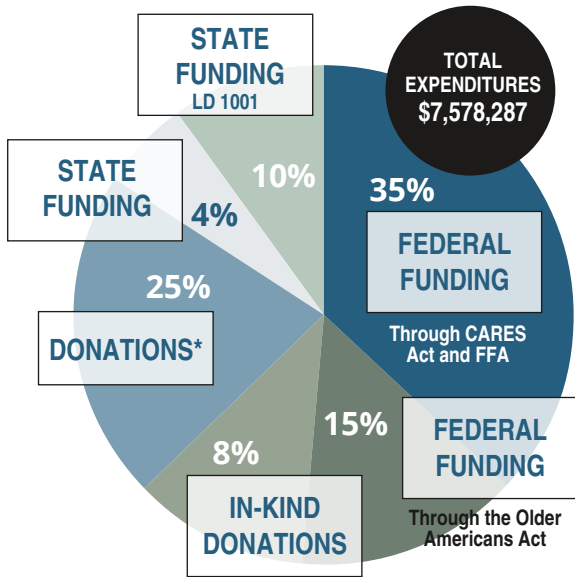




Maine Association of  
Area Agencies on Aging

# Meals On Wheels

## Vital to Older Adults in Maine



\*Corporate, individual, foundations, and municipal donations

The hybrid funding for Meals-On-Wheels makes it a successful public-private partnership. State funding **MUST** be increased so that the Area Agencies on Aging can continue to meet the hunger demand and take care of older Mainers.

The Area Agencies on Aging have collectively supported thousands of older adults over the past year by delivering nutritious meals and safety checks.

- Maine's older adult population is growing at a rapid pace.
- Older adults living at or below poverty are twice as likely to have to live in expensive long-term care facilities or rely on caregivers.
- The Meals on Wheels program prevents hospitalizations, improves safety, and combats social isolation for older adults.

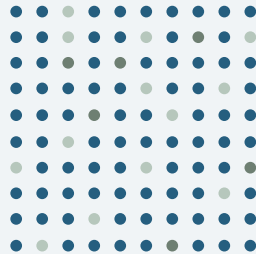


**The pandemic has doubled the demand for the Meals on Wheels program... and the demand is not going away.**

### Older Adults Served



**5,246**  
2018-2019



**10,120**  
2019-2020

### 2019-2020 Numbers



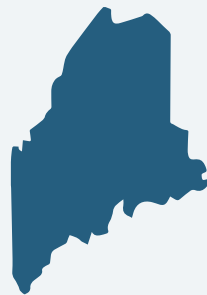
**838 Volunteers**  
**45,593 Hours**  
Equivalent to \$1,159,430  
in donated time.



**Meals Served**  
2018-2019: 661,286  
2019-2020: 985,473



### Maine Older Adults Quick Facts



- Older adult Population: **369,485 (28%)**
- Older adults living alone: **92,716 (25%)**
- Older adults living in poverty: **32,887 (9%)**
- Older adults threatened by hunger: **57,270 (16%)**

