

## Perseverance to Move Forward

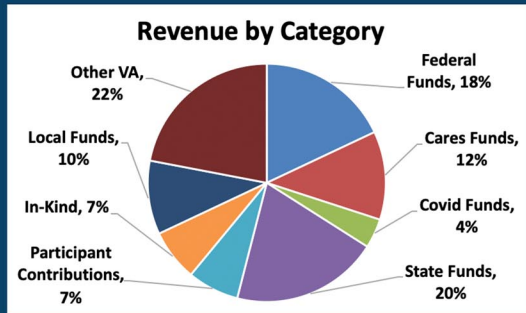
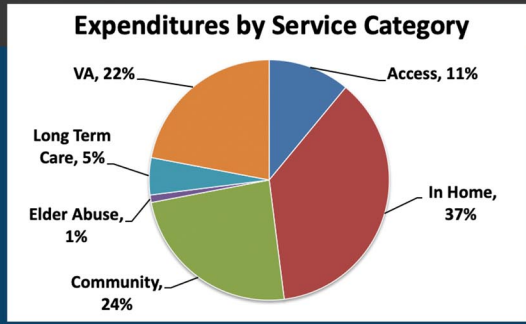


For 15 months the staff of AgeSmart persevered and continued to provide services to older adults as we worked from home. On June 16, 2021 we were elated to welcome people back to the office and were so happy to be here ourselves. Thanks to the more than 80%

of Illinois residents over the age of 65 who were vaccinated we felt safe once again to provide in-person assistance.

- Over 4,000 calls were made to help people access vaccines
- The first ever Virtual Aging Expo was held in May
- AgeSmart's staff helped 3,254 people save \$2,756,383 on their benefits (average of \$847 per person)
- Over 585,000 Meals on Wheels were delivered to homebound older adults
- 18,600 reassurance calls were made to older adults

We are #openforgood, good work that is, and are excited to showcase the new programs we will be rolling out in the new year.



# Donor Highlight

Reagan, 3 years old, decided to set up a lemonade stand to raise money to “help older people.” Reagan’s mother and a professional in the aging services field for over a decade was touched and motivated to help Reagan see the impact of her decision to give back. Her parents matched the gift and she decided to make the donation to AgeSmart. An article in the local newspaper also led to additional matching gifts to AgeSmart. We thank Reagan for not only working to help older adults, but also to motivate others to give.



To help support older adults, please log onto [www.AgeSmart.org](http://www.AgeSmart.org) and click on the donate button.

AgeSmart Community Resources provides services to older adults, caregivers and persons with disabilities.

Our vision is that all people embrace their own aging, create and implement a plan for aging, and live in communities that support their efforts to live well.

[www.AgeSmart.org](http://www.AgeSmart.org)



801 West State Street O'Fallon, IL 62269 Tel: 618-222-2561

For questions email [Ask@AgeSmart.org](mailto:Ask@AgeSmart.org)

