

WYANDOTTE / LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING

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Dear Advisory Council Member:

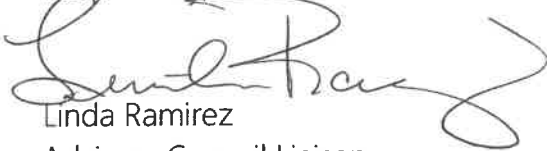
The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held virtually, and meeting notification/link will be sent to the email I have on file.

Please be aware that I will not be attending the meeting and the meeting will be led by Deasiray Bush, Fiscal Officer in my absence.

Excused absence requests should be made at least 24 hours prior to the meeting date to assure the excuse is recorded. Please keep in mind that 3 or more unexcused absences may result in termination of your term on the board.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the meeting, please contact Linda Ramirez at 913-573-8531.

Respectfully,



Linda Ramirez
Advisory Council Liaison

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AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL

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FEBRUARY 23, 2022

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ELECTION OF CHAIR (WYCO)
ELECTION OF CO-CHAIR (LVCO)

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Leavenworth County
Wyandotte County

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Leavenworth County
Wyandotte County

OTHER BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING
MARCH 23, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

WYANDOTTE/LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING
AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL
January 26, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pam Blood, Anita Krondak, Susan McGinnis, Tina Medina, Deloris Pinkard and Marc Potter.

EXCUSED: Thomas Gordon, Camalla Leonhard, Mary Mack, Charles Williams and Susan White.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Ruth Jones, Connie Harmon and Linda Ramirez.

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Susan McGinnis called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

MINUTES: November 2021 minutes were mailed to members and were approved. No December meeting was held.

CHAIRMAN COMMENTS: Susan McGinnis hoped that everyone had a good holiday.

COUNCIL CONCERNS: Leavenworth County:

➤ No concerns.

Wyandotte County:

➤ No Concerns.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Leavenworth:

- Connie Harmon announced that the Leavenworth Council on Aging (LCOA) held several fundraisers and received three times amount than in the past. With the Christmas donations, about 607 seniors received gifts, stockings delivered by staff dressed in Christmas garb. All veterans on the Meals on Wheels also received gifts.
- Connie said that the LCOA has saw an increase in the Meals on Wheels program participants. About 97,000 meals were delivered in 2021.

- Connie announced that there has been an increase in demand for transportation in Leavenworth County. The LCOA will implement a 3-tier fare as follows: \$2.50 for rides inside of Leavenworth County; \$10 fare for the "Parallel Corridor" which consists of trips to Providence Medical Center and Legends area; and \$20 fare for those trips within a 50-mile radius such as rides to KU, St. Joseph, and Lawrence. This change will take effect February 1, 2022.
- The LCOA is implementing new digital software to track customers, class participants, etc. The goal is to ultimately go paperless.
- Update on the LCOA move to their new facility. The new location will be at the old Cushing Hospital Building on the 1st floor. The hope is the move will happen in late summer early fall.

Wyandotte:

Linda Ramirez provided the Director's report.

- Linda announced that the Wyandotte County Area Agency on Aging (AAA) provided much needed warm blankets to seniors during the holiday season.
- With Wyandotte County being so diverse, the AAA has purchased two translation devices that can translate any language except Hmong. The AAA currently has a staff member who speaks Hmong.
- The WyCo Meals on Wheels Coordinator position has been filled. Her name is Maira Ortiz. She is currently in training.
- Linda shared that all 8 congregate meal sites have received their steam tables and refrigerators. The sites also have been equipped with 50-inch monitors which will allow for exercise programs, virtual meetings, and nutrition education.
- A new VISTA position has been added to the AAA. This person will be responsible for all media promotions, social media accounts and coordinator for the AAA YouTube Channel content.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Linda Ramirez shared that voting for new Chair and Co-Chair should be held during this meeting. The meeting did not allow voting as there were not enough members in attendance to make a quorum. Voting will require at least 7 members to be present.

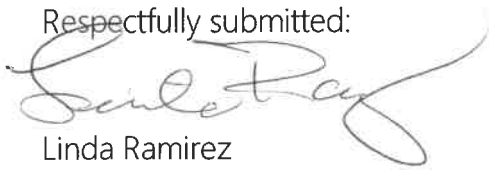
NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held virtually at 10am on Wednesday, February 23, 2022.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda Ramirez", written in dark ink.

Linda Ramirez
Recording Secretary