

MASONIC SENIOR OUTREACH SERVICES



Masonic Homes
of California

Call the
Masonic Assistance line
888-466-3642
for intake

Masonic Homes

Union City, CA

Covina, CA

Masonic Outreach Services

Masonic Family
Outreach Services

Masonic Senior
Outreach Services

Masonic Senior Outreach Services (MSOS)

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Services Provided	Eligibility Requirements
<p>Care Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Offers guidance and hands-on assistance planning for aging well-Assistance securing public benefits-No time limits. Based on need	<p>must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-A California Mason or his spouse-His surviving spouse-His mother-His dependent adult children
<p>Financial Care Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Provided a MSOS Care Manager-Demonstrated financial need i.e., less than \$2,000 in liquid assets, \$3500 for a couple	<p>must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-A California Master Mason, in good standing for last 5 years-His surviving spouse-His mother

Types of Services

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Care Management

- ➔ This home-community-based service offered to those who would otherwise not have a support system in place. Care Managers assist with navigating resources, benefits and ensuring elders' overall safety and well-being
- ➔ Members who qualify for this service need only be a Mason, spouse or survivor, in good standing and at least 60 years old. Also, children qualified as dependent adults i.e., intellectual or physical disabilities since childhood
- ➔ No length of Masonic membership is required

Financial Assistance

- ➔ Is available to a CA Master Mason, spouse, survivor or mother, over 60 y.o. who do not have the financial resources to meet their basic needs
- ➔ They may live out-of-state and still receive this assistance

Facts about MSOS Financial Assistance

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- ➔ Financial assistance is designed to provide a modest lifestyle with dignity, not maintain the lifestyle Members may have enjoyed prior to application
- ➔ The amount of financial support is individually determined and there is no maximum length of time Masonic elders can receive financial support
- ➔ Support may be received, so long as financial need exists and program eligibility is met. Clients recertify, annually, to confirm their financial eligibility
- ➔ Financial assistance is used to fill the gap that exists between seniors' income and current living expenses
- ➔ Masons and families must be receiving all community, state, and federal benefits to which they are entitled, such as: Medicare, MediCal, veterans' benefits, food assistance, etc.
- ➔ MSOS does not support skilled nursing care because this cost can be covered by Medi-Cal
- ➔ MSOS financial assistance cannot be used to pay-off past debt

MSOS Continuous Care Planning

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- ➔ MSOS clients may live in single-family homes, apartments, independent & assisted living facilities, memory care or board & care homes
- ➔ Care Managers support Masonic seniors into safe living arrangements, assuring a modest living, with dignity
- ➔ When clients are living beyond their means, Care Mgr.s will guide and assist toward down-sizing and managing extraordinary expenses
- ➔ In-home care may be approved, up to 21 hours/week and cannot pay for 24-hour in-home care, but supports 24-hour assisted living care
- ➔ When care needs can no longer be met safely in the home, transition options will be discussed and explored with seniors and caregivers



MSOS Application Process

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- ➔ The actual time it takes, from intake call to submission of an application to the Admissions Committee, is on-average 1-to-3 months.
- ➔ Application process time varies and is often based on how long it takes an applicant to provide all needed documentation
- ➔ Applicant may benefit from the assistance of a family member, lodge leader and/or POA during this process
- ➔ In emergency situations, where the applicant's safety is at risk, this process may be expedited

MSOS Repayment

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The **Agreement to Repay** form is used to document the transaction of financial support offered by the Masonic Homes, explaining there is an expectation of the funds outlaid by MSOS will be reimbursed, when possible

Repayment is expected when assets become available, such as: when a client passes away and life insurance paid out, when a house, car or other property is sold because it is no longer useful to the owner of that property

When repayment IS possible, only the amount paid-out is reimbursed to the General Fund - with no interest charged - for the aid of future Masons and families in distress

When an applicant does not have any assets to repay the program, the **Acknowledgement of Receipt** form is used to document that financial support is being provided to meet basic living needs and repayment is not expected

