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**AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES  
SPONSORS MEETING**

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**TO:** SPONSOR MEETING PARTICIPANTS  
**FROM:** PAMELA PIERING, DIRECTOR, ADS  
**RE:** MARCH 18, 2010 SPONSORS MEETING  
**DATE:** MARCH 11, 2010

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**ADS Sponsors Meeting  
March 18, 2010, 2:30 – 3:40 p.m. .**

Chinook Building  
401 - 5th Ave, conf rm 115  
Seattle, WA 98104

King County, Chair

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under Sponsors Meeting event**

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| Information<br>5 min. | 1. Introductions – Chairperson, Jackie MacLean, King County  |
| Decision<br>5 min.    | 2. Review and Acceptance of January 21, 2010 Sponsors Meeting Minutes<br>(Attachment I available at <a href="http://www.agingkingcounty.org/calendar.asp">www.agingkingcounty.org/calendar.asp</a> )   |
| Discussion<br>10 min  | 3. Budget and Legislative Report– Pamela Piering   |
| Decision<br>15 min.   | 4. 2010 Discretionary Allocations –Guidelines and process– Selina Chow<br>(Attachment II available at <a href="http://www.agingkingcounty.org/calendar.asp">www.agingkingcounty.org/calendar.asp</a> ) |
| Information<br>15 min | 5. Sponsors Updates – Jackie MacLean, David Okimoto, Kip Tokuda  |
| Information<br>5 min  | 6. Advisory Council Report   |
| Information<br>10 min | 7. Director’s Report – Pamela Piering  |

Persons wishing to provide comments must call Aging & Disability Services at 684-0648 by March 17, 2010. Thank you.

## SEATTLE-KING COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES SPONSORS' MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 21, 2010, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Seattle Municipal Tower  
700 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Conf Room 6070  
Seattle, WA 98104

PRESENT: Sponsors/Liaisons: Kip Tokuda, City of Seattle  
Jackie MacLean, King County  
Linda Woodall, United Way of King County

Guests: Bill Block - Committee to End Homelessness  
Debbie Thiele - Seattle Office of Housing  
John deChadenedes, King County  
Judy Summerfield - HSD Homeless Intervention and  
Block Grant Administration  
Sola Plumacher, City of Seattle Safe Harbors  
Derek Wentorf, United Way'

ADS Staff: Pamela Piering  
Rosemary Cunningham  
Margaret Casey  
Jane Crum

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order by Kip Tokuda , City of Seattle, Chair. Introductions were made.

### **REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF NOVEMBER 19, 2009 SPONSORS MEETING MINUTES**

The Sponsors moved, seconded and approved the minutes of the November 19, 2009 Sponsors meeting as written.

### **THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME: AGING TRENDS IN HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING**

Pamela Piering, thanked the panelists: Bill Block (Committee to End Homelessness) Judy Summerfield (HSD Homeless Intervention and Block Grant Administration), John deChadenedes (King County) and Debbie Thiele (Seattle Office of Housing) for their coordination in preparing today's presentation, and for this opportunity to share information across systems. From the aging network perspective, ADS has been increasingly aware of homeless older adults that are presenting themselves in the aging services network. This trend was explored by a collaboration among six agencies in King County resulting with the Quiet Crisis housing study. The goal today is to discuss some implications of the report and to seek some opportunities for action.

The panelists discussed ways the aging population is expected to impact housing and homeless services. Current statistics discussed:

- by the year 2525 older adults in King County will double from the number in the year 2000

- 18.7% of homeless adults who use shelters and transitional housing are 55+
- 58% of homeless adults 55+ were chronically homeless
- 40% of the oldest homeless adults served in shelters (60-74 years old) were veterans
- Homeless adults 55+ are homeless due to economic and other reasons (self reported)
- 35 to 40% homeless adults 55+ have a disability or special need
- 13-14% homeless adults 55+ have physical disabilities.

Current programs, supportive services, including resources to pay for housing and services were outlined by the panelists and were discussed with the Sponsors. Federal opportunities and overlapping system opportunities including aging network training for shelter case workers and food bank staff will be topics of future collaboration and planning.

The Sponsors thanked the panelists for the presentation.

### **STATE BUDGET CUTS**

Pamela Piering described how the \$2.6 billion state of Washington budget shortfall could impact services to the elderly population and adults with disabilities. In December Governor Gregoire submitted a state financial plan for the remainder of the two-year budget period that addressed the shortfall by drastically cutting or eliminating vital services. On January 12, 2010 the Governor submitted a new budget that more adequately funds human service programs. This budget does not avoid reductions and some elimination of vital services but it is better than the initial budget proposal. The January budget restores funding in the following programs slated for cuts in the December budget.

