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Dear Legislator,

On behalf of SourcePoint, I am writing to express deep concern regarding President Trump's proposed FY 2026 HHS budget, which includes significant changes to Older Americans Act (OAA) programs—changes that would jeopardize the ability of older adults in Delaware County to age safely and with dignity at home.

The proposed budget would split Title III programs across two federal agencies—transferring most to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and only nutrition services to the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). This restructuring undermines the coordination and effectiveness of programs that currently work in tandem to support older adults and their caregivers. We have already experienced delays in FY2025 funding following the elimination of the Administration for Community Living (ACL), and further disruption risks compounding these delays.

Beyond structural concerns, the proposed budget includes a **31.2% overall funding cut** to aging services. It flat-funds critical Title III programs, including:

- Title III-B Supportive Services, which funds volunteer transportation and care coordination,
- Title III-C Nutrition Services, which supports meals for older adults, and
- Title III-E Caregiver Support, which aids family caregivers in our community.

Even more troubling is the proposed elimination of funding for preventive health services, falls prevention, long-term care ombudsman programs, elder justice, and adult protective services—all of which contribute to the safety and well-being of older adults. While SourcePoint does not directly receive funds for all these programs, their elimination will impact services across the county and could result in local levy dollars being redirected to fill critical gaps.

*Our mission is to help our community set a course to live well after 55.*



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In Delaware County alone, Title III funding supports essential services for thousands of residents:

- **2,134 individuals** received home-delivered or congregate meals.
- **799 individuals** accessed supportive services such as transportation, personal care, and legal assistance.
- More than **197,000 units** of service were provided in total.

These numbers reflect the collective impact of Title III services in our area—not just those delivered by SourcePoint. As our aging population grows, the demand for these services will only increase. Reducing funding now places an even greater financial burden on local communities and risks leaving older adults vulnerable without the resources they need to remain independent.

We strongly urge you to oppose the proposed breakup and underfunding of OAA programs. Maintaining the structure and funding of Title III services is critical for SourcePoint and our partners to continue supporting older adults and caregivers in Delaware County and beyond.

Thank you for your continued support of aging services. I welcome the opportunity to speak further with you or your staff about the importance of these programs and the people they serve.

Sincerely,  
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Chief Executive Officer