

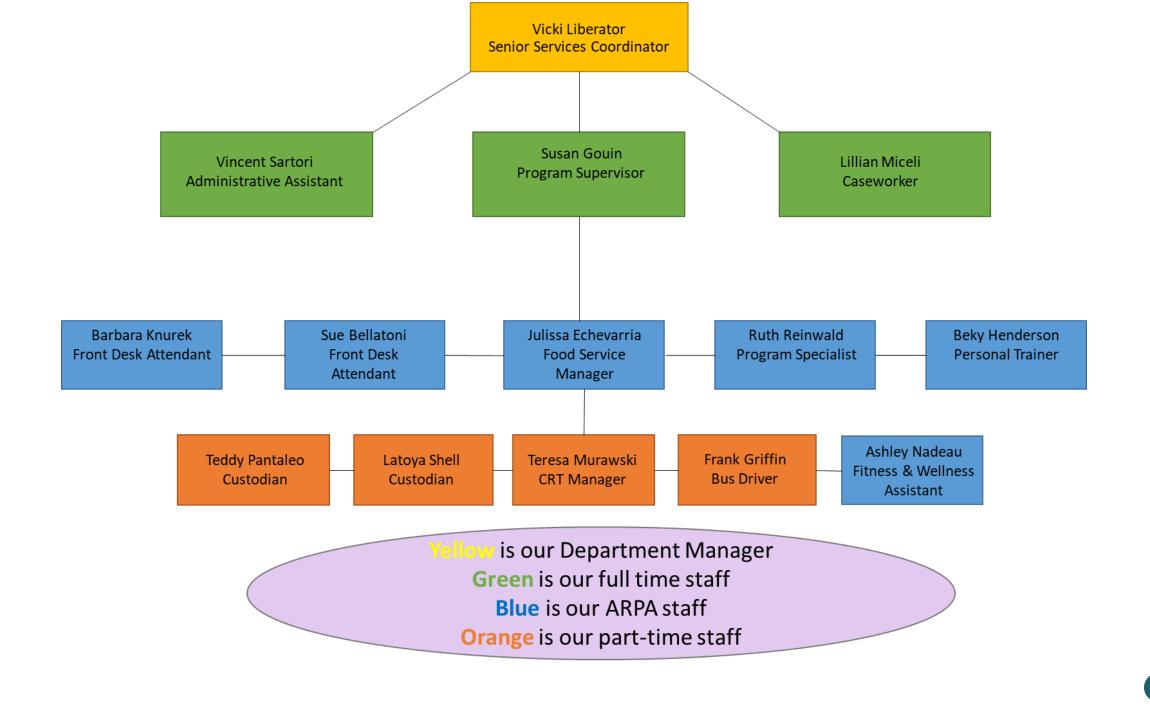


East Hartford Senior Services BUDGET PRESENTATION

FY 2023-2024

Healthy aging is a continuous process of optimizing opportunities to maintain and improve physical and mental health, independence, and quality of life throughout the life course.





DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION & SERVICES

- Senior Services mission is to safeguard and empower East Hartford older adults to sustain dignity, integrity, health, wellbeing and independence.
- Programming staff coordinates/oversees a variety of fitness classes, enrichment classes, health & wellness programs, educational programs, opportunities to be creative, special events, recreational events, billiards and cultural & social programs at the senior center.
- Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 am 4:30 pm, Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 am to 7:30 pm and Saturdays 9 am to Noon

> SENIOR SERVICES AT THE SENIOR CENTER

- Case Workers serve residents age fifty-five and older as well as their caregivers.
- Assisting with meeting basic needs, case management, crisis intervention, community education, referrals and caregiver consultations.
- Our Case Worker is a CHOICES Counselor & helps navigate the increasingly complex Medicare and Medicaid system.
- Since July 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023 our case workers have assisted 512 East Hartford Residents in need of services.

ENGAGING ACTIVITIES 07-01-22 TO 01-31-23



- As of January 31, 2023, 1,837 East Hartford members.
- A wide variety of programs are offered. New team activities, corn hole and pickle ball.
- Newsletters posted on web page, emailed to members and mailed out.

> AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE AT THE CENTER



AVERAGE PER WEEKDAY		AVERAGE F	AVERAGE PER DAY PER MONTH	
MONDAY – 8:30-4:30	158	JULY	159	
TUESDAY – 8:30-7:30	215	AUGUST	176	
WEDNESDAY – 8:30-4:30	203	SEPTEMBER	193	
THURSDAY – 8:30-7:30	218	OCTOBER	183	
FRIDAY – 8:30-4:30	173	NOVEMBER	180	
SATURDAY – 9:00-12:00	29	DECEMBER	151	
		JANUARY	176	



Programs at the Senior Center: Event Statistics July 2022 to January 2023



Classes & Workshops	1,465
Fitness/Exercise	8,886
Health Education	347
Health Screenings	202
Nutrition	5,265
Off-Site Excursions	140
Public Services	2,545
Recreation/Entertainment	8,044
Social Activity/Event	1,103
Special Events	929
Special Groups	165
Total Event Sign-ups	29,105

OUR FITNESS CENTER

- 422 seniors use fitness center with an average of 235 participants during the week & an average or 18 participants on Saturday.
- Personal Fitness Trainer who works 1-1 to design an exercise program specific for their needs, abilities & goals.
- Variety of group exercise classes to meet a wide range of fitness levels from beginners to advance. An average of 483 participants per month.





> NUTRITION & TRANSPORTATION



From 07-01-2022 to 01-31-2023

- 3,620 CRT meals served.
- Monthly "home cooked" meals are made every Wednesdays, 820 meals served.
- 748 weekend meals to go.
- Picnics, dinner dances & a variety of special events with 775 people attending.
- Café was visited by 3,520 members.
- Senior Center bus has provided Out Trips & transportation to the Senior Center for activities, 101 trips.
- Dial-A-Ride has provided 4,013 trips.



OUR VOLUNTEERS

130 active volunteers with 3,926 hours from July 1, 2021 to January 31, 2023.

• Equivalent of \$28,461.51 in pay.

 Volunteers help in the café, serve meals, greet & assist members, decorating/flower arranging, help in the gym & run programs.





> PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

- Partnering with Health and Human Services to expand needed social services throughout the community.
- Looking at creative ways to convert our ARPA staff to permanent part-time positions so we can continue to offer evening, weekend and meal programs.
- Working with CRT and utilizing volunteers to deliver MOW to homebound residents.
- Generate awareness of services for younger adults in our community to inform them of our evening & Saturday programs.





DEPARTMENT CHALLENGES

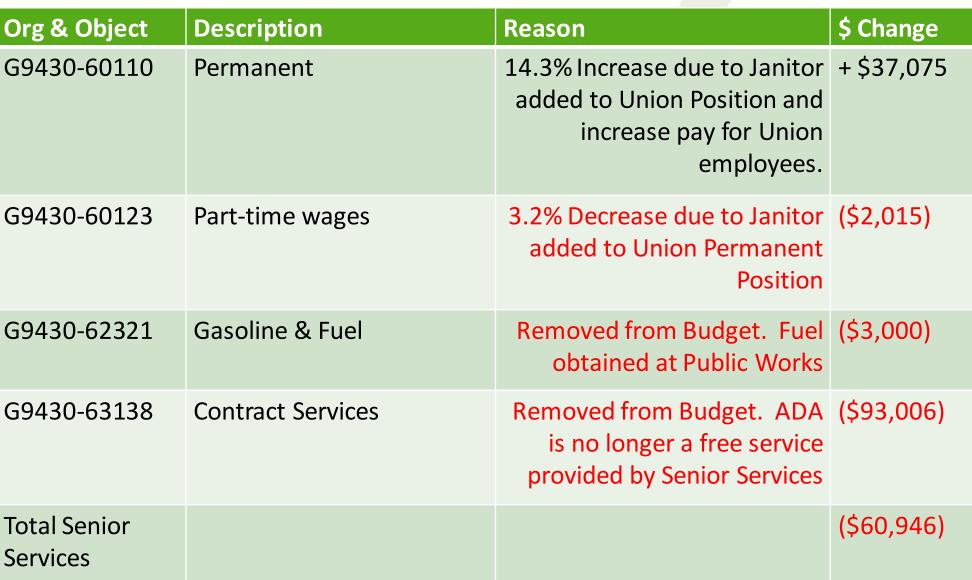
- To eradicate the stigma that the Senior Center is for old people and replace it with the idea that it is a welcoming place for all to help one age healthier.
- To promote a clear, positive and well articulated message of what our senior center can offer to a diverse group of active agers to keep them vibrant and involved.







BUDGET CHANGES









Thank you!