



Hanover County Local Government Presentation

Age Wave Leadership Committee

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Hanover: People, Tradition & Spirit





Programs/Initiatives for Older Adults

Council on Aging

- Appointed by Board of Supervisors/Community Resources- staff support
- Senior Resource Fairs/Presentations
- Senior Law Days
- Caregiver Trainings
- Partnerships-AARP/Triad/Senior Connections

Health Department

- Every Woman's Life- Free breast and cervical cancer screenings
40-64 yrs of age, income based

Parks & Recreation

- Senior Travel Commission -50yrs or older
- Prime Timers- club meets monthly -50 yrs or older
- Classes and clubs



Programs/Initiatives for Older Adults

Sheriff's Office

- Triad –Safety events/presentations/Shred it events-ID Theft
- Adopt A Senior
- Project Lifesaver
- Senior Citizen Police Academy

Schools

- Gold Cards –Age 62 –free admission to school cultural/sporting events

Other

- Real Estate Tax Relief – Age 65 /income & net worth requirements
- Fee Reduction for Water and Sewer with limits, based upon Tax Relief
- Social Services Department programs- SNAP/Medicaid/ APS



Programs/Initiatives for Older Adults

Spirit of Volunteerism Celebration

-Volunteerism Awards 7 Categories / Countywide Celebration

Spirit of Dedication - 60+ / Spirit of Inspiration - 20+yrs of service



Charles Rasnick, Spirit of Dedication Honoree
Elizabeth Pace, Covenant Woods, Community Relations
Manager



James Attkisson, Spirit of Inspiration Honoree
Clint Dowda, Pastor, Grace Community Presbyterian Church



Successes / Progress

Hanover Human Services Strategic Plan 2015-2019

Four Goal Areas

“Healthy Hanover” - Promote Community Health and Wellness

- *Develop a coordinated health assessment and improvement plan*
- *Build and deliver prevention and early intervention programs*
- *Provide venues to practice an active lifestyle*

“Caring Hanover” - Ensure An Adequate Safety Net & Promote Self Sufficiency

- *Assist people with finding food and shelter*
- *Protect vulnerable children*
- *Provide counseling and treatment to those in the court system to reduce recidivism*



Successes / Progress

Hanover Human Services Strategic Plan 2015-2019

“School Ready Hanover” -Ensure Children are Ready for School Success

- *Prepare children for kindergarten*
- *Support Hanover County Public Schools’ Strategic Plan*

“Accessible Hanover” – Provide Information, Assistance and Referrals

- *Support new and enhanced transportation and delivery systems*
- *Enhance public information methods in the county*



Successes / Progress

Hanover Senior Ride

Volunteer driver program coordinated by MCEF , seed funds from Senior Connections and community partners. Started in 2013.

- 17 drivers and 74 riders in Mechanicsville & Eastern Hanover
- 5 drivers and 14 registered riders in Ashland and Central
- New services beginning in Western Hanover

CATCH Healthy Habits

*Intergenerational healthy eating and active living educational program
Partnership with Patrick Henry YMCA, VCU and Senior Connections*

- 38 children and 8 staff
- 40% increase in physical activity from start of program
- 100% of adults felt their participation as volunteers improved eating habits



Challenges & Regional Supports

- *Communication / Outreach / Multiple Methodologies*
- *Formalized Needs Assessments / Staff Resources*
- *Facilitating Access to Resources and Services*