



# Macomb County Board of Commissioners

## OLDER ADULT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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### 2025 First Quarter Report

#### Meetings

- 3 meetings total - January, February, March
  - 2 meetings held at the Macomb County Administration Building in the BOC Conference Room
  - 1 meeting held at the Clinton Township Senior Center
    - Increased public participation
- Increased commissioner attendance at all meetings

#### Highlights

- Adopted the 2025 meeting schedule to include 3 offsite meetings at senior centers throughout Macomb County
  - March – Clinton Township
  - June – TBD
  - October – TBD
- Received updates from the Social Isolation Study Subcommittee which led to in-depth discussions on the study's objective, methods, questions and means of distribution
- Created the District Reports from Members section as a standing discussion section on all agendas in order to regularly share information and events happening in members' districts

#### Committee Function

- Relative to its function, as stated in Resolution 17-500, 3.A.1, to review and be aware of local agencies, their programs, and impact on older adults, the OAAC:
  - Gained knowledge of opportunities, programs and events available for seniors offered through the Clinton Township Senior Center
- Relative to its function, as stated in Resolution 17-500, 3.A.2, the OAAC learned about challenges, trends, concerns and opportunities affecting older adults in the County including:
  - Received study results and supporting data from the Wayne State University Institute of Gerontology regarding addressing isolation and loneliness in the aging population
  - Received information from the Detroit Zoo regarding senior programming and events

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**Commissioner James M. Perna – Older Adult Advisory Committee Vice Chair**

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