

### Golden Buckeye Card

Applications for the Golden Buckeye Card may be made at the COA during office hours (8am-4pm Monday- Friday).



### Living Wills & Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care

Copies of these documents are available at the Senior Center. A member of the staff is a Notary Public and able to assist in completion of these forms, by appointment only.

### Social Security Services

Applications are available to get a new Social Security card, replace a lost or stolen card, or change a name on a card.



### Long Term Care Ombudsman

Questions, problems, and complaints about nursing homes may be made by calling **1-800-282-1206.**

### Van Wert County COA Goals

It is our purpose to assess the needs of the elderly, since each person's situation is unique, and to provide assistance that will enable each individual to live a dignified and reasonably independent life in his or her own home.

### Funding

The Van Wert County COA is a non-profit organization, governed by a 14 member volunteer Board of Directors. Funding is provided by a 0.2 mill tax levy. An additional 0.25 mill tax levy provides additional services. The Van Wert County COA is a United Way agency and also receives funding through private donations, contributions, and fund raising services.



**THE VAN WERT COUNTY  
COA IS COMMITTED TO  
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES  
IN EMPLOYMENT AND  
DELIVERY OF  
SERVICES.**



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## **SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES:**

### **Education**

Educational programs are scheduled throughout the year and include issues or matters of concern for the senior citizens.

### **Elderly Nutrition Services** **“Senior Luncheon Café”**

A hot full-course meal is provided at the center Monday through Friday for those 60 or older. Meals are served at 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. Reservations must be made one day ahead and before 3:00 p.m. The cost of the meal is \$2.00 and it is prepared by the Van Wert Manor.



### **Home Delivered Meals**

Delivered meals are provided on a limited basis to those who are home-bound or unable to prepare their own meals due to impairments. In some cases, the elderly recuperating from recent hospitalization may qualify. For more information contact Nutrition Services: Lock Sixteen at 1-800-520-2905.

### **Health Screening**

A Monthly Foot Care Clinic is done the third Thursday of the month beginning at 10:00 a.m. and is performed by the Community Health Professionals. Reservations are necessary for this service and there is a \$10 donation. Other health screenings are done through the year such as flu inoculations.

### **Transportation**

Transportation is provided county wide for essential appointments and trips such as; Medical, Banks, Laundromats, Dental, Lawyers, Grocery Stores, Senior Center, and Social Service Agencies. Transportation must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance. Transportation is provided out-of-county within a 50 mile radius for medical appointments, and must be scheduled at least a week in advance.



### **Information and Referral**

The staff provides information which helps to link people with the appropriate services to meet the immediate need. Referrals are made to other agencies and programs.

### **HEAP Assistance**

Assistance is available during the appropriate applications season for the Home Energy Assistance Programs. The Executive Assistant can assist seniors in applying for this service.

### **Medicare and Insurance Assistance**

Assistance is available with Medicare questions and seniors wishing to change their supplemental insurance plans.

### **Chore**

Chore workers help with simple household repairs, spring cleaning, and yard work for the elderly who are no longer able to do the work themselves.

### **Outreach**

Personal contact is made as the Executive Assistant actively seeks out the elderly who need services, assess their individual situation and encourages the use of services and benefits available. Speakers are available to discuss Center activities, services and issues concerning the aging.

### **Social & Recreational**

Cards, jigsaw puzzles, and board games are available daily. There are also other activities such as potlucks, parties, bingo, crafts, movies, or just watching TV and visiting with friends.

