

**Community Partnerships Committee
Of the Orange County Commission on Aging**

Friday, January 11, 2019 * 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Pine Hills Community Center, 6408 Jennings Road, Orlando FL 32818

Bringing together local organizations that work directly with & provide services for seniors, their caregivers & their families in the Central Florida community. Providing the Commission on Aging input on proposed projects & identifying needs of older Orange County adults.

Members Present

Lelia Allen, Guardian Care
Audrey Alexander, Florida Department of Health in Orange County
Carolyn Austin, Representative Bruce Antone's Office, Florida House District 46
Sargent Jules Brace, Orange County Sheriff's Office
Deputy First Class Thomas Martin, Orange County Sheriff's Office
Barbara Chandler, Hannibal Square Heritage Center
Ingrid Collins, AARP Florida
Angela Corona, University of Florida IFAS in Orange County
Rebecca Entress, Orlando Health
Nancy Gavagan, FUNctional Independence Training
Edith Gendron, Alzheimer's and Dementia Resource Center
Helen Jones, AARP Florida
Pam Kiggen, Exact Care Pharmacy
Laura Lang, Orange County Sheriff's Office
Anne Maley, FUNctional Independence Training
Jeanne McKnight, Jeanne McKnight Realtor
Kim McManon, University of Florida IFAS in Orange County
Amanda Mosel, The Sheridan at Windermere
Bridget Monroe, Cornerstone Hospice
Msnovna Narcissa, Florida Department of Health in Orange County
Adriana Patel, Orlando Health
Maritza Perez, Florida Council on Compulsive Gambling
Mexcye Roberts, Legal Aid Society of Orange County Bar Association
Fred Robinson, VITAS
Wynter Solomon-Cuthbert, Ninth Judicial Circuit Court
Jennifer Talbot, Winter Garden Senior Home Care
Tracy Wosaba, Winter Park Meditation and Mindfulness

Staff Present

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Minutes

- Ms. Gendron opened the meeting thanked everyone for attending.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training Presentation - *Sargent Brace and Deputy First Class Thomas Martin with the Orange County Sheriff's Office*

- Sargent Brace and Deputy Martin provided an overview of the CIT program, which began in Memphis Tennessee in the 1980's and has spread internationally. The focus of the program is to teach sworn law enforcement officers how to identify (not diagnosis) someone in crisis and then how to keep the person safe and connect them to community resources. In Orange County, the mental health resources include the Central Receiving Center, Aspire and the Baker Act process. Transportation to a hospital is another option.
- The 40-hour CIT training program covers mental health, substance abuse, suicide, autism and dementia. The national model allows for specialized training based on community need. In Orange County, an additional eight-hour training on children's issues is offered.
- The CIT unit at the Orange County Sheriff's Office includes 30 deputies. In addition, all sworn deputies have attended a presentation on the CIT program.
- Attendees were encouraged to let their clients and friends know that they could request a CIT officer when calling 911 when a crisis was present.
- In 2016, the Orange County Sheriff's Office had 10,777 mental health service calls and 155 CIT responses. In 2017, there were 9,687 mental health calls and 244 CIT responses.

Review of the Minutes of November 2, