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AARP STATE FACT SHEET

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AARP is working to help Americans 50+ in Oregon live life to the fullest. We advocate for our members on critical priorities, such as strengthening Social Security, protecting seniors' access to their doctors, and ensuring all Americans have independence and choice as they age.

AARP serves as a one-stop resource for information on the age 50+ population in Oregon and public opinion research. In addition to serving as a clearinghouse for information about older Americans, we also offer programs and tools that help Americans age 50+ make the best decisions about their health and financial security. We hope the data below and the programs on the reverse side will be helpful to you and your constituents.

Oregon at a Glance

AARP Members

Total number of AARP members in Oregon: over 500,000

Social Security

Social Security Beneficiariesⁱ: 734,841

Retireesⁱ: 504,280

Widow(er)sⁱ: 53,133

Disabled Workersⁱ: 102,606

Social Security recipients who rely on Social Security for 90% or more of their incomeⁱⁱ: 21.8%

Social Security recipients who rely on Social Security for 50% or more of their incomeⁱⁱ: 52.1%

Medicare

Total Medicare Beneficiariesⁱⁱⁱ: 653,905

Long-Term Services and Supports

Percent of Medicaid spending for home and community-based services (HCBS)^{iv}: 59%

Percent of Medicaid spending for nursing homes^v: 41%

Estimated number of family caregivers at any time during the year^v: 678,000

Unpaid contributions of family caregivers are valued at^v: \$5.5 billion

AARP: Helping Americans 50+ Live Their Best Lives

AARP is working to ensure Americans 50+ have choice, control and independence through every stage of their lives.

Finding A Job

Work Reimagined responds to the needs of millions of people 50+ who are looking for meaningful, purposeful work. Work Reimagined is based on social networks. The website leverages the LinkedIn platform and includes specific job information, access to original and curated content, and

Real Possibilities

advice and insights relevant to experienced workers in today's job market. The website can be found at www.workreimagined.org.

Preparing For Your Retirement

AARP is helping Americans prepare for retirement by providing a retirement calculator that will allow them to answer key questions: Am I saving enough? When can I afford to stop working? How long will my money last? The calculator can be found at www.aarp.org/retirementcalculator.

Preserving Your Independence And Choices

Decide.Create.ShareSM is AARP's national campaign dedicated to increasing awareness among boomer women about long-term care planning. The campaign website offers timely, relevant news on long-term care, interactive tools and information tailored to women interested in planning for their long-term care, including glossaries, polls, and an online community for women who are considering their options and planning for their future. Go to: www.aarp.org/decide.

Driving Safely As You Age

Even though older drivers are generally safe drivers, cars have changed. So have traffic rules, driving conditions, and the roads we drive on every day. Older drivers can sharpen their driving skills and refresh their knowledge of the rules of the road by taking the **AARP Driver Safety Program** classroom or online course. To learn more visit www.aarp.org/drive or call 1-888-AARP NOW (1-888-227-7669). Also available is the **Getting Around Guide** (www.aarp.org/gettingaround) for those who no longer drive or are interested in going "car-lite."

Free Tax Help

AARP Tax-Aide is the nation's largest free, volunteer-run tax preparation and assistance service for low- and moderate-income taxpayers. In 2010, 1,100 Tax-Aide volunteers helped 55,000 Oregonians file their federal and state returns. AARP clients in Oregon received \$58,000,000 (million) in tax refunds. Tax-Aide sites are located across the state from January 2 through April 15. Visit www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/ for a site near you.

Drive to End Hunger

Ten percent of Oregon's 65+ population are food insecure. Hunger at any age is unacceptable and this problem can be solved. AARP Foundation's *Drive to End Hunger* works to keep vulnerable low-income people age 50+ from falling into poverty or to help them climb out. AARP Oregon is partnering with local hunger outreach groups to stock shelves at food banks and to bring this issue to the forefront and to find long-term solutions to the problem of hunger.

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