

Annual Report

2010 YEAR IN REVIEW



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Connecting Older Adults with Community-based Resources and Options

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2010 IN REVIEW

A Letter from Jonathan Lavin and Teresa Bousky

Program Year 2010 clearly was not going to be easy. AgeOptions receives funds from a number of sources, with the federal and state governments providing the largest share. But Illinois stopped paying bills for most of the year, while the federal government asked us to commit and expend one-time American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds within an 18-month period, with a high level of federal and state scrutiny.

Faced with uncertain and delayed state payments, a series of decisions had to be addressed to best support community partner agencies: Do we attempt to use the new federal stimulus funds to pay for delayed state payments, or do we plan to use those funds to do the most good in our region? Do we advance the federal dollars with the hope that state funds will arrive, or do we sustain our traditional role as a steady supporter of community services and programs?

We chose to use the federal stimulus program funds to address service disparities with creative programming rather than not meet the federal intent for the Recovery funds. We decided to budget available resources for predictable and steady payments to community agencies. The results were that some very creative and successful programs were implemented in areas we had not adequately served in the past. In addition, our service network

was secure in knowing the amount of funding they would receive each month from AgeOptions, and knew they would receive resources throughout the year. At the end of the state fiscal year, provider agencies and AgeOptions were able to support one-time capital needs.

The AgeOptions Board of Directors was supportive, but insistent that every dollar be committed to activities, equipment and other needs that would assure improved services for older persons

What was remarkable about 2010 was that, at the end of the day, AgeOptions and our partners throughout suburban Cook County, metropolitan Chicago and the State of Illinois served 198,279 people – about 3,000 more than in 2009!

This report is a summary of our successes – our programs and services, the grants and funding we received – and how they benefitted the older adults we serve.

As the Chairperson of the AgeOptions Board of Directors and the President and Chief Executive Officer, we are grateful for the support, time and involvement of our Advisory Council, ably lead by J. Diane Alsberry, the Board of Directors, the outstanding committee chairs, and the capable and invested staff of AgeOptions.



Teresa Bousky
Chairperson of the Board of Directors

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teresa Bousky".

Jonathan Lavin
President and Chief Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jonathan Lavin".

Programs and Events

Oro Latino

The Oro Latino network, coordinated by AgeOptions since 2009, is a group of professionals committed to empowering Latino older adults and their caregivers to make educated and informed decisions about benefits, services and resources.

The network is a diverse collaboration of members from senior centers, community and social service agencies, hospitals, churches and state agencies, and also includes community volunteers. Members exchange information, identify trends, implement strategies and collaborate in creating and disseminating information that is linguistically and culturally appropriate.

Oro Latino hosts Open Forum Breakfasts to discuss specific topics of interest to those working with Latino older adults. It also hosts a Senior Fiesta each September.

Red Tape Cutters and SMP Recognition Luncheon

Janet Otwell, former director of the Illinois Department on Aging and a retired AARP regional director, spoke at the annual recognition luncheon for Red Tape Cutters and SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) volunteers.

At the June 2010 event in Oak Brook, a full room of 60 volunteers heard Otwell and Diane Slezak reflect on the beginning of the Red Tape Cutters program, which was the foundation for AgeOptions proposals to the U.S. Administration on Aging for SMP.

Ethnic Media Workshop

AgeOptions and Community Media Workshop at Columbia College co-sponsored a workshop in February 2010 for members of the ethnic news media. Twelve editors and reporters attended the workshop at AgeOptions, which was conceived to inform them about aging issues and encourage them to do stories for and about the multi-cultural older residents of our region.

AgeOptions staff and a representative of AARP talked about issues concerning older adults, and provided information on our programs and services and other resources in the area.

Since the workshop, several newspapers have published stories on aging-related issues for their ethnic communities and continued to use AgeOptions and our community partners as resources.

