

# FULL CIRCLE

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Year in Review





Dear Friends of the West Chester Area Senior Center,

This past year has been one of meaningful transition, renewed energy, and forward momentum at the West Chester Area Senior Center. As I reflect on where we have been—and where we are headed—I am filled with gratitude, confidence, and optimism for the future of this remarkable community.

WCASC exists to be a vibrant hub for adults age 60+, offering connection, care, and countless ways to stay engaged. Over the last year, that mission has been strengthened by thoughtful leadership transitions at both the executive and board levels—changes that have positioned the Center not simply for stability, but for growth.

Leadership transitions can be pivotal moments for any organization. At WCASC, they have become catalysts. With renewed alignment between staff, Board leadership, and community partners, we have experienced what I can only describe as an upward spiral—one marked by increased engagement, clearer strategy, stronger governance, and a shared commitment to aging vibrantly, together.

Our Board of Directors has embraced this moment with vision and dedication, providing steady oversight while supporting innovation and long-term planning. Their leadership, alongside a talented and deeply committed staff team, has allowed us to strengthen our infrastructure while expanding the heart of what we do best: creating a welcoming, inclusive place where older adults find purpose, friendship, learning, and support.

Each day at WCASC, that impact is tangible. It is found around shared tables at our free, nutritious lunch program; in classrooms filled with curiosity and creativity; in fitness rooms where strength and confidence are built; and in quiet conversations where resources, reassurance, and human connection matter most. These moments reflect not just programs, but a community rooted in dignity, belonging, and joy.

As we look ahead, WCASC is future-focused and well-positioned. We are building the resources, partnerships, and systems needed to serve a growing and evolving older adult population in West Chester and surrounding communities. Guided by our mission and energized by our momentum, we are committed to continuous improvement, responsiveness, and impact.

Thank you—to our members, donors, volunteers, partners, and advocates—for believing in this Center and in the power of community at every stage of life. You are essential to our shared success. Together, we are shaping a future where aging is not diminished, but celebrated.

With gratitude and confidence,  
Leah M. Reynolds, M.S.P.L.  
Executive Director

## **Nourishing Body, Mind, and Community**

At the West Chester Area Senior Center, our programs are not “extras”—they are lifelines. Every day, our Center provides nourishment, movement, learning, and connection for older adults who rely on us not only for services, but for belonging.

### **Nourishing The Body – Food Security**

In fiscal year 2025, WCASC served more than 18,000 meals, ensuring that older adults in our community had consistent access to nutritious food. For many who walk through our doors, breakfast or lunch at the Center is the most substantial meal of their day. Just as vital, however, is the sense of connection that comes with it—shared tables, familiar faces, conversation, and care. Our meal program feeds both body and spirit, reducing isolation while strengthening community.

#### **Corner Cupboard: Food Security When It's Needed Most**

Each month, approximately 400 older adults rely on our Corner Cupboard for free, supplemental food support. For seniors living on fixed incomes, rising food and housing costs can quickly lead to impossible choices. The Corner Cupboard provides critical relief—supporting food security, financial stability, and peace of mind for some of our most vulnerable neighbors.

**18,000 Meals Served**

**400 Households/Month  
Received Assistance  
From the Food Cupboard**



## **Nourishing the Body – Fitness and Healthy Living**

Healthy aging requires opportunity, access, and encouragement. Last year, WCASC offered 565 group fitness classes, serving over 1,500 senior neighbors and supporting mobility, balance, strength, and independence. In addition, we hosted a wide range of preventive health programs, including 21 blood pressure screenings, a flu shot clinic, multiple hearing clinics, and more than 20 nutrition education programs. Together, these offerings help seniors remain active, informed, and empowered to manage their health.



## **Engaging the Mind, Building Connections**



Staying engaged is key to aging well. WCASC continues to expand programs that stimulate curiosity, creativity, and connection. From well-loved Uno gatherings, an active crocheting club, to book clubs, current-events discussion groups, and foreign language classes, our programs create space for learning, laughter, and lasting friendships. These opportunities combat isolation and ensure our members remain deeply connected to one another and to the broader community.

## Information, Referral And Technology Support

Navigating complex systems can be overwhelming—especially when access to reliable information is essential. WCASC provides trusted information and referral services, helping seniors understand Medicare options and access tax preparation assistance through long-standing partnerships with AARP, PA Medicare Education and Decision Insight (PA MEDI). In addition, our Technology Support Specialist offers individualized technology instruction, helping members build digital skills, stay connected with loved ones, and access vital online resources.



## Join Our Vibrant Community!

Individual Membership: \$50 per year

Household Membership (2 adults in the same household): \$70 per year

If cost is a concern, please let us know. Confidential Assistance is available.

**Go to <https://wcseniors.org/>**

## Members Who Serve: The Heart of WCASC



At the West Chester Area Senior Center, service does not flow in only one direction.

In the past year, 50 of our members also chose to volunteer, giving their time, talents, and care back to the very community that supports them. These individuals are living proof that aging is not a retreat from purpose—but a continuation of it.

