

## Carroll County Commission on Aging & Disabilities Meeting

Meeting Date: March 22, 2023

Start Time: 10:00am

Location: Virtual on GoToMeeting Platform

Chairperson: Jim McCarron

Vice-Chair: Carol Wheatley

Topic	Discussion
<b>Attendance</b> – COAD members in bold	Gina Valentine, <b>Carol Wheatley</b> , Cheri Ebaugh, <b>Cheryl Steinbacher</b> , Dave Drezner, <b>Diann Linton</b> , <b>James McCarron</b> , Jeff Degitz, Joe Vigliotti, Judith Walker, Lauren Hickey, <b>Marissa Zaccagnini</b> , <b>Patricia Dodd</b> , Richard Ottone, Bobbie Lawrence, Brian Keseling, <b>Dan Anderson</b> , Amy Baker, Amanda Littleton, <b>Jack Curran</b> , Victoria Parks
<b>Acronyms</b>	<b>AAA</b> - Area Agency on Aging, <b>ADA</b> - American’s w/Disabilities Act, <b>ADL</b> - Activities of Daily Living, <b>AIP</b> – Aging in Place, <b>BCC</b> – Board of County Commissioners, <b>BOAD</b> - Bureau of Aging and Disabilities, <b>COAD</b> – Commission on Aging and Disabilities, <b>CDSMP</b> – Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, <b>CTS</b> – Carroll Transit System, <b>CIL</b> - Center for Independent Living, <b>DSS</b> – Department of Social Services, <b>FFP</b> – Federal Financial Participation, <b>HSP</b> – Human Services Programs of Carroll County, <b>LTAC</b> – Long Term Advisory Council, <b>LTCOP</b> - Long Term Care Ombudsman Program, <b>M4A</b> - Maryland Association of Area Agencies on Aging, <b>MAP</b> - Maryland Access Point, <b>MASCC</b> – Mt. Airy Senior & Community Center, <b>MDH</b> - Maryland Department of Health, <b>MDoA</b> – Maryland Department of Aging, <b>MFP</b> -Money Follows the Person, <b>MOU</b> – Memorandum of Understanding, <b>MWOA</b> - Medicaid Waiver for Older Adults, <b>NCSCC</b> – North Carroll Senior & Community Center, <b>NED</b> - Non-Elderly Disabled, <b>NFCSP</b> - National Family Caregiver Support Program, <b>OAA</b> - Older Americans Act, <b>OHCQ</b> - Office of Health Care Quality, <b>SALS</b> - Senior Assisted Living Subsidy program, <b>SCSCC</b> – South Carroll Senior & Community Center, <b>SHIP</b> - State Health Insurance Assistance Program, <b>SIP</b> - Senior Inclusion Program, <b>SMP</b> - Senior Medicare Patrol, <b>SPDAP</b> - Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program, <b>TSCC</b> – Taneytown Senior & Community Center, <b>VTV</b> – Village to Village, <b>WEAAD</b> – World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, <b>WSCC</b> – Westminster Senior & Community Center.
<b>Call to Order/Introductions</b> – Jim McCarron	Jim McCarron called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
<b>Establishment of a Quorum</b> – Jim McCarron	A quorum was established with eight voting members present.
<b>Approval of Minutes</b> – Jim McCarron	Jim requested approval of the January 2023 minutes as submitted. Carol Wheatley motioned, and it was seconded by Diann Linton. With a vote, all were in favor to approve as submitted.