Capacity Building Workshop

AgeOptions hosted a very successful capacity building event for nonprofit organizations, Planning for a Strong Rebound, in June 2010. Approximately 80 people attended the program, which focused on fiscal planning, human resources issues, innovative programs and funding methods.

Speakers included representatives of Jenner & Block, Sikich LLP, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Back Office Collaborative, MB Financial Bank, Illinois Partners for Human Service and Rush University Medical Center.

Planning a Community for All Ages

The Maturing of Illinois – Getting Communities on Track for an Aging Population, was a statewide initiative conducted by all Area Agencies on Aging in the state in partnership with the Illinois Department on Aging. It assessed how well communities are prepared to meet the needs of an aging population and promoted the development of livable communities for all ages in Illinois. Those assessments will be included in a report to the Illinois legislature.

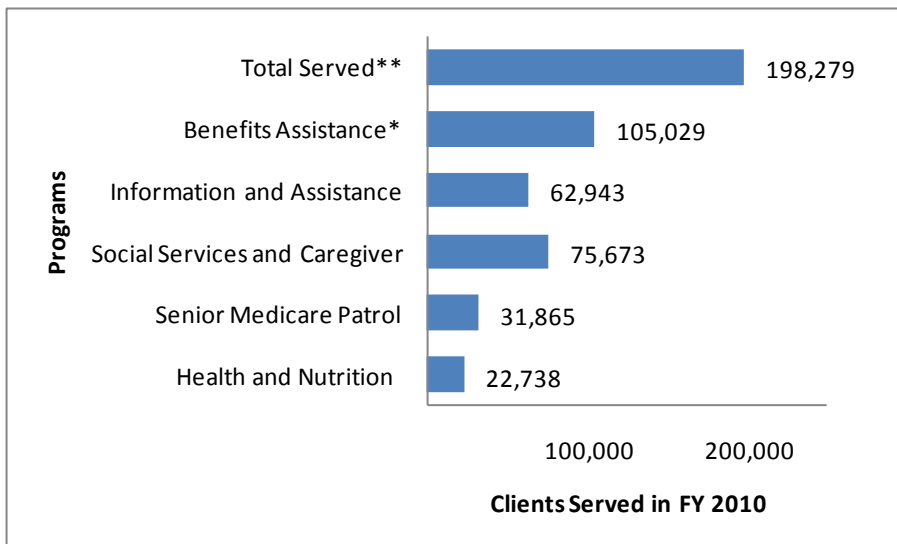
We worked with five communities as part of the 2008 - 2011 initiative to assess preparedness for the double-pronged wave of aging baby boomers and the increasing number of people over 80.

AgeOptions joined representatives of Berwyn, Chicago Heights, Des Plaines, Oak Lawn and Wheeling to evaluate their preparedness, and also conducted a comprehensive overview of past AgeOptions activities and planned future activities designed to address the initiative.

The Reach of AgeOptions Programs and Services

AgeOptions served a total of 198,279 clients in Fiscal Year 2010. Those who were assisted through more than one program are included only once in this total.

The chart shows program areas and numbers of individuals who received services.



*Includes the Signature Red Tape Cutters Program, Benefits Enrollment Centers and Senior Health Assistance Program.

**Individuals served through more than one program are only included once in this unduplicated "Total Served."

Advocacy

AgeOptions actively advocates on behalf of older adults in suburban Cook County to ensure the availability of services, benefits and programs so they can have a full range of choices and live their lives to the fullest.

Our advocacy has never been more important than in the 2010 fiscal year, when a surge in the number and complexity of our clients' needs was compounded by the state budget crisis.

AgeOptions activities included a "legislative blitz" in which members of the Board of Directors, Advisory Council and Advocacy Task Force joined Jon Lavin and Diane Slezak in meetings with state legislators to explain the importance of continuing funding for programs vital to older adults. We also took our campaign to the media. Meetings with the editorial boards of newspapers throughout the area resulted in several positive opinion pieces.

