**Age-Friendly DC Task Force**

**Thursday May 5, 2016 10:00 am to 12 Noon**

**John A. Wilson Building**

**Room 527**

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| **Role/Domain** | **Member** | **Attended** | **Stand In** | **Attended** |
| Co-Chair | Brenda Donald | x | Rachel Joseph |  |
| Co-Chair | Steven Knapp | x | Renee McPhatter | x |
| Outdoor Spaces | Eric Shaw |  | Andrea Limauro | x |
| Outdoor Spaces | Kathy Sykes | x | None |  |
| Transportation | Leif Dormsjo |  | Greer Gillis | x |
| Transportation | Christian Kent |  | Christiaan Blake | x |
| Housing | Polly Donaldson | x | Jose Nunez | x |
| Housing | Vacant |  |  |  |
| Social Participation | Charon Hines |  | Charlotte Flournoy | x |
| Social Participation | Ron Swanda | x | Ivan Lanier | x |
| Respect/Inclusion\* | Alexis Taylor |  | Jessica Hunt |  |
| Respect/Inclusion | Mario Acosta-Velez |  | None |  |
| Employment | Deborah Carroll | x | Mary Terrell | x |
| Employment | Romaine Thomas | x | Janet Heisse | x |
| Communication | Archana Vemulapalli |  | Ruth Pagani | x |
| Communication | Stuart Rosenthal | x | None |  |
| Health Services | Laura Newland | x | Brian Footer | x |
| Health Services | Saul Levin |  | Sejal Patel | x |
| Emergency Prep | DM Kevin Donahue |  | Stephanie Maltz | x |
| Emergency Prep | Linda Mathes |  | Paul Carden | x |
| Elder Abuse | Laura Green Zeilinger |  | Dr. Sheila Jones | x |
| Elder Abuse | Kathleen Quinn |  | None |  |
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| Economic Dev. | Brian Kenner |  | Lavar Youmans |  |
| Education | Jennifer Niles |  | Aaron Parrott |  |
| Community Dev. | DM Courtney Snowden |  | None |  |

\*DDS’s Kali Wasenko reported on behalf of Alexis Taylor.

The meeting was chaired by Deputy Mayor Brenda Donald. Introductions included all who attended.

Consortium of Universities of the Greater Washington Area President and CEO John Cavanaugh was present. The Consortium is currently chaired by President Knapp, who noted that there are 14 college and university participants, 12 in DC. The Consortium voted unanimously to support the aims of Age-Friendly DC. Dr. Cavanaugh is a gerontologist.

Also attending was Dr. Diego Bernardini, who worked at the World Health Organization on Age-Friendly City activities. He now lives and works in DC.

Age-Friendly DC Business Initiative Update

Twenty-one businesses have applied to be designated Age-Friendly Businesses. The new strategy to identify Age-Friendly businesses, requesting that DC residents nominate businesses *they* think are age-friendly has resulted in 67 nominations. Candidates will be reviewed and, if qualified will be invited to join the eleven businesses designated Age-Friendly Businesses in the Age-Friendly Business initiative pilot program. An Age-Friendly Business Recognition event is scheduled for 9 am at the Washington DC Economic Partnership office 1495 F St NW. The Mayor will be present and is expected to speak.

Task Force Domain Task Force Committee Reports

At the last meeting Deputy Mayor Donald assigned each domain Task Force Committee to:

* *Determine whether the group has the appropriate membership including co-chair.*
* *Ensure that the plan includes community-led initiatives that connect back to goals.*
* *Review the GOALS and strategies relevant to the committee’s domain and suggest any changes to the dashboard content and/or leads and partners.*

Each of the ten domain Task Force committees presented an update responding to the Deputy Mayor’s assignment. A slide presentation of responses prepared by Task Force committee co-chairs is available by contacting Age-Friendly DC ([AgeFriendly@dc.gov](mailto:AgeFriendly@dc.gov)).

The Task Force decided that Task Force members would have a week (until May 12) to examine and offer any additional changes to the dashboard. The Age-Friendly DC dashboard describes changes toward achievement of each Age-Friendly DC plan strategy, using colors: red for no progress, yellow for some progress, green for progress as expected or strategy completed and gray [for strategies withdrawn]). After that, the Age-Friendly DC dashboard will be posted on Age-Friendly DC website.

In preparation for the September 15th Age-Friendly DC Task Force meeting (by August 31), each Task Force domain committee is expected to:

* Review dashboard updates (to be provided by Age-Friendly DC staff) and determine progress color code.
* Adding community initiatives under each of the domain goals.

