

Monthly Publication brought to you by the Flushing Area Senior Center

FEBRUARY 2025

Our Perspective for the 50+ generation

From The Director

To All Members,

As you may be aware, the library will be moving to a new location at the corner of Chamberlain and Boman Street. From our understanding, this will not take place until the Fall, once renovations to the new site are complete. With that said, we hope to continue our collaboration with the Genesee District Library by offering the center for their used book sales along with other evening and weekend events as needed.

Once the move takes place, the center will utilize that space for added programming and much needed room for our larger events/classes.

Between now and then, we will be seeking your feedback! An electronic and hard copy survey will soon be made available. In it, we hope to get buy-in from current and future members on how we can utilize the additional space and enhance the center experience for all involved, all while staying fiscally responsible.

In terms of participation, we have seen a steady increase with our membership, (see data below):

29,753

2022:

 Annual Active Membership 	1,468
New Members	113
Total Event Participation	19,26
2023:	
 Annual Active Membership 	1,561
New Members	294
Total Event Participation	23,629
2024:	
 Annual Active Membership 	1,835
New Members	319

New Members

Total Event Participation

With the added space, we believe this trend will continue, impacting more community members across the City of Flushing, Flushing Township and Clayton Township.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if you would like to discuss the matter. I am here to answer any questions!

Best regards,

Greg Matheson

Executive Director Flushing Area Senior Center



Programs / Events / Activities



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Location: FASC Annex 106 Elm St., Flushing

For more information or to schedule your appointment, call (810)659-4735.

process their needed transactions.



FYI



Monday, February 24th @ 2:00 p.m.

Come join us to receive the latest updates as well as ask questions of the Mayor along with representatives of City Council.



This Meet & Greet is informational only FASC does not support/endorse politicians, candidates or parties

GENESEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES

GENESEE COUNTY

BENEFIT SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Disability Compensation
- Pension Benefits
- **Federal Burial Benefits**
- VA Home Loans
- Additional Services **Provided at our Office**



A Veterans Service Officer is available to meet with you at the Flushing Area Senior Center on Wednesday, February 26th.

Genesee County Veterans

compassionate service,

supportive resources, and professional advocacy.

> Call (810)659-4735 to make an appointment so as to assure you are receiving all of the benefits you are entitled to.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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CAROL MITSDARFER MARGIE MIZE **RUTH NAGEL** DANA NERYCHEL **CARRIE NETTLETON** BARBARA NEWTOWN JOE OKONESKI MILO OLSON FRANN PARKER JIM PAYNE SHEILA PETERSON **DOLORES (DEE) POINDEXTER** MARY PONIERS DENISE PUTMAN JILL RAJEWSKI ELIZABETH REGER **CATHY RILEY** THOMAS RUDICH **CARLA RUSSELL DENNIS SANBORN** MARV SCHIEFER SHIRLEY SCHIEFER **MERRIL SHAW MIKE SHEETS**

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Exercise Programs

These programs and/or services are fully or partially funded by Genesee County Senior Millage funds. Your tax dollars are at work.

Basic Flow Yoga Gold

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Yoga Mat Required Free of Charge

Instructor: Rhonda Straley

Includes gentle flow sequence with breathing breaks between each sequence. Class is dynamic in nature and requires the ability to move from lying down, kneeling, and standing postures.

<u>NEW FOR 2025! Beginning Line Dancing</u> Each Monday at 9:00 a.m. Free of Charge

Instructor: Darci

Learn the basic steps. Focus on simpler dances. Line Dancing provides heart healthy benefits of an aerobic exercise while engaging in a social activity and stimulates the mind!

Body Balance & Mobility Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. & Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Free of Charge

Instructor: Theresa Landis

This class is movement-based training to improve balance & coordination to prevent falls. Exercises are performed seated in a chair and standing up using the chair for support.

Drums Alive Mondays & Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. Free of Charge

Instructor: Tobi Williams

Combining the benefits of a traditional fitness program with the brain affected benefits of music and rhythm. Fun and fitness go together in this class. Exercise balls, drum sticks and ball buckets provided!

