

# Indiana

# 301,835

## Low-Income Hoosiers 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, 301,835 low-income older and disabled Hoosiers received assistance that can help them to afford their prescription drugs and doctor visits.

### This federal funding supports Indiana's:

- State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
- 16 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)
- 1 Benefits Enrollment Center (BEC)



### 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.

### Hoosiers in Need Found Help...

Thanks to previous federal funding, in 2022-2023:

- 242,635 Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers in Indiana received help with access to low-income benefits
- 59,200 Hoosiers used BenefitsCheckUp® to connect with benefits online

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

- 377,204 Medicare beneficiaries in Indiana 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)*

# Julia's Story

Julia has lived with Klippel-Feil syndrome all her life. As she aged, she developed scoliosis and restrictive lung disease, requiring her to be on oxygen and a ventilator. Unable to work, she was in danger of losing her business and being forced into a long-term care facility. Staff at The League helped Julia get support to remain at home. They helped her enroll in the Medicare Savings Program and Extra Help to reduce her health costs. She received the CHOICE waiver, allowing her to get homemaker services and meal delivery. Today, Julia's health has improved, and she is thrilled to have her independence.



## Organizations Connecting Low-Income Hoosiers to Benefits

### Indiana State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

[www.in.gov/ship](http://www.in.gov/ship)

800-452-4800

### 16 Area Agencies on Aging

[in.gov/fssa/da/area-agencies-on-aging](http://in.gov/fssa/da/area-agencies-on-aging)

800-713-9023

### Benefit Enrollment Center

League for the Blind and Disabled

[www.the-league.org](http://www.the-league.org)

800-889-3443

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800-794-6559

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and enrollment works  
—but without this  
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