

CITY OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT Burlington Aging Council

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Remote ONLY Meeting of the Burlington Aging Council Tuesday 20th June, 2023 3:00pm – 4:30pm

Attendance: Symphorien Sikyala, Glenn McRae, Barbara Shaw-Dorso, Rick Neu, Charlie Messing, Molly Dugan, Lorna Peal. Staff: Marcella Gange

Draft Agenda

- 1. Motion to approve agenda 06 20 23 Move item #5 to #4 RN SS Unanimous
- 2. Motion to approve minutes 05 16 23 BSD SS Unanimous
- 3. Public Comment None
- 5. Moving the work forward with support: No response to RFP BAC proposes to recruit a Summer Intern to support the completion of the Action Plan MG to move ahead with advertising and recruitment. No July BAC meeting instead members will meet for a working session on Optimal Health and Wellness Action Area. Invite partners to remote only meeting including GBYMCA, Feeding Chittenden BPRW, UVMMC and any other relevant.
- 4. Review of work -

Age Friendly Burlington Goal	Objective/Strategies WG	Leads
Financial Security – No further current action Older Residents should be able to receive an adequate income and maintain assets for a reasonable quality of life as they age. They should be able to seek and maintain employment without fear of discrimination and with any needed accommodations. Mechanisms should be in place to protect from consumer and financial fraud. Older Residents should also be able to retire after a lifetime of work, if they so choose, without fear of poverty and isolation.	• Industry Support / Older Workers	Glenn
Optimal Health and Wellness – July working session Older Residents should receive, without discrimination, optimal physical, dental, mental, emotional, and spiritual health through the end of their lives. Holistic options for health, exercise, counseling, and good nutrition should be both affordable and accessible. Access to coordinated, competent, and high-quality care should be provided at all levels and in all settings.	 Health Prevention, Access & Quality; Nutrition & Physical Activity Food Security 	Marcella Jane Molly, Brian

	 Healthcare Workforce 	
Social Connection and Engagement – Require an update from Andrea for Civic Engagement & Volunteerism Older Residents should be free from isolation and loneliness, with affordable and accessible opportunities in their communities for social connectedness, including work, volunteering, lifelong learning, civic engagement, arts, culture, and broadband access and other technologies. Older Residents are critical to our local economies and their contributions should be valued by all. NEED UPDATE ANDREA	 Technology Accessibility Civic Engagement & Volunteerism Social Inclusion 	Jane Andrea Glenn, Alison
Housing, Transportation, and Community Design GM will assist with draft Burlington should be designed, zoned, and built to support the health, safety, and independence of older residents, with affordable, accessible, appropriate, safe, and service-enriched housing, transportation, and community support options that allow them to age in a variety of settings along the continuum of care and that foster engagement in community life. GM WILL ASSIST WITH DRAFT	 Housing: Affordability, Availability, & Accessibility Multimodal Transportation Accessible Outdoor & Indoor Public Spaces 	Brian Chris Kelly
Family Caregiver Support Family caregivers are fundamental to supporting the health and well-being of older Vermonters, and their hard work and contributions should be respected, valued, and supported. Family caregivers of all ages should have affordable access to education, training, counseling, respite, and support that is both coordinated and efficient. Upcoming activity: RN presented – Note November – Family Caregiver Month – proclamation and family caregiver awareness campaign – 2023 Create a footnote or website link to explain acronyms or eg memory café	• Family Caregiver Support	Rick Janet

- 6. Ongoing Discussion: What resources and support are needed for the ongoing work of BAC, to continue as an advocate, supporter of Program implementation, and evaluator of how Burlington is tracking to become more age friendly and inclusive.
- A. Additional Staffing support B. Age Friendly Burlington specific website C. Create and enact an outreach strategy to bring older residents in under inclusivity umbrella (MG to follow up with REIB on input to the Action Area
- 7. AOB None call to adjourn RN and GM, unanimous