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AGENDA

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGING
FRIDAY, August 16, 2013
12:00 – 3:00 P.M.
1290 Broadway Denver, CO 80203
Independence Pass, First Floor

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comment Period
3. Approval of Summary of the July 19, 2013 Meeting
(Attachment A)

ACTION AGENDA

4. Motion to recommend to the DRCOG Board of Directors to allow community members to the Advisory Committee on Aging – Jayla Sanchez-Warren
(Attachment B)

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFINGS

5. Project Visibility Presentation - Jennifer Solms
6. Status of Subcommittee Work Plans
 - a. Funding Subcommittee – Steve Watson

BREAK

7. Update from the Area Agency on Aging Director – Jayla Sanchez-Warren
8. Older American's Coalition and Legislative Update – Jayla Sanchez- Warren
9. Livable Communities/Planning – Jayla Sanchez-Warren

Disabled attendees are asked to notify DROCG at least 48 hours of the need for auxiliary aids or services

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10. Compliance Program Report – Jayla Sanchez-Warren
11. Ombudsman Program Report – Shannon Gimbel
12. Information and Assistance – Nicole Hartog
13. Chair Report – Bob Davis
14. Information Sharing - [All if time]
15. Adjournment

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGING
MEETING SUMMARY
July 19, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dawn Perez	Adams County
Michelle Clopton	Arapahoe County
Cathy Noon	Arapahoe County
Fabyan Watrous	Clear Creek County
Janet Romarine	Clear Creek County
Muriel Arvay	Denver County
Jean Richards	Denver County
Steve Watson	Douglas County
Sharon Perea	Gilpin County
Bob Lanky	Jefferson County
Donna Mullins	Jefferson County
Sharon Richardson	DRCOG Board
Beth Martinez Humenik	DRCOG Board
Cliff Mueller	DRCOG Board
Randy Penn	DRCOG Board

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jayla Sanchez-Warren, Chandra Matthews, Nicole Hartog, Amber Rowell, Shannon Gimbel, Pat Cronenberger, Jacob Riger, DRCOG staff. Vivian Stovall, Colorado Council on Aging (CCOA). Dave Appel City of Lakewood, Tricia Stevens Congressional Aid, Kay Wilmesler City of Littleton, Angela Schreffler and Matt Cunningham DRMAC.

Call to Order

Sharon Richardson called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm.

Public Comment – no comment was received.

Approval of Summary of the May 17, 2013 meeting – summary was APPROVED unanimously.

Denver Regional Mobility and Access Council Presentation – Chandra Matthews distributed the Transition Coordination Systems Advisor report and the Evaluation of the DRCOG Area Agency on Aging Transportation Service Support Program. Angela Schreffler and Matt Cunningham from DRMAC also provided a presentation. Discussion was had.

Older Americans Coalition and Legislative Update – OAC report and legislative report was combined with the report from the Area Agency on Aging Director.

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Funding Subcommittee – Steve Watson reported that the funding award process has been completed, the committee did meet this morning prior to the ACA meeting. The committee has decided to make trips throughout this year to visit various recipients of DRCOG funding.

The prior year's funding ended June 30, 2013 closed out with a remaining balance of just \$300. Based on a total of \$8.5 million dollars awarded, this was nearly pinpoint accuracy. This is a tribute to the DRCOG management of the funds and the efficiency of the contractors.

Report from the Area Agency on Aging Director – Jayla Sanchez Warren updated the committee on the details of her recent trip to Washington D.C. The purpose of the trip was threefold: educate leaders about the impact of Sequestration 2013, learn more about the 302 B cuts, and share recommendations to be included into the Reauthorization of the Older American's Act. The Chair of the DRCOG Board of Directors Sue Horn, DRCOG Executive Director of Jennifer Schaufele, Mickey Ferrell, DRCOG's federal lobbyist and Jayla met with all of the congressional members or their staff. Jayla described the meetings as productive but was concerned to hear that 30 percent cuts in Older American's Act Programs could be a reality in the 2014/2015 contract year. Jayla described the advocacy efforts that she and Rich Mauro are undertaking to protect and increase state funding for senior services. She explained that since the state funds were increased the AAA was able to support the work of the County Councils on Aging this year. She will be delivering checks to each CCOA when she attends meetings. DRCOG will partner with the Denver Commission on Aging and the National Council on Aging to host a flu awareness day. Participants will be able to get free flu shots and information about services and ways to stay healthy.

