

Our Partners

Agencies with programs receiving United Way funding:

All Saints Early Learning & Community Care Center

Baker County Council on Aging, Inc.

Jacksonville Speech and Hearing Center, Inc.

Jewish Community Alliance

Nassau County Council on Aging, Inc.

United Way Life: Act 2 Initiative

Community Partners in Senior Engagement and Independence:

City of Jacksonville

The Community Foundation in Jacksonville

ElderSource, the Area Agency on Aging for Northeast Florida

Florida Council on Aging

Florida Department of Children and Families

The George M. Baldwin Foundation

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Senior Engagement and Independence

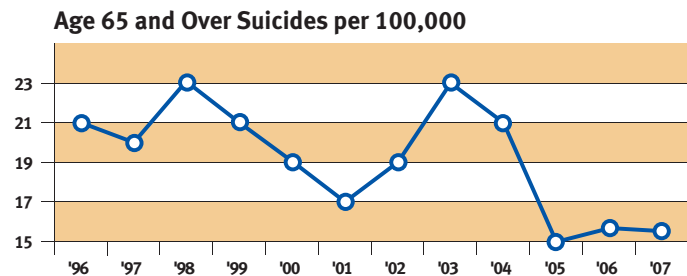
ISSUE: In Northeast Florida, seniors are the fastest growing segment of the population. This presents a challenge and an opportunity. As a result of this aging phenomenon, Northeast Florida expects an increase in the number of residents who will need additional support and services as they age. Local research shows that gaps in supportive services for seniors discharged from the hospital result in longer hospital stays.

SOLUTION: The first two weeks out of the hospital are crucial for a senior’s successful recovery. Providing in-home supports is critical to keeping seniors healthy and on the path to recovery.

IMPACT: United Way is addressing this issue through our Life: Act 2 Initiative. United Way has brought to the community new resources, including a \$1 million Robert Wood Johnson grant, to proactively address developing aging issues before they become a crisis. United Way is convening stakeholders in serving seniors to study opportunities to improve the health of seniors diagnosed with congestive heart failure.

More than 800 senior patients have been served through the ElderCare program, which provides seniors recently released from the hospital with temporary services, information, and connection to community resources. In a consumer survey, 96% of respondents reported that the help they received was essential and would have been unavailable without the support of United Way.

One indicator of our community’s seniors’ well being is the suicide rate.



JCCI Quality of Life Progress Report: www.jcci.org
 Data Source: Florida Department of Health, Office of Vital Statistics

United Way of Northeast Florida invests \$605,998 to help seniors live independent, full lives.