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Contact Congress to invest in senior programs

Congress has reconvened for a brief, but busy, lame duck session. One of the must-do items is passing FY15 funding before the current temporary Continuing Resolution (CR) bill expires on Dec. 11. We need your voice to help lawmakers understand why a full-year bill with specific investments in aging services—including funding for the Older Americans Act, chronic disease management, falls prevention, elder justice, and ADRCs—is crucial for seniors in their states and communities.

[Send an email to Congress now](#) | [See what national groups are proposing](#)

Enter to win: Healthy LGBT Aging Photo Contest

Take your best shot in a photo contest sponsored by the National Resource Center on LGBT Aging and National Institute of Senior Centers. We're seeking fun, diverse, and positive photos that exemplify what it is to be an aging lesbian, gay, bisexual, and/or transgender person. Winners will receive an Amazon gift card and have their story featured online!

[Get the details](#) | [Register for a webinar to learn more](#)

Still time to apply for benefits outreach grants

We're still accepting applications from organizations that would like to become a new Benefits Enrollment Center to find and enroll low-income people with Medicare into the Part D Low-Income Subsidy and Medicare Savings Programs. NCOA will award up to 10 grants to local organizations.

[See how to apply by Dec. 12](#)

Career opportunity with NY foundation

The New York Community Trust, the community foundation for New York City, seeks a program officer for its health and people with special needs program. The officer has primary responsibility for projects and grants related to the elderly, blindness, and children and youth with disabilities.

[Learn more](#)

Coming up ...

- **Older Adult Behavioral Health: Current Trends and Programs that Make a Difference:** Join our Center for Healthy Aging to learn trends and best practices to address anxiety, depression, and suicide prevention. *Nov. 20 @ 1:30 p.m. ET*

Did you miss this?

- **#GivingTuesday is Dec. 2:** Donate to NCOA, and we'll put 5% of your gift toward holiday food baskets for homebound seniors in Washington, DC, thanks to So Others Might Eat.
- **3 Vaccines to Keep Older Adults Healthy:** Learn about three commonly recommended vaccines covered by Medicare—and what seniors should ask their health provider or plan.

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