

# 2017—18 BY THE NUMBERS



## Community Impact Report *Moving Mathews County Forward*

We believe a healthy community consists of numerous vital conditions—*basic needs for health and safety, good education for all, meaningful work and financial security, humane housing, healthy environment, reliable transportation, community partnerships and social supports people need to thrive.* Bay Aging is proud to contribute to the economic vitality of the communities we serve by partnering with county leaders, community organizations, and local businesses to leverage services for community good.



### BAY HEALTH A DIVISION OF BAY AGING

Bay Aging leveraged \$13,626 from Mathews County to deliver \$210,381 in services.

- 149 seniors are living healthier lives in their own homes because volunteers delivered them 17,409 nutritious meals
- 2,644 people of all ages were able to make more informed decisions and improve their lives through options counseling, education, insurance counseling, and other programs and services
- 18 seniors received 7,134 hours of in-home and personal care services including wellness checks, and education about chronic disease care management is helping to keep them out of the hospital longer and saving on health costs



### BAY HOUSING A DIVISION OF BAY AGING

Bay Aging leveraged \$3,724 from Mathews County to deliver \$589,407 in housing services.

- 5 families are living in homes made healthier and safer through emergency home repair and weatherization services
- 15 people—4 of whom are seniors—are living in 9 safe, decent and affordable homes through the Housing Choice Voucher Program



### BAY TRANSIT A DIVISION OF BAY AGING

Bay Aging leveraged \$36,975 from Mathews County with \$68,688 in state and federal funds to provide \$105,643 in transportation services.

- 5,948 rides
- 47% of total ridership for people going to work
- Residents also used Bay Transit to access health care, education, polling places, retail and other county services

#### OTHER ECONOMIC IMPACTS:

12 Bay Aging employees live in Mathews County and/or work in the county

Insurance counseling helped 8 seniors save \$44,664 in health care costs

374 volunteers donated 8,953 hours of service, a \$239,493 savings to the county

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# Spotlight on Success



Mr. B. is a 73 year old veteran living with his wife in Mathews County. Mr. B. suffers from late stage dementia, renal failure and heart problems. His dementia causes him to refuse or forget to use his walker or cane for mobility support so this means he needs constant supervision and hands-on assistance. His mobility is quite poor and was falling frequently because Mrs. B. could not always help him. In addition, he would frequently wander away if left alone for any period and become argumentative or combative when people he did not know tried to help him.

In order for him to live at home safely, he requires constant supervision and physical assistance. Mrs. B. was becoming extremely overwhelmed by the care he required as she could no longer run to the store or leave him alone for one minute without worrying about what her husband may do.

Without the Veteran Directed Care program Mr. B. would have been placed in a long-term care facility years ago due to dementia. However through the program, Mrs. B. was able to employ several aides to assist with his care and provide her with much needed and well deserved respite. The ability to designate and employ aides Mr. B. is comfortable with and trusts has been the key to his ability to continue to live safely at home where he truly wants to be.

Rather than being placed in a home, Mr. B.'s aides make sure he can enjoy being outside in his own yard with his dogs and enjoying the fresh air and nature. He is living with as much dignity as possible, in his own home for as long as possible.

