

California 3rd District

26,217

Low-Income Residents of California's 3rd District Connected to Benefits in 2022-2023

Thanks to federal funding that supports efforts to find and enroll low-income people on Medicare into benefits they are eligible for, 26,217 low-income older and disabled residents of California's 3rd District received assistance that can help them to afford their prescription drugs and doctor visits.

This federal funding supports California's 3rd District:

- State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
- 5 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)



These organizations help older adults making less than \$22,000 a year apply for:

- Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy (LIS/Extra Help)
- Medicare Savings Programs (MSPs)



Funding also supports BenefitsCheckUp®, a free online screening and enrollment tool.

Residents of California's 3rd District in Need Found Help...

Thanks to previous federal funding, in 2022-2023:

- 17,538 Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers received help with access to low-income benefits
- 8,679 used BenefitsCheckUp® to connect with benefits online

... But Far Too Many Are Still Missing Out

 140,556 Medicare beneficiaries in California's 3rd District are living at or below 150% of the federal poverty level and need help affording health care

Estimate taken from SHIP Tracking and Reporting System (STARS)

Mary Ann's Story



As a disabled senior citizen who lives below the poverty level and has only Social Security upon which to live and pay rent, I myself am a participant in the Extra Help program. It enables me to both get to appointments and to afford the medications and health aids prescribed for me. Without this coverage, I could afford neither.



Organizations Connecting Low-Income Residents of California's 3rd District to Benefits

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

California Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)

www.aging.ca.gov/hicap/ 1-800-434-0222

Area Agencies on Aging

Alpine County:

Area 12 Area Agency on Aging

area12.org

209-532-6272

Mono, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sierra, & Yuba Counties: Area 4 Area Agency on Aging

agencyonaging4.org

916-486-1876

Inyo and Mono Counties:

Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging

inyocounty.us/aging

760-873-3305

El Dorado County Area Agency on Aging

edcgov.us/Government/HumanServices/senior%20services

530-621-6369

Plumas County

Passages

passagescenter.org

530-898-5923

BenefitsCheckUp.org

National Council on Aging

800-794-6559

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Benefits outreach
and enrollment works
—but without this
assistance lowincome Californians
on Medicare will be
left behind, unable
to afford basic
health care.