Jayla gave an update on Boomer Bond. Tri-County Health has been contracted to complete the first two phases of Boomer Bond. They are taking input from the pilot communities on the assessment tool, making modifications, and will have a second version of the Community Assessment Tool in August. Four new communities are interested in being the next set of pilot communities to take the assessment.

When Jayla talked about the departure of Chandra Matthews Jayla said "it is hard to keep a shining star down" and "it won't be easy to fill her shoes but we will honor all of the good work Chandra has done here by continuing her efforts."

Livable Communities/Planning – this report was combined with the report from the Area Agency on Aging Director.

Ombudsman Program Report – Shannon Gimbel reported that no residents have transitioned out of nursing homes under the Colorado Choice Transition Program due to lack of housing and that Hospice of St John's is closing and currently has three residents.

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Compliance Program Update – Chandra thanked both the funding subcommittee and the advisory committee for all of their hard work over the years. She is very excited for her new opportunity and was grateful for the opportunities she had at DRCOG.

Information and Referral Program -Nicole proctored the AIRS (Alliance of Information and Referral Systems) CIRS-A exam (Certification for Information & Referral Specialists in Aging) for the Southeast region of the state this May in Durango. DRCOG will be hosting another exam site later this fall.

Amy and Nicole attended the national AIRS education and training conference in Portland Oregon June 1-5. Staff has participated in several community events including Jeffco's Aging Well Summit, Senior Law Day, World Elder Abuse Awareness & Prevention Day and have several upcoming resource fairs for this fall. Kelly Roberts has taken on more Options Counseling clients while Amy Pulley is coaching with the C Community Care Transitions program (CCTP), the Aging Resource for Care and Help (ARCH) Advisory Committee has started staffing difficult cases with consultation during bi-monthly meetings, this has significantly helped several community members. Jayla and Nicole will be meeting with the Independent Living Center in Denver – Atlantis Community, there's an opportunity for DRCOG AAA to join their board of directors. The statewide Colorado Respite Care Coalition quarterly meetings have been a great opportunity to connect with service providers that work with adults with disabilities. DRCOG will participate in a statewide summit later this fall.

Network of Care Website

Nicole reported on the Network of Care site traffic for May. There were 42,764 user sessions, 3.57 page views on average per session and an average length of 23:31minutes per session. The Network of Care site traffic for June had 37,385 user sessions , 3.81 page views per session, average length of 22:52 minutes per session. Nicole met with Barbara Raynor from Boomers Leading Change in Health, and staff will provide Network of Care demos at their upcoming patient navigator trainings later this year. Barbara was thrilled to see how comprehensive the site is with its library of health articles, legislative updates and electronic personal health record.

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Refugee Program

Lisa McCroskey DRCOG staff, and Brandy Kramer, Spring Institute are beginning to gather stakeholders for an Elder Refugee Task Force which will begin meeting at the end of the summer. This will be an opportunity to come together and respond as a community to the needs of elders who face isolation.

Lisa and a group of elders have met with Volunteers of America (VOA) meals staff to share recipes and help plan the first congregate meal at the Aurora Center for Active Adults (ACAA). The meal will be held 1 Friday a month to start. Lisa and the (ACAA) staff are coordinating with Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) to begin offering an elder refugee wellness clinic with interpreters. Clinics will offer Podiatry services, blood pressure checks and more.

Information sharing – no information was shared.

Chair report – The Chair did not provide a report.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:45

ATTACH B

To: Chair and Members of the Board of Directors

From: AAA Director, Jayla Sanchez-Warren
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Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
ACA August 16		

SUBJECT

This action is to recommend new community members to the Advisory Committee on Aging to the DRCOG Board of Directors.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommend to the DRCOG Board of Directors "community members" to the Advisory Committee on Aging (ACA)

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

- In February 2012 the ACA voted to expand the membership of the Aging Advisory Committee Members to include "community members" These members will not be appointed by the governing bodies of the counties but will apply to the ACA.
- The committee encourages reaching out to Hispanic, Asian, medical communities and private business for volunteers to sit on the ACA.
- Up to 5 community members will be included on the ACA. To avoid actual or the appearance of undue county weighting, these new members may not cast votes on the annual Older Americans Act and Older Coloradans Fund allocations to service providers, but may fully participate in all other activities, subcommittees, and votes of the ACA.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

This topic was discussed at the February 20, 2012 ACA meeting and the May Administrative Committee of the Board of Directors

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to recommend to the DRCOG Board of Directors new community members to the Advisory Committee on Aging (ACA)

ATTACHMENT

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you need additional information, please contact Jayla Sanchez-Warren at 303-480-6735 or jswarren@drcog.org