



MN Board on Aging

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AGE FRIENDLY
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Current policies and programs that highlight Age-Friendly

Mission of the Minnesota Board on Aging

Ensure that older Minnesotans and their families are effectively served by state and local policies and programs—in order to age well and live well.

Administrator

Partners with Area Agencies on Aging and others to administer and oversee the effective use of Older Americans Act and state funds to support older Minnesotans.

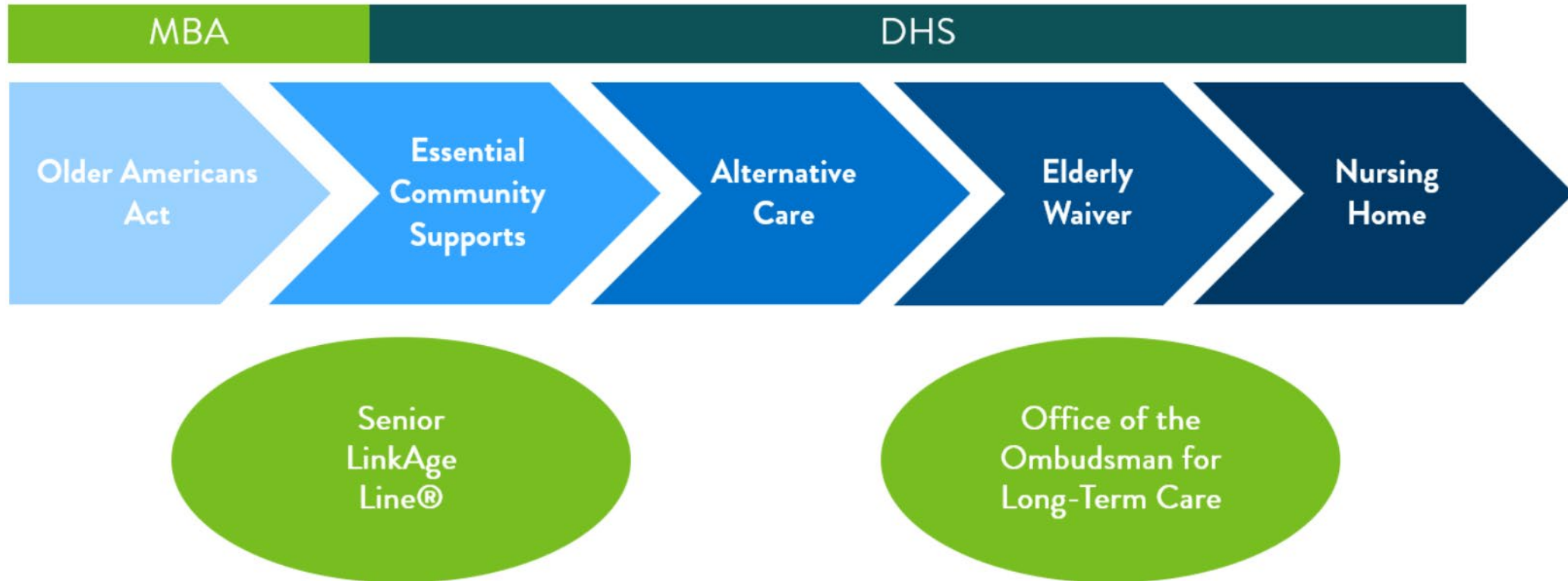
Advisor

Provides objective information and promotes public education on ways to meet the changing needs of Minnesota's older population to age well and live well.