Exercises for Everyday Living Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:40 a.m.

Free of Charge - Instructor: Darci

Uses basic movement to strengthen balance, posture, flexibility, and coordination. Uses a chair, so there is no reason not to exercise!

Exercise Station - Free of Charge

- Mondays 10:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
- Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
- Thursdays 2:15 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Fridays 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.

The center has a variety of pieces of exercise equipment including a recumbent bike, a rowing machine and an airdynne bike. Come join us at the following times/days at your leisure while watching TV or listening to music.

Pickleball @ E.C.C.

Mondays & Thursdays 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Free of Charge All abilities welcome!

Pickleball Informational Meeting

Wednesday, February 19th at 3:15 p.m. All members <u>must</u> attend a one-time informational meeting at the center prior to participation.

<u>Silver Sneakers Stability</u> Each Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. Free of Charge

Instructor: Abbie Mars

This class will help you be stronger, improve your balance, and decrease your risk of falling while helping protect your independence, reduce body fat, improve mobility, endurance & coordination.

<u>Tai Chi</u> Each Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Free of Charge Instructor: Darci

Tai Chi is a slow-moving exercise that helps with balance, focus, body control, stress relief and is good for people with arthritis. With a little patience and time, you will start to notice a difference and have a little fun!

Fun & Games

<u>Bunco</u>

Each Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

Bunco is a dice game that is easy to learn the first time you play, no experience necessary!

<u>Cornhole</u>

Each Thursday at 2:15 p.m.

Looking for new and experienced players to join in our new weekly cornhole game!

<u>Dominoes</u>

Each Monday at 12:30 p.m.

Come and play Mexican Train Dominos. No experience necessary!

<u>Euchre</u>

Each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Play using standard Euchre rules. New players need to already have the skills and knowledge to play.

Hand Knee & Foot

Each Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

The game is a variation of Canasta, is similar to Samba but yet a little different. It's an easy game to learn and lots of fun to play!

Jigsaw Puzzles

Browse through the puzzle selection located in the activity room. You are welcome to take one or more home to put together!

Mah Jongg

Wednesdays & Fridays at 1:00 p.m.

Play using American Mah-Jongg rules. Players need to already know how to play. **Training available by request.**

<u>Penny Bingo</u> Each Friday at 1:00 p.m.

Use pennies as markers. Winner wins everyone's markers. Cards cost \$0.25 each or 6 for \$1 (6 card limit). A variety of Bingo patterns played to keep it interesting. Money collected for cards is the prize when playing a cover all. Based on Michigan state law, players must be at least age 60 or older to play.

Ping Pong

Wednesdays & Fridays at 2:30 p.m.

Ping Pong is recreational, but competitive so bring your A-game and use all your skills to your best advantage and maybe win!

<u>Poker</u>

Each Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Play dealer's choice and play a variety of games. All games are based on a five card poker hand.

Samba

2nd & 4th Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Samba Cards is easy to learn and has similarities to Canasta, Hand and Foot, Hand, Knee and Foot, Rummy, and Books and Runs. Anyone with card experience can learn this game.



2:15 p.m.

Travel

Ann's Adventures

Office Hours: Mon – Fri 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Hours may vary when Ann is traveling Office phone: 810-640-8303 E-mail: <u>aanderson@annsadventures.net</u> Website: <u>www.annsadventures.net</u>

Going on a trip with Ann? Please register through the Center and help us earn \$5.00 with every trip you take!

Here's an At-A-Glance list of upcoming trips:

- ⇒ Fourteen Funerals Date: Wednesday, February 12th Cost: \$85.00 per person Departure: 1:00 p.m. from the Clio Kmart
- ⇒ Come From Away Date: Thursday, February 13th Cost: \$120.00 per person Departure: 4:30 p.m. from the Clio Kmart
- ⇒ The Angel Next Door Date: Wednesday, February 26th Cost: \$78.00 per person Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart
- ⇒ Good Morning, Vietnam Turkeyville Date: Friday, February 28, 2025 Cost: \$95.00 per person Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Sullivan's Travel

