



**Community Support Programs for Seniors** 



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# Seniors' Safety Advisor





The Seniors' Safety Advisor (SSA) is a partnership between the Social Services Department and Durham Regional Police Services (DRPS), Older Adult Support Investigative Services (OASIS) Unit.





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#### **Seniors' Safety Advisor**



#### **Purpose**

- Support the lives of older adults in our community
- Ensure the safety and well-being of older adults by:
  - Promoting awareness of safety issues affecting older adults in the community
  - Providing advocacy for the rights and needs of older adults
  - Responding to inquiries
  - Offering assistance, direction and support on safety related matters



#### **Call Source**

20% - Clients

18% - Community Agencies

14% - Family Members

14% - Durham Regional Police

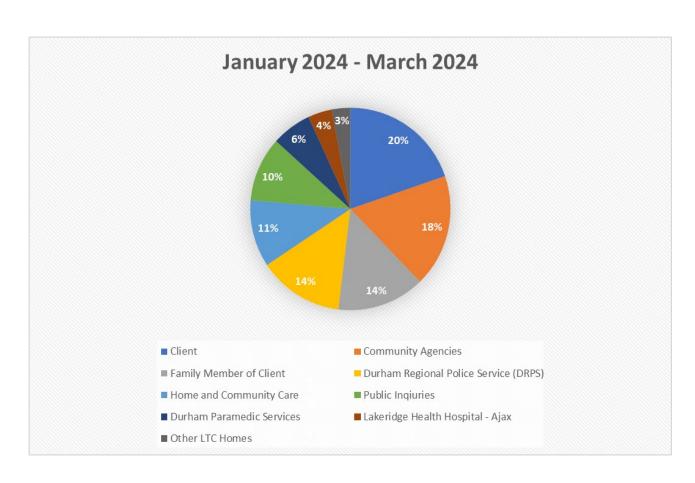
11% - Home and Community Care

10% - Public Inquiries

6% - Durham Paramedic Services

4% - Lakeridge Health

3% - Long Term Care Homes





#### **Agency Referral Sources**

- Home and Community Care
- Durham Regional Police Services (DRPS)
  - OASIS
- Lakeridge Health
- Long Term Care Homes
- Family Services Durham
- Women's Shelters
- Community Care Durham
- Homemakers Program
- Community Development Council Durham
- Region of Durham Housing Services



### **Presenting Issues**

25% - Housing

12% - Health Issues/Disability

9% - Financial

9% - Abuse (undisclosed type)

9% - Abuse (Neglect by others)

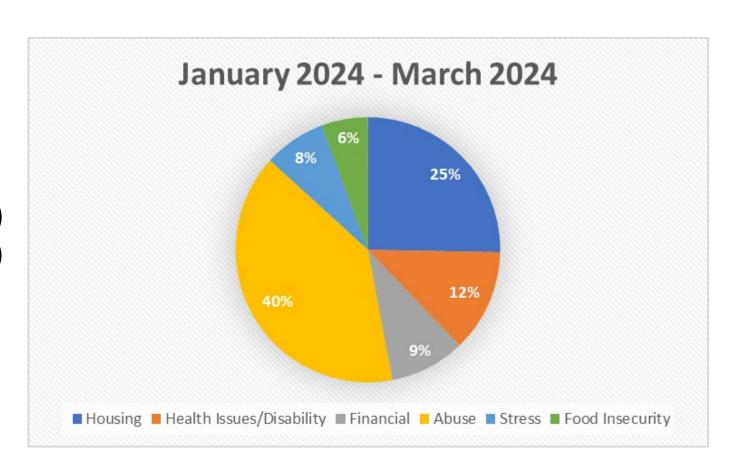
8% - Abuse (Verbal/Emotional)

8% - Stress

7% - Abuse (Financial)

7% - Abuse (neglect by self)

6% - Food Insecurity





#### **Data and Statistics**

#### **Interactions:**

- 2023 TOTAL = **1,106**
- 2023 Q1 (Jan 1, 2023, to Mar 31, 2023)= **247**
- 2024 Q1 (Jan 1, 2024, to Mar 31, 2024) = **452**
- An increase of 205

#### **Workshops, Presentations:**

• 2024 Q1 (Jan 1, 2024, to Mar 31, 2024) = **11** 

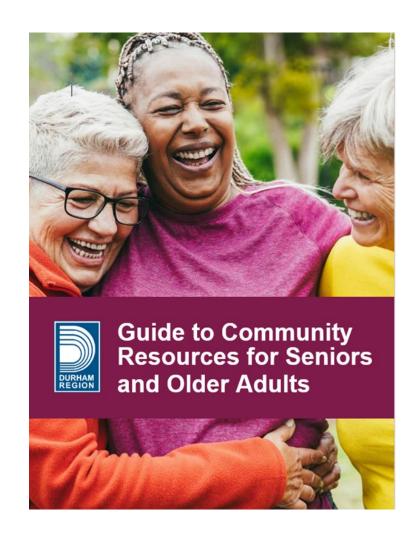


# **Senior Safety Example**



### **Community Support Specialist**

- Partnership with Senior Safety
- Service navigation and resource connection
- Community engagement and education
- Partnership development





# **Homemakers Program**

Background

Goals

Eligibility

**Assessment** 

**Funding** 





# **Adult Day Programs**

#### **Main Goals**

- Assist clients in achieving and maintaining their maximum level of functioning within the community
- Individual care plans developed
- Provides supervised social and recreational group programming to adults over 18 years with Alzheimer's and related dementia
- Provides a hot meal and nutritional breaks
- Provides respite and information for caregivers



# Hillsdale Estates - Adult Day Program

- Open 5 days a week target attendance is 18 clients per day
- 36 active clients
- Located on the site of Hillsdale Estates Long-Term Care
- Operates under the category of Specialized Cognitive Program
- Serve diverse, multicultural communities
- Staff and volunteers specially trained in dementia care and therapeutic recreation practices including U-FIRST, PIECES, Gentle Persuasive Approaches, Montesorri Methods, Responsive Behaviours.



# **Lakeview Manor – Adult Day Programs**

#### **Beaverton Site**

- Open 3 days/week (Mon, Wed, Fri)
- Accommodating 10 clients per day
- Located on the site of Lakeview Manor Long-Term Care Home
- Operates under the category of integrated Adult Day Program





### **Lakeview Manor – Adult Day Programs**

#### **Port Perry Site**

- Open 2 days per week (Tue, Thurs)
- Accommodating 10 clients per day
- Operates under the category of Integrated Adult Day Program serving both physically and cognitively challenged adults.
- Located on site of Lakeridge Health Port Perry
- Provides supervised social and recreational group programming to adults over 18 years with both physical and cognitive challenges
- Provides a hot meal and nutritional breaks
- Provides Caregiver support and information



# Adult Day Program Example



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