

Oregon

229,830

Low-Income Oregon Residents 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, 229,830 low-income older and disabled Oregon Residents received assistance that can help them to afford their prescription drugs and doctor visits.

This federal funding supports Oregon's :

- State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
- 17 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.

Oregon Residents in Need Found Help...

Thanks to previous federal funding, in 2022-2023:

- **38,630** Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers in Oregon received help with access to low-income benefits
- **191,200** Oregon Residents used BenefitsCheckUp® to connect with benefits online

... But Far Too Many Are Still Missing Out

- **240,113** Medicare beneficiaries in Oregon 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)

Sean's Story

Sean, who was turning 65, was overwhelmed with mailings about having to pay his Part B premiums. He got connected to Oregon Medicare Savings Connect and was determined eligible for a Medicare Savings Program. Sean learned that he will get premium and co-pay assistance, he was automatically enrolled into the Medicare Low-Income Subsidy to help for for his medications.



Organizations Connecting Low-Income Oregon Residents to Benefits

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA)

shiba.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx

800-722-4134

17 Area Agencies on Aging

www.o4ad.org/contact

503-463-8692

Benefits Enrollment Center

One Community Health

www.onecommunityhealth.org

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800-794-6559

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