



IIIE Caregiver Resource Center (CRC) Program Description

Program Description

The Caregiver Resource Center (CRC) is a clearly identifiable center that provides a range of caregiver services to family and non-parent relative caregivers (Grandparents Raising Grandchildren). AgeGuide will designate the CRC to be the primary resource within a given county for caregivers to access Caregiver Resource Center services.

The CRC will, at minimum, provide Access Assistance which includes Tailored Caregiver Assessment & Referral (TCARE), Respite and Gap-Filling services.

NOTES:

Tailored Caregiver Assessment and Referral (TCARE) is available to caregivers who are providing care to older adults with chronic or acute health conditions and caregivers of persons 18 and older with intellectual & developmental disabilities (IDD).

In this document the term “caregiver” applies to both family caregivers and non-parent relatives raising children (Grandparent Raising Grandchildren). As of the 2016 Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, the following specific populations of caregivers are eligible to receive services:

- Adult family members or other informal caregivers age 18 and older providing care to individuals 60 years of age and older
- Adult family members or other informal caregivers age 18 and older providing care to individuals of any age with Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders
- Older relatives (not parents) age 55 and older providing care to children under the age of 18; and
- Older relatives, including parents, age 55 and older providing care to adults ages 18-59 with disabilities

CRC Service Funding Allocation Requirements: The Access Assistance allocation provides TCARE caregiver assessments that are needed to determine a care plan and how much Respite and Gap-Filling service the caregiver might need. Every dollar spent on Access Assistance is a dollar not able to be used for Respite or Gap-Filling services. Therefore, salaries and other expenses by the CRC are to come from the Access Assistance allocation. In order to provide as much direct service to caregivers as possible, the CRC agency shall use a maximum of 35% of their total CRC Service Share for Access Assistance.



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CRC providers are encouraged to work with additional community organizations that provide services to older adults, people with Alzheimer’s disease or other related dementias, relatives raising children and individuals with disabilities.

Service Design

To continue the goal of fostering a family caregiver, relative raising children (Grandparent Raising Grandchildren) service system in Illinois, agencies will be funded to provide the following CRC core services:

1. Access Assistance (which includes TCare)
2. Respite
3. Gap-Filling

If a current grantee is awarded the grant they are required to serve persons and units for FY22 as stated below:

Access Assistance: (Includes TCARE)

| <u>County Projection</u> | <u>Persons</u> | <u>Units</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| DuPage | 2150 | 3800 |
| Grundy | 100 | 225 |
| Kane | 4000 | 4000 |
| Kankakee | 225 | 800 |
| Kendall | 700 | 700 |
| Lake | 700 | 2100 |
| McHenry | 1500 | 1500 |
| Will | 680 | 1160 |



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Respite:

| <u>County Projection</u> | <u>Persons</u> | <u>Units</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| DuPage | 180 | 3500 |
| Grundy | 20 | 405 |
| Kane | 80 | 3300 |
| Kankakee | 9 | 420 |
| Kendall | 20 | 725 |
| Lake | 170 | 7000 |
| McHenry | 32 | 1400 |
| Will | 100 | 5400 |

Gap-Filling:

| <u>County Projection</u> | <u>Persons</u> | <u>Units</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| DuPage | 190 | 190 |
| Grundy | 23 | 23 |
| Kane | 90 | 90 |
| Kankakee | 65 | 65 |
| Kendall | 20 | 20 |
| Lake | 75 | 75 |
| McHenry | 35 | 35 |
| Will | 50 | 50 |