



**TFA**  
Tennessee Federation  
for the Aging

The Tennessee Federation for the Aging, Inc. (TFA) is a 501c3, non-profit that was organized in 1968 and incorporated in 1969 to secure funding for senior citizens programs and services, and to serve as an advocacy group for seniors. For nearly 50 years, TFA has coordinated with various local, district, and statewide organizations to provide annual training conferences, senior educational workshops, service provider seminars, and advocacy to align efforts to improve the overall quality of life for older Tennesseans.

TFA membership consists of representatives from statewide agencies, government agencies, area agencies on aging and disability, senior centers, home health providers, nutrition providers, adult day care providers, long-term care facilities, senior citizens, caregivers, college students, and other interested groups and individuals.

For a full list of member organizations, visit [www.tnfederationfortheaging.org](http://www.tnfederationfortheaging.org).

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## 2018 TFA POLICY INITIATIVES

### HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

⇒ Increase capacity of the OPTIONS for Community Living Program to serve high risk older adults and adults with disabilities. OPTIONS provides home-delivered meals, personal care and homemaker services to help prevent or delay more costly long-term care. There are nearly 7,000 individuals on the OPTIONS waiting list statewide.

### ELDER ABUSE & EXPLOITATION

⇒ Support efforts to provide for the necessary resources and coordination of state and local agencies for prevention, investigation and prosecution of crimes of abuse, neglect, and exploitation against vulnerable older Tennesseans.

### SENIOR TRANSPORTATION

⇒ Support the expansion of assisted senior transportation programs to provide “door through door” volunteer-driver transportation to give hands-on assistance to get older adults, who are unable to utilize regular public transportation, to and from medical and other necessary appointments.

### PUBLIC GUARDIAN PROGRAM

⇒ Support efforts to maintain capacity of the statewide Public Guardian Program, who serve as court-appointed conservators for individuals, age 60 and older, who lack capacity and have no one willing or able to act on their behalf, in order to have the necessary staffing resources to meet the demands of this growing population.

