

# JANUARY 2026

# THE SOURCE

## COUNCIL ON AGING

### In this issue:

- Community Food Drive @ the COA on January 10<sup>th</sup>
- COA Programs
- Cold Weather Rule
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program
- Low Income Energy Assistance Program Update
- Pet Friendly Winter Tips
- Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period
- COA Trips for March and April

### Our Programs

- Chore Assistance
- Errand & Shopping Support
- Information & Assistance
- Legal Service
- Leisure & Learning Program
- Nutrition Program
- Pets & Loving Seniors Program (PALS)
- Pet2Vet Program
- Prescription Drop Off
- Senior Health Insurance Counseling
- Social Services
- Support Groups
- Telephone & Visiting Support
- Senior Express Transportation



Live Well. Age Well.

711 Marshall Street, Suite 100

Leavenworth, KS 66048

Phone: 913.684.0777

Fax: 913.684.0779

Transportation: 913.684.0778



## WINTER COMMUNITY SUPPORT DRIVE

Hosted by the Feed LV Coalition

Help us support our Leavenworth County Families. Food and resources will be divided between Leavenworth County food banks, meal sites, and other resource providing organizations

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026 | 10AM TO 2PM  
AT 711 MARSHALL ST, LEAVENWORTH KS  
LEAVENWORTH COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

This winter, join us in making a difference by contributing to our Winter Community Support Drive. Let's come together to provide warmth and nourishment to those in need.



Scan to  
Donate



Donations needed: toilet paper, hygiene items, razors, deodorant, denture glue, towels, cookware, can openers, blankets, hand warmers, gloves/mittens, scarves, jackets, beanies, socks, feminine hygiene products, baby diapers, baby wipes, incontinence supplies M-XL

### Donations Needed

- soup
- jelly
- canned food items
- fresh fruits & vegetables
- dry milk
- rice
- pasta & pasta sauce
- cooking oil
- spices/ seasoning
- ramen
- shelf stable meals
- muffin/ cake mixes
- bread
- instant oatmeal
- Cream of Wheat
- Velveeta cheese
- chips
- tortillas
- sugar
- flour
- juice
- meal replacement drinks
- ground coffee

The mission of the Human Services and Assistance team is to provide support to seniors, age 60 and older residing in Leavenworth County, to ensure their safety and promote their emotional well-being. This team is qualified to address a single issue or a complex situation that requires the coordination of services, including enlisting the support of our Social Services Representative to assist seniors, who are at risk of institutionalization, to remain living independently for as long as possible.

## Social Services and Information & Assistance

The Council on Aging wants to be the first place you call for information regarding aging issues. Our team assists seniors and their families in obtaining needed services and information.

We can offer referrals and information about assistance at home, housing options, caregiver resources, help with forms and applications, coordination of legal services, and assistance with reporting suspected elder abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Information and Assistance conducts monthly outreach visits throughout Leavenworth County. The outreach schedule can be found on the Leisure & Learning calendar on the Council on Aging website.

## Vita Tax Assistance Program

The IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs offer free basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals.

The COA VITA team specialize in questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors.

## Legal Services

Legal Services are available at no cost for Leavenworth County residents 60 years of age or older. Services provided at the COA are limited. Appointments are required. Call 913.684.0783 for more information. (Legal Services currently has a waitlist for services.)

## Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas

SHICK counseling is free, unbiased, confidential and available to anyone with questions about Medicare. Trained counselors are available statewide to assist with:

- Claims, appeals and fraud
- Prescription drug plans
- Medicare Advantage plans
- Supplemental Insurance (Medigap)
- New to Medicare questions
- Medicare Savings Program
- Extra Help with prescription drug plans

For more information, contact our Human Services team at 913.684.0733 or 913.684.0783.

### CHORE ASSISTANCE

This program is designed for qualified homeowners, 60 years and older, who reside in single-family residences and are unable to perform upkeep or minor home maintenance.

