

Who volunteers to be a Money Manager?

Our organized, friendly volunteers are individuals who enjoy working with people and with numbers.

Once trained, volunteers are matched by our program coordinator with one or two seniors who they meet with at least once a month. Volunteers also attend three in-service trainings.

To find out more about becoming a volunteer, call 781-586-8619, or visit www.glss.net/Join-Us/Volunteer-Opportunities

For more information about aging services in Massachusetts, call 1-800-243-4636 or visit www.massoptions.org.

GLSS values diversity and provides services or employment to all members of the community without regard for race, color, national origin, age, sexual orientation, disability, religion, or gender.

Although many of our programs are funded in whole or in part by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Aging & Independence, MassHealth, and the United States Administration for Community Living, we depend on and welcome community support to help us meet the needs of local elders.

Credits

The Massachusetts Money Management Program is a free service jointly sponsored by Mass Home Care, the Executive Office of Aging & Independence, and AARP Massachusetts. All transactions are insured and monitored by staff and volunteers on a monthly basis.

Services available through GLSS:

- **Information and referral.** With one phone call, you can find the answers to many questions.
- **Help in your home.** Help with personal care, chores, and more...to help you maintain your independence.
- **Meals.** Tasty, nutritious, affordable. Served at several “community cafés” or delivered to your home by Meals on Wheels.
- **Transportation.** We help you find and navigate the options in your community, so you can safely get to the places you need to go.
- **Counseling and support.** We’re here to lend an ear and offer some advice and support in a safe, judgment-free setting.
- **Protection for elders.** We investigate and intervene in instances of elder abuse and neglect. GLSS also regularly visits every area nursing and rest home to protect patients’ rights.
- **Healthy living programs.** We offer a variety of programs to help you feel better and stay connected.

One number for everything:

Call GLSS at 781-599-0110

We’ll listen. We’ll help.

E-mail: info@glss.net

Web site: www.glss.net

The Massachusetts Money Management Program



Valuable assistance,
free of charge,
for low-income
seniors

*Need help organizing and paying
monthly bills? Having trouble
managing your finances?
Struggling to make ends meet?*

Serving Lynn, Lynnfield, Nahant, Saugus, and Swampscott



Paying bills accurately and on time is an important part of independent living. If you or someone you know is having difficulty managing their monthly finances, our trained, insured volunteers can help sort things out and keep them in order by:

- Organizing and paying bills on time
- Keeping track of accounts and balances
- Writing checks
- Mailing or making payments.

The Massachusetts Money Management Program offers two levels of service.

Bill Payer Service

Volunteers help you:

- Develop a budget
- Sort mail
- Write checks
- Balance your checkbook.

You make your own financial decisions and sign your own checks.

Your independence is priceless. If you are having trouble managing your finances, one of our trained, insured, and supervised volunteers can help.

Representative Payee Service

Provides a higher level of support for seniors who are no longer able to manage their own finances. With a physician's consent, volunteers or designated agencies appointed by the Social Security Administration write and sign checks through a special checking account to manage the senior's Social Security and other federal benefits. In this case, the Representative Payee signs all checks.

Who can benefit from these services?

Seniors with...

- Impaired vision
- Difficulty writing
- Limited mobility
- Memory loss or dementia.

AND

Seniors who are...

- Recovering after an illness or hospitalization
- Returning home after a nursing home stay
- Homebound
- Living alone.

Where can I get more information?

Call GLSS at 781-599-0110 and ask for the Money Management Coordinator.

Who is eligible for this service?

You may be eligible for services if you are:

- 60 or older and meet income guidelines
- Homebound, confused, or living with a disability or visual impairment
- Without friends or family who can help
- At risk of losing your independence because of financial challenges.

How we help...

Carl and Lois asked for help in budgeting because of an overextended loans on their home and car. Neither is able to work due to disabilities and age. The volunteer assisted in consolidating and refinancing their debt, developing a realistic financial plan, and visiting monthly to keep the budget balanced.

A neighbor referred Margaret, a 75-year old woman whose relative was keeping her money after cashing Margaret's monthly Social Security checks. Margaret now has a Representative Payee and her checks are automatically deposited directly into her checking account.



Greater Lynn Senior Services
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