



They Took Care Of Us.

Won't You Help Us Take Care Of Them?

Most seniors want to remain independent and in their own homes. Unfortunately, many throughout the country end up prematurely in a retirement community or nursing home because of a lack of access to needed services.

Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita is a private, nonprofit, non-government organization offering a broad spectrum of programs designed to meet the varied needs of people over 55. Known and respected in the community since 1968, the organization is recognized as a leader in developing and providing needed services for people – from active volunteers to the homebound. These programs support the wishes of people to remain independent and in their own homes, as well as providing opportunities for them to continue to make meaningful contributions to the community.

Information and Assistance matches callers with over 600 aging-related programs and services, and provides information on national programs as well.

In-Home Respite Care provides relief to the primary caregiver of a dependent (60+) to give the caregiver a needed break. This may be the only time in a week when the caregiver is able to buy groceries, see a doctor, or attend church.



Meals on Wheels delivers a hot, nutritious meal to homebound people 60 and older five days a week.



Weekend meal delivery is made to the most at-risk seniors. Volunteers who deliver the meals also provide a daily face-to-face contact for many people who are otherwise isolated.

Senior Centers offer rich opportunities for people 55 and older to gather for educational, social, health-related and recreational activities. Senior Services operates four centers: Downtown, 200 S. Walnut; Linwood, 1901 S. Kansas; Northeast, 2121 E. 21st; Orchard Park, 4808 W. 9th.

Senior Employment Program offers job referrals and other employment-related support services to job seekers 55 and over. Employers can locate experienced, dependable workers for business and in-home work.

Roving Pantry takes orders over the phone, then shops for and delivers groceries to homebound seniors 60 and older. Clients pay for the items upon delivery.

Senior Mentor Program provides mentors for pregnant and teenage mothers in Wichita through a partnership with Child Start, Inc. Mentors are women age 50 and



older who make a six-month commitment to a mentoring relationship with a teen mom, providing a positive role model and a guiding influence. Efforts are also underway to launch a new senior tutoring program, or SAGE (Seniors Achieving Grade Enhancement) for at-risk children in the Wichita school system.

Support for the programs comes from local, state and federal governments, United Way of the Plains and donations from individuals and organizations. Clients are also encouraged to donate toward the cost of services received whenever possible. All donations are tax-deductible.

Types of Gifts

Cash and Securities

When you donate cash or other appreciated securities, these donations provide an immediate benefit to Senior Services and a maximum income tax deduction to you. Gifts of appreciated stock or mutual fund shares that have been held for at least one year qualify for an income tax deduction equal to the current market value. By transferring these assets directly to Senior Services, Inc., of Wichita, you can also avoid capital gains tax.

Matching Gifts

Many employers have matching gift programs that will match any charitable contribution made by their employees and sometimes, their retirees. If your employer offers a matching gift program, it could increase the impact of your gift.

Gifts of Equipment, Inventory or Other Assets

Corporations and businesses may qualify for a tax deduction when contributing equipment, inventory, or other assets in the course of business. Equipment and other assets may need to be valued by an independent appraiser for tax purposes. Inventory is deducted based on the cost of materials incurred by the company.



Bequests

Gifts made through your will or trust, referred to as bequests, enable you to retain total control of your assets during your lifetime and determine the distribution of your assets upon your death. Even modest estates can make a charitable bequest through this type of planning. For many supporters of Senior Services, a commitment to include Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita in their will or trust is the most effective way to make a major gift commitment. Bequest gifts to Senior Services may include specific property, a dollar amount, a percentage of an estate, or the amount that remains in an estate after bequests to loved ones have been honored. The development department at Senior Services will be glad to provide suggested bequest language to you and your attorney for your will or trust.

IRAs and Other Qualified Retirement Plans

If you wish to make a gift to Senior Services through your estate plan, perhaps the best items to use may be your IRAs, employer-sponsored retirement plans, commercial annuities, or other assets in which income tax has been deferred. By gifting such property, the accrued income tax liability is avoided. Normally you can donate funds from your IRAs and other qualified retirement plans by simply naming Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita on a beneficiary designation form provided by the IRA custodian or retirement plan administrator.

Life Insurance

Not all life insurance may be needed for the reason it was initially purchased. Making a gift of an insurance policy may provide a sizable gift to Senior Services with minimal cost to you. There are several ways to make a gift of insurance. You may change the beneficiary on an existing policy, or you may transfer ownership of a new or existing paid up policy to Senior Services. You could also surrender a policy to Senior Services for its current cash value.

Life Income Gifts

Life income gifts are a simple combination of two concepts: a charitable gift and income for life. Think of it as the gift that gives back. A charitable remainder trust is created when you place assets into an irrevocable charitable trust and name a trustee. The trust invests the assets and pays an income to you, or other beneficiaries you select, for life or for a number of years. When the trust ends, the remaining assets are used for the purpose you designate at Senior Services. There are two types of charitable remainder trusts: A charitable remainder annuity trust (CRAT) and a charitable remainder unitrust (CRUT).

Your gift makes a remarkable difference. Please help today!

\$1,850 provides Meals on Wheels for one senior for an entire year.

\$700 provides 30 hours of respite for the caregiver of a homebound senior.

\$200 provides job development services to find a senior new employment.

\$140 provides a senior 12 months of activities at a senior center.

\$50 provides two weeks of Roving Pantry grocery delivery to one senior.

Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita is dedicated to delivering services that allow older adults the opportunity to lead quality lives while continuing to make positive contributions to the community.

For more information, contact the Development Office at Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita at 316-267-0302, ext. 216, or write 200 S. Walnut, Wichita, KS 67213.



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