

In 1964, the State of Louisiana passed Act 456 authorizing the charter of a voluntary council on aging for the welfare of the aging people in each parish of Louisiana.

In 1979, the Louisiana Legislature created the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA) (La. R.S. 46:931) with the specific intention to administer and coordinate social services and programs for the elderly population of Louisiana through 64 parish voluntary councils on aging.

St. Charles Council on Aging, Inc. (COA) is a legally separate, non-profit, quasi-public corporation. COA received its charter from the Governor of the State of Louisiana on January 31, 1974 and subsequently incorporated on January 12, 1976, under the provisions of Title 12, Chapter 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

St. Charles Council on Aging, Inc., Area Agency on Aging is charged with the responsibility of the development and administration of the four year Area Plan. COA is required to submit a monthly report to the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs and to the Department of Transportation and Development.

COA is governed by a board of directors, consisting of 13 volunteer members, who serve three-year terms. The board of directors is comprised of, representatives of the Parish's elderly population, general public, private business, and elected public officials. COA makes every effort to maintain a board of directors whose composition will be representative of the population of St. Charles Parish. General Membership is open at all times, without restriction, to all residents of St. Charles Parish 18 years and older and who express an interest in COA and wish to contribute to or share in its programs. Membership fees are not charged.

A 21 member volunteer Advisory Council representing communities throughout St. Charles Parish is responsible for planning, developing, and evaluating services.

Board of Director and Advisory Council meetings are open to the public and annual schedule is advertised in the local paper. A 30 member paid staff administers, supervises, and provides services. There are 19 full time and 11 part time employees.

COA has an annual financial audit conducted by T.S. Kearns. All audits are on the Louisiana Legislature Audit website.

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COA serves as the primary provider of elderly services in St. Charles Parish for approximately 7,700 senior citizens. COA is currently serving 4,198 residents 60 and older. This is a 284 percent increase in services since 2010.

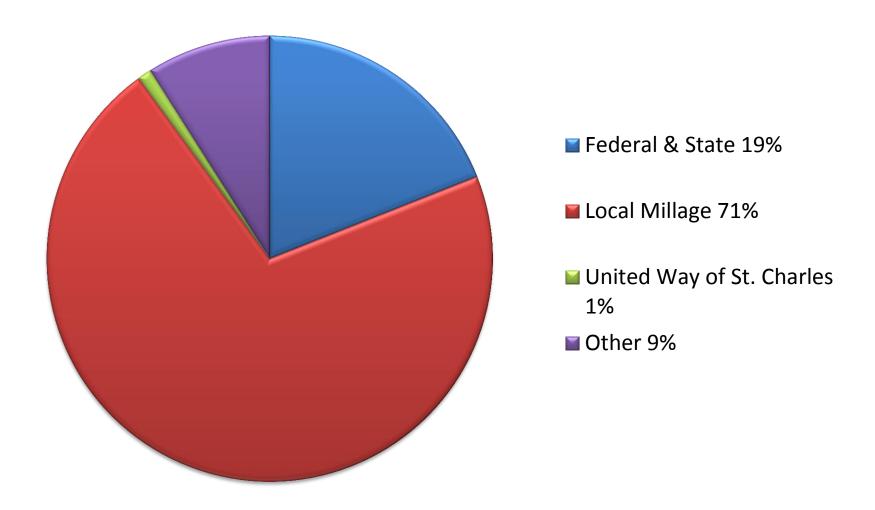
COA vision is that all seniors, persons with disabilities, and family caregivers residing in St. Charles Parish will have access to information and services that promote physical health, mental well-being, and options for living that ensure personal dignity and individual choice.

COA mission is to provide a comprehensive, coordinated system of services that promotes independence and well-being for the parish's older adults, those with disabilities and their caregivers while insuring preference is given to older persons with the greatest economic and social need and provide as many services as possible in the most efficient and effective manner.

#### Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Income

	Originalii
	2015
Forecasted Revenues	Forecast
Property Tax	1,145,000
GOEA	306,448
United Way	18,000
FTA	81,600
Interest Income	4,500
Program Service Fees	5,040
Contributions - unrestricted	4,500
Contributions - restricted for utility assistance	5,000
Program Income Contributions	30,000
Proceeds from Sale of Vans	-
Total forecasted revenues	1,600,088
Total forecasted expenditures	1,707,905
Net forecasted revenues over (under) expenditures	(107,817)

#### COA Funding



Sometimes clients may be put on a waiting list until service becomes available. At present COA has no waiting list.

Services Provided by

St. Charles Council on Aging, Inc.
in FY 2015

July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

COA presently operates 3 focal points, one in Luling, New Sarpy and Norco which serve as both Senior Centers and Meals Sites. The Luling site will undergo renovations beginning January 2016. The renovation cost is approximately \$200,000 and will increase the center capacity from 36 to 97 persons.



#### Activity Centers / Congregate Meal Sites

Luling Activity Center 145 Angus Drive, Luling







New Sarpy Activity Center

150 Troxclair Drive, New Sarpy

66 Clients received 4,641 meals at a cost of \$41,769

Norco Activity Center 149 Apple Street, Norco

50 Clients received 4,144 meals at a cost of \$37,296

#### Crime Prevention

#### 1,195 Clients received 1,298 brochures



# Home Delivered Meals 354 Clients received 53,337 meals at a cost of \$477,727

Presently has 7 Home Delivered Meal Routes which can deliver up to 308 Meals per day.

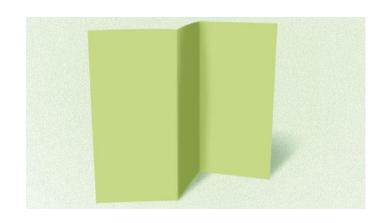




#### Homemaker

### 93 Clients received 4,964 light housekeeping at a cost of \$77,647

## Information and Assistance 1,213 Clients received 1,321 informational resources at a cost of \$50,561



#### Legal Assistance

21 Clients received 31.25 hours of counseling and information at a cost of \$2,018



#### Medical Alert

### COA paid for 3 Clients to receive Medical Alert system for 22 months at a cost of \$469



#### Outreach

36 Clients received 36 outreach efforts at a cost of \$578



#### Personal Care

### 103 Clients received 8,362 baths and personal care services at a cost of \$132,983





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557	135	113	283	476
384	446	779	101	123
485	654	Free Space	981	234
246	345	680	567	387
456	872	357	579	763

#### Recreation



## 249 Clients received 15,328 activities at a cost of \$146,275





#### Transportation

COA has 7 buses used to transport clients throughout St. Charles, St. John, Jefferson, Orleans, Lafourche, and Terrebonne Parishes.

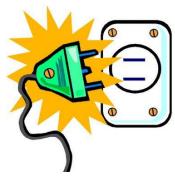


207 Clients 60+ received 18,045 rides at a cost of \$391,931 21 Clients received 179 Assisted rides at a cost of \$3,888 10 Clients under 60 received 1,214 rides at a cost of \$26,129

#### Utility Assistance

70 Clients applied 23 received assistance with Entergy bill through <u>Power to Care</u> \$4,490 benefits

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#### Wellness

Group instructed Exercise Class:

Tuesday and Thursday

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

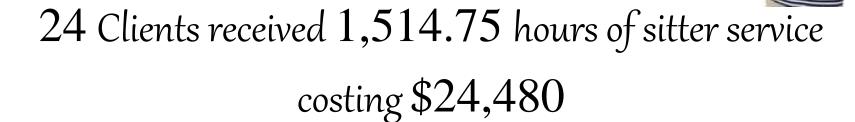
52 Clients received 1,400 classes at a cost of \$5,317

#### National Family Caregivers Support Program Information and Assistance:

27 Clients received 28 informational resources costing

\$1,072

In-Home Respite:



### For more information or to see monthly newsletter and menu check out COA website at

www.stcharlescoa.com

