



# Oklahoma Caregiver Coalition



- 145+ public/private/caregiver partners
- Quarterly meetings to include video conferencing opportunities and legislative reports
- OK Caregiver Conference
- [OKCares.org](http://OKCares.org) to include Respite Locator
- 10 subcommittees to include Respite Subcommittee



# RESPITE SUBCOMMITTEE

- Lifespan Respite Grant, Sooner SUCCESS
  - Adult Day Services
  - DHS Developmental Disabilities Services
  - DHS Family Support Assistance Payment Program
  - DHS Medicaid Waiver Services
  - DHS Foster Care
  - DHS Post Adoption Services
  - DHS SSI/DCP
  - Area Agencies on Aging
  - Veterans Administration
  - OK Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
  - Assisted Livings
  - Home Health Agencies
  - Alzheimer's Association
  - More.....
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## Eligibility for caregiver:

- Is 18 or older, full-time, unpaid
- Is a grandparent or other relative age 54 or younger raising a child
- No more than \$90,000 of annual household income
- Does not receive respite services or payments from other programs including, but not limited to foster care, Family Support Assistance Payment, OAA Title III-E, ODMHSAS Systems of Care funding, or a DHS Child Care Subsidy.

## Need a Break?

**Respite** services can provide a much-needed, temporary break from the often exhausting challenges faced by family caregivers. Respite vouchers let caregivers hire another person (respite provider) to temporarily care for their loved ones.



For more information:

**Sooner SUCCESS**

[soonersuccess.ouhsc.edu](http://soonersuccess.ouhsc.edu)

## Where can respite care happen?

Respite care can be provided in the caregiver's home, someone else's home, a center-based program or care center, such as an adult day services center or nursing facility, as long as agreed to by the caregiver and respite care provider.



## If the Care Receiver is an Oklahoma resident

Age birth to 59 who needs help with activities of daily living (ADL) who has

- Cognitive Impairment/Dementia
- Intellectual Disabilities
- Developmental Disabilities
- Mental Health/Behavioral Issues
- Physical Disabilities
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Other special health care needs

Does not qualify for respite services or payments through any other program including, but not limited to, DHS Developmental Disability Services, SSI-DCP, OAA Title III-E, *ADvantage* waiver program, Medicare-funded home health services or hospice.



**For more information:**

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**Aging  
Services**

## Emergency Vouchers

**Emergency voucher** is a one time, \$250, voucher issued on a case-by-case basis for full-time, unpaid caregivers that have an unexpected need for support in caring for their loved one due to surgery or unexpected hospitalization, death in the family or any other unexplained situation

## Educational Vouchers

**Educational vouchers** help caregivers pay for care of their loved ones so they can attend training that assists with their caregiving.

- \$50 for half day training or \$100 for a full day training event per eligible caregiver.
- Must complete an application prior to the educational event
- Must be registered for the educational event

# Increasing RESPITE for Caregivers: Community Capacity Building Projects

- Camps - children with special needs and adults with disabilities
- On The Roads - taking providers across Oklahoma
- OK Caregiver Conferences
- Community Respite/Sibshops
- Extend hours for Adult Day Services
- Faith Based Partnerships
- Grand Voices Event (Generations United)
- Presentations by Respite Subcommittee (1-2 times a week)