

## CITY OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT Burlington Aging Council c/o Community & Economic Development Office City Hall, Room 32 • 149 Church Street • Burlington, VT 05401

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Burlington Aging Council Tuesday January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 3:00pm – 4:30pm

* denotes Co-Chairs		
Member Status	1/18/2022	Full Name
1 member representing an organization supporting New Americans in Vermont	Х	Symphorien Sikyala
1 member representing a healthcare provider	х	Jeanne Hutchins, MA
1 member representing a long-term care organization in Burlington		Shawn T Hallisey
1 member representing an affordable housing organization in Burlington		Molly Dugan
1 member representing an organization working to fight food insecurity in Vermont	x	Jane Catton
1 member representing an organization providing advocacy and support for older adults in Vermont	x	Kelly Stoddard Poor
1 member representing a senior center in Burlington	х	Beth Hammond
1 member representing an organization providing mental health services in Vermont		Alison Miley
1 member representing an organization providing transportation services in Vermont	х	Jordan Posner
1 member representing the City's Community and Economic Development Office	x	Brian Pine* - Marcella Gange
3-5 older adults living in Burlington	х	Barbara Shaw-Dorso
3-5 older adults living in Burlington	х	Glenn McRae*
3-5 older adults living in Burlington		VACANT
3-5 older adults living in Burlington	х	Charles J Messing
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1 member representing an organization advocating for racial equity, inclusion, and belonging in Burlington		VACANT

## Action Items

01 18 22	All members connect to neighbors and NPAs on membership of BAC	ongoing	all
	Connect REIB and Patrick Brown		CEDO/Brian
	Establish Working group on WHO Age Friendly Communities		GM
	Connect with AgeWell and DAIL for Zip Code level data form		
	community needs assessment	Jan/Feb	Marcella/Jane

- 1. Motion to approve agenda: Moved by JH, Second JC unanimous
- 2. Motion to approve minutes 12 21 21: Moved by JC, Second MD unanimous
- Membership of BAC update:
   All members to reach out to NPAs and neighbors, to connect to older adults interested in the BAC.
   CEDO Staff to reconnect with REIB Dept. Brian to connect with Multicultural Resource Center (Patrick Brown).
- WHO Age Friendly Communities introduction to the WHO program.
   8 interconnected domains of urban life: Community and Health care, Transportation, Housing, Social Participation, Outdoor Spaces and Buildings, Respect and Social Inclusion, Civic Participation and Employment, Communication and Information.

https://extranet.who.int/agefriendlyworld/age-friendly-citiesframework/

https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendlycommunities/info-2016/newport-city-vermont-action-plan.html https://www.who.int/ageing/publications/Global age friendly cities G uide English.pdf

Communities typically come together and assess the domains of livability to prepare for the assessment - The domains reflect the needs of the community. The Assessment identifies gaps and opportunities and community creates action plan and uses evaluated progress report model. 690 communities across USA. DAIL has this on the Plan on Aging Well and may be considering application for Vermont, BAC should track. Some preparatory work is complete through the AARP statewide survey. The BAC work may parallel the work for the assessment. The domains reflect our Action Areas. Moving towards a designation might be part of the BTV Action Plan?

GM – recommend we establish a working group to consider.

KSP – will require Mayor and CC support.

Work Group – GM to convene – KSP, JC to assist

5. BAC Open Action Areas – Propose to move forward by establishing work groups – below. Each work group to collate information, ID needs and content for Action Plan. Action Plan Outreach and solicit feedback and input?

CEDO has a good connection framework from the pandemic and we should work to expand that to ensure good outreach.

Housing
Molly Dugan
Brian Pine
Kelly Stoddard Poor
Charles J Messing

Workforce Development
Jane Catton
Jeanne Hutchins, MA
Molly Dugan
Brian Pine
Symphorien Sikyala

Mental Health and Social Isolation Andrea Viets Barbara Shaw-Dorso

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6. UVM MPA Capstone Class Research areas (Glenn McRae) Have capacity to do projects for the community and background research for BAC. Proposes 4 working groups Rapid Assessment scoping project to look across country to see what other communities are doing on REIB, Food Security, Social Inclusion and Family Engagement, and Caregiver Support. See what is scalable to BTV for the BAC.
3 other working groups will focus on the: Elders as a workforce asset

Transport – transit and non-motorized transport options Communications techniques for BAC, outreach and engagement The groups will update the BAC and will present at April/May meetings.

7. a) Staffing and Workforce providing service to Seniors- How to elevate this question? (BP)

Discussion of training needs: There is a need for custom designed training for caregivers in residential care homes. Need to develop career path and id needs in home and community based service locations – assisted living and hospital and all of the way up the curve. b) Workforce – contributions of older population within the workforce.

Insufficient attention paid to this by asset by policy makers. Reminder that the Older Vermonters Caucus will be creating an economic tool and framework to present to legislature Older Vermonters Caucus Weekly Wednesday at Noon: Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81950319541?pwd=NIlkd3luMjhQd1luSXVT UG1XbE4rdz09 Meeting ID: 819 5031 9541 Passcode: 366136e

- 8. DPW Team Great Streets Input (BP and DPW) Presentation by DPW
- 9. Outreach other city depts. etc. (BP). Move to next meeting.
- 10. Adjourn