Optional Medicaid Services

Developmental Disabilities/Long Term Care \_ Housekeeping and Offsite Laundry Services

Long Term Care/Developmental disabilities- Homecare Agency provider Services

Senior Citizens Services Act

Adult Hospice Care

Volunteer Chore Services

Family Caregiver Support and Respite Care

The Advisory Council, Senior Lobby and Washington Association of Area Agencies on Aging (w4a) have all worked hard on advocacy and can be credited for impacting this revised draft budget. The Senior Lobby arranged a press conference that was held before this budget came out, and local service providers and constituents sent 5000 postcards to the Governor's office over the holidays. Senior Citizens Services Act (SCSA) is of major concern as it provides information and assistance, transportation, in-home services and case management for vulnerable adults. Future efforts include: w4a lobbyist Jerry Reilly continuing to advocate for services for older adults; Senior Lobby Day February 18; a special training to be conducted on January 29 on communication tips with legislators. Next week another 5000 postcards from King County will be mailed to legislators in each AC member's district and every week w4a is distributing a newsletter featuring a case study highlighting SCSA funded services

## **ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT**

Pamela Piering reported that the Advisory Council (AC) retreat was excellent with Nancy Amedei, a retired professor from the UW School of Social Work, as speaker. She encouraged and energized the members with her enthusiasm and was an excellent choice for this year's retreat. Councilmember Nick Licata attended and was very engaged. Councilmember Licata is head of the Housing, Human Services, Health and Culture Committee with the Seattle City Council. The afternoon featured breakout sessions for the various committees. Pam feels this year the council is better established than past years, and she thanks King County for their recent appointments to the council.

Pam reported that Timmie Faghin, AC Chair and Pamela Piering have an appointment to meet with Nick Licata to brief him on the many facets of the Advisory Council

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Pam gave a brief update on the Howard Hanson Dam/Flooding planning. As of January 19, 2010, 400 safety kits have been distributed to "red zone" (area most likely to be impacted) clients that include hand cranked radio/flashlight, space blanket, whistle, one liter bottle and written tips for additional preparedness items. Phone contact of "red zone" clients has been completed for client relocation plans. The King County emergency planning leadership for shelters (ESF6) has received the names of clients requiring transportation to Medical Needs shelters (approximately 50 persons identified at this time). In addition ADS has obtained 300 shelf ready meals for targeted clients in the "yellow zone" via ADS Contracts unit and secured funding from United Way of King County to fund 100 food bags with 9 shelf stable meals each for persons under the age of 60 in the "yellow zone."

Client files have been relocated to a second floor storage area. In addition, five alternate work sites have been identified for staff to use in the event of flooding.

Pam explained that Dick Sugiyama, Maureen Linehan, Kevin Bail and staff have worked tremendously hard coordinating with four jurisdictions and the four cities of Tukwila, Renton, Kent, and Auburn, and fifteen home care agencies.

Pam gave an update on work that began last year when Pam met in Boston to discuss the Aging Network doing the case management function for the Veteran's Administration's long term care clients. It has been a lengthy and complicated process but now four Area Agencies on Aging in Washington are contracting with the VA. In addition to serving older veterans and their families with minor depression, HSD has made arrangements for the Veteran Administration to refer caregivers of veterans for support they need to continue their caregiving role. Services to be provided include respite or substitute care (either in home or in adult day health centers), support groups, counseling and consultation. These services are designed to reduce caregiver stress and prevent premature nursing home placements of their loved ones.

The Sponsors thanked Pam for the updates. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05. The next meeting will be held March 18, 2010.

Summary prepared by Jane Crum, City of Seattle

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March 11, 2010

Attachment for March 2010 Sponsors  
meeting - Agenda Item 4

To: Aging and Disability Services Sponsors  
From: Art Mussman, Chair, Planning and Allocations Committee  
Subject: Potential 2010 Discretionary Allocation Process

The Planning and Allocations Committee has been aware of a potential reduction in state Senior Citizens Services Act funding for July 2010 to June 2011 period. We are requesting guidance from the Sponsors as we develop recommendations on reduction strategies for your decision in April.

In view of the Legislative deliberations currently underway, we anticipate a worst case scenario of a reduction of \$1M statewide in SCSA for July 2010 to June 2011.