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<p><b>Commissioner’s Comments –</b></p>	<p>Commissioner Vigliotti-over the course of the winter has been watching the initiatives taken from this group within the community. Participated in the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 PIT Count. During the count his group had come across an elderly gentleman who was avoiding homelessness by sleeping on family member’s couch.</p>
<p><b>Bureau of Aging &amp; Disabilities</b></p>	<p><u>Senior Centers Update – Rich Ottone</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Centers have moved into doing only congregate meals as of March 1<sup>st</sup>. increased number of those coming in for meals. Congregate Meal policies reviewed; congregate meal participants can now take home leftover food.</li> <li>• Senior Center Attendance has increased in the last 4/6 weeks.</li> <li>• AARP tax preparations and filing end first week of April. Slots are fully booked. Additional services through HSP.</li> <li>• May- Older Americans Month, looking to do something at the senior centers. June- WEAAD events at the Mt. Airy and South Carroll Senior Centers. July- Farmers market programs</li> </ul> <p><u>Program Updates – Bobbie Lawrence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023: ‘protecting our youths in changing world’ Grandparent Conference-full day of seminars and vendors</li> <li>• Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023: Veterans Celebration of Carroll County held at Carroll County Farm Museum. 1pm Afghanistan Veterans recognition ceremony- currently looking for volunteers</li> <li>• New case manager position filled, Veterans Service officer position open, Maryland Access Point (MAP) position filled, case management position filled</li> </ul> <p><u>AARP Age Friendly Community Initiative Update – Gina Valentine</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amount of available funding created difficulty with securing a contract with a Consultant. Looking to have a part-time position and keep the position filled until September 2024, when the funding ends.</li> <li>• Fiscal manager position open</li> </ul>
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p><u>Currently COAD Openings –</u>                  A. Current COAD Openings</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;">i. Veterans Rep position filled- Jack Curran          ii. Manchester/Finksburg positions open          iii. Union Bridge Open- (Lauren submitted application, pending commissioners review)</p> <p>B. MD Alliance of Disability Commissions Update- Carol Wheatley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• February meeting provided overview of MDTAP (Maryland Technology Assistance Program) and additional resources in the area/ funding resources. MDTAP willing to come to COAD meeting and present to the group.</li> <li>• July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023: Americans with Disabilities presentation</li> <li>• Maryland DoD meeting open to the public- currently on a virtual platform</li> </ul> <p>Dave Drezner- Freedom Center has a contract with MD TAP to provide a lending library. Physical location in Frederick- able to accept requests for equipment and can have delivered to BOAD.</p> <p>Brian Keseling- accessible technology WTC Center in Baltimore able to go down and pick up equipment</p>
<p><b>New Business –</b>          JimMcCarron</p>	<p><u>A. Rec and Park Update – Jeff Degitz</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthier Carroll County- 100 mile challenge: keep log of pedal, paddle and walking for 100 miles. Prizes for those who reach the mile goal.</li> <li>• Ethic Program- Puzzle Palooza: Charles Carroll Community Center, teams of 50yrs and older have 2hrs to complete a 500 pc puzzle.</li> <li>• June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023: 11am-2pm, Therapeutic Rec Day event</li> <li>• Listing of upcoming events on webpage, ccrecpark.org</li> </ul> <p><u>B. Ending of Public Health Emergency- impacts of benefits- Gina Valentine</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal Public Health Emergency ending May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023</li> <li>• Snap Benefit increase ended at the end of February.</li> <li>• Leadership Roundtable at the Health Department- discussed the changes in benefits affecting remaining Carroll</li> </ul>

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	<p>resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Sunday- milk vouchers honored by several local grocery stores, vegetable vouchers for farmers markets.</li> <li>• Food pantry updating meal selection and offers updated pamphlets to additional food resources in Carroll County.</li> <li>• Meal services available at Senior Centers and Home Delivered Meal program for those with limited mobility.</li> <li>• BOAD always accepting referrals and open as a resource.</li> <li>• Medicaid redetermination now through December 2023. 1/9<sup>th</sup> of redeterminations processed every month, applications must be returned within 30 days.</li> </ul> <p>Amy baker- employed disabled individuals 66yrs and under w/ proof of employment and receiving Medicare, individuals can apply to have Medicaid provided.</p>
<p><b>Area Reports –</b> COADMMembers</p>	<p><u>Carol Wheatley – COAD Members</u></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. Needs in your area</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Carol Wheatley- stepping down and invited Amanda Littleton to apply as Westminster Representative. Amanda Littleton- being apart of Townson she has a large number of resources she is able to bring to the Westminster/ Carroll County area. Is interested in the groups activities and the possibility of being partnered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diann Mt. Airy- April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023: 55 and up club invited Mike Garrin to speak to the group/ April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023: local election discussion</li> <li>• Cheryl- no new updates</li> </ul> <p>James McCarron- chamber of Commerce supporting Drug &amp; Violence expo at the Ag Center March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 8am-2pm        Would like to discuss the meetings staying virtual or moving to in person at the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>Public Comment</b></p>	<p>No comment.</p>
<p><b>Next Meeting Date</b></p>	<p>Next meeting is Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 10am.</p>

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