Sullivans Irish Alley is proud to announce we have recently partnered with the Flushing Area Senior Center offering members Top Notch experiences on travel! 5% of all travel booked will go directly back to the FASC! For the last 20+ years, Sullivan's Travel has been providing the Flushing area with the best travel experiences all over the world. We can get you there, no matter how you prefer to travel! Coach Tours. Individual Tours, Private Guided Tours, and Self-Drive Tours are all available! Upcoming Tours for 2025: March 21-28, 2025 SICILY \$2195.00 + air. This is a hosted tour, Tour includes 7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, and 4 Dinners. August 22-28, 2025 IRELAND \$2545 + air. This is a hosted tour, Tour includes 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, and 3 Dinners. (Including a Banquet in a Medieval Castle) September 21-29, 2025 SPAIN \$2795+ air. Tour includes 8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, and 4 Dinners. Detailed itineraries and sign-up forms are available at the Senior Center! If you want to go anywhere else or these dates won't work for you, stop by and get a complimentary book full of over 100 options! We look forward to serving ALL your travel needs! Remember, if you're a member of FASC and you book any travel through us, we donate 5% back to them! Sullivan's Travel 104 E Main St. Flushing 810-487-2473 +810-814-9232 CelticAlley.com Celebrating 25 years!

Support Groups / Senior Services

Alzheimer's Support Group

Thursday, February 6th at 2:00 p.m.

This group, facilitated by Dawn Shurter, is open to anyone caring for a family member or friend with either Alzheimer's Disease or some form of dementia.

Blood Pressure Check

Each Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

No appointment necessary. Walk-Ins welcome!

Free Notary Services for Seniors 50 and Older

Karen Herriman is a Notary Public and can seal your documents for you at no cost. <u>You need to call the Center to make an</u> <u>appointment. You must sign in the presence of the notary</u> <u>and bring your picture ID.</u>

Grief Support Group

Tuesday, February 11th & 25th - 2:00 p.m.

The Medical Team provides on-going grief support for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. Their purpose to provide education about normal grief reactions as well as a safe environment where feelings are validated and accepted.

Legal Assistance

Friday, February 14th - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. If you are in need of assistance with a legal issue you can call

the Senior Center office to schedule a free appointment to meet with Seth Neblock, an Elder Law Attorney from Legal Services of Eastern Michigan.

Loan Closet

We have Medical Equipment available to borrow which includes: walkers, canes, and wheelchairs. Call the office if you are in need of medical equipment. Donations of some clean medical equipment accepted during regular business hours.

Medicare Assistance (MMAP)

A MMAP counselor is available by appointment only to help with any of your Medicare paperwork / questions. This is a free service that can help you make informed and educated health decisions. If you need assistance, call the center at (810)659-4735 to make an appointment.

Veterans Coffee Hour

Friday, February 7th - 9:30 a.m.

Join us for coffee, treats and conversation with your fellow veterans.

Veterans Services

Wednesday, February 26th - 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Veterans, are you receiving all of the benefits you are entitled to? Call the center to schedule an appointment with a Veteran Service Officer here at the center.



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Arts, Crafts, Clubs & Other

Chair Massage

Thursday, February 13th - 12:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Chair massages are given by certified massage therapist: Mary Ann Orme. During a chair massage you stay fully dressed and experience a massage for your shoulders, neck, arms, back, legs, hands and feet. The cost is **\$7.00 for 10 minutes**. Call the center on the first business day for an appointment.

Flushing Artistic Gathering

Each Monday & Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.

Whether you use watercolors, acrylics, colored pencils or markers, this event is for you All mediums welcome with the exception of oils. Learn new tricks and techniques from others and meet new friends. Bring your own painting supplies. Coloring supplies are available. All experiences are welcome!

Fly Tying

Each Friday at 9:30 a.m.

This group gets together to tie flies for fly-fishing. You must bring your supplies, be with some friends as you tie!

Gary Nickel Photography Class

Monday, February 10th at 2:30 p.m. - Free of Charge

This Group will explore the fundamentals of photography. From basic cameras and gear to photography techniques and computer editing. For all levels of experience and all types of cameras. Bring your own camera and questions.

