to be addressed in each new State Plan. AAAs are not required to set goals or report on evidence of completion for these priorities. However, ODA requests AAAs provide a brief description of any local efforts or activities supporting these priorities in their regions. This information will be used to identify trends and current local practices in order to inform the narrative of Ohio's new State Plan. If no efforts are being performed in your PSA for a specific priority listed below, please write "N/A" or "Not Applicable".

Objective 7.1: Older Americans Act (OAA) Core Programs

Description of local efforts addressing this priority in your PSA (if applicable)
AAA9 participates in several community I-Teams, which we have found to be very beneficial. We have independently, and in collaborationwith others, conducted outreach & awareness activities intended to raise awareness of resources related to Elderabuse. We have also worked collaboratively to conduct outreach efforts with faithbased organizations & law enforcement.
Click or tap here to enter text.
CONFIDENTIAL until after May 10, 2022. AAA9 received a significant Americorps grant to increase volunteerism within the senior age group. It is intended to assist with relief of the financial burden and increase feelings of connectedness and being valued.

ACL Priority/Strategy	Description of local efforts addressing this priority in your PSA (if applicable)
Dissemination of information about state assistive technology entity and access to assistive technology options for serving older individuals (Sec. 321(a)(11))	Click or tap here to enter text.
Providing trauma-informed services (Sec. 102(41))	Clinical staff at AAA9 are provided routine training on trauma informed care and services.
Screening for suicide risk (Sec. 102(14)(G))	OBLTSS staff are trained in suicide screening and MH resources.
Inclusion of screening of immunization status and infectious disease and vaccine-preventable disease as part of evidence-based health promotion programs (Sec. 102(14)(B) and (D))	Focus on immunizations- Covid, Flu & pneumonia
Incorporating innovative practices developed during the pandemic that increased access to services particularly for those with mobility and transportation issues as well as those in rural areas	Click or tap here to enter text.
Objective 7.3: Equity	
ACL Priority/Strategy	Description of local efforts addressing this priority in your PSA (if applicable)
Ensuring meals can be adjusted for cultural considerations and preferences and providing medically tailored meals to the maximum extent practicable (Sec. 339(2)(A)(iii)	Looking to encourage focal points to partner with non- traditional partners to offer congregate sites that includes cultural sensitivity.
Supporting cultural experiences, activities, and services, including in the arts (Sec. 202(a)(5))	Click or tap here to enter text.
Serving older adults living with HIV/AIDS	Click or tap here to enter text.
Supporting participant-directed/person-centered planning for older adults and their caregivers across the spectrum of LTSS, including home, community, and institutional settings	ARPA plans for vouchers to assit in workforce shortage and allow person directed selection of care providers.
Objective 7.4: Expanding Access to HCBS	
ACL Priority/Strategy	Description of local efforts addressing this priority in your PSA (if applicable)

ACL Priority/Strategy	Description of local efforts addressing this priority in your PSA (if
Objective 7.5: Caregiving	
, and the second	
and social services systems, including efforts through contractual arrangements	
Working towards the integration of health, health care	Click or tap here to enter text.
facilities, but who can return to their homes if community-based services are provided to them (sec. 307(a)(18(A)-(C))	
institutionalization; or are patients in long-term care	
limitations on their ability to function independently; are patients in hospitals and are at risk of prolonged	
at home and are at risk of institutionalization because of	
long-term care services for older individuals who: reside	
efforts to facilitate the coordination of community-based,	Increased outreach efforts based on data specific findings.