Chore examples include:

- Curb to curb trash service
- Gutter cleaning (one story homes only)
- Minor door repairs (hinges, locks & knobs)
- Minor plumbing (garbage disposals, leaky faucets)
- Minor stair repairs (replacing boards)
- Replacing light bulbs
- Snow shoveling (one path from home to curb)
- Smoke detector checks and installation

The Chore Assistance Program is a fee-based program; fees range from \$5-\$15 for most chores and are assessed on a sliding scale based on household income and federal income guidelines. If the chore requires materials, residents will be asked to purchase the materials necessary for the repair, in addition to the program fee.

### ERRAND & SHOPPING SUPPORT

This program supports residents who need assistance with their shopping and errand needs. Council on Aging staff are available to help with any of the following errands:

- grocery shopping
- picking up online shopping orders
- retail store shopping
- essential errands
- picking up prescriptions

This is a fee-based program for residents age 60 and older, based on the clients' physical and/or cognitive limitations. Shopping and errand trips may be scheduled every other week; fees are listed below:

- \$5.00 for the first errand or shopping trip
- \$1.00 for an additional errand (one additional errand per appointment)

Please call at least 24-48 hours in advance to schedule your errand or shopping appointment.

Call Becky Kellogg at 913.758.6726 to be assessed for our errand and shopping services.

### TELEPHONE & IN-HOME VISITING PROGRAM

A trained specialist is available to telephone and/or visit high-risk, older adults who are 60+. This may include individuals who live alone, those who feel isolated or suffer with depression and/or loneliness and those who are homebound. Services are provided through referrals and upon the request of individuals.

This service offers participants consistent support through positive interactions and assists them with securing access to helpful social services and community resources.

#### HEART TO HEART TRANSPORTATION

The Heart to Heart Transportation service reunites friends and families by providing transportation for a Leavenworth County resident to visit their family member/friend in a skilled nursing or memory care facility within a 50 mile radius of Leavenworth.

A fee is required per trip per person.

- \$2.50 per one-way trip within the County
- \$10.00 per one-way trip to the Parallel Corridor
- \$15.00 per one-way, out-of-county within a 50-mile radius of Leavenworth

# LEISURE & LEARNING

The Leisure and Learning (L&L) program offers a variety of activities and classes for seniors residing in Leavenworth County. The L&L Program is made up of two components: an educational program and a social program. The educational program offers various classes, presentations, and trips of interest. The social program offers social events and trips. All activities, programs, and events are open to adults age 50 and older, unless otherwise specified.

## EDUCATION

- Intergenerational programs
- Health Education
- Computer & Cyber Security Classes
- Understanding Hospice
- How to recognize scams

## SOCIAL

- Day trips
- Parties
- Games
- Lunch and a Movie
- B.L.A.S.T. (Bucket List Adventure Series Trips)

## SUPPORT GROUP

- Grief Support
- Caregiver Support
- Parkinson's Support
- Dementia Support

## EXERCISE

- Vita Band
- Chairside Yoga
- Cardio Drumming
- Move & Groove

## INTEREST GROUPS

- Crochet & Sewing
- Crafts
- Ukulele
- Mahjong
- Cooking Class
- Coffee Group
- Painting Class
- Sing-Along Choir



To learn more about our Leisure and Learning programs, call 913.684.0889 or 913.684.0763

# NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Nutrition Department's goal is to provide a hot, balanced and nutritious noon-day meal to older adults, age 60 and older, living in Leavenworth County. The Meals on Wheels program is dedicated to meeting nutritional needs, combating social isolation and ensuring safety. To meet this mission, we have four county dining centers and deliver meals to homebound residents through our Meals on Wheels program. Meals on Wheels helps individuals remain independent and at home.

## A meal program may be right for you or a loved one.

- Are you 60 years of age or older?
- Do you reside in Leavenworth County?
- Are you experiencing difficulty when trying to complete daily tasks?
- Do you live alone?
- Do you need assistance from others to leave your home?
- Do you find it difficult or are you unable to prepare meals for yourself or others in your home?
- Are you homebound or able to drive?

