

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FY 2027 Caregiver Services Mini-Grants

AgeWays is soliciting applications for caregiver services (including Kinship Care) specific to Caregiver Education, Caregiver Training, & Respite Services in Fiscal Year 2027. The grant period is November 16, 2026 – September 30, 2027. The total available allocation of funding is \$100,000.

Services must be provided to caregivers or care recipients who reside in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, or Washtenaw Counties.

Application materials can be found on the AgeWays website at: www.ageways.org. Applications are due by Friday, October 16, 2026 (by 5:00 p.m.) *Late applications will not be accepted*

Guidelines:

- Organizations interested in providing caregiver education, caregiver training, or respite services to eligible caregivers and/or kinship caregivers within Region 1B may apply for funding to support caregiver services.
- Applicants do not need to be a current AgeWays contractor or vendor to apply for funding. Priority will be given to agencies with non-profit status.
- Organizations applying for funding must not be suspended or debarred from receiving state or federal funds.
- Applicants can apply for up to \$20,000 in funding. Successful applicants will receive the approved funding amount at the start of the grant period. Funding must be expensed by September 30, 2027.
- Funding must be used to support caregivers or kinship caregivers through caregiver education, caregiver training, or respite services. Services must support unpaid and/or family caregivers – funding is not available for paid caregivers or direct care workers.
- Prior to applying for funding, organizations should refer to the AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services Request for Proposals and Operating Standards Manual for Caregiver Services Mini Grants for program guidelines and requirements.
- AgeWays priorities for funding include:
 - Memory Cafes – respite service
 - Dementia Friendly Movies/Activities - respite service
 - Caregiver Training – training that is held for a full day or over multiple days
 - Caregiver Education – educational sessions that are held once – less than a full day

Responses to RFP:

Organizations may apply for funding to provide more than one caregiver service up to \$20,000 each. An application and all required documents must be submitted for each service being applied for.

A complete application must include the following components:

- Application Narrative, Budget and Match Letter – Application & budget template can be found on the AgeWays website at: www.ageways.org
- Articles of Incorporation, if not a current AgeWays contractor or vendor
- Certificate of Insurance, if not a current AgeWays contractor or vendor

A complete electronic copy of the application must be sent to caregiverservices@ageways.org by the due date. Late applications will not be accepted.

Tentative Timeline:

Application materials released:	September 29, 2026
Application materials due:	October 16, 2026
Award/Denial Letters Mailed:	October 29, 2026
Contract Period Begins:	November 16, 2026
Grant Period Ends:	September 30, 2027

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