We hosted a series of five Legislative Breakfasts throughout Cook County in January, February and

March 2010. State legislators, their staffs, and leaders of community-based agencies shared information, exchanged ideas and discussed plans for the future in serving the vulnerable older population.

I&A Training Workshops

AgeOptions staff conducted three Information and Assistance training sessions for professionals who work with older adults. In addition, AgeOptions and Alexian Brothers Hospital Network co-hosted a workshop on Social Security Disability Insurance, Supplemental Security Income and the Veterans Aid and Attendance Program.

We also offered training sessions on "Helping Your Clients: Locating Resources and Building Relationships with Community Stakeholders" and "Medicare and Title III Programs," and sent informational emails each month.

National Leadership

National agencies and organizations continue to recognize AgeOptions leadership and initiatives through grants for new programs and by appointing and electing our staff to boards and committees.

National Council on Aging

AgeOptions has NCOA grants to offer Benefits Enrollment Centers, the Economic Security Initiative and to produce videos for the OneAway campaign. We are the only Area Agency on Aging to be funded for all three.

National Elder Justice Coalition

AgeOptions is a member of the coalition, which was formed in 2003 to coincide with the introduction of the Elder Justice Act.

Senior Community Service Employment Program

Kerry Finegan, former employment coordinator for the AgeOptions Senior Community Service Community Employment Program, was one of four program leaders from Illinois invited to attend the annual SCSEP meeting in Washington, D.C., in November 2010.

SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol)

AgeOptions was recognized as a leader among SMP programs through the appointment of Erin Weir, who coordinates the statewide SMP program, to the National SMP Steering Committee on Volunteer Risk and Program Management. The committee develops policies, standards and procedures on volunteer management for all SMP programs nationwide.

Erin is one of only two state SMP coordinators on the committee. Other members include internationally renowned consultants on volunteer management and representatives of the U.S. Administration on Aging and the National Resource Center for SMPs.

In addition, Erin was asked to join two SMP stakeholder committees: Media and Communications, which is concerned with outreach, and Complex Issues and Referrals, which deals with fraud issues and develops resources for SMPs nationwide.

SMP is a nationwide, volunteer-based program that fights health care fraud and protects older people from

fraud through education and intervention. In 2010 Illinois SMP educated more than 19,000 Medicare beneficiaries about how to avoid becoming victims of health care fraud. AgeOptions staff also intervened on behalf of many Medicare beneficiaries with complicated problems, including fraud and identity theft, related to their Medicare benefits.

Take Charge of Your Health Programs

AgeOptions was selected in 2006 as a pilot site for the Stanford Patient Education Research Center Chronic Disease Self Management program. Illinois has renamed the program Take Charge of Your Health. Take Charge programs now include Take Charge of Your Diabetes and Tomando Control de su Salud, and AgeOptions provides numerous workshops and class leader trainings throughout suburban Cook County annually.

AgeOptions has partnered with the Cook County Department of Public Health to provide national evidence-based best practices such as the Take Charge of Your Health program in an effort to create policy, systems and environmental change for 40 Model Communities through the Communities Putting Prevention to Work initiative. The Take Charge of Your Health program is now available to adults 18 and over with ongoing health conditions.

Maria Oquendo-Scharneck, AgeOptions health and diversity coordinator, serves as the program coordinator of all three programs. Maria and Antonia Gámez, information and health promotion specialist, are certified master trainers in all programs.

Leadership

AgeOptions plays a leadership role in several organizations in the field of aging. Jonathan Lavin, AgeOptions president and CEO, was elected or appointed to the following positions:

- Elected alternate Board director of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) in 2010 and appointed a full director in 2011. The association is the leading voice on aging issues for Area Agencies on Aging and a champion for Title VI Native American aging programs. It supports the national network of 629 AAAs and Title VI programs through advocacy, training and technical assistance.
- Served on the faculty of the new n4a Aging Business Academy. This intensive two-day workshop at Miami University in Ohio brought together a diverse mix of leadership teams to build on projects they designed in advance and will continue to develop in the coming months.
- Elected Board director of the American Society on Aging. ASA is the largest multidisciplinary network of professionals in the field of aging. It offers a diverse array of renowned educational programming, outstanding publications and state-of-the-art information training resources.
- Convenor and presenter for American Society on Aging Chicagoland Round Tables. Discussions on aging issues were hosted by Rush University and organized by the ASA Chicagoland Round Table Planning Committee.
- Vice President, Illinois Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Vice Chair, Legislative Committee.

