

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Guiding the development of an integrated network of home, community-based, and institutional services for older adults and adults with disabilities

Age and Disability Friendly San Francisco Task Force

MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, October 11, 2017; 2:00pm to 4:00 pm
City Hall, Room 201, 1Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Plaza, San Francisco

Co-chairs: Aneeka Chaudhry, Kelly Dearman

Present: Alicia Neumann, Edie Yau, Anne Hinton, Larry Saxxon, Al Gilbert, Janet Standen, (Michelle Venegas) Leah Eskenazi, Cassandra Chan, Mikiko Huang, Nicole Bohn, Steve Nakajo, Shireen McSpadden, Jessica Lehman, Julie Klee, Kimia Haddadan

Guests: Katie Webber, Cindy Kauffman

Staff: Valerie Coleman (DAAS), Joseph Formentos (DAAS)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS –Aneeka Chaudhry, Kelly Dearman

- Call to order 2:10pm.
- Ms. Chaudhry welcomed members and guests.
- Members introduced themselves.
- Ms. Dearman briefly introduced next meeting in December.
- Ms. Coleman presented SMART Goals for Final Recommendations.

Comment: Ms. Coleman expanded on metrics of SMART Goals with idea to create a template when prioritizing domain recommendations.

Comment: Ms. Hinton suggested showing the goals of Task Force and progress of how far group discussed each issue brief.

Comment: Ms. McSpadden mentioned recommendations will help planning towards future and DAAS will take the lead on the mission.

Comment: Ms. Coleman informed members about the release of an executive summary which will be user-friendly to readers as well as a final report coming in Spring 2018.

Comment: Mr. Saxxon urged final report and summary accessibility in the major languages.

Comment: Ms. Dearman indicated that group will not plan to meet in January, however to keep it open just in case.

Comment: Ms. Hinton expressed concern about the partners and organizations involved.

Comment: Ms. Coleman assured systematic direction of implementation with recommendations; also connecting organizations and partners around with different resources to support effort.

Comment: Ms. Chaudhry described specific domain issues being forwarded to each department and DAAS will primary contact.

REVIEW OF 09/13/2017 RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair and staff reviewed the recommendations from the last meeting, all drafts are available on the website: <http://www.ltccsf.org/age-disability-friendly-task-force>. Draft recommendations to be finalized and reviewed in November.

Comment: Ms. Neumann suggested moving 2c of Goal 2 under Goal 1 as 1c.

Comment: Ms. Lehman added for the wording of 2b in Goal 2 that “interfaith” be changed to faith.

DOMAIN OVERVIEW: Community Supports – Valerie

Ms. Coleman reviewed the Resiliency & Emergency Response Issue Brief handout: Goals, Assets, Gaps, and Recommendations. Policy and program addressing this

issue would work best if concentrated on both the immediate, localized response and the long-term action plans. Recommendations should encourage availability and accessibility preparedness for seniors and people with disabilities; resiliency efforts to be sustained and emergency response expanded, especially on an internal level. San Francisco, after an emergency, has to learn from counterpart cities especially with recent disasters in the North Bay wildfires or with New York-New Jersey after Hurricane Sandy. The heatwave experienced last September is also a good example.

Comment: Ms. Hinton stated the lack of communication before and during a disaster is a potential issue.

Comment: Ms. Chaudhry agreed and referred to the strengthening of the neighborhood empowerment network, since the people who died from the heatwave were isolated from access.

Comment: Ms. McSpadden believed city and county departments have to engage community in potential and unexpected emergencies. She stated Sonoma County first responders are currently battling wildfires and will be debriefed on response; San Francisco responders sent up to North Bay to experience issues and prepare for such disaster.

Comment: Ms. Lehman mentioned the Community Living Campaign as a possible resource for the neighborhood network due to seniors and adults with disabilities being evicted from buildings and losing all connection and network with other people.

Comment: Mr. Nakajo felt that there is not enough first responder personnel and city residents have a responsibility. He expanded on how the unpreparedness of our city showed and community resilience is important.

Comment: Ms. Bohn pointed out in Assets: the Disabilities, Access and Functional Needs (DAFN) Coordination workgroup and Mayor's Office on Disability

(MOD)/Disability Disaster Preparedness Committee have recently merged; included Neighborhood Empowerment Network as another resource.

Small Group Work -- Task Force Members

Small group exercise: 3 to 4 members each, review Issue Brief, make additional comments and/or recommendations.

Large Group Work -- Task Force Members

Small group comments:

- Link alert siren to text message alert informing recipients the emergency, potential safe routes/spaces and how to respond.
- Promote AlertSF.
- Provide public information about different alert systems such as AlertSF, Tuesday noon siren, Amber Alert, etc.
- Create different alert tones for different emergencies: earthquakes, fires, etc.
- Government alerts to iPhones.
- Public awareness campaigns complete with statements from survivors or emergency workers about preparedness with crisis response.
- Practice drills and training for seniors or people with disabilities.
- How-to signal for help especially for isolated residents
- Involve SF Fire Department with Planning for evacuations for seniors and people with disabilities.

- Understanding communication signals, complete with citywide education and possible sign-up for alerts.
- Find ways to get to vulnerable populations especially those not part of community network.
- Alert on radios and in different languages.
- Test effectiveness of alert network systems.
- Focus on local communities with Neighborhood Empowerment networks.
- A universal identification system (during evacuation) for people with serious memory loss.
- Proper education and training for emergency responders to help seniors with dementia.
- Challenge to build better living spaces when improving shelters in place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

“Coming Together to Support Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities”
Joint forum Interfaith Council on Monday, St. Mary’s Cathedral: 8:30AM-12:00PM
at St. Francis Room of St. Mary’s Cathedral.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

Next Meeting: December 13, 2017; 1:00 to 4:00 pm
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