## Schedule an Assessment

To be assessed for the program or to request more information, please contact the Nutrition team at 913.758.6724 or 913.758.6710.

The Meals on Wheels program runs with the help of volunteers like you. If you are interested in volunteering with the Meals on Wheels Program, contact us as 913.684.0786.

## FRIENDLY VISITOR PROGRAM

The Council on Aging's Friendly Visitor Program pairs volunteers with homebound seniors to provide social connection. Through regular home visits and /or phone calls volunteers help reduce loneliness and social isolation felt by many seniors in our community. Friendships develop, relationships grow and seniors remain engaged. This valuable social connection can reduce cognitive decline, lessen anxiety and improve the overall quality of life for this homebound population.

For more information on becoming a volunteer or participant with the Friendly Visitor Program, please call 913.684.0780.

# PET SERVICES TRANSPORTATION

## PET SERVICES

### SENIOR EXPRESS TRANSPORTATION

#### Who Is Eligible?

Leavenworth County residents, age 50 and older, as well as residents of any age with a disability.

#### Is There a Fee?

Senior Express is a fee-for-service program.

- **\$2.50** per one-way trip within Leavenworth County, including drive-thru business trips
- **\$10.00** per one-way medical trip to the Parallel Parkway Corridor, including Providence Medical Center and The Legends-area medical plazas
- **\$15.00** per one-way, out-of-County medical trip within a 50-mile radius of Leavenworth.

Trip fees are due at the time of pick up. Exact fee is required, as the driver cannot make change. Cash and checks are accepted.

#### What Area is Serviced?

Transportation is provided throughout Leavenworth County.

Out-of-County trips (within a 50 mile radius) are available for seniors, for medical purposes only. Transport is available to Atchison, the Kansas City metropolitan area, Olathe, Liberty, Independence, Lawrence, Bonner Springs, Desoto and St. Joseph.

For more information, contact our Pet Services team at 913.364.5754.

### PETS AND LOVING SENIORS - PALS

PALS is designed to assist qualifying clients' pets by providing them with supplemental pet food and supplies. Program participants are primarily referred to PALS staff by COA staff members; however, clients may self-refer.

#### PALS Eligibility Guidelines

To qualify for our PALS program, a client must be over the age of 60 with a total income under 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for the current year. Preference will be given to homebound clients.

All pets must be owned by the client and must be spayed or neutered. If the pet is not spayed or neutered, these services will be provided by an aligned Pet2Vet veterinary clinic.

The COA will supplement pet food and supplies for qualifying clients' pets, up to two pets per client. All products are subject to available funding and pet food donations.

### PET2VET PROGRAM

Pet2Vet is designed to assist qualifying clients' pets with subsidized veterinary care, as well as transportation to veterinary or grooming appointments.

### Pet2Vet Eligibility Guidelines

All clients, who qualify for the PALS program, are automatically eligible for the Pet2Vet program. Homebound clients, regardless of income, will be eligible for transport to veterinary care/grooming appointments. A fee may apply.

#### Pet Guidelines

Pets will be assessed in person regarding their ability to be transported by Council on Aging staff prior to any scheduled appointments. Pets must exhibit a calm demeanor, follow basic commands, and be crate if at all possible.

#### Pet2Vet Fees

There is a \$5.00 per round trip fee to veterinary/grooming appointments. Transportation is provided at no cost to clients who qualify for the PALS program and/or whose income level is 150% or below the federal poverty guidelines.

Each client requesting transportation for their pet for Pet2Vet services will be required to have a Release of Liability form on file at the COA.

If the client's pet does not already have an aligned veterinarian, services will be provided by one of the Pet2Vet program's aligned veterinary partners.

### SCHEDULE A RIDE

To schedule a ride, call (913) 684-0778 or (913) 684-0808 and provide the following information:

- your full name
- telephone number
- date and time you wish to travel
- street address for pick up
- name and street address of your destination
- special needs you have (wheelchair, cane, service animal, etc.)
- if you will be traveling with an attendant (16 years and older)
- if it is a medical trip, please provide the appointment time, as well as the name and telephone number of the doctor or clinic you are visiting

When you are finished with your business, please call the Dispatch Desk for your return trip. All return trip calls must be made by 3:00 p.m. If you are not ready by 3:00 p.m. you will need to find other arrangements for a return trip.