- This represents a reduction of \$250,000 to ADS, and a Discretionary service reduction of \$208,000.
- For July-Dec 2010, the SCSA service reduction would be \$104,000, or 10.5%.

The P/A Committee has reviewed the Sponsors' Allocation Guidelines (attached) and broad funding parameters of the service areas. At our meeting on March 12, the committee will review in more details the service areas and performance data such as number of clients served, profile of the clients, and cost factors.

As we develop funding recommendations, the factors to consider will include:

- Utilization pattern in service areas
- Older Americans Act and SCSA as interchangeable fund sources (fund pool)
- Services with total local discretion: Adult Day Health, Client Specific Funds, Health Maintenance, Long Term Care Ombudsman Program, Technology Support
- Impact of across the board cut on service areas
- Service area funding as allocation to agencies; funding for goods and services to individual clients

Questions for the Sponsors:

- Do you have any specific guidance on the factors listed above?
- Are there other factors for consideration?

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**Guidelines from Aging and Disability Services (ADS) Sponsors to  
Planning and Allocation Committee  
Discretionary Allocation Process  
Adopted March 13, 2007**

ADS Discretionary funding provides an array of community-based services for promoting quality of life, independence and choice for older persons and adults with disabilities. The sources of Discretionary funds include federal Older Americans Act (OAA) and state Senior Citizens Services Act (SCSA). Policy guidelines from the Sponsors to the Planning and Allocation Committee for making allocation recommendations are as follows:

1. Focus ADS Discretionary resources to services that are the primary responsibilities of ADS in its role as the area agency on aging for Seattle/King County. Prioritize core services for continuity and stability in the aging service network.
2. Focus funding to populations with the greatest economic and social needs.  
  
(Social needs include needs caused by physical and mental disabilities, geographic isolation, language barriers, and cultural, social and racial/ethnic status.)
3. Maximize the use of Discretionary funds by coordinating with other funders or fund sources in addressing community needs.
4. Allocate funds to service areas consistent with the direction set in the Area Plan to meet existing, new and/or emerging needs.
5. Consider the cost effectiveness and impact of service areas on the ADS mission.
6. Include a recommendation for a contingency fund.
7. Include a recommendation for a cost of living adjustment.

Following the development of draft allocation recommendations, the Planning and Allocation Committee will develop an unfunded priorities list for allocating any unplanned increase in revenue.

2010 ADS Discretionary Service Allocations

<b>Service Area</b>	<b>2010 Allocation</b>	<b>2010 City of Seattle GF</b>	<b>2010 Older Americans Act/Senior Citizens Services Act</b>
<b>Adult Day Services</b>	<b>289,739</b>	<b>36,198</b>	<b>253,541</b>
<b>Case Management</b>	<b>1,360,930</b>	<b>366,416</b>	<b>994,514</b>
Reg. Case Management	833,953	0	833,953
Public Housing CM	366,416	366,416	0
Mental Health	120,174	0	120,174
Alzheimer's Demo Prog	40,387	0	40,387
<b>Client Specific Funding</b>	<b>328,397</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>328,397</b>
<b>Disability Access</b>	<b>133,804</b>	<b>133,804</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Health Promotion-Sr Wellness progr</b>	<b>174,317</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>174,317</b>
<b>Home Health Maint.</b>	<b>62,950</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62,950</b>
<b>Information &amp; Assistance</b>	<b>1,647,988</b>	<b>369,252</b>	<b>1,278,736</b>
Primary I/A	571,047	0	571,047
Community I/A			
- Special I/A	816,975	323,029	493,946
- Outreach Advocacy	259,965	46,223	213,742
<b>Legal Services</b>	<b>201,297</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>201,297</b>
<b>LTCOP/Elder Abuse Prev.</b>	<b>100,666</b>		<b>100,666</b>
<b>Nutrition</b>	<b>2,992,215</b>	<b>313,640</b>	<b>2,678,575</b>
Nutrition Congregate	1,982,206	278,450	1,703,756
Nutrition Home-Delivered	739,900	35,190	704,711
Nutrition Transportation	270,109	0	270,109
<b>Senior Centers</b>	<b>140,931</b>	<b>140,931</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Technology Support</b>	<b>50,353</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50,353</b>
<b>Volunteer Transportation</b>	<b>284,226</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>284,226</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,767,812</b>	<b>1,360,241</b>	<b>6,407,571</b>

Notes: 1) Allocations are subject to availability of funds from City of Seattle, state and federal sources.  
2) City General Funds for ADS total \$3.3 million, and this chart does not include GF earmarked for specific programs.