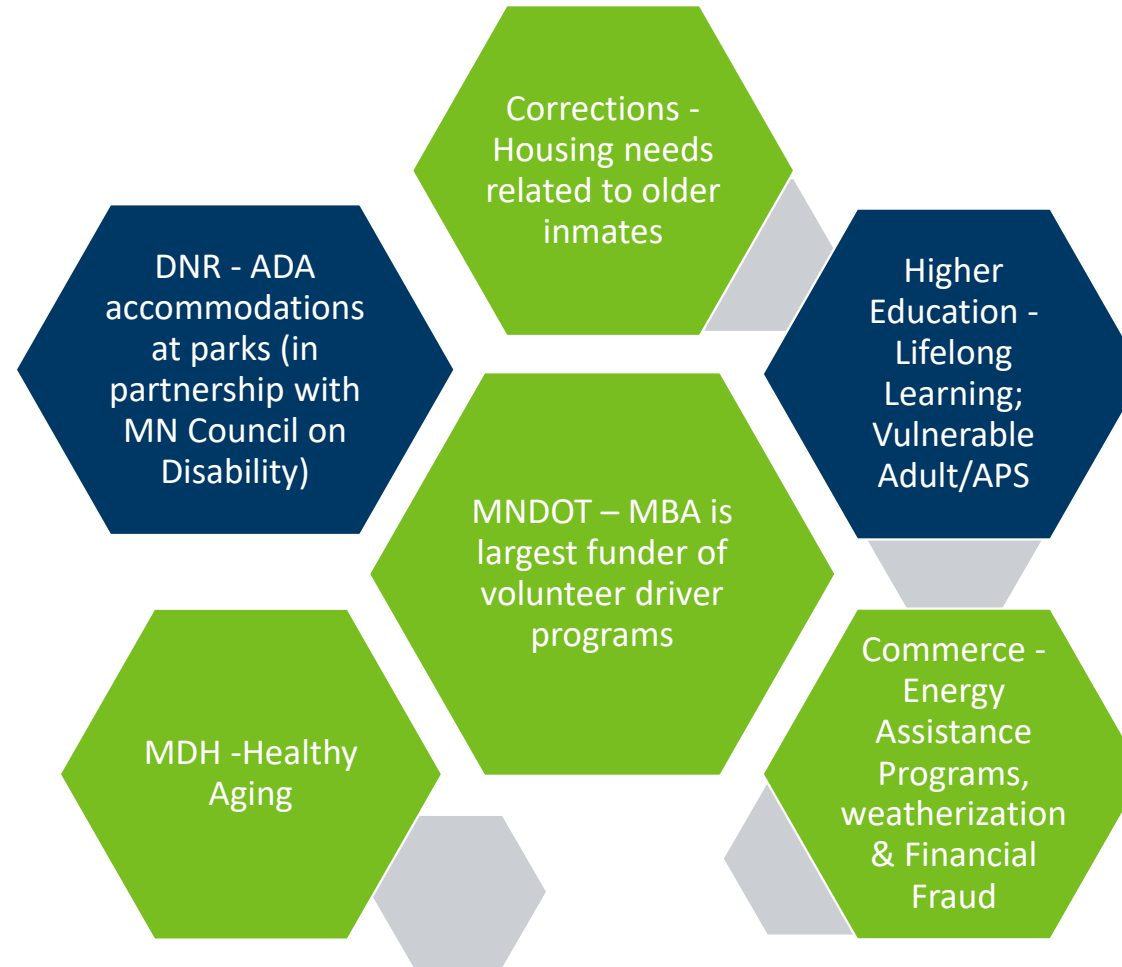
Advocate

Promotes policies to the State Legislature, the Governor, and State Agencies that fairly reflect the needs and interests of older Minnesotans.

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State agency or other government partners



Gaps/Opportunities in programs

Diverse
communities &
tribal nations

- Learn from them methods of collaboration
- Ensure funding opportunities available to all

