

AGENDA

MEETING: Procurement and Monitoring Committee
of the Senior Services Advisory Council

DATE: January 22, 2013
10:00 A.M.

LOCATION: Senior & Disabled Services
1015 Willamette

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A G E N D A

1. **Call to Order/Introductions/Welcome** Sue
2. **Minutes Approval** All
3. **Information:**
 - A. Food Service Selection Update Sandy
 - B. Money Management Angela
 - C.. OPI Angela
 - D. Site Monitoring Reports
 - Addus
 - E. Impact of Fiscal Cliff on Senior Programs (Handout) Sandy
 - F. Review Contract Schedule (Handout) Angela

4. Action:

Scheduling of Site Visits

- Senior Law January 31
 - Carole Ford

- Caregiver Support TBD
 - Sue Maddron

- Senior Connections TBD (March)

4. **Other Business**

5. **Next Meeting:**

February 19, 2013

6. **Adjourn**

Procurement and Monitoring Committee
12-18-12

Members Present: Kim Kelly, Sue Maddron, Carole Ford
Staff Present: Angela Phinney, Sandy Karsten

Sue Maddron called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the October 16, 2012 meeting were approved.

Information Items

Food Service Selection Update

The Food Service Request for Proposal (RFP) process is underway. Three organizations attended the mandatory bidders conference in November, which qualifies them to submit a proposal by January 10, 2013. Lane County has identified the four representatives of the Interagency Food Service Selection Committee: Kate Laakso (Red Cross MOW), Sue Maddron (PMC), Gail Rogers (MOW volunteer from Springfield), Kathy McClemons (volunteer from Veneta). These representatives will join with representatives from our Consortium partners, NorthWest Senior & Disability Services (serving Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties) and Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments (serving Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties) to review proposals, interview the proposers and make the recommendation for the Food Service Contract for FY 14.

Money Management Update - Carol Cookson, the State Money Management Program Coordinator, who provides technical support & training for Money Management Programs around the state has announced that Easter Seals is dropping their sponsorship of the program at end of December. She is looking for a new host organization and hope that DHS-APD will take this on. The Money Management Program is a partnership between AARP (provides bonding), Easter Seals and LCOGs S&DS. Angela expressed concern that loss of the technical support is a critical loss to our agency. Kim would like to talk to Carol about the prospects for securing funding and support from private insurance and investment companies.

OPI (Oregon Project Independence) Update - S&DS never knows what the budget for services will be from year to year because this funding is subject to Legislative action during the biennial allocation process. This program provides I

in-home care services to seniors who are just above the Medicaid eligibility line with the intent of delaying or eliminating the need for more expensive institutional care. Because of sudden and unforeseen funding changes, S&DS is a concerned about taking on clients with long term needs because we don't know if the funding will be there to sustain them. The focus now is to be on hospice clients who will need service on a shorter term basis. S&DS staff are meeting with the home health agencies to talk about implementing this.

Monitoring Reports

Money Management Monitoring - Sue went to visit this program. Julie Austin, the new coordinator, is doing well. New volunteers have been added and services have been added. They are worried about the loss of the technical support from Carol Cookson, the Statewide Coordinator. They do two programs: 1) a Bill Payer program, in which the volunteer makes a home visit to a person who needs assistance budgeting their money and paying their bills, and 2) the Representative Payee Program - where an impaired client's money actually goes to the volunteer who pays the bills from the client's funds. Money Management in Lane County is funded with OAA funds (for services to people over age 60) so there is a need for services to persons under age 60 if other funding could be secured.

Red Cross Meals on Wheels - Kim Kelly went on a Red Cross Meals on Wheels delivery route last week. Her observations follow:
Many seniors live in very difficult situations, clients have a psychological and social need for the service as well as nutritional need.
Red Cross has dedicated staff and their program is well organized.
Meals on Wheels clients are extremely grateful.
Volunteers check up on client well-being while they deliver the meal.
Volunteers are needed. Kim's husband is in Southetowne Rotary; she thinks it might be possible for her husband to advocate that the club recommend Adopting a Route.

Elderhelp Program Monitoring - The party this year was at the First United Methodist Church, who has taken on Elderhelp as their project. They planned, catered and hosted the party this year. It was a wonderful, lovely experience. Carole Ford solicited gifts for the volunteers and participants. Elderhelp volunteers often become part of the client's family. It is an enormously important social outlet for isolated clients of Senior Connections. More volunteers are needed for the Elderhelp Program. Kim suggested that Elderhelp send out a Public

Service Announcement about the event as a photo-op and story about the event itself. This might be a way of encouraging new volunteers to call.

Site Visit Scheduling

Senior Law Service - Angela will schedule a visit with Carole

Caregiver Support Group - Sue is interested in attending an evening or morning group. Angela will schedule this with her.

Addus Site Review - Angela will coordinate with Carole.

Everyone agreed that the future, agendas and minutes will be sent through e-mail and not paper.

Next meeting will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, January 22. Cancel January 15.