



Representative Matt Ritter speaks with Carolyn Brooks-Burton at the Northend Senior Center in Hartford.

2012 Senior News

I wanted to share some information about a few senior programs in the state that may assist you, a family member or a friend.

As always, please contact me if you have questions or concerns about this year's legislative session, or any other matter.

Best,



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CHOICES Program

The CHOICES program provides seniors with health insurance information and counseling; information on Medicare plans, including Medicare Part D; and available long-term care options. For more information on the program, call **1-800-994-9422** or visit **www.ct.gov/agingservices**.

Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Under the Connecticut Long-Term Care Ombudsman program, an office in the Department of Social Services, represents the interests of residents in nursing and residential care homes and helps them resolve complaints regarding these facilities. One state and nine regional ombudsmen carry out these duties, assisted by over 60 volunteers. For more information visit **www.ct.gov/LTCOP** or call **860-424-5200**.

Legal Assistance for Seniors

The state contracts with Greater Hartford Legal Aid to provide free legal assistance on elder law issues to people age 60 and older who cannot afford to hire a private attorney. Priority is given to people with problems regarding health care access, nursing home issues, patient's rights, and federal and state benefit programs. For more information visit Greater Hartford Legal Aid at **ghla.org** or call **860-541-5000**.

Senior Community Service Employment Program

This program helps low-income seniors age 55 and older find employment opportunities. The program matches a person's skills and interests with a position in a community service agency. To be eligible, the person must have an income of not more than 125% of the federal poverty level. For more information, visit **www.ct.gov/agingservices** or contact Easter Seals Capital Region & Eastern CT Pete Pylypyszyn - ppylypszyn@escrec.org (860) 728-1061 x231

Save on Auto Insurance

Driver Safety Programs are a tremendous value to older drivers. These courses help older drivers become more aware, alert and confident on the roads. Currently, by law, a driver age 60 or older is eligible for an automobile insurance premium discount of at least 5% for successfully completing an accident-prevention course approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles. For more information, call 860-263-5700.

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