



## Age-Friendly DC Task Force Meeting

August 2, 2018

AARP-DC Office 100 M St SE, Suite 650

10:00am – 12:00pm

Role/Domain	Member	Attended	Stand In	Attended	
Co-Chair	HyeSook Chung	x	Jay Melder	x	
Co-Chair	Kim Alfonso		None		
Outdoor Spaces	Eric Shaw		Evelyn Kasongo		
Outdoor Spaces	Keith Anderson		Patrice Jones		
Outdoor Spaces	Victoria Lanteigne		None		
Transportation	Jeffrey Marootian		Tyra Redus	x	
			Cesar Barrera	x	
			Vivian Guerra	x	
Transportation	Wendy Klancher		None		
Housing	Polly Donaldson		Terrance Laney	x	
Housing	Katrina Polk		None		
Social Participation	Lamont Atkins		Jeanne Locher	x	
Social Participation	Winona Scott				
Respect/Inclusion	Matthew McCollough	x	Julia Wolhandler	x	
Respect/Inclusion	Ron Swanda	x			
Civic Participation & Employment	Mary Terrell	x	None		

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Civic Participation & Employment	Dr. Imani Woody	x	None		
Communication	Barney Krucoff		Delano Squires		
Communication	Susan Donley	x	None		
Health Services	Dr. LaQuandra Nesbitt		Jacqueline Watson Sharon Mebane	x x	
Health Services	Dr. Sandra Lawson		None		
Emergency Prep	DM Kevin Donahue		Christina Murphy		
Emergency Prep	Linda Mathes		Paul Carden		
Abuse, Neglect & Fraud	Laura Green Zeilinger		Dr. Sheila Jones	x	
Abuse, Neglect & Fraud	Denise Roper		None		
Financial Security	Roger Ferguson		Christina Cutlip Kevin Moultrie Ann Freedman	x x	
Financial Security	Courtney Snowden		None		
Lifelong Learning	Romaine Thomas	x	None		
Lifelong Learning	Ahnna Smith		Ramin Taheri	X	
Public Safety	Kevin Donahue				
Public Safety	No community appointee				
Caregiving	Gail Hunt	x	None		
Caregiving	Laura Newland		Christian Barrera	X	
Subject Matter Expert –Business Age-Friendly Businesses	Nathan Regan		None		

Subject Matter Expert - Academic	Joe McDonald John Cavanaugh	x	None		
Subject Matter Expert – Philanthropy	John Feather		None		

I. **Call to order** –At 10:15 am DM HyeSook Chung called the meeting to order with a quorum present. She thanked AARP-DC for hosting the meeting.

II. **Introductions of those present, including members of the public.**

**III. Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Update**

The Age-Friendly DC Task Force domain committees began meeting in March and continued through July 2018 to complete domain recommendations for the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan. The purpose of the following pillar-by-pillar, domain-by-domain reports was to enable all Domain Task Force committees to demonstrate the results of their work and compare notes on the alignment among DC agency and community projects.

The resulting domain goals and strategies were provided by members and assembled in a table for all to review. See

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dp2PoU7YfdHIuaheiX5UdDpQqdXaiyCqGQlwxbyh7uo/edit>

In addition a table showing responses (or no response yet) to lead and/or partner on work to accomplish the strategies was provided.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v8pK8FR1krCVirRMMoB4VJRXNFVFiiqk541ZEMrUq9A/edit>

There are three Pillars into which Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Plan recommendations are laid out, Built Environment, Changing Attitudes about Growing Older, Lifelong Health & Security. Each domain task force committee made an effort to align the following with goals and strategies:

1. DC Agency-relevant Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and Performance Objectives (POs) review/update to show the relationship to the agency’s role in achieving the



Age-Friendly DC aim to make the city an easier place to grow older. In most cases this was easy by adding "Age-Friendly DC" and collecting agency data by age categories.

2. The ten 2012-2017 domain Age-Friendly DC strategies for the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan
3. DC Agency plans already approved and published as initiatives that aligned with Age-Friendly aims.
4. With progress indicators (metrics) for which data are obtainable or identify data needed to make cross-city comparisons between 2018 and 2023. As much as possible indicators were recommended were that could be compared with other cities or USA averages.

Discussions emerged in the following areas:

1. Communication about Age-Friendly DC and its aims is critical. Without communication, Age-Friendly DC will not make the kind of progress envisioned.
2. The importance of addressing mental and behavioral health issues among 60+ year old residents was highlighted. DC is leading the nation with focus on mental health among youth...who will grow older and may still be DC residents when they are 60 and over. As noted in the 2018 Point in Time count, there are more homeless individuals 60+ years (a few who are 80+) most with behavioral and/or mental health issues (up from 2017). Among the Housing domain strategies, there are more housing options for homeless elders. There is a focus in Community Support & Health Services on helping to identify and offer counseling to persons with mental and behavioral health issues.
3. As it should be, addressing the issues of older adults is a focus of the Mayor (for example, see the FY19 budget for additional programs and services for 60+ year old residents, and another, promotion by the Mayor's Office on Community Relations and Services of events that might appeal to older residents).



4. Techno-literacy is critical, while paper communication must continue. There are many initiatives to encourage more tech. Making it clear where DC residents can obtain tech help anywhere in the city, is a proposed strategy in the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan.

#### **IV. Age-Friendly DC Subject Matter Experts Reports**

- a. Philanthropy** John Feather, President and CEO of Grantmakers in Aging, was unable to attend, as he is on summer break. He will return in September to help Age-Friendly DC to help bring philanthropy into the effort to carry out community initiatives.
- b. Business** Nathan Regan, President of Infin-iti North America, was unable to attend. Age-Friendly DC intern, Christina Vukovich reported that there are now 72 Age-Friendly Businesses with many more intending to apply. Nathan Regan is confident that there will be 100 Age-Friendly Businesses by the fall.

**Academic** Catholic University's Joe McDonald was not at the meeting. John Cavanaugh, noted that the Consortium of Universities has a website location that is being updated to identify university resources for residents 50+ to pursue knowledge. Some courses are available for credit at a nominal fee, and some are free. He also noted that Georgetown University is in the process of starting a new master's degree program in gerontology. The Consortium members are also looking to do research on data that are available, as well as unidentified data sources for research questions. as well as what data is *not* available. He urged task force committees to formulate research questions that can be addressed through the list of attached research databases, as well as future questions that may need to be addressed.

Philanthropy Expert, John Feather, remains on summer break. His advice remains that each domain Task Force Committee focus on small community initiatives appealing to funding sources that later may be interested in larger funding actions.

#### **I. New Business**

The timeline was reviewed for sending the Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Strategic Plan to the World Health Organization and its US agent, AARP. The plan will be delivered on or before October 1, 2018.



## II. **Old Business**

Public comments were requested with no response.

Next Age-Friendly DC Task Force meeting? November 8, 10-12 at AARP-DC, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW, when responses from WHO and AARP to the Age-Friendly DC 2018-2023 Strategic Plan can be expected.

**VII. Adjournment** – At noon DM Chung asked for and received a motion to adjourn.