

Things in the budget related to Aging and Senior Population

- Invest in aging and disability resource centers (ADRCs) across the state by providing: (a) \$2.5 million GPR in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$5 million GPR in fiscal year 2024-25 to increase base allocations to ADRCs, which have been unchanged since 2013; and (b) \$3.1 million GPR in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$6.3 million GPR in fiscal year 2024-25 to allocate funding that supports at least 0.5 FTE position to provide caregiver support services in every county
- Invest in the following public health initiatives: (a) \$1,200,000 GPR over the biennium for grants to entities that provide healthy aging programs
- Fully fund the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care's Medigap Helpline that provides seniors with information on health insurance options.
- The Governor is recommending providing \$281 million all funds over the biennium in ongoing funding for these initiatives, including:
 - Ongoing funding of the Tribal aging and disability resources specialists to serve as liaisons between the Tribes and the aging and disability resource centers.
 - Building a centralized aging and disability resource center website and database that is accessible to Wisconsinites statewide, providing access to information about long-term care supports and services from the comfort of their home while also providing aging and disability resource centers with a database that centers the individual rather than the facility
- The Governor also recommends providing increased funding to Aging and Disability Resource Centers to increase base allocations, as well as investing \$13.6 million GPR into adult protective services, which protects elderly and vulnerable adults who are at risk of abuse and exploitation
- The Governor also recommends providing additional funding to aging and disability resource centers to expand caregiver support services to every county in the state.
- \$1.7 million GPR in fiscal year 2024-25 to support the ongoing costs of the Tribal aging and disability resource specialists to serve as liaisons between the Tribes and the aging and disability resource centers (ADRCs)