



The State of Aging Kentucky - Past

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1987 Kentucky Elderly Needs Assessment III Summary

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Significant data were consolidated using previous KENA reports, Title III and Homecare regional reports (1986), 1980 US Census, and from Labor & Statistics. 255 respondents (17 from each ADD) were chosen from state or state supported agencies and from the "committee of 100" to answer survey questions. No representatives from industries such as manufacturing, banking, transportation, housing, or retail were included. No private service providers were surveyed. Demographic data were reported at state and ADD levels. Suggestions for services and/or service enhancement were presented to the respondents. Respondents ranked services, for example, they were asked to rank policy changes associated with housing from unrealistic, important to consider, more information needed, and don't know. Areas not addressed include: technology, education, housing beyond single-family (e.g., nursing homes, assisted living, retirement communities, etc.), provider readiness (e.g., perceptions, plans, etc.), community capacity/sustainability, workforce, and retirement.

Predications

Realities

60+ population will see dramatic increase in immigration.	2000 census revealed out migration of older persons.
85+ population will grow from 43,036 in 1986 to 88,805 in 2000.	2000 census counted only 58,261 people 85 and older.
60+ population will total 777,102 in 2000.	The 2000 census counted 670,127 persons over the age 60.
Total cost of transportation services predicted for 2000: \$2,432,404.00	Public Transportation budget in FY 2004: \$32,931,000.00

Objectives of the Needs Assessment

- Project growth of the 60+ population who need services for years 1990 and 2000
- Describe those now being served
- Estimate proportion of people whose needs are not being met
- Specify reasons that people have unmet needs
- Suggest options to close the qualitative gap between need and service
- Assess the quality of services currently available to clients
- Recommend options to improve service quality
- Suggest prioritization at both the state and regional levels, of services that should be offered.