Knit - Crochet - Craft

Each Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

Bring your own projects to work on, share your ideas and talk about your projects with each other. Some knit afghans or dishcloths, others crochet baby sweaters or scarves. Some do embroidery, cross stitch, or needlepoint. Some simply enjoy sitting and chatting! There is no teacher, but there is always someone willing to help you with your project questions or problems. Please join us!

Lending Library

Gently-used books available to lend out in the Lending Library located in the back of the Activity Room. Come browse the wide selection of books available to borrow. Donations of new or gently-used books are always welcome.

Make It, Take It Card Making Class

Monday, February 10th at 1:00 p.m. - Free of Charge

Instructor: Rosemary Magley

Samples of this month's cards are on display in the Lunch Room. Bring your own scissors and adhesive. If needed, you can purchase adhesive from Rosemary. Additional cards are available to purchase on class day. Please sign up in advance on the first business day of the month.

Senior Women's Book Club

Tuesday, February 18th at 12:30 p.m.

Members take turns choosing a book they think will be interesting for the group to discuss. Books include all genres. Copies of the chosen book are usually provided through the GDL Bag of Books program.

Strayed Quilters

Thursday, February 20th at 12:30 p.m.

This group makes quilts at home then brings them to the monthly meetings to donate to one of two organizations:

1) Project Linus

2) Horses for Hope

Tuesday, February 4th & 25th - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tech Tutoring w/Charlotte - FREE!

Charlotte can assist with smartphones, laptops, other electronics and basic computer skills. Call to make an appointment.

Woodcarving

Each Monday at 12:30 p.m.

This group works mostly with bass wood using a variety of carving tools. The group has many experienced woodcarvers willing to share techniques and advice on whatever project you are working on. Newcomers to woodcarving are welcome!

Woodshop @ ECC

Tuesdays - 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Wednesdays - 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The woodshop is located at the Early Childhood Center is open during the school year. Available equipment includes a table saw, lathe, planer, jointer, belt sander, disc sander, miter saw, router table and drill press.

Talented members are available to help with equipment and projects!

Woodshop Safety Training @ FASC

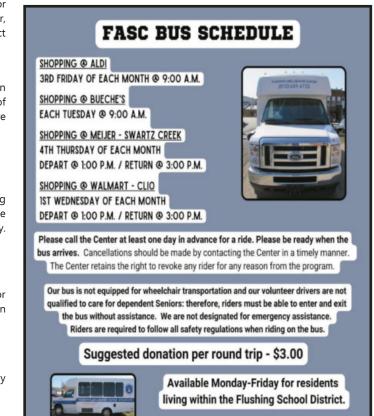
Tuesday, February 11th - 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Using the Woodshop requires you to complete our safety training course at the center as well as have an annual criminal background check completed. No RSVP required.

Writers' Group

Each Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

We are a gathering of men and women who share writings of life experiences, interests and more. This can include journals, poems, short stories and readings. Writing prompts are available.



Programs / Events / Activities

FASC is once again collaborating with Tyron & Associates LLC to assist you with your tax preparation and planning needs at a discounted rate.



