

Michigan

168,160

People in Michigan 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, 168,160 low-income older and disabled people in Michigan received assistance that can help them to afford their prescription drugs and doctor visits.

This federal funding supports Michigan'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.

Michigan Residents in Need Found Help...

Thanks to previous federal funding, in 2022-2023:

- 71,160 Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers in Michigan received help with access to low-income benefits
- 97,000 people in Michigan used BenefitsCheckUp® to connect with benefits online

... But Far Too Many Are Still Missing Out

- 602,260 Medicare beneficiaries in Michigan 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)

Kate's Story

|| Kate, age 75, had an income of just under \$1,200 per month. She had a part-time job, but was unable to make ends meet. A benefits counselor helped Kate apply for the Medicare Savings Program and food benefits. She was approved for both, which put \$209 back into her monthly budget. Kate now has the support she needs to afford health care and groceries.



Organizations Connecting Low-Income Michigan Residents to Benefits

Michigan Medicare Assistance Program

www.mmapinc.org

800-803-7174

16 Area Agencies on Aging

www.4ami.org/members

517-886-1029

Benefits Enrollment Center

Elder Law of Michigan

www.elderlawofmi.org

866-400-9165

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**Benefits outreach
and enrollment works
—but without this
assistance low-
income people in
Michigan on Medicare
will be left behind,
unable to afford basic
health care.**