

# 2015 Goals: AAA Access Committee

(from 2013–2015 AAA Area Plan)

## Emergency Preparedness Programs

- Work with Dane County Emergency Management Division staff to develop a disaster and emergency plan in order to ensure the continuation of AAA operations in the event of a disaster or other emergency situation.
- Work with Dane County Emergency Management Division staff to train Senior Focal Point staff on “Emergency Preparedness for Consumers” in order to increase the safety of Dane County senior adults in the event of a disaster or other emergency situation.
- Contract with Senior Focal Point agencies to require “a plan for ensuring safety in case of weather emergencies or national disasters” is discussed with their senior adult case management clients in order to ensure comprehensive care is provided to vulnerable senior adults in the event of a disaster or other emergency.
- Work with Dane County Emergency Management Division staff to provide technical assistance, training, and materials to contracted Senior Focal Points in order to continue programs and services for vulnerable senior adults in the event of a disaster or other emergency.
- Require and maintain a current Emergency Planning Guide Listing for contracted Senior Focal Points in order to ensure continuation of their operations in the event of a disaster or other emergency situation.

## Family Caregiver Support Programs

- Encourage collaboration between the Relatives Raising Relatives Program and Dane County staff in order to assure continuation of this vital family caregiver support group.
- Offer the educational series “Powerful Tools for Caregivers” twice during the year in order to provide this evidence-based program to family caregivers.

## Cost Effective Aging Services

- Issue Requests for Proposals (or request Waiver of Bids) for Focal Point Case Management in order to ensure the most effective and cost-savings service proposals are recommended for funding in the 2016 AAA budget.
- Contract with Senior Focal Points to administer community-based senior adult programs and services in order to ensure our limited funding reaches the largest number of senior adults and their families.

## Transportation Services for Senior Adults

- Work with Dane County staff to coordinate AAA-funded transportation and refer calls to the mobility manager for transportation service delivery in order to continue the quality of this service for senior adults.
- Work with Dane County staff, including the one-stop Transportation Call Center staff, and the County aging network to identify gaps in transportation services and advocate for additional resources in order to continue the quality of this service for senior adults.
- Pending annual grant funding, we will work with Dane County staff and service providers to provide “travel training,” on the use of public transit and county-funded group transportation for seniors, including the establishment of a “senior adult buddy system” in order to continue the quality of this service for senior adults.
- Fund a volunteer-based driver-escort program, which provides individual rides for medically-related services (as permitted by driver availability and funding) in order to continue the quality of this service for senior adults.
- Work with Dane County staff to ensure informational brochure(s) about assisting senior adult riders in transportation systems are updated and distributed in order to continue the quality of this service for senior adults.

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