Annual Luncheon and Volunteer Recognition

Twenty-five volunteers were nominated for the AgeOptions volunteer recognition in 2010, and 22 of them attended the annual luncheon and recognition on November 19. Charles Johnson, director of the Illinois Department on Aging, presented awards to these dedicated individuals who offer their time, skills, endurance and support to their community organizations.

We are grateful to Advisory Council member Lora Oldham for arranging for Aetna to support the event.



At the luncheon, Charles Johnson (left) presented Mayor Eugene Siegel of Chicago Ridge with the Illinois Department on Aging's Unique Achievement Award for preparing his community for the maturing of Illinois.

Aging In Place

After carefully reviewing other options, AgeOptions decided to enter a new five-year lease at 1048 Lake Street in Oak Park, which has been our home since 2005. Chase (our landlord) embarked on extensive remodeling in May 2010, including new windows and a sprinkler system. The result is a significant improvement in the office environment.

Grants Received in Fiscal Year 2010

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) – Illinois Department on Aging through the Administration on Aging

ADRCs provide seamless access to services and information to older adults, caregivers and people with disabilities. The Suburban ADRC is a collaboration between AgeOptions and Progress Center for Independent Living, which provides services to people with disabilities in suburban Cook County. The funding allows the ADRC to develop and implement two projects:

- **The ADRC Care Transitions** project implements the evidence-based **Bridge Hospital Transition** program to improve the transition from hospital to home for older adults and people with disabilities who are discharged from a participating hospital. The project is a collaboration among AgeOptions, Aging Care Connections, Solutions for Care, Rush Older Adult Programs, Progress Center for Independent Living, Health and Medicine Policy Research Group, Shawnee Alliance for Seniors, the University of Illinois at Chicago and the Illinois Department on Aging.
- Through the **ADRC Options Counseling** project, AgeOptions is working with a leadership group including Progress Center for Independent Living, PLOWS Council on Aging, North Shore Senior Center, Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging and representatives of the Illinois Department on Aging to develop options counseling standards that may be adopted state-wide and nationally. Options counseling provides person-centered support to assist individuals in making informed long-term support choices. AgeOptions will also work with the Administration on Aging and the other funded states to develop national standards for options counseling.

In addition to these projects, AgeOptions will coordinate and enhance ADRC activities by developing formal ADRC agreements with partners, creating a local ADRC advisory council and sharing best practices that can be used statewide.

Caring Together, Living Better – The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation


This partnership-based program funded by a three-year, \$515,357 grant to AgeOptions started in November 2009 and is successfully creating a sustainable, faith-based caregiver support network in the near south suburbs. Eight Churches and community organizations designed and implemented volunteer-based support services, such as respite care, transportation and friendly visiting, to assist members of their communities who care for older adults.

1. Bethel AME — Robbins
2. Covenant UCC — South Holland
3. Kizer Memorial — Harvey
4. Metropolitan Family Services — Blue Island
5. Shekinah Lutheran — Riverdale
6. Valley Kingdom — South Holland
7. Victory Christian Assembly — Markham
8. Word Made Flesh — Midlothian

CJE SeniorLife is working with CTLB leadership to create a new caregiver training curriculum that meets the needs of African-American caregivers in the south suburbs.

We recently received a grant to increase the reach of Caring Together, Living Better through the Legacy Corps volunteer respite program funded by the corporation for National and Community Service and administered by the University of Maryland. Legacy Corps matches older adult volunteers with families caring for older adults. The volunteers, who receive extensive training and a monthly stipend, each provide about 450 hours of respite care a year.

