



**March 26, 2025**

Dear AgeWell Services Supporters,

It is with a heavy heart that we share the news that the **AgeWell Services Wellness Center and Driftwood Café will be closing on May 22, 2025**. This decision was not made lightly, as we understand the impact these programs have had on the lives of so many in our community.

After a careful evaluation of financial realities, including budget constraints, inflationary pressures, consistent financial losses, and uncertain federal funding, we must take steps to ensure the long-term sustainability of our organization. Our goal is to continue focusing on the programs that serve the greatest need and make the most meaningful impact for older adults.

#### **What's Next?**

- The **Driftwood Café** will close, but **Driftwood Discount Dine will continue on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 560 Seminole Rd, Norton Shores, MI 49444 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM starting June 3, 2025.**
- **Driftwood catering services will still be available.**
- The **Wellness Center** will close, but we will **expand Senior Center Activities through our Lunch & Activity Centers and various community partner locations** to continue providing opportunities for engagement and connection throughout our service area.
- **Gift cards and service credits** must be used by **May 22, 2025**. No new gift cards will be issued after **March 26, 2025**.

We recognize that these changes may be difficult, and we are committed to assisting our participants in transitioning to alternative local programs. Our team will be available to answer questions and provide guidance during this time.

- If a participant, please reach out to Laura Beechnau, Mission Services Director, at (231) 683-2609 or [laura@agewellservices.org](mailto:laura@agewellservices.org).
- If volunteer, donor or other stakeholder, please reach out to Jennifer Drury, Advancement Director, at (231) 733-8635 or [jennifer@agewellservices.org](mailto:jennifer@agewellservices.org)
- If media, please reach out to Kim Wilcox, Marketing Specialist, at (231) 638-4198 or [kim@agewellservices.org](mailto:kim@agewellservices.org).

#### **How Can You Help?**

- **Donate.** While the physical space of the Wellness Center is closing, we're still in need of support for Senior Center Activities, which will offer opportunities for engagement and connection throughout our service area. Learn more - <https://agewellservices.org/support-agewell-services/>
- **Volunteer.** We're always in need of volunteers to support our programs! Learn more - <https://agewellservices.org/support-agewell-services/volunteer-opportunities/>
- **Follow, Like and Share on Social Media.** A like or share can go a long way! @AgeWellServices on Facebook
- **E-newsletters.** Stay updated on what's happening at <https://agewellservices.org/e-mail-sign-up/>

We want to express our heartfelt **gratitude** for your trust and support. It has been an honor to serve you, and we look forward to continuing our mission in new and impactful ways.

With appreciation,

**AgeWell Services Leadership Team**