

# ADVOCATES *for* Senior Issues



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## AFSI MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 19, 2023 10am – 12pm

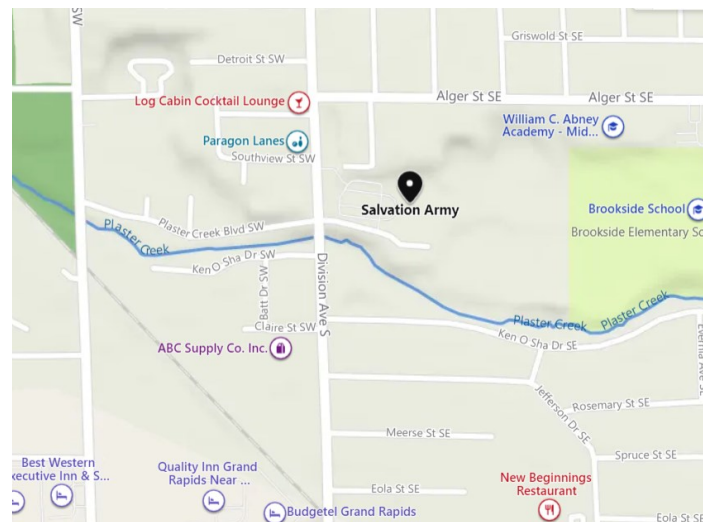
*ASFI monthly meeting presentation and program beginning at 10am*

**WHO:** The Advocates for Senior Issues Members, Guests, and Sponsors

**WHAT:** An opportunity to advocate, learn, and grow together. There will be a continental breakfast so **be sure to arrive early and bring a guest!**

**WHEN:** May 19, 2023 10am-12pm

**WHERE:** Salvation Army Kroc Center  
2500 Division Ave S.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49507



### Questions?

Please contact Advocacy Coordinator,  
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### AGENDA

#### Call to Order and Announcements:

Lody Zwarensteijn, President

#### Legislative Presentation

#### Representative Phil Skaggs

State Representative. Phil Skaggs is serving his first term representing the 80th House District, comprised of the cities of Kentwood, East Grand Rapids, Cascade Township, and parts of the City of Grand Rapids and Grand Rapids Township.

#### Program Presentation

#### Mom's Demand Action

*"We Don't Have to Live Like This:*

*Advocating for Gun Safety in the US."*

Mom's Demand Action is a grassroots movement of Americans fighting for public safety measures that can protect people from gun violence, which is an epidemic in the United States. There are things we can do that can lower the rate of gun deaths and curb our nation's gun lust. Mom's Demand Action has established a volunteer chapter in every state of the country and Washington, D.C. and is part of Everytown for Gun Safety, the largest gun violence prevention organization in the country. Christina VanEyl is the communications lead for the Grand Rapids Chapter.

Advocates for Senior Issues is a non-partisan organization, affiliated with the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan

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**Leslie Sanford | Lody and Joanne Zwarensteijn | Meals on Wheels Western Michigan**

**Parents Empowering Network | Primary Home Care | Care Resources PACE**

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