Caring Together, Living Better recently launched a Facebook page, <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/Caring2gether>

 **Communities Putting Prevention to Work –
Cook County Department of Public
Health through the Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention**

Communities Putting Prevention to Work is an initiative to implement evidence-based and practice-based approaches in policy, systems and environmental change.

As part of this initiative, AgeOptions was awarded a grant to implement the Take Charge of Your Health: Live Well, Be Well self-management health education programs. Community groups that work with us to use Take Charge Programs to combat chronic disease are: Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago, Fourth Episcopal District AME Church, Crossroads Coalition, Asian Health Coalition, Chicago Hispanic Health Coalition, Community High School District 218 and Faith in Place.

 **Count Me In Census Grant –
Illinois Census Funders Initiative**


AgeOptions participated in targeted outreach to empower older adults and their families to be counted in the 2010 Census. Funded by a coalition of 10 Illinois leading foundations, the campaign, called Count Me In, was designed to boost Census participation in select hard-to-count communities that had low participation in the 2000 Census.

With the \$68,000 grant, we partnered with seven agencies that serve older adults and their families across the state to conduct outreach in 11 Illinois communities. Our activities included developing culturally competent toolkits to facilitate outreach by partner organizations and coordinate efforts among partners, as well as preparing news releases and public service announcements.

 **Economic Security Initiative – National
Council on Aging (with support from The
Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation)
and The Retirement Research Foundation**

NCOA announced at the March 2010 Aging in America Conference that AgeOptions was one of eight organizations nationally to be awarded a grant to establish an Economic Security Service Center to help low-income older adults in suburban Cook County become economically secure. The two-year competitive grant allowed us to connect with a new set of regional partners and increased the depth of help we can provide to older persons in economic straits.


Since many low-income older adults face multiple challenges, this pilot program provides a one-on-one, holistic approach to solving problems of economic security through financial counseling, education and benefits coordination. We assist individuals in navigating the often bewildering array of public and private programs and services in order to find the benefits they are eligible for, and guide them in making plans for economic security.

 **Healthy IDEAS – Illinois Department
of Public Health through the
Administration on Aging**

Healthy IDEAS (Identifying Depression, Empowering Activities for Seniors) is an evidence-based program that integrates depression awareness and management into existing case management services provided to older adults. AgeOptions is implementing the program in suburban Cook County.

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 **Make Medicare Work (MMW) –
The Retirement Research Foundation,
Michael Reese Health Trust, Blue Cross
Blue Shield, Chicago Community Trust**

The Make Medicare Work Coalition, a partnership with the Progress Center for Independent Living and Health & Disability Advocates, was awarded continuation funding totaling \$102,000 from the Michael Reese Health Trust and the Retirement Research Foundation.

AgeOptions is one of three lead partners in the Make Medicare Work Coalition, made up of more than 250 organizations that help people with Medicare get the health care and prescription drugs they need. Together with our partners, Progress Center for Independent Living and Health & Disability Advocates, AgeOptions provides training and technical support to professionals and volunteers, works with the media to keep the public informed about important issues, and advocates at the state and national levels for changes to improve programs. MMW is now in its seventh year.

 **Nutrition Programs – American Recovery
and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)**

One of our major goals is to establish nutrition sites serving culturally appropriate meals for Latino older adults. We were able to do this in 2010, thanks to the \$626,850 in federal stimulus funds which we awarded to 21 meal programs, some new and others that expanded existing services.

The first Latino dining site was established with ARRA funds. Operated by St. Charles Borromeo Parish and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, it serves residents of Melrose Park, Stone Park, Northlake, Bellwood and Forest Park.

The funding also made it possible for agencies serving other ethnic populations to expand culturally appropriate meal services. These programs not only provide appealing and familiar foods, they meet a major AgeOptions objective for senior dining – socialization.