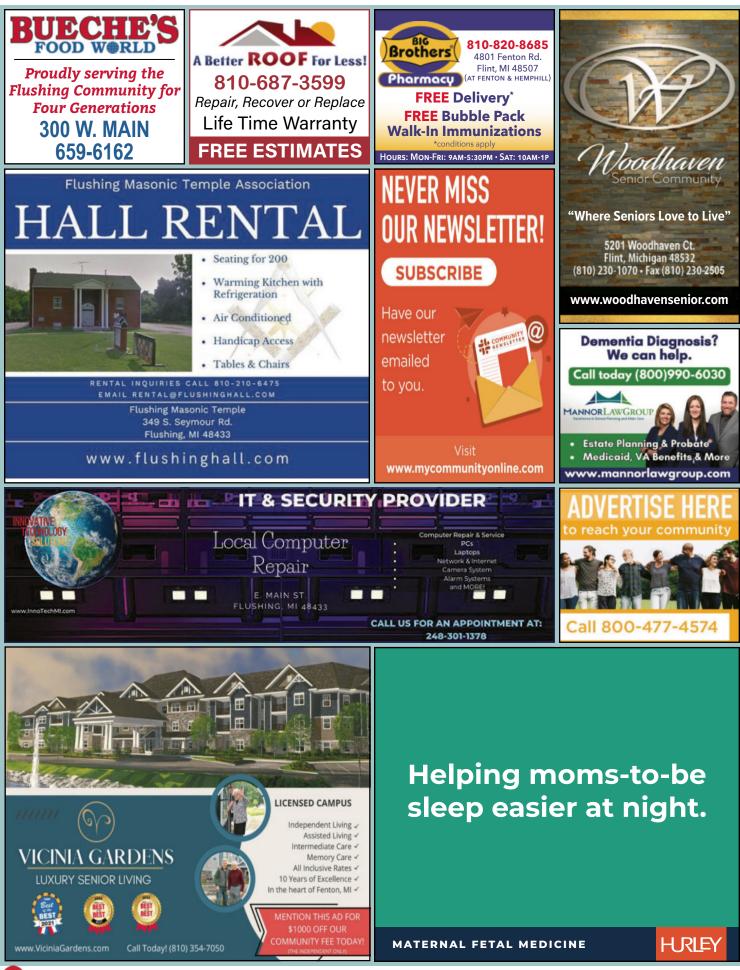
FASC TAX PREPARATION SERVICES

Informational packets with price lists can be picked up at the center or can be accessed under the quick links section of our website.

1040 Federal & State Filing is only \$75.00!

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PRESIDENTS	Meatloaf w/Gravy Redskin Mashed Potatoes-4 oz. Sweet Green Peas-4 oz. Fresh Apple Multi-Grain Roll Margarine 100% Fruit Juice	Tangerine Chicken in Stir fry Vegetables-6 oz. Crinkle Cut Carrots-4 oz. Brown Rice-4 oz. Diced Pineapples-4 oz. Potato Roll Margarine Milk 26	Baked BBQ Chicken Thighs Loaded Potato Salad-4 oz. Southern Green Beans-4 oz. Whole Wheat Roll Fresh Orange Margarine 100% Fruit Juice Birthday Cake 27	Artisan Mac & Cheese-8 oz Stewed Tomatoes-4 oz Steamed Broccoli-4 oz Potato Roll Margarine Diced Pears-4 oz. Milk
Z Breaded Chicken Sandwich	Chef Salad	HM Goulash-8 oz.	A DECEMBER OF A	Turkey Tetrazzini-8 oz.
Sreaded Chicken Sandwich Diced Potatoes-4 oz. Winter Blend Veggies-4 oz. Apricots-4 oz. Wheat Bun Margarine Milk	w/Turkey, Cheese & Eggs-3 oz. Romaine Lettuce-4 oz. Fresh Broccoli Florets-4 oz. Fruit Cocktail-4 oz. Flatbread Half 100% Fruit Juice	Fin Goulash-8 oz. Spinach-4 oz. Baby Carrots-4 oz. Fresh Apple Corn Bread Margarine Milk	Chicken & Sausage Jambalaya w/Brown Rice Corn Bake-2 oz. Green Beans-4 oz. Diced Peaches-4 oz. 100% Fruit Juice	Chuck Wagon Veggies-4 oz. Key West Vegetable Blend-4 oz. Strawberry Applesauce Potato roll Milk

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Avoid D Deficiency This Winter

As a child, your mother likely told you to drink your milk. It turns out your mom was right. Milk contains calcium and vitamin D which help build strong bones. Because vitamin D doesn't occur naturally in many foods, it is common for people to be deficient.

Besides your diet, there is another way for the body to get vitamin D. That is by exposing bare skin to sunlight. When our skin is exposed to the sun's rays, the body is able to synthesize vitamin D from cholesterol. It doesn't take much sunlight for that synthesis to occur. Usually, sun exposure is easy to come by during most months of the year. In many climates, however, winter offers fewer hours of sunlight. Less sunlight limits the hours the body can synthesize vitamin D.

