Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) were established under the Older Americans Act of 1965 to respond to the needs of aging Americans through home and community-based services and supports to allow them to age in place. Funding is provided through the Older Americans Act, New York State, county government and participants, the New York State residents who receive the services.

**Federal Funding**

Federal funding through the Older Americans Act (OAA) falls into several categories with varying levels of flexibility. OAA funds are for the purpose of assisting states and Area Agencies on Aging to develop and enhance coordinated community-based systems of care.

**Wellness in Nutrition (WIN)**

WIN provides meals for qualifying seniors either in a congregate setting or as a home delivered meal. Each meal provides at least one-third recommended daily allowance (RDA) for nutrition. Nutrition education and counseling are also offered as part of this program.

**State Funding**

State funding is administered through the New York State Office for the Aging and distributed by way of a funding formula. The following are the main programs.

**Health Insurance Information & Assistance Program (HIICAP)**

HIICAP provides information to seniors on Medicare, Medicaid, managed care, EPIC, and other health insurance options and issues, and also assists Medicare beneficiaries to access needed health care and to apply for programs such as the Medicare Savings Program. HIICAP counselors are trained and certified professionals.

**Local Funding**

Local funding is required to support the federal and state-funded programs. Area Agencies on Aging are required to match at least 25% of the service expenditures for both the EISEP and CSE programs. Several programs through the Older Americans Act require a 10% local match. Therefore, services are provided by a mix of funding, including federal, state and local/county sources, as well as voluntary contributions from participants. In addition, local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) rely on volunteers to assist with a number of their programs, including home delivered meals, transportation to doctor’s appointments, and health insurance counseling.
STATE FUNDING OVERVIEW

Typical Funding by Source for New York State

- Federal - 34%
- State - 35%
- Local Share - 21%
- Participant - 10%

FEDERAL FUNDING OVERVIEW

Older Americans Act
Funds for all States

- Approx: $1.9 billion

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- Allegany County: Phone: 607-707-2500
- Broome County: Phone: 607-778-2411
- Cattaraugus County: Phone: 716-737-8032
- Cayuga County: Phone: 315-253-1226
- Chautauqua County: Phone: 716-753-4471
- Chemung County: Phone: 607-737-5520
- Chenango County: Phone: 607-337-1770
- Clinton County: Phone: 518-565-4620
- Columbia County: Phone: 518-828-4258
- Cortland County: Phone: 607-753-5060
- Delaware County: Phone: 607-746-6333
- Dutchess County: Phone: 845-486-2555
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- Orleans County: Phone: 585-596-3191
- Oswego County: Phone: 315-349-3484
- Otsego County: Phone: 607-547-4232
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- Schuyler County: Phone: 607-535-7108
- Seneca County: Phone: 315-539-1766
- Seneca Nation: Phone: 716-331-5778
- St. Lawrence County: Phone: 315-386-4730
- St. Regis-Mohawk: Phone: 518-358-2963
- Steuben County: Phone: 607-664-2298
- Suffolk County: Phone: 631-853-8217
- Sullivan County: Phone: 845-794-3000
- Tioga County: Phone: 607-687-4120
- Tompkins County: Phone: 607-274-5482
- Ulster County: Phone: 845-340-3456
- Warren/Hamilton Counties: Phone: 518-761-6347
- Washington County: Phone: 518-746-5902
- Wayne County: Phone: 518-946-2578
- Westchester County: Phone: 914-813-6400
- Wyoming County: Phone: 585-786-8833
- Yates County: Phone: 315-536-5515

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