 **Unity Challenge Grant -
Chicago Community Trust**

We are honored that the Chicago Community Trust approached AgeOptions to be part of their Unity Grant program. Their \$500,000 sustained the Red Tape Cutters program after its elimination from the state budget the year before. The grant also allowed us to provide gap filling help to older persons at a time when increasing numbers of older adults needed home repairs, replacement household appliances and other types of personal assistance. Seventeen community agencies received funding through this grant to AgeOptions.

 **Take Charge of Your Health – Illinois
Department of Public Health through the
Administration on Aging**

AgeOptions offers four versions of this evidence-based health promotion program, which is now in its fifth year. Workshop series conducted throughout suburban Cook County are: Take Charge of Your Health: Live Well, Be Well, Tomando Control de su Salud, Take Charge of Your Diabetes and Tomando Control de su Diabetes.

 **Website - Taproot Foundation**

The Taproot Foundation awarded AgeOptions a \$50,000 in-kind grant for the redesign of our website. A volunteer team of professionals created a framework for a new website to be launched in 2011 that will be bright, engaging and easier to navigate.

AgeOptions, Inc.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

September 30, 2010

(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2009)

	Unrestricted		Total Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	2010	2009
	General Funds	Special Funds		Special Funds		
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 194,094	\$ 1,721,482	\$ 1,915,576	\$ 50,978	\$ 1,966,554	\$ 2,356,511
Grants receivable - current	-	1,391,505	1,391,505	276,842	1,668,347	1,022,588
Other receivables	215,994	36,473	252,467	5,281	257,748	245,167
Prepaid expenses and deposits	69,389	-	69,389	-	69,389	65,596
Total current assets	479,477	3,149,460	3,628,937	333,101	3,962,038	3,689,862
LONG-TERM ASSETS						
Investments	367,249	-	367,249	-	367,249	335,889
Grants receivable - noncurrent	-	-	-	108,646	108,646	301,056
Furniture and equipment, net	75,086	-	75,086	-	75,086	75,042
Total long-term assets	442,335	-	442,335	108,646	550,981	711,987
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 921,812	\$ 3,149,460	\$ 4,071,272	\$ 441,747	\$ 4,513,019	\$ 4,401,849
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$ 33,707	\$ 2,213,429	\$ 2,247,136	\$ 5,073	\$ 2,252,209	\$ 1,490,494
Other payables	122,198	271,323	393,521	24	393,545	506,368
Total current liabilities	155,905	2,484,752	2,640,657	5,097	2,645,754	1,996,862
NET ASSETS						
Unrestricted	765,907	664,708	1,430,615	-	1,430,615	1,463,767
Temporarily restricted	-	-	-	436,650	436,650	941,220
Total net assets	765,907	664,708	1,430,615	436,650	1,867,265	2,404,987
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 921,812	\$ 3,149,460	\$ 4,071,272	\$ 441,747	\$ 4,513,019	\$ 4,401,849

AgeOptions, Inc.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended September 30, 2010
 (With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2009)

	Unrestricted		Total Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	2010	2009
	General Funds	Special Funds		Special Funds		
SUPPORT AND REVENUE						
Federal and other grants	\$ -	\$ 15,013,635	\$ 15,013,635	\$ -	\$ 15,013,635	\$ 14,875,188
Foundation grants	-	-	-	671,381	671,381	795,640
In-kind professional services	8,160	-	8,160	-	8,160	14,863
Interest income	847	-	847	-	847	2,081
Loss on disposal of assets	(2,502)	-	(2,502)	-	(2,502)	(1,205)
Investment income	31,359	-	31,359	-	31,359	1,737
Miscellaneous income	12,210	-	12,210	-	12,210	1,100
Fundraising event	90,150	-	90,150	-	90,150	80,446
Subtotal	140,224	15,013,635	15,153,859	671,381	15,825,240	15,769,850
Net assets released from restriction	-	1,175,951	1,175,951	(1,175,951)	-	-
Total support and revenue	140,224	16,189,586	16,329,810	(504,570)	15,825,240	15,769,850
EXPENSES						
Program expenses	2,603	14,133,131	14,135,734	-	14,135,734	13,282,875
Management and general expenses	82,837	2,108,909	2,191,746	-	2,191,746	2,095,057
Fundraising	35,482	-	35,482	-	35,482	41,657
Total expenses	120,922	16,242,040	16,362,962	-	16,362,962	15,419,589
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS						
Unrestricted	19,302	(52,454)	(33,152)	-	(33,152)	56,308
Temporarily restricted	-	-	-	(504,570)	(504,570)	293,953
Total change in net assets	19,302	(52,454)	(33,152)	(504,570)	(537,722)	350,261
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	746,378	717,389	1,463,767	941,220	2,404,987	2,054,726
Interfund transfers	227	(227)	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 765,907	\$ 664,708	\$ 1,430,615	\$ 436,650	\$ 1,867,265	\$ 2,404,987