Another struggle is that winter is just plain cold. People bundle up in multiple layers of clothing and rush from the car to their house or destination. As a result, the skin has little contact with the sun.

Health Conditions Related to Vitamin D Deficiency

What happens if you develop a vitamin D deficiency? It depends on how significant the deficit is and what other medical issues you may have. Here are a few common results of vitamin D deficiency:

- **Early-stage deficiency:** Muscle pain, unexplained fatigue, and overall weakness are some of the early symptoms. Older adults often don't report these symptoms because they seem like a normal part of the aging process. According to the Endocrine Society and the Vitamin D Council, mild deficiency is between 10-20 ng/ml.
- Advanced deficiency: If you are significantly low on vitamin D, with a score of less than 10 ng/ml, you
 are at higher risk for serious health issues, as well as deep bone pain and fractures. Vitamin D deficiency
 in this range has been linked to higher incidences of heart disease and vascular conditions, as well as
 prostate, breast, and colon cancers.

Fortunately, there are easy steps you can take to prevent a vitamin D deficiency this winter.

Vitamin D and Winter

- Bundle up and go outside: Small doses of sun exposure help you maintain a healthy level of vitamin D. Check with your physician for advice, but a common recommendation is about 40 to 60 minutes of sun a week. Check the weather report to determine what the warmest days will be during the winter months. Even five or 10 minutes of sun each day will help if the temperature isn't below freezing.
- Make good food choices: Consuming foods high in vitamin D might be a little trickier, but there are some options. Canned salmon, milk, tuna, beef liver, cheese, egg yolks, and mushrooms are a few. Another option is to look for foods that are enriched with vitamin D, such as yogurt, cereal, and orange juice.
- Talk to your doctor about supplements: While most nutrition experts say it's better to get your essential
 vitamins and nutrients from a healthy diet, vitamin D is often an exception. If you are concerned you or
 a senior loved one's vitamin D level is too low, talk with your physician. They can perform a simple blood
 test to make that determination. If you do have a deficiency, they will order either a prescription dose
 of vitamin D or an over-the-counter supplement.

With careful monitoring and planning, you may be able to avoid developing a vitamin D deficiency this winter. If you are searching for ideas to make foods high in vitamin D, Recipes to Get More Vitamin D may be of interest.

What do you do to make sure you get enough vitamin D?

These programs and/or services are fully or partially funded by Genesee County Senior Millage funds. Your tax dollars are at work.

FASC Information

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Upcoming Board Meetings.

٠	Tuesday, March 25th	7:00 p.m.
٠	Tuesday, May 27th	7:00 p.m.

The Flushing Area Senior Center serves the senior residents of Flushing, Flushing Township, and Clayton Township. Everyone age 50+ is welcome!

Our Mission Statement

The Flushing Area Senior Center is a community focal point where adults who have achieved the age of 50 come together for service and activities that reflect their experience and skills, respond to their diverse needs and interests, enhance their dignity, support their independence and encourage their involvement in and with the Center and the community.

Flushing Area Senior Center Funding Sources

The majority of funding is from the Genesee County Senior Millage. Other Funding Sources are: City of Flushing, Charter Township of Flushing, United Way of Flushing, Member Contributions, Memorial Donations and Fundraisers.

Memorial Donations

Memorial Donations to the Flushing Area Senior Center are a nice way to create a lasting memory in remembrance of a loved one, family member or friend. Donation envelopes are available at the Center or at area funeral homes. The Flushing Area Senior Center is a private, non-profit organization and all of the donations are tax-deductible.

<u>FASC</u> <u>Winter Weather</u> <u>Closing Policy</u>

Living in Michigan, we all know that winter weather can shut down our normal activities in a hurry. Because every storm can look different, we would ask you to check the following sources for updates regarding the potential closure of the center:

*Local TV Stations *FASC Website *FASC Facebook Site



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<u>Enjoy a Daily Lunch!</u>

Eat In at the Flushing Area Senior Center

The Meal is available to eat in Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



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