HSO Triad Program

The HSO provides a number of important services in the community, perhaps none more so than our Triad Program, which provides medical equipment and other life-saving programs for our senior citizens free of charge to help fill a critical need. In a typical month, I receive half a dozen thank you cards from seniors who have been helped by our Triad Team. For example: *"I can't thank you enough for the walker you gave my 91-year-old mother. I am delighted to know that there are people/organizations out there that really do care! On behalf of our entire family – THANK YOU!"* This is indicative of the positive impact of our Triad Program.

The Hampshire Sheriff's Office was the first Triad program in the Commonwealth. For more than 30 years, the HSO has offered services that are a necessary part of addressing the safety needs of our senior citizens.

Three groups make up the Triad Program: 1) Sheriffs, Police, and Fire Departments; 2) Older Adults; and 3) Community Senior Services, like Senior Centers.

With scams and other predatory practices targeting seniors, this program has become vital for the safety of seniors.

Triad 2025 at a glance

Sand for Seniors 15/20 Communities

818 Hampshire County seniors received Buckets of sand/ 40,900 Pounds

S.T.E.P. 2021 $ 29,818.21

2022 $ 62,821.65

2023 $143,999.23

2024 $441,311.26

2025 $663,194.00

* The dollar amount reflects the estimated cost of durable medical equipment collected and distributed to seniors of Hampshire County for free during the year.

Parades Hadley, Holyoke, Belchertown, Chesterfield, Florence, Northampton

Memorial Day, St. Patrick's Day, Veterans Day, Tractor Parade, Rag Shag, Christmas, Springfield Thunderbirds Hometown Hero's.

Surplus food pick up and deliveries Amherst Survival Center/Manna/Easthampton

Partnerships Full Circle Bike Shop, Home Depot, Northampton Elks, V.A. Police

Northampton Lions, Bob the Bike Guy, C& S Wholesale Grocers, Bank ESB

National Sheriff's Association Assist with National Trainings

National Drug Take Back April- 2175 Pounds

October- 1523 Pounds

Total collected since 2011 – 82,398 Pounds

Cops and Bobbers Youth Fishing Derby - Umass/Granby/Amherst/MSP/Environmental/HSO

Elks Cruise Night – Northampton

Safety Days – Northampton, Hadley, South Hadley, Belchertown, Huntington

Document Shredding Events- Easthampton, Hadley, South Hadley

*destroyed approximately 5 tons of documents for Hampshire County residents

Hadley COA Picnic- Cooked and served 125 seniors

Lock Box Installations- Belchertown, Easthampton, Southampton

Ware Potato Bar Dinner- Cooked and served 100 seniors

Hadley Holiday Breakfast- Cooked and served 40 seniors

Monthly S.A.L.T. Council Meetings- Amherst, Belchertown, Easthampton, Hadley, Hatfield, Northampton, Southampton, South Hadley, Ware and Williamsburg