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**AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF NORTHWEST MICHIGAN**

**Public Hearing on Area Plan**

**LEGAL NOTICE, TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN, March 11, 2024** - The Area Agency on Aging (AAANM) seeks feedback on its FY2025 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) which impacts older adults and caregivers. The AIP is a guide for the development and funding of aging programs and services in Northwest Michigan under the Older Americans Act and other State funding sources.

Services include but are not limited to, information and assistance, homemaking, personal care, respite care, family caregiver support, elder abuse prevention, legal assistance, long term care ombudsman, congregate and home delivered meals, adult day care, and transportation. AAANM is soliciting input, comments and suggestions from the general public that may assist in the development of the AIP.

The Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2024, at 12:15pm and will be held at the Kalkaska County Commission on Aging, 303 S Coral Street, Kalkaska, Michigan, 49646. The public hearing will also have a virtual option for participation. For details please call (231) 714-9003. To request a copy of the draft FY 2025 AIP Summary (available after March 26th), please email [lannenk@aaanm.org](mailto:lannenk@aaanm.org) or call (231) 714-9003.

Written testimony will be accepted at the hearing or by email to [lannenk@aaanm.org](mailto:lannenk@aaanm.org) or by mail to the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan, 1609 Park Drive, Traverse City, MI 49686, or online at <https://www.aaanm.org/planning/>. All testimony must be received by Friday, April 26, 2024.

**ABOUT:** The mission of the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM) is to serve and advocate for older persons, adults with disabilities and caregivers by supporting their independence, dignity, and quality of life. AAANM serves residents in the ten counties of Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford.

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