Age-Friendly DC Timeline through December 2017

By August 2017 Age-Friendly DC must prepare a report for the World Health Organization and its US agent, AARP requesting designation as a WHO Age-Friendly City. In order to complete the report, Age-Friendly DC must evaluate the results of implementing the Age-Friendly DC strategic plan. Age-Friendly DC will utilize results from:

* the DCOA Needs Assessment now underway to evaluate programs and services DC government offers to residents.
* the Housing & Community Living Needs Assessment led by the Department of Housing and Community Development
* listening and data collection opportunities afforded by the coincidental timing of the DC Comprehensive Plan update.

Age-Friendly DC Policy Analyst Nick Kushner will work part of each week at the Office of Planning during the public outreach activity for the DC Comprehensive Plan. He will acquire information that will be used in the evaluation phase of Age-Friendly DC’s 2012-2017 journey. Over the next 18 months, results will be shared with the domain Task Force Committees, who will help with the evaluation of Age-Friendly DC plan implementation. The domain Task Force Committees and the Task Force will also examine the current strategic plan strategies to update the Age-Friendly DC Strategic Plan for 2017-2022, critique the 2012-2017 Age-Friendly DC process. Community members will be asked to indicate if they want to be part of the 2017-2022 Task Force. Here is the timeline.

* **Sep 15, 2016**: Next Task Force Meeting
* **Summer-Fall 2016**: Citywide outreach through comp plan
* **Sep/Oct 2016**: Completion of DCOA Needs Assessment; Release of 2016 Progress Report
* **November 17, 2016:** Task Force Meeting
* **December 2016**: Identify Task Force members for 2017-2022 plan
* **Jan/Feb 2017**: Housing & Community Living Needs Assessment completed.
* **January-May 2017**: Implementation continues; TF Committees review assessments/outreach info; evaluation AFDC Strategic Plan implementation underway. Identify continuing, modified and new strategies for 2017-2022 plan
* **February 16, 2017:** Task Force Meeting
* **May-June 2017**: Public comment/ community meetings; Livability survey 2017
* **June 15, 2017:** Task Force Meeting
* **July-August 2017**: Draft final report for 2012-2017 plan; layout 2017-2022 plan
* **September 21, 2017**: Task Force Meeting
* **October 2017:** Submit report to WHO/AARP on 2012-2017 plan and release 2017-2022 plan
* **November 2017:** Task Force Meeting with 2012-2017 and 2017-2022 members

It was suggested that a survey of all Task Force members be completed prior to the September meeting to evaluate the 2012-2017 Age-Friendly DC planning process and meeting structure and to make recommendations on how to improve the 2017-2022 process. Age-Friendly DC staff will develop the survey and send it to Task Force members and stand-ins.

Office of Planning Comprehensive Plan Briefing

Office of Planning’s Tanya Stern who is responsible for the 2016-2017 Comprehensive Plan update explained the purpose of the Comprehensive Plan, its contents, the process that will be utilized to complete the update, and the importance of integrating the Age-Friendly DC, and other DC initiatives.

Announcements

May is Older Americans Month.

Mayor Bowser signed the Care Act, which requires hospitals to brief every patient’s designated caregiver prior to discharge on the patient’s needs after discharge.

The Mayor has also written about Age-Friendly DC is her newsletter. ocus on Older Americans Month in Mayor’s Newsletter

The Mayor published a letter in The Beacon Newspapers May issue about the importance of DC’s older residents.

DC’s Senior Games are underway, May 2nd- May 16th.

The Department of Housing and Community Development is holding its 7th Housing Expo – June 11th at the Convention Center. Age-Friendly DC presentations are scheduled throughout the day.

DCOA Senior Symposium, typically help in May, will take place on August 4th.

Safe at Home, the joint Department on Aging/Department on Housing and Community Development, has in its first quarter started and completed projects and has a long list of residents interested in modifying their residences for accessibility. Most projects are associated with bathroom safety and stair risers.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Future Task Force Meetings

9/15/2016 from 10:00 am – Noon, GWU TBA

11/17/2016 from 10:00 am – Noon, JAWB, TBA (*or elsewhere*)

2/9/2017 from 10:00 am – Noon, GWU TBA

6/15/2017 from 10:00 am - Noon , JAWB, TBA (*or elsewhere*)

9/21/2017 from 10:00 am - Noon, GWU, TBA