

## East Baton Rouge Council on Aging | Annual Report







Fiscal Year April 2022 – April 2023

# SUPPORTING INDEPENDENCE SERVING SENIORS

The EBRCOA is mandated by the Older Americans Act (OAA), to respond to the needs of Americans aged 60 and over in the local community with the goal of keeping seniors living independently in their own homes. AAAs plan and provide social services and nutrition services for elders, and support for caregivers.

#### Governance

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is both an Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and a Council on Aging (COA). EBRCOA is governed by the Administration of Aging which is responsible for enforcing the Older Americans Act and the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA) which manages the Louisiana State Plan on Aging. The EBRCOA is allocated funding through the Area Plan which is a grant application the agency submits to the GOEA for the period of fiscal years 2022 – 2025.

### **Performance Expectations**

The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA) has provided the following performance indicators as a means of measuring COA performance.

 Increase the number of older persons who have access to an integrated array of health and social supports;

• Increase the number of older persons who stay active and healthy;

• Increase the number of families who are supported in their efforts to care for their loved ones at home and in the community; and

 Increase the number of older people who benefit from programs that protect their rights and prevent elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation. • Facilitate leadership in developing and improving transportation options for the elderly in the Public Service Area and;

• Providing assistance with applying for benefits and programs.

• The seventh and final goal is to educate consumers on services provided by Ombudsman and display and distribute flyers provided by GOEA, and provide opportunities for Ombudsman to speak to staff and clients about the service to promote awareness.

## Chief Executive Officer | Message



Team EBRCOA came back from the pandemic with a vengeance! We dove back into all services with renewed focus and dedication. This fiscal year was transformative for the agency.

We continued to adapt to the lingering effects of Covid-19 while pushing forward with expansion plans and continuing to deliver on the pillars of the millage. After much anticipation, The Lotus Village Senior Living Community opened and offers seniors a safe, affordable housing option in the heart of the parish.

Team EBRCOA relocated to the new Lotus Headquarters equipped with a brand new fully functional commercial kitchen and office spaces designed to meet the burgeoning needs of administration and staff.

The seniors of the parish ventured outside and enrolled at our 21 senior centers in record numbers. Seniors were eager to meet new peers, learn new hobbies, and engage in a plethora of parish-wide activities such as Senior Skip Day, Thanksgiving Dinner & Dance, vaccination clinics, and movie days.

This year the agency has also reached a significant milestone. We celebrated our 50th anniversary and are honored to serve the wonderful people of East Baton Rouge Parish. I sincerely thank all the citizens of



East Baton Rouge Parish, the EBRCOA Board of Directors, the EBRCOA staff, our partners, and all of our supporters!

This Annual Report reflects the growth of our services and provides insight into our focus during the most recent fiscal year. We will continue to serve as a beacon of change for the elders of this community. We are committed to remaining accessible and informed on aging trends and services.

Sincerely,

Tasha Clark-Amar Chief Executive Officer



State Representative C. Denise Marcelle, Board Chairwoman

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**1,577** Total Seniors at

Total Seniors at Congregate Sites





Material Aid





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## **EBRCOA AUDITED FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

Twelve Months Ending June 30, 2022

	AS OF JUNE 30, 2022
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:	
Government Grants/ Property Tax/In-Kind	13,287,197
Public Contributions	42,413
Interest/Other Income	434,836
Total Support and Revenue:	13,764,446
EXPENSES:	
Programs and Overhead	5,420,678
Operating Services	2,444,993
Operating Supplies	461,644
Kitchen Operations/Other Costs	3,979,913
Capital Outlay	6,809,932
Interest	68,017
Total Expenses:	19,185,177
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	
Proceeds from long-term debt	2,668,765
Change in Net Assets **	(2,751,966)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	3,506,321
Net Assets, End of Year	754,355

\*\* Completion of construction on commercial kitchen and headquarters.

Information taken from EBRCOA Audited Financial Statement as of June 30, 2022 Audited by L.A. Champagne & Co. LLP - Certified Public Accountants







The **East Baton Rouge Council on Aging** is celebrating an amazing milestone – 50 years of serving seniors! Happy Birthday to us! During these 50 years, EBRCOA has grown at an exponential rate which gives credence to the importance of the services we provide daily to the seniors of EBR Parish. The momentum behind our successful organization is undoubtedly Team EBRCOA who are committed to personifying our mission to serve seniors and to support their independence.

Serving Seniors and Supporting Independence is more than an agency mission, it's a daily way of life. We would like to thank our community partners, sponsors, Board of Directors, Senior Advisory Board, and our team for your continued support as we serve the seniors of EBR Parish.



## AGENCY SENIOR CENTERS

## WHAT WE DO MATTERS

Antioch Senior Center 7140 East Antioch Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70817 Phone: 225-246-7994

**Baker Senior Center** 3334 Jefferson St. Baker, LA 70714 Phone: 225-366-6432

Ben Burge Senior Center 9350 Antigua Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70810 Phone: 225-228-2670

**Central Lotus Activity Center** 11111 Park Place, Suite C Central, LA 70818 Phone: 225-615-8339

**Chaneyville Senior Center** 13211 Jackson Rd. Zachary, LA 70791 Phone: 225-286-4101

**Charles R. Kelly Senior Center** 3939 Riley St. Baton Rouge, LA 70805 Phone: 225-389-5464 **Dumas House Senior Center** 1313 North Sherwood Forest Baton Rouge, LA 70815 Phone: 225-388-5646

**Greater King David Senior Center** 131 Elmer Ave. Baton Rouge, LA 70807 Phone: 225-775-4996

**Highland Road Senior Center** 14024 North Amiss Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70810 Phone: 225-454-4773

Homewood Aquatic Senior Center 3654 Granada Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70810 Phone: 225-636-5611

Jewel J. Newman Senior Center 2013 Central Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70707 Phone: 225-239-7796

Leo S. Butler Senior Center 950 Lorri Burgess Ave. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 225-344-6775 Pearl George Senior Center 4000 Gus Young Ave. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 225-389-5611

Perkins Road Senior Center 7122 Perkins Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70808 Phone: 225-302-9662

**The Lotus Center** 1701 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 225-923-8000

Zachary Lotus Activity Center 6363 Main Street, Suite L Zachary, LA 70791 Phone: 225-306-4102



#### AGENCY FEEDING SITES

**OLOL Senior Residential Living** 7565 Bishop Ott Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: 225-223-6559

**Catholic Presbyterian Apartments** 655 North St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 225-383-5551 Sharlo Terrace I & II 4915 Alvin Dark Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 225-346-0215

**Turner Plaza Apt.** 4546 North St. Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: 225-923-8114

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