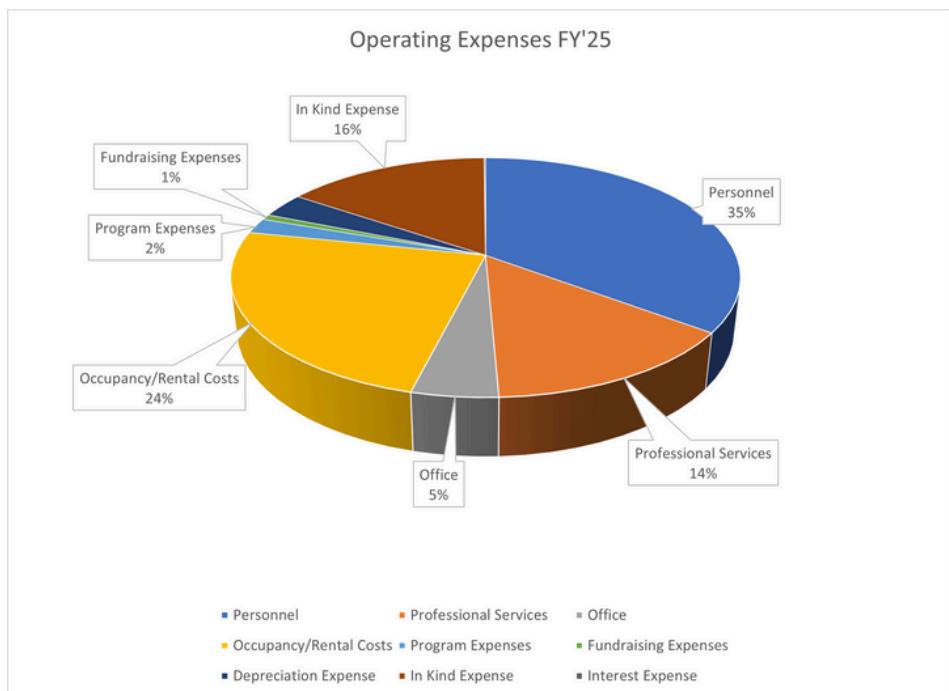
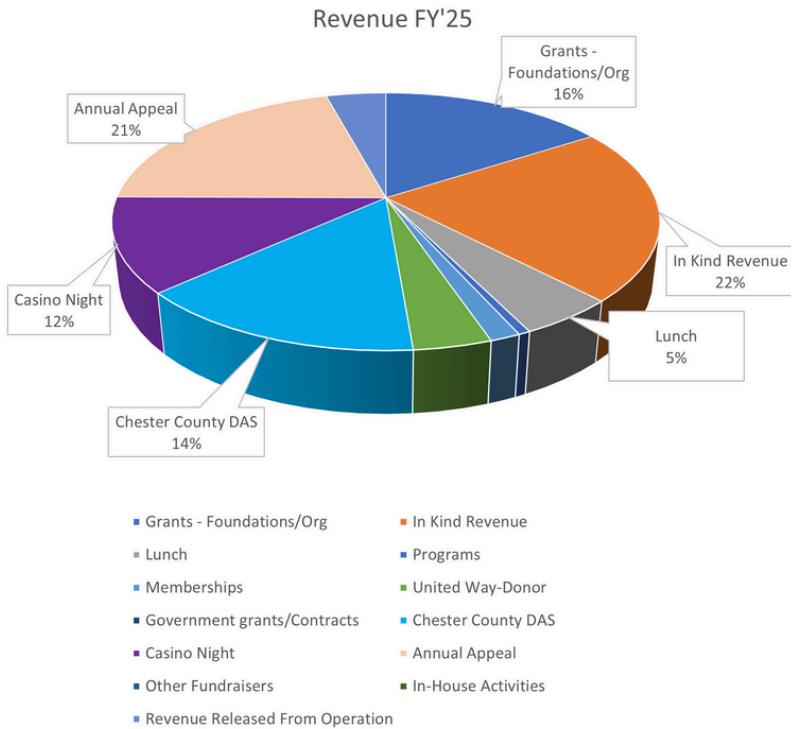
Our member-volunteers greet newcomers, support daily meals, assist in programs and special events, help organize activities, share skills, and offer a steady presence that makes the Center feel like home. They bring empathy born of lived experience, generosity shaped by gratitude, and leadership grounded in community.

Their contributions strengthen WCASC in ways that cannot be measured by hours alone. They build connections, foster belonging, and remind us that this Center is not simply a place where services are delivered—it is a place where people show up for one another.

To our 50 member-volunteers: you are the soul of WCASC. Thank you for all you give, and for all that you make possible.



# Financials



## Mission

The West Chester Area Senior Center, a non-profit organization, provides services and programs to persons sixty years or older without regard to race, color, creed, handicap, sex or national origin.

The Center serves the following Townships: East and West Goshen, Westtown, Thornbury, East Bradford, Willistown, Birmingham and the Borough of West Chester.

The Center is funded in part under a contract with the Chester County Department of Aging Services. Funding is also provided by the Chester County United Way, individual and group contributions, memorials, wills, and bequests.

All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Center's official registration may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free (within PA) 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



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