### Reservations are required.

Call the Dispatch Desk:  
**(913) 684-0778**  
**(913) 684-0808**

### Reservations

Reservations are taken on a first-call, first served basis and subject to availability. Local trips may be booked up to 2 weeks in advance. Out-of-County trips may be booked up to 2 months in advance.

Reservations are taken on a first-call, first-served basis and limited to availability.

### Cancellations/No Shows:

Please call at least 2 hours before your scheduled pickup to cancel your trip. Failure to cancel in advance or not show up for rides 3 or more times in a 30 day period, may result in imposition of the trip fee and/or denial of service for up to 3 months.

**We provide curb-to-curb service throughout Leavenworth County.**

# Stay Warm. Stay Connected.

## Cold Weather Rule

November 1 – March 31

The Cold Weather Rule is designed to keep your utilities connected during the winter months, even when you're unable to pay your bill in full. Contact your utility company to see if you qualify to make payment arrangements under the Cold Weather Rule.



### How do I sign up?

If you can't pay your entire bill, call your utility company to make pay arrangements:

- Agree to pay 1/12 of the overdue amount of your bill, plus 1/12 of your current bill, all disconnection and connection fees plus any applicable deposit owed to the utility, and agree to pay the remainder in equal payments over the next 11 months; or
- Negotiate a payment plan to pay the overdue amount off quicker than 12 months.

Remember, you must also pay your full bills for any new service you use while paying off the overdue amount.

If you are behind in a previous payment plan and cannot catch up, you need to make a new payment agreement with the utility.



### What will the utility company do?

Utilities must inform you of the Cold Weather Rule payment plan as well as other available payment plans. Remember, under the Cold Weather Rule, you always have the option of spreading your payment over a total of 12 months.

Utilities must send written notice to customers 10 days before disconnection, plus attempt a phone call or personal contact the day before.

Utilities must tell customers about agencies that may have funds available to help pay utility bills.



### Can I be disconnected during the Cold Weather Rule?

A utility cannot disconnect you when the local National Weather Service forecasts that the temperature will be below 35 degrees Fahrenheit within the following 48-hour period.

A utility may start the final notification and disconnection process if there is a 48-hour forecast of temperatures above 35 degrees. If the 48-hour forecast changes before the period ends and there is a forecast of below 35 degrees, the utility cannot disconnect until there is another 48-hour forecast of temperatures above 35 degrees.

To prevent disconnection when it is 35 degrees or above, or to be reconnected regardless of temperature, you must make pay arrangements with your utility.



### Please Note

The Cold Weather Rule applies only to residential customers of electric, natural gas, and water utility companies under the Kansas Corporation Commission's jurisdiction.



#### For more information:

Call your utility company or the  
Kansas Corporation Commission  
at (800) 662-0027.

10/25

Para más información: Llame a su empresa de servicios públicos o a la Comisión de la Corporación de Kansas al (800) 662-0027.

**FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup> - MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**

# VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE VITA

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging VITA Program is gearing up for the 2025 Tax Season.

VITA Tax preparation is provided by the Leavenworth County Council on Aging to qualifying seniors free of charge. To qualify, you must:

- ⇒ be a Leavenworth County resident,
- ⇒ be 60 years or older, or disabled and
- ⇒ have an income less than \$69,000 with no farm or rental income.
- ⇒ Other restrictions may apply.

#### About the VITA Program

The IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals. The VITA program has operated for over 50 years, and specializes in questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors.

VITA services are not only free, they are also a reliable and trusted source for preparing tax returns. All VITA volunteers who prepare returns must take and pass tax law training that meets or exceeds IRS standards. This training includes maintaining the privacy and confidentiality of all taxpayer information.

