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[EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one of a series of news releases regarding separate Senior Citizen Outreach programs in various Macomb County communities. Although the releases are similar, the programs differ, are held at different locations, dates and times. They are sponsored by Macomb County commissioners, who contribute significantly to planning and running the event.]

Senior outreach day scheduled for Sterling Heights

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – The Macomb County Department of Senior Citizen Services with the support of County Commissioner Robert Mijac will coordinate a Senior Outreach Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, in Sterling Heights.

Flu and pneumonia vaccines, health screening and vital information of interest to senior citizens will be offered at this clinic. The clinic will be held at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church, 38750 Ryan Road in Sterling Heights.

The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan will provide flu vaccines at this clinic to adults and children age 9 and older.

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The vaccine is free to seniors who have Medicare Part B insurance. Seniors should bring their Medicare card, driver's license or Michigan identification card, and supplemental health insurance card. A \$25 fee for flu vaccine and a \$40 fee for pneumonia vaccine apply to anyone who does not have Medicare Part B. The Visiting Nurse Association will accept cash, check, Care Choices or Health Alliance Plan (HAP) insurance.

A representative from the Macomb County Health Department's Environmental Health Division will be on hand to dispose of unwanted medication. Pills must be removed from bottles and placed in unmarked containers such as a clear plastic bag. Only non-narcotic medications will be accepted.

The following free services also will be offered to seniors at this site: Macomb County Discount Cards, 9-1-1 cell phones, blood pressure, trigger point massage and depression screening.

Passport applications also will be accepted. Applicants must bring two 2-by-2-inch photos, qualifying forms of identification and pay the processing fees. Total fees for passports are \$97, for adults and \$82 for children under 16.

Applicants must appear in person and bring two of the following: a birth certificate with official raised seal; a current driver's license; a state ID card or a naturalization certificate. Passports take about three months to process.

Representatives from the Senior Citizen Services Department and other agencies will have information about other programs and services. For further details, contact Senior Citizen Services at 586-469-6313.

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The Macomb County Department of Senior Citizen Services is sponsored by the Macomb County Board of Commissioners and receives County funds for all services. Funding for the department also comes from the Area Agency on Aging 1-B, the state of Michigan, the Older American Act and the Family Independence Agency.

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