

Vulnerable Adults In Davis County

2024 Needs Assessment

WHO WAS SURVEYED

**113**

Total Respondents

**89**Vulnerable
Adults***24**

Providers**

SERVICE ACCESS



Mental Health Services

Mental health services had one of the highest usage rates among vulnerable adults (16%), following only healthcare (58%).

9%

Senior Centers & Volunteers

9% of vulnerable adults access senior centers and volunteer opportunities, making them some of the most commonly accessed services.

KEY FINDINGS

These findings highlight the most pressing needs of the community. The Senior Services Division's Four-Year Plan priorities align with these key findings to directly address these issues.



Housing & Affordability

Housing and affordability are frequently mentioned as top concerns and barriers to services.



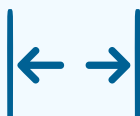
Awareness of Services

Low public awareness of available services is a significant concern for vulnerable adults.



Social Isolation

Social isolation is identified as a community challenge among both vulnerable adults and providers.



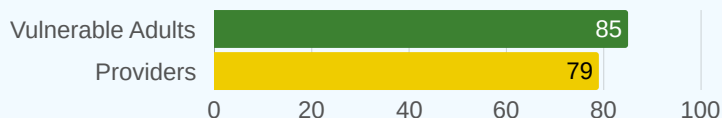
Service Gaps

There are gaps between the needs reported by vulnerable adults and stakeholders.

SERVICE NEEDS

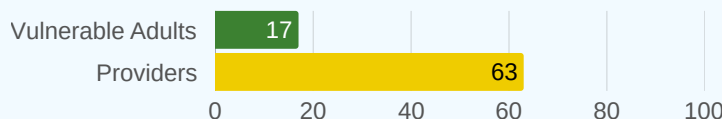
Perceived Availability of Services

Senior centers were the most commonly reported available service.



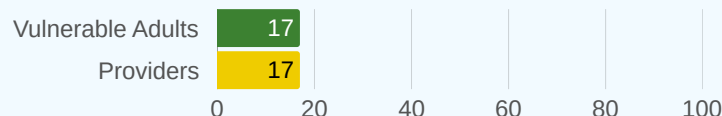
Needs Identified

Low-income housing services were the most recognized need.



Unmet Service Needs

17% of vulnerable adults reported unmet needs for low-income housing, and 17% of providers said their organization cannot meet housing needs.



*Vulnerable adults are defined as individuals with a disability and those age 65 and over.

**Providers are individuals who provide services to vulnerable adults.

BARRIERS TO SERVICE



Funding

Lack of funding was identified as the top barrier to service access for vulnerable adults by 75% of providers.



Income

38% of vulnerable adults said their income was too high to qualify for services, while 12% said they did not have enough money to afford services.



Awareness

Public awareness was the most common community need reported by providers (54%), with vulnerable adults also noting a need for better access to information.



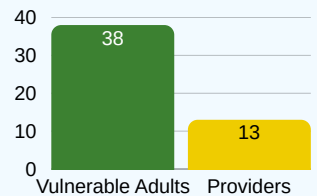
Lack of Services

15% of vulnerable adults and 46% of providers identified a lack of services for older adults as a key barrier.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING (AAA)

61% of vulnerable adults were familiar with the Area Agency on Aging

Increasing public awareness of services was a common suggestion from both vulnerable adults and providers for how the AAA can help.



COMMUNITY STRENGTHS



Strong Community

21% of vulnerable adults and 13% of providers reported a strong sense of community as a strength.

COMMUNITY CHALLENGES



Lack of Information

A lack of information, awareness, and guidance regarding services was a top challenge for both vulnerable adults (23%) and providers (21%).



Financial Strain

10% of vulnerable adults and 8% of providers perceived financial strain as a significant challenge.

ADDITIONAL FINDINGS

Adult Protective Services (APS)



44% of vulnerable adults were familiar with APS. The most common barrier to reporting abuse for vulnerable adults (29%) was not wanting to get family members in trouble.

Aging In Place



83% of vulnerable adults reported that it is important to remain in their home as they age. The greatest concerns about aging in place were housing costs (24%) and mobility issues (22%).

Housing & Affordability



24% of vulnerable adults reported struggling to pay for their mortgage or rent in the past year. The most common housing issue was finding affordable housing (20%).