

# California 23<sup>rd</sup> District

# 147,080

## Low-Income Residents of California's 23<sup>rd</sup> 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, 147,080 low-income older and disabled residents of California's 23<sup>rd</sup> District received assistance that can **help them to afford their prescription drugs and doctor visits.**

### This federal funding supports California's 23<sup>rd</sup> District:

- State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
- 4 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)
- 5 Benefits Enrollment Centers (BECs)



### 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 23<sup>rd</sup> District in Need Found Help...

Thanks to previous federal funding, in 2022-2023:

- **102,825** Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers received help with access to low-income benefits
- **44,255** used BenefitsCheckUp® to connect with benefits online

### ... But Far Too Many Are Still Missing Out

- **903,206 Medicare beneficiaries in California's 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 23rd District to Benefits

### State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

California Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)

[www.aging.ca.gov/hicap/](http://www.aging.ca.gov/hicap/)

1-800-434-0222

### Area Agencies on Aging

City of Los Angeles Department of Aging

[aging.lacity.org](http://aging.lacity.org)

County of Kern, Aging and Adult Services Department

[co.kern.ca.us/aas](http://co.kern.ca.us/aas)

County of San Bernardino Aging & Adult Services

[hss.sbcounty.gov/daas](http://hss.sbcounty.gov/daas)

Los Angeles County Aging & Disabilities Department

[ad.lacounty.gov](http://ad.lacounty.gov)

### Benefits Enrollment Centers

LTSC Community Development Corporation

[ltsc.org](http://ltsc.org)

Mexican American Opportunity Foundation

[maof.org](http://maof.org)

Partners in Care Foundation

[picf.org](http://picf.org)

Southern California Rehabilitation Services, Inc.

[scrs-ilc.org](http://scrs-ilc.org)

United Cambodian Community

[ucclb.org](http://ucclb.org)

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and enrollment works  
—but without this  
assistance low-  
income Californians  
on Medicare will be  
left behind, unable  
to afford basic  
health care.