

# FACT SHEET



## OUR MISSION

Helping Hands of Vegas Valley is a non-profit whose mission is to improve the quality of life for senior citizens and their families in order to maintain their dignity and independence.

## OUR VISION

To continue to try and ensure all seniors throughout Southern Nevada have food, transportation, and other vital necessities.

## OUR WORK

HHOVV provides no cost assistive services to very low-income, frail and disabled seniors. We focus on three key difficulties facing seniors who are living in poverty in Southern Nevada: access to sufficient food, access to transportation and receiving dedicated in-home care. Over 3,000 seniors throughout the greater Las Vegas area are served annually through HHOVV programs. All programs and services are provided free of charge.



# OUR PROGRAMS

### TRANSPORTATION

**We provide transport to important medical appointments**

*Provides more than 9,000 rides annually*

### FOOD PANTRY

**We deliver 15-20 pounds of fresh and non-perishable food to housebound seniors**

*Pantry Program feeds more than 500 low-income seniors each month*

### RESPIRE CARE

**We provide temporary relief for caregivers to preserve their physical and mental well-being**

*Respite Program Vouchers provide over 600 resident caregivers with a respite from their responsibilities.*

### MINOR HOME REPAIR

**We provide minor home repair services such as minor plumbing and appliance repair.**

## Our Needs

- ♥ Additional Volunteer Drivers – Our program serves over 800 seniors through the generous support of volunteers who donate their time and vehicles.
- ♥ Food Pantry Volunteers – Our program feeds over 500 seniors monthly with hundreds of additional seniors on a waiting list.
- ♥ Host A Food Drive – A food drive is a wonderful way to partner with HHOVV and get food to hungry seniors in Southern Nevada.
- ♥ An HHOVV food drive host can help coordinate and make the food drive easy.

## Funding

- ♥ HHOVV is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Funded by State and local grants.
- ♥ Funded by the generous financial and in-kind support of individuals, charitable organizations, and corporations.

# Services are provided at *NO COST*, allowing senior citizens to remain independent.

## Our Story

Established in 2000, Helping Hands of Vegas Valley began its support for those in need by providing transportation to a small segment of the elderly population. More than fifteen years later, our Transportation Program serves 800 seniors by utilizing a team of volunteers who drive their own cars and wheelchair capable multi-passenger vehicles. Volunteers who donate their time and vehicles to transport seniors to important medical appointments provide the majority of the rides. Sadly, an additional 800 seniors remain on a waiting list to receive transportation assistance.

In 2011, what began as a “Holiday Basket” program to provide food to needy seniors turned into an expanded food pantry delivery service. Today, our Pantry Program feeds over 800 seniors monthly, and that number is



steadily increasing, as hundreds remain on our waiting list. With the support of a team of dedicated volunteers, monthly deliveries of between 15 to 20 pounds of nonperishable food, fresh produce, and paper goods are made to homebound clients. The program enables some of Nevada’s poorest seniors to rise above a state of food insecurity, affording them additional funds to spend on other essential life necessities. Still, hundreds of food insecure seniors remain on our waiting list.

Proudly, our Respite Care Voucher Program provides vouchers to over 600 resident caregivers of seniors who are in need of constant in-home care. This voucher of up to \$1,000 allows the caregiver to either employ someone as a temporary replacement or place their loved one in a skilled facility for a short time, giving them a needed respite from their responsibilities.

## Our Five-Year Goals:



- ♥ **Transportation Services** – to eliminate our ever-expanding waiting list to ensure that seniors have the transportation they want, when they need it.
- ♥ **Pantry Program** – to triple the number of seniors served and expand our program to provide more fresh food and other nutritional offerings.
- ♥ **Respite Care** – to reduce our waiting list and expand our program to ensure that caregivers have the physical and mental well-being support so that they can effectively care for a loved one.
- ♥ **Funding** – to become more fiscally self-sufficient and less reliant on government funding.

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