

CENA

COMMUNITY EXPANSION OF NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



In accordance with the Oklahoma Department of Commerce's (ODOC) intent of the annual appropriations bill, the Office of Community Development (OCD) distributes the CENA Funds to Councils of Government and Area Agencies on Aging for distribution to eligible Multipurpose and Independent Senior Centers.

The funds are used to enhance nutritional and social needs of senior citizens through the purchase of food, insurance, payment of utilities, facility maintenance and purchase of equipment, transportation, food preparation, and many other activities.

SFY 2018 Performance Quick Facts:

- *The Oklahoma Council of Governments and Area Agencies on Aging reported 484 Eligible Multipurpose and Independent Senior Centers.*
- *A total of 316 Senior Seniors were funded to provide general facility improvements of nutritional conditions.*
- *CENA Funds assisted more than 23,300 Seniors 60+ in age with enhanced nutritional and social needs.*

Success Stories:

- *Five Heating/Air Systems replaced in Senior Centers, reducing the Annual Utility Costs. GGEDA 2018*
- *Ponca City Senior Center came on board this year and are excited to announce they combined CENA funding and other local funding to close a gap in meals available to senior citizens on Fridays in Kay County. They served an average of 58 seniors with a hot meal each Friday. LTCA-Enid 2018*

Three Year Program Snapshot

CENA	2018	2017	2016
Annual Funding	\$1,820,009	\$1,910,387	\$1,960,778
Senior Centers Funded	316	339	375
Senior 60+ Assisted	23,338	33,704	36,360