



## Are You With Us?

The health, wellness and independence of the state's 1.2 million people age 60 and older and their caregivers depends on their access to the programs and services that assist them. To that end, the Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network (WAAN) asks you to support the following:

### ✓ Healthy Aging Grants

To support researched and proven programs that improve health, reduce costs, and prevent or delay the need for long-term care

**WAAN's Position:** Provide a permanent \$600,000 annual budget appropriation to make researched and proven health promotion programs available and accessible in counties and tribes statewide and for a statewide clearinghouse and support center.

### ✓ Transportation Support

To provide reliable, accessible, affordable transportation to help people stay independent

**WAAN's Position:** Improve transportation services by 1) including a 10% increase in transit and specialized transportation funding to counties and tribes and ongoing increases of at least 3.5% annually to account for accelerating population growth; 2) incentivizing coordination among local and state transportation systems; and 3) introducing legislation to clarify the insurance requirements of volunteer drivers and ensure protections under the Good Samaritan Law.



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### **Family Caregiver Support**


To provide physical, financial and emotional support for people caring for a friend or family member

**WAAN's Position:** Strengthen support for family caregivers by 1) passing the CARE Act; 2) creating a tax credit for family members spending personal resources to care for a loved one; and 3) expanding dementia care specialist services statewide.

### **Loneliness & Social Isolation Study**

To find solutions that prevent the negative health effects of loneliness and social isolation among older adults

**WAAN's Position:** Form a Joint Assembly and Senate Committee to study the issue of social isolation and create policy solutions to reduce isolation in the senior population in Wisconsin.

 **I care about these issues.  
I hope you do too.**

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### **About WAAN**

The Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network (WAAN) is a collaborative group of individuals and associations working with and for Wisconsin's older adults to shape public policy that improves the quality of life of older people throughout the state.

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