**Starting January 20, 2026, call the VITA Tax Team at 913.364.5204 to schedule your appointment! Please be patient as our phone line will have a high volume of calls. Our VITA Team is looking forward to assisting you this tax season!**

VITA Program Site Coordinator: Jessica Pontbriant, 913.684.0733, [jpontbriant@leavenworthcounty.gov](mailto:jpontbriant@leavenworthcounty.gov)

**The COA will offer tax services by appointment at the following locations:** Council on Aging, Leavenworth; Basehor Library; Linwood Library; Tonganoxie Library and Easton.



The #IRS reminds you that identity thieves don't take a break for the holidays. Learn how to prevent and report tax-related identity theft at [Identity Theft Central | Internal Revenue Service](#).

#### **Ways the IRS will contact you**

The IRS will typically contact you the first time by mail delivered by the U.S. Postal Service.

To verify it's the IRS, [search IRS notices and letters](#). Some letters are sent from [private collection agencies](#).

#### **Other ways the IRS may contact you:**

- **Email** – The IRS will email only with your permission, with a few exceptions like criminal investigations.
- **Text message** – The IRS will text you only with your permission.
- **Phone** – The IRS or private collection agencies may call you to address account matters. In some cases, IRS uses automated messages that direct you to IRS.gov to securely manage your account, make payments or resolve an issue. The messages don't share specific details.
- **Fax** – The IRS might send a fax to verify or request employment information.
- **In-person visit** – These are rare. They generally send a letter before they visit.

#### **They don't:**

- Direct message or take payment on social media
- Accept gift cards or prepaid debit cards as payment
- Call with automated messages that threaten or direct to websites that aren't IRS.gov
- Threaten to call law enforcement or immigration officials
- Take your citizenship status, driver's license or business license
- Mail tax debt resolution advertisements

#### **How to Report**

If you were scammed, suspect tax fraud or had your information stolen, report it to the IRS. [Report fraud | Internal Revenue Service](#)

# Energy Assistance



## LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

LIEAP can help pay your home heating bills!



[Apply for Services](#) ▾

The Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) is a Federally funded program that helps eligible households pay a portion of their home energy costs by providing a one-time per year benefit.

The 2026 LIEAP application period begins **January 20, 2026, at 8 a.m. and ends March 31, 2026, at 5 p.m.** Applications will not be accepted, and payments will not be issued until the season officially opens.

Learn more about LIEAP by going to [Energy Assistance](#).

The following summary describes basic LIEAP eligibility provisions. Additional information may be obtained by calling 1.888.369.4777.

### Persons Eligible

In order to qualify, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. An adult living at the address must be personally responsible for paying the heating costs incurred at the current residence, payable either to the landlord or the fuel vendor.
2. The combined gross income (before deductions) of all persons living at the address may not exceed 150% of the federal poverty level according to the guidelines listed below:

### Benefits

Benefit levels vary according to the following factors:

- Household income
- Number of persons living at the address
- Type of dwelling
- Type of heating fuel

### 2026 Income Eligibility Guidelines

| Persons Living at the Address | Maximum Gross Monthly Income     |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1                             | \$1,956                          |
| 2                             | \$2,644                          |
| 3                             | \$3,331                          |
| 4                             | \$4,019                          |
| 5                             | \$4,706                          |
| 6                             | \$5,394                          |
| 7                             | \$6,081                          |
| 8                             | \$6,769                          |
| +1                            | \$688 for each additional person |



## Paw-ty like it's 2026!

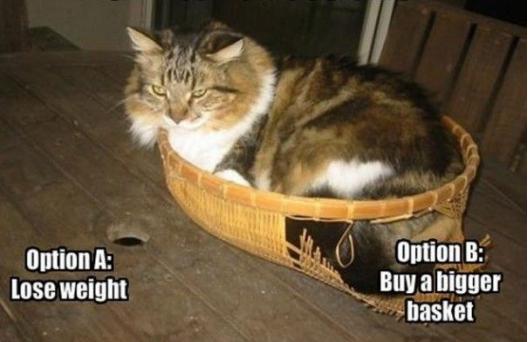
What's a dogs New Year's resolution?

