

Questions During Open Enrollment? Make an Appointment with a SHINE Counselor today!



Medicare Open Enrollment is happening now through December 7. During this time period, Medicare beneficiaries have the opportunity to make changes to their Medicare Prescription Drug or Medicare Advantage plans.

Our SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) program encourages beneficiaries to review their benefits each year for a variety of reasons. They offer free and unbiased counseling year-round.

Schedule your appointment today with one of our SHINE counselors who can help you review your plan and make an educated and informed decision about your healthcare. We provide free and unbiased SHINE counseling in seven different Northeast Florida counties.

To find out where a SHINE Counselor is available at in your area, visit Floridashine.org. You can also visit our website myeldersource.org or call our Helpline for more information 1-888-242-4464 (M-F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Ways to Give to ElderSource

Giving season is officially in the air. Did you know there are several ways you can contribute donations to our agency? Listed below are a few unique ways you can give back to ElderSource this season with just a click of a button. It's just that easy.

Amazon Smile

As you shop online this holiday season, keep Amazon Smile and ElderSource in mind.

When you shop with Amazon Smile, a percent of your

purchase will be donated to ElderSource. (*We are listed as Friends of ElderSource)

[Click here to find out how you can shop and donate.](#)



Cards for Causes

Purchase customized holiday cards for your friends and loved ones from Cards for Causes. From your purchase ElderSource will receive a 20% donation.



[Click here to purchase cards](#)

Giving Tuesday

We hope your calendars are marked for Giving Tuesday on November 27, 2018. GivingTuesday is a global giving movement that has been built by individuals, families, organizations, businesses and communities in countries around the world. Millions of people have come together to support and champion the causes they believe in and the communities in which they live.



Donate to ElderSource on GivingTuesday to help support our mission to serve more seniors and caregivers in the community. With your help, we will be able to reach more seniors in need of our resources and services. Having the right tools and information, makes a big difference in helping a senior to maintain their dignity and independence.

[Click here to learn more about GivingTuesday](#)

Mission in Action: A Furnished Home



ElderSource takes pride in having our mission come to life as we serve seniors and caregivers in the community. Our agency values being able to provide excellent and responsive service. Ms. Della's story is a great example of ElderSource's mission in action.

Ms. Della (*pictured left*) moved to Jacksonville from Atlanta after her senior living facility became infested with bed bugs and other insects. Because of this she was forced to throw away all of her furniture when she moved.

Ms. Della found an apartment in Jacksonville; however the rent was half of her Social Security income which was her only monthly income. The only furniture she had when she moved into her apartment was a reclining chair and plastic crates which she used to hold her clothing and to create end tables for her apartment.

For several months she slept on an air mattress until it broke, leaving her with only her reclining chair to sleep in. Sleeping in the reclining chair prevented her from getting proper rest which impacted Ms. Della's health. The ElderSource Senior to Senior Program helped Ms. Della purchase a sofa, end tables, bed and dresser for her apartment. Now her newly-furnished apartment is comfortable and complete.

The Senior to Senior Program was established in 2009 by J. Wayne and Delores Barr Weaver to help seniors in an unexpected financial crisis.

You can help ElderSource reach more seniors like Ms. Della in the community. Her story is not unlike many others we hear all year long of seniors who need our assistance. Donate to ElderSource today to help us connect with more seniors in the community who could use our resources and services to help live their best lives of dignity and independence.

[Click here to donate!](#)

Shining Stars and Leading Lights!



With over 220 guests in attendance, the 2018 *A Night with the Stars* was an amazing evening of celebration honoring caregivers and elder advocates in the community who make a difference in the lives of the seniors they serve.

ElderSource recognized over 40 Luminary nominees and 26 Luminary winners.



[Click here to take a look at all the Luminary Award winners.](#)

Congratulations again to the 2018 Delores Barr Weaver Elder Advocate Award honorees, Senator Aaron Bean and Representative Travis Cummings.

You are invited to download photos from the event for FREE. [Click here to view the photo gallery. All downloads are free.](#)

Thank you again to all our event sponsors:

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Share It! Record It!

StoryCorps is coming to Jacksonville Nov. 18 through Dec. 21. A StoryCorps interview gives you the chance to share a conversation with a friend, family member or colleague about their lives. StoryCorps' mission is to preserve and share humanity's stories in order to build connections between people and create a more compassionate world. For 40 minutes, you have the opportunity to ask the questions that really matter.



Wouldn't now be a great time to ask your grandparents about their lives, jobs or family history? Conversations are recorded and stored in the Library of Congress. StoryCorps is brought to our city in conjunction with WJCT Public Broadcasting.

[Learn more here!](#)

[Not familiar with StoryCorps? Listen to some stories.](#)

Jacksonville Senior Expo November 13-14, 2018



**Wednesday and Thursday
November 13-14, 2018
9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Daily
Free admission and parking
Morocco Shrine Auditorium 3800
St. John's Bluff 32224**

Join the City of Jacksonville for two days devoted to sharing Jacksonville's programs, resources and services available to senior citizens and their families. For more information call (904) 630-7392.

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ElderSource values all people – including but not limited to all nationalities, socio-economic backgrounds, abilities, races, genders, religious perspectives, sexual orientations and gender identities – in everything we do. We welcome the unique insights and perspectives of all persons in our quest to fulfill our mission.

