

MIPPA Fact Sheet

2023 YTD

What is MIPPA used for?

Helping eligible people enroll in:

- **Extra Help/ Low Income Subsidy Program** that lowers prescription drug and insurance premium costs
- **Medicare Savings Program benefits** that assist with Medicare deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance amounts



Three (3) full time staff members



307 LIS applications completed

possible savings of \$1,535,000

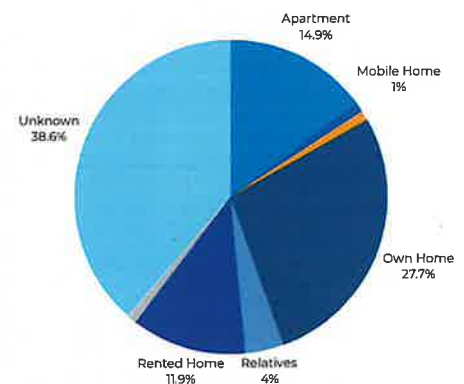
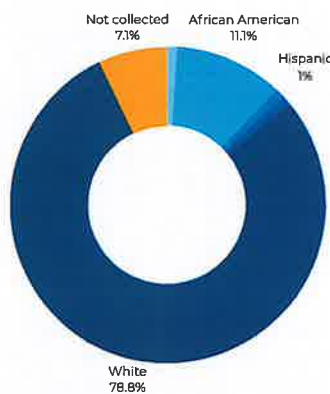
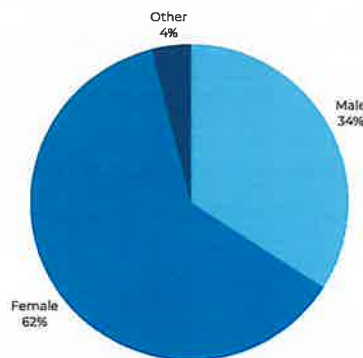


255 Medicare Savings Program Applications

possible savings of \$504,594

Who does MIPPA help?

864 people served with MIPPA



MIPPA client testimonial

Fiona, age 67 with income below 100% of FPL (\$1,215), declined Medicare Part B when she became eligible due to the cost of the premiums. For 2 years, she went without insurance coverage. She became worried about her health and knew that she needed health insurance. The SHIP Counselor helped her to apply for the Extra Help and Medicare Savings Program -QMB benefits. Shortly after being approved for QMB, Fiona's health took a turn for the worse and she was hospitalized. Having QMB saved Fiona thousands of dollars and allowed her to obtain the healthcare that she needed. The Counselor helped her to apply for Part B after receiving QMB approval. It took several months of working with SSA to get the Part B enrollment approved but the benefit was backdated and covered outstanding medical expenses that caused anxiety and stress. The Counselor compared Medicare insurance plans for Fiona and helped her to enroll into a Medicare Advantage plan. She was able to get hearing aids that she desperately needed to improve her quality of life. Due to SHIP's help, Fiona has saved nearly \$10,000 and is now able to get the healthcare services that she needs to remain healthy and to live out the rest of her life in dignity.