To "paws" and appreciate the little things.

Why don't cats make New Year's resolutions?

They're already purr-fect.

### New Year's Resolution:



## Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period

From January 1 – March 31 each year, if you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you can switch to a different Medicare Advantage Plan or switch to Original Medicare (and join a separate Medicare drug plan) once during this time.



Medicare Help.  
Local Experts.  
Real Answers.  
[shiphelp.org](http://shiphelp.org)

## Ready to compare plans?

You can explore Medicare coverage options by:

- ⇒ Going to [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) - Find health & drug plans
- ⇒ Calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1.800.633.4227) and speaking to a real person. TTY users can call 1.877.486.2048.
- ⇒ Making an appointment with a Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) counselor. To schedule an appointment, call the COA at 913.684.0777.

## MARCH & APRIL COA TRIP CARD

**MAR 11**

**MAR 12**

9:00am



### TITANIC EXHIBIT AT UNION STATION & LUNCH

We are offering two trip days due to popularity! Explore immersive galleries, see 200+ priceless artifacts, board a lifeboat, come face-to-face with an iceberg, and experience the ship's dramatic final moments. Lunch location to be announced.

**Lottery drawing:** Sign up by Feb. 9 for drawing on Feb. 10. Max of 21 each day.

**Cost:** \$28 includes museum entry and transportation. Lunch cost is extra.

**MAR 26**

8:30am

### MYSTERY? BREAKFAST

Hop on the breakfast bus for good food and great company! Where we will stop, nobody knows...

**Lottery drawing:** Sign up by March 2 for drawing on March 3. Max of 21.

**Cost:** \$7 for transportation plus cost of meal.

**APR 23**

9:45am



### ANDRETTI INDOOR KARTING & GAMES

#### BLAST (Bucket List Adventure Series Trips)

Race against each other at speeds up to 35mph in two separate go-cart heats. Experience a 15 minute Laser Tag session. Enjoy a large variety of arcade games. Lunch includes two taco options, fruit/veggie platters, and beverages in a private room at the venue. Must be physically able to participate without assistance.

**Lottery drawing:** Sign up by March 26 for drawing on March 27. Max of 22.

**Cost:** \$100 includes 2 track sessions, laser tag, arcade, lunch and transportation.

**APR 30**

8:30am

### MYSTERY? BREAKFAST

North, south, east, west— COA Mystery Breakfast is the best!

**Lottery drawing:** Sign up by April 6 for drawing on April 7. Max of 21.

**Cost:** \$7 for transportation plus cost of meal.

Pick up a copy of the full January-April 2026 Trip Card at the COA.

**TITANIC EXHIBIT  
AT UNION STAION  
& LUNCH**

**MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup> @9AM**

**WE ARE OFFERING TWO TRIP DAYS DUE TO POPULARITY! EXPLORE IMMERSIVE GALLERIES, SEE 200+ PRICELESS ARTIFACTS, BOARD A LIFEBOAT, COME FACE-TO-FACE WITH AN ICEBERG, AND EXPERIENCE THE SHIP'S DRAMATIC FINAL MOMENTS. LUNCH LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.**

**COST: \$28 +LUNCH**

**COUNCIL ON AGING**  
711 Marshall St., Suite 100  
Leavenworth, KS 66048  
913.684.0777  
[seniorstate@leavenworthcounty.gov](mailto:seniorstate@leavenworthcounty.gov)  
[www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA](http://www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA)

**? Mystery BREAKFAST ?**

**8:30AM**

**\$7 +cost of your meal**

**Hop on the COA bus for an adventure to a surprise breakfast location. This is a lottery drawing trip.**

**DATES:**  
February 19<sup>th</sup>- Sign up by January 26<sup>th</sup>  
March 26<sup>th</sup>- Sign up by March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
April 30<sup>th</sup>- Sign up by April 6<sup>th</sup>