Leverage MBA as
existing advocate
for community
programs

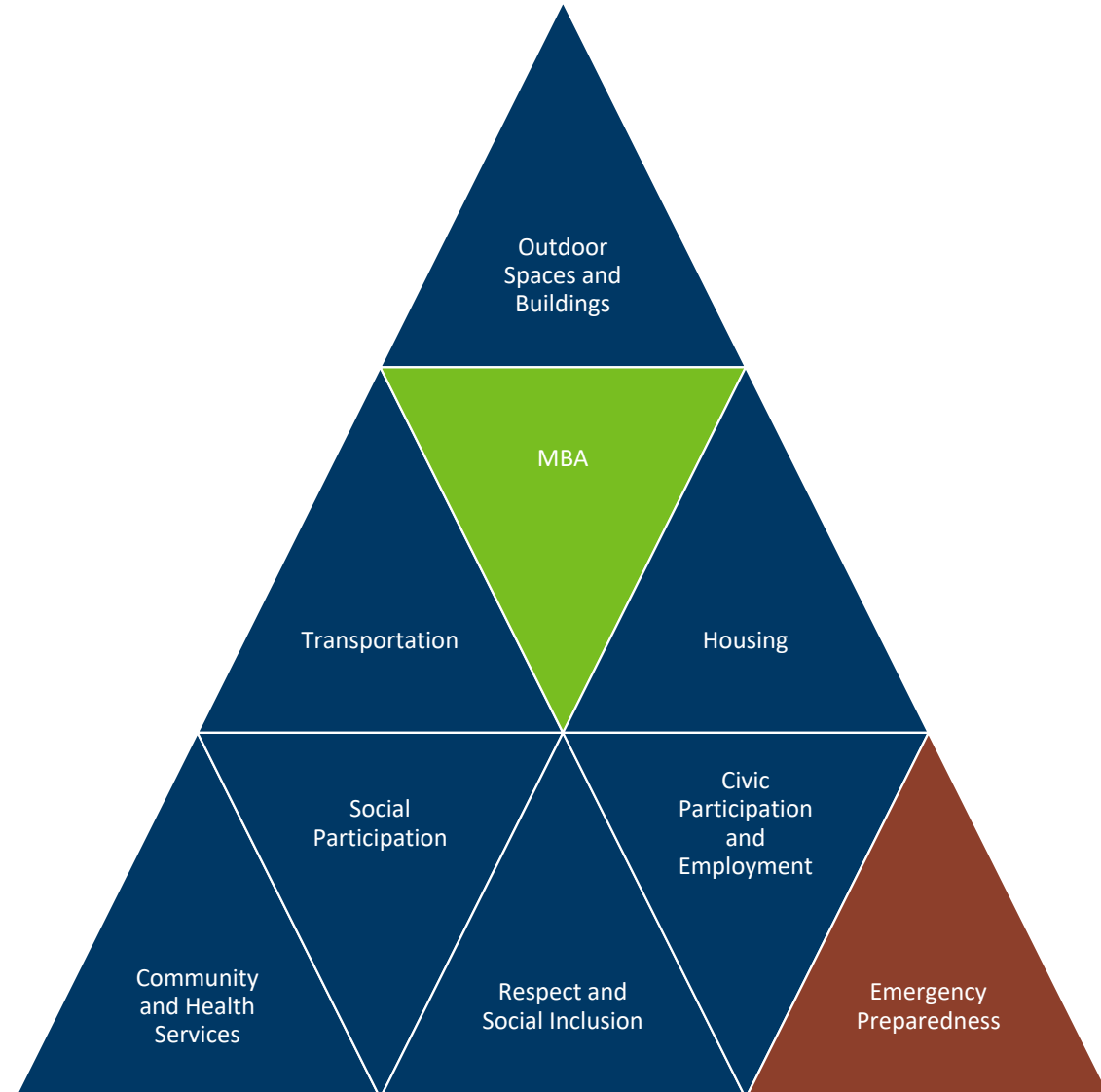
- Expertise in Home & Community Based Services
- Aging network comprised of providers, partners and volunteers

Highlight a data/report that would inform an Age-Friendly Council

- Alzheimer's Disease working group
- Survey of Older Minnesotans
- MN2030 Reports
- State Plan on Aging
- Health Care Choices

The screenshot shows the MinnesotaHelp.info website interface. At the top, there is a dark blue navigation bar with the following elements from left to right: the logo 'MinnesotaHelp.info', a 'How-to Videos' button with a video camera icon, a 'Chat With Us' button with a speech bubble icon, a 'My Favorites' button with a heart icon, and a 'Guided Searches' button with a list icon. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features a 'Popular Topics' sidebar on the left with a list of links: Families, Government, People Experiencing Homelessness, People with Disabilities, Quality Information, Refugees, Seniors, Taxonomy Search, Transportation, Unemployment, Veterans, Waiver Services, and Youth. On the right side of the main content area, there is a pink notification box with a red border. The notification text reads: 'Due to the current COVID-19 emergency, services are changing rapidly. Be sure to check with your service provider to make sure they still offer the services you need.' Below the notification, there is a section titled 'Helpful Resources' which lists three items: 'Senior LinkAge Line — 1-800-333-2433' with a sub-description 'The Senior LinkAge Line can help you find the information, services and help you need.', 'Ombudsman for Long-term Care — 1-800-657-3591' with a sub-description 'If you have concerns about the health, safety, well-being or rights of someone receiving long-term care, the ombudsman can help.', and 'Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center(MAARC) — 1-844-880-1574 (toll-free)' with a sub-description 'MAARC can help if you, or someone you know, is being mistreated or neglected. To report suspected abuse or self-neglect, call MAARC at 1-844-880-1574.'

Age-Friendly Matrix



Thank You!

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