

The Administration for Community Living's
2016 Lifespan Respite Care Program Grant

Awarded To
The Department of Human Resources (DHR),
Through the Social Services Administration's (SSA),
Office of Adult Services (OAS)

Grant Purpose: To implement the requirements of the Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2006

Maryland's Goal: Establish a **Lifespan Respite Care Program** that will provide families caring for individuals across the lifespan and disability spectrum with knowledge and resources to support loved ones and themselves, coupled with improved and timely access to respite care services.

Objectives of the **Lifespan Respite Care Program** are:

- **Impact the existing respite care system by increasing access to Emergency Respite Care to families in need of immediate assistance across the lifespan.**
- **Establish a Consortium that will work toward increasing training and social opportunities for Caregivers and their loved ones across the state.**
- **Partner with Faith-based organizations and postsecondary education programs to foster the development of well-qualified respite care providers and expand capacity of volunteer options.**
- **Improve access to Respite Care information through a partnership with Maryland Access Point and the development of a Universal Application for Respite Care**

Be a part of creating enhanced services to family caregivers and their loved ones across the Lifespan. Together we can make it happen.

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