

# Updating the Older Americans Act

## WHY DO LGBT OLDER ADULTS NEED SUPPORT?



The Older Americans Act (OAA) is the nation's primary law for funding, organizing, and delivering social and nutrition programs (like *Meals on Wheels*) to older adults and their caregivers with the goal of enabling people to age in-place in their communities.

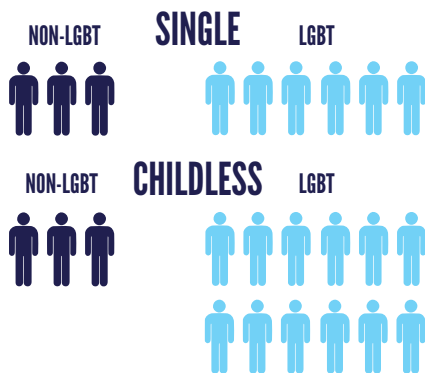
### PROBLEM

The OAA, a \$2 billion-a-year program, makes no mention of LGBT older adults.

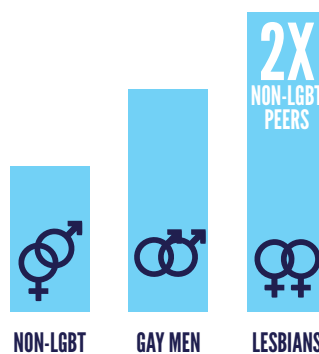


LGBT Older Adults suffer disproportionately from their non-LGBT peers.

#### SOCIAL ISOLATION



#### RATE OF POVERTY



#### SUPPORT DISCONNECT



In order to better serve LGBT Americans, the OAA needs to be amended to include LGBT older adults as a population of "greatest social need."

### SOLUTION

