



Advisory Council on Aging and Disability Services

Advocating for local, state, and national programs that promote quality of life for older adults and people with disabilities in partnership with Seattle Human Services and King County.

Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2022

Advisory Council Members

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<input type="checkbox"/> CM Tammy Morales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cindy Snyder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lorna Stone
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana Thompson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CM Kim-Khánh Van	<input type="checkbox"/> Sue Weston
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dick Woo	

Others present:

Guests: Shamako Noble, Max Okamoto, Alex O'Reilly, Edna Daigre, Terry Cleveland, J Wong

AAA Partners: Traci Adair, Hali Willis

AAA Staff: Mary Mitchell, Maria Langlais, Andrea Yip, Andrea LaFazia-Geraghty, Jon Morrison Winters, Sue Siegenthaler, Irene Stewart, Karen Winston, Dinah Stephens, Sariga Santhosh

I. Seattle Tech Access and Adoption Survey: Shamako Donae (Inclusive Data)

This month, we heard from Inclusive Data, a group helping the City of Seattle [collect information](#) about the [Seattle Tech Access and Adoption Survey](#). This research helps guide what the city, community, and funders do and where they put their money as it relates to people getting online and using technology.

II. [2022 Elder Abuse Awareness Day Proclamation](#)

III. **RSJ Discussion:** [“Lessons on Resilience From LGBTQ Elders”](#) by John-Manuel Andriote (Next Avenue, 01/06/2021).

IV. Meeting Motions and Council Business

- Motion to approve May meeting minutes
 - Moved by Barb
 - Seconded by Larry
 - Passed unanimously among council members

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V. Committee Updates

Advocacy

- Committee is working on 2022 federal priorities and will share these at the July meeting.
- Due to favorable state revenue forecast, biennial budget will not be impacted, and AAAs are not looking at any immediate cuts.

Planning & Allocations Committee

- ADS Planners Karen Winston and Angela Miyamoto presented on the Area Plan Report Card and the Senior Nutrition RFP respectively at the June meeting.

Veterans, Seniors, Human Services Levy (VSHSL) Board

- Will be endorsing the VSHSL renewal plan next Thursday.
- Learned 25,000 older adults were helped by Levy funds in King County.

Universal Design Council (NWUDC)

- Steering Committee actively meets the first Tuesdays of the month and is focused on events like meet and greets and happy hours to build awareness and recruit.

Mayor's Council on African American Elders

- Invited epidemiologists from Seattle – King County Public Health for the May meeting to learn local demographic data. Older adults of color experience elevated rates of disability, poverty, housing cost burden, chronic disease, death and lower life expectancy and experience poor outcomes related to social determinants of health.
- Presenters from Department of Neighborhoods will be at the June meeting to share work done on generational wealth to address the racial wealth divide for BIPOC communities.
- The SHARP (Sharing History through Active Reminiscence and Photo-Imagery) kick-off event will take place on June 22 at 3:30 pm at Central Area Senior Center. SHARP is designed for older African Americans experiencing mild to medium early stage memory loss and includes 12 walking routes with markers along the way to stop and reminisce.

Age Friendly Seattle

- June Age Friendly Coffee Hour will feature a panel on brain health.
- Age-Friendly business outreach is ongoing – contacted 150 businesses so far. Lots of community support to grow the discount directory!
- Age-Friendly is teaming up with Seattle Parks and Recreation to help support the relaunch of the Sound Steps program this summer.

VI. Partners Report

King County Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS)

- VSHSL renewal conversations are ongoing. Have heard from several organizations serving older adults already.

- 2021 VSHSL Annual Report is before the VSHSL Board and will go to County Council next.

Sound Cities

- Mental Illness and Drug Dependency Advisory Council adopted their annual report recently that outlines how County dollars are being used to address mental health needs in community. Report will be going public shortly.

VII. Director's Report

- W4A and the AAAs are close to finalizing contract with state for FY 2023. This includes \$25M in Medicaid Case Management from last session. AAAs are also working with community partners to develop an internal plan to reduce caseloads.
- Conversations are ongoing with Adult Protective Services (APS) about transitioning self-neglect clients that AAAs took during the pandemic.
- ADS leaders had a meeting earlier in the week with King County Metro and Public Health about the future of meal delivery. Early in the pandemic, Metro Access was able to pivot to meal delivery service due to low ridership. Now that people are using transportation services again, there is interest in finding how to best serve meal delivery clients.
- Director hiring update: the hiring team took a first look at applicant pool on May 23. Goal is to fill role by August.
- Our Case Management Director, Theresa Tanoury, has accepted a position at Corporation for Supportive Housing and will be leaving ADS on July 6.
- Human Services Department will be marching in the Pride Parade on June 26, 11 am – 2 pm. Any interested Advisory Council member is invited to walk with us!