



Caregiver Support Group Participant Cost-Share

As we all age, the need for caregiver support services continues to grow and the cost of providing these services continues to increase.

To help continue providing services to the growing number of caregivers, participants are asked to consider making a cost-share contribution. Contributions of any amount are appreciated, and we understand that personal circumstances (i.e. medical costs, housing costs, etc.) may affect the amount you're able to contribute or if you're able to contribute at all.

Helping caregivers care for themselves through education and empowerment remains our first and highest priority. Services will continue to be provided to program participants who are unable or who choose not to share in the cost of services.

Suggested cost-share contribution amounts

Care receiver lives alone with annual income of:	Care receiver in a spousal household with annual income of:	Suggested cost-share per session
\$0 to \$15,060	\$0 to \$20,440	\$0
\$15,061 to \$22,590	\$20,441 to \$30,660	\$5.00
\$22,591 to \$30,120	\$30,661 to \$40,880	\$10.00
\$30,121 to \$37,650	\$40,881 to \$51,100	\$15.00
\$37,651 and above	\$51,101 and above	\$20.00

If participants don't contribute, how are the costs covered?

A significant portion of the costs to facilitate support groups are covered by various federal funding programs. Unfortunately, the most significant source of funding for these services (Older Americans Act Title III-E), is decreasing as special monies made available in response to the COVID-19 pandemic are ending.

It's my first time joining this group. Can I see if it's the right fit before I contribute?

Yes. We understand that a support group may not be the right fit for everyone. If you decide to return, a cost-share contribution is encouraged if you're able to contribute.

Can I pay online with a credit card or via an online payment service?

Currently, we're able to accept cash or checks only. Payment may be made using envelopes provided at a support group meeting; checks (made out to *Senior Community Services*) may also be mailed to:

Senior Community Services
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