AgeOptions, Inc.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended September 30, 2010

(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2009)

	2010	2009
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ (537,722)	\$ 350,261
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash from operating activities		
Depreciation expense	37,010	44,260
Loss on disposal of equipment	2,502	1,205
Unrealized gain on investments	(28,891)	(30,191)
Realized loss on investments	3,946	40,836
(Increase) decrease in		
Grants receivable	(453,349)	(205,880)
Other receivables	(12,581)	243,976
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(3,793)	11,855
Increase (decrease) in		
Accounts payable	761,715	(83,795)
Other payables	(112,823)	183,652
Total adjustments	193,736	205,918
Net cash from operating activities	(343,986)	556,179
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of investments	26,971	31,605
Purchase of investments	(33,386)	(43,987)
Purchase of equipment	(39,556)	(13,747)
Net cash from investing activities	(45,971)	(26,129)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
None	-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(389,957)	530,050
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,356,511	1,826,461
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,966,554	\$ 2,356,511
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE		
No interest or taxes were paid during the year.	\$ -	\$ -

Fundraiser 2010



Supporters Make Sixth Annual Fundraiser the Largest Yet

Celebrating Aging – Making a Difference, the sixth annual AgeOptions fundraiser, filled the Winter Garden of Chicago’s Harold Washington Library on September 23 with the largest attendance to date. Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, donors and guests, the event grossed approximately \$80,000 for AgeOptions programs and services, exceeding the 2009 total by 12.5 percent.

Lisa Parker, NBC5 consumer reporter and anchor, engaged the crowd as master of ceremonies, encouraging lively bidding on the silent auction items and donations to the service auction pledge board where guests could designate contributions to specific programs.

The 2010 fundraiser had the support of 37 sponsors, up from 32 in 2009. Compared to 2009, contribution totals were:

Sponsorships	20 percent higher
Ad Book	59 percent higher
Silent Auction	26 percent higher
Ticket Sales	16 percent higher
Donations	10 percent higher

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Fundraiser 2011

Celebrating Aging – Partnering with Our Communities

is the theme of our 2011 fundraiser, which will be
September 15 at the Harold Washington Library in downtown Chicago.

Lisa Parker of NBC5 will once again serve as master of ceremonies,
and guests will enjoy fantastic food and music, the exciting silent auction
and opportunities for networking.

For information on sponsoring or attending the event,
please go to www.ageoptions.org
or call us at (708)383-0258.

Save the Date!
Thursday, September 15, 2011
The Winter Garden at The Harold Washington Library Center
400 South State Street, Chicago, 9th Floor, 6 p.m.

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Our seventh annual fundraising reception and auction -
An event to honor and celebrate the older adults we serve

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AgeOptions is governed by a Board of Directors, whose responsibilities include setting our direction, establishing policies, and managing and allocating resources. Using proven methods of research and planning, AgeOptions is entrusted with distributing funds to a network of organizations that serve older adults and their families. Our Advisory Council consists of a group of older adults who represent and link us to the communities in our service area.

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