



# E-Newsletter Winter 2025



The mission of Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging is to inform and support people as they navigate the experience of aging or disability.



## Advocacy Leading up to the State Biennial Budget

With new leadership at the state and federal levels, COAAA aims to strengthen partnerships that promote Home and Community-Based Services for older adults and people with disabilities in central Ohio.

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## COAAA's Housing Assistance Program

The Housing Assistance Program through COAAA is an emergency rent and utility assistance program. Individuals must meet certain eligibility criteria to qualify, including age, income, and location requirements.

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## The State of Aging is Three Months Away!

A new COAAA tradition will take place May 22, 2025, as the agency introduces The State of Aging, an inaugural event that will discuss current and future aging trends and celebrate remarkable individuals.

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## COAAA Program Highlight: Provider Relations

COAAA's recurring series, "Program Highlight," is back, and the Provider Relations Department is in the spotlight for this edition. Learn more about the department's important work.

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## COAAA Celebrates National Social Work Month in March

March is National Social Work Month. COAAA social workers are celebrating by sharing their stories on COAAA's social media platforms. Approximately 265 social workers work at COAAA.

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## 2025 Medicare for Beginners Workshop Schedule

The 2025 Medicare for Beginners workshop schedule is set. These no-cost workshops provide unbiased information to help Medicare beneficiaries make informed decisions.

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## The Impact of the 2024 Holiday Gift Drive

It was another successful year for the COAAA Holiday Gift Drive. More than 1,500 COAAA consumers received a gift through the generosity of anonymous gift donors from various organizations.

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## The National Family Caregiver Support Program at COAAA

The National Family Caregiver Support Program through COAAA provides advice, education, and support to caregivers. COAAA caregiver advocates can connect people to information and resources.

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## Additional Updates

The Ohio Department of Development and The Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging want to remind older Ohioans that assistance is available to help with their home energy bills through the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). The program runs until May 31, 2025. Learn more by visiting COAAA's [HEAP page](#).

COAAA publishes [resource guides](#) that cover information on a variety of important topics. These helpful guides are updated annually and offer information about local agencies and organizations that provide services of interest to older adults and caregivers. [Guides](#) can be downloaded or ordered free of charge from COAAA.

COAAA is a growing organization with full-time opportunities for licensed social workers and registered nurses in programs serving and supporting older adults and individuals with disabilities. Learn more by visiting [COAAA's Career Opportunities page](#).

COAAA provides approved and affordable continuing education credits (CEUs) to aging professionals through its Continuing Education workshops. These workshops are open to social workers, counselors, and nurses. Visit COAAA's [Continuing Education page](#) to learn more about the current workshop schedule.

