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## **Franklin County Office on Aging Extends Free Home-Delivered Meals Program Through End of 2023**

**Columbus, OH** – The Franklin County Office on Aging has extended its free Home-Delivered Meals program through the end of 2023. With this extension, Franklin County residents aged 60 and older are eligible to receive free home-delivered meals without income verification through Dec. 31, 2023.

In April 2020, at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, the [Franklin County Office on Aging](#) paused any income verification requirements for home-delivered meals – a service available through the agency’s Franklin County [Senior Options](#) program.

“While the pandemic is now more manageable, many older adults simply cannot afford the increased price of groceries or meals due to their fixed incomes, as well as the impact of inflation,” said Interim Director Chanda Wingo. “Extending this service through 2023 gives our seniors continued access to affordable and nutritious food that is crucial in maintaining their health and well-being.”

The agency delivered over 1.1 million meals to Franklin County seniors in 2022, serving over 7,000 residents – a 25% increase from residents served in 2021.

The Agency’s home-delivered meals program is offered through Franklin County Senior Options, which has been providing community-based services to residents since 1993. Senior Options empowers Franklin County residents aged 60 and older with the necessary tools needed to maintain their independence. Additional services available through Senior Options include adult day care, personal care, respite care, minor home repair and emergency response systems. The program also helps ease the minds of family members by connecting them to support services so they can provide the best care for their older parent, family member or friend with limited abilities.

To sign up for free home-delivered meals or to learn more about the services available through the Franklin County Office on Aging, call (614) 525-6200 or visit [officeonaging.org](http://officeonaging.org).

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