**COUNCIL ON AGING**  
711 Marshall St., Suite 100  
Leavenworth, KS 66048  
913.684.0777  
[www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA](http://www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA)

**ANDRETTI INDOOR KARTING & GAMES**

**MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>  
@ 9:45**

**COST: \$100**  
**INCLUDES 2 TRACK SESSIONS, LASER TAG, ARCADE, LUNCH AND TRANSPORTATION.**

**RACE AGAINST EACH OTHER AT SPEEDS UP TO 35MPH IN TWO SEPARATE GO-CART HEATS. EXPERIENCE A 15 MINUTE LASER TAG SESSION. ENJOY A LARGE VARIETY OF ARCADE GAMES. LUNCH INCLUDES TWO TACO OPTIONS, FRUIT/VEGGIE PLATTERS, AND BEVERAGES IN A PRIVATE ROOM AT THE VENUE. MUST BE PHYSICALLY ABLE TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.**

**SIGN UP BY MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> DRAWING MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**COUNCIL ON AGING**  
711 Marshall St., Suite 100  
Leavenworth, KS 66048  
913.684.0777  
[seniorstate@leavenworthcounty.gov](mailto:seniorstate@leavenworthcounty.gov)  
[www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA](http://www.leavenworthcounty.gov/COA)



To be added to our email distribution list, please contact us @[seniors1st@leavenworthcounty.gov](mailto:seniors1st@leavenworthcounty.gov)



For our full events and activities calendar, visit our homepage @[Council on Aging](#)



— FOLLOW US ON —  
**FACEBOOK**  
f

[CLICK HERE TO BE DIRECTED TO OUR PAGE.](#)

## AGING RESOURCES

- Adult Protective Services.....1.800.922.5330
- Emergency Respite:
  - Country Care.....913.773.5517
  - Medical Lodge.....913.772.1844
- Guidance Center.....913.682.5118
- Kansas Aging and Disability Resource Center .....855.200.2372
- Leavenworth County Health Department .....913.250.2000
- Medicare .....1.800.633.4227
- Poison Control Center.....1.800.222.1222
- Property Fraud LV County.....1.913.684.0424
- Social Security Office .....1.800.772.1213
- Wyandotte/Leavenworth Area Agency on Aging .....913.573.8531

To best accommodate all of our clients, the COA is set to take payments and donations online through [PayPal](#).



Scan the QR code or in PayPal search for [Leavenworth County Council on Aging](#) or use @LVCOA

Some services are funded in part by the Older Americans Act and are provided without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origins or sex. If you feel that you have been discriminated against, you have the right to file a complaint with the Area Agency on Aging @ 1.888.661.1444

This informational brochure is published by:  
[Leavenworth County Council on Aging](#)

Editor: Jessica Pontbriant

Director: Connie Harmon

Email: [seniors1st@leavenworthcounty.gov](mailto:seniors1st@leavenworthcounty.gov)

Website: [Council on Aging \(leavenworthcounty.gov\)](#)

## A Little New Year's Humor

**Q: What is a New Year's resolution?**

**A: Something that goes in one year and out the other.**

**My New Year's resolution is to stop procrastinating.**

**But I'll wait until tomorrow to start.**

**An iPhone and a firework were arrested on New Year's Eve. One was charged and the other was let off.**

## LEAVENWORTH COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY BOARD

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging's Advisory Board works in an advisory capacity to further the agency's mission. Working collaboratively with the Executive Director, the Advisory Board ensures accountability and transparency, enhances the agency's visibility and partnerships, champions and represents the interests of the agency and ensures there are adequate resources to carry out the Council on Aging's mission to help older adults in Leavenworth County live and age well. All Advisory Board meetings are open to the public.

### NEXT MEETING:

January 21, 2026 at 1:30pm  
711 Marshall Street, Suite 100  
Leavenworth, KS 66048  
913.684.0777

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging Advisory Board is looking for applicants to fill an open seat on the Board. For information on how to apply, contact Connie Harmon at 913.684.0784.