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The Kennett Area Senior Center is a home-away-from-home for many of our consumers.

Incorporated in 1973, the Kennett Area Senior Center has grown from the initial 75 consumers to current participation of more than 2,500. The Center is committed to preserving and enhancing the dignity and well-being of all adult residents of southern Chester County by providing a vital assortment of services that enrich social relationships, foster physical health, encourage educational interests and promote self-reliance.

The Center fulfills its mission by providing 50 or more programs each week to keep consumers informed, mentally and physically active, provide



a social outlet, and provide assistance with accessing services.



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A copy of the official registration and financial information for the Kennett Area Senior Center may be obtained by calling the PA Department of State at 1-800-732-0900 (toll free in PA). Registration does not imply endorsement. The Kennett Area Senior Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, contributions to which are tax-deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.



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Neighbors in Action

Neighbors Assisting Neighbors



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Neighbors in Action is an intergenerational program designed by the Kennett Area Senior Center in partnership with the Chester County Department of Aging Services to address the needs of elderly residents as well as people of any age.

Many homebound folks lack the resources to afford in-home care and other services they need to remain safe and healthy as they age in their own homes. They need a little assistance with a variety of issues that is affordable and readily available. Neighbors in Action, an on-call service available Monday through Friday, provides volunteers to address the needs of this population.

After a background check, volunteers are enlisted and matched, based upon interests, talents, and time available to serve. When it goes beyond the scope of the volunteer, members are matched with pre-approved vendors.



Imagine neighbors assisting neighbors. Perhaps a mature adult might feel comforted while a peer takes them to a doctor's appointment. Now that's building community — that's Neighbors in Action!

Based on their ability to pay, members pay a nominal fee to receive the assistance they require throughout the year.

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Neighbors in Action offers many beneficial services and volunteer opportunities:

Personal Assistance

- Transportation to medical and other appointments
- Grocery shopping and trips to stores
- Light house keeping
- Minor home repairs and maintenance
- Yard work
- Reading or writing
- Telephone reassurance
- Assistance with forms and services

Additional Volunteer Opportunities

Administration

- Collecting information about services
- Assisting with matching volunteers and services with those in need
- Taking phone calls
- Clerical assistance



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Greta said, "I like the help they give me with my walker and the conversations in the car to and from my appointments. I plan to renew my membership next year, the price is very reasonable."

Another NIA member has been given rides to her eye doctor appointment several times, since she can't see after her visits. She said, "Neighbors in Action is supplying a need without any hassles. It is definitely worth the cost. It's very comforting to have NIA available."

Tom, a new member said, "I appreciate how prompt and professional the coordination of my wife's ride to the hospital was. It's nice to know we can count on Neighbors in Action."

Neighbors in Action strives to promote and encourage community building across intergenerational and all socioeconomic classes. Building community that makes a difference in people's lives, while allowing them to grow and contribute, yet remain independent among diverse neighbors and friends with common goals. Won't you consider joining NIA in that effort!

Fees are published and are available upon request. Please feel free to visit us, or call the NIA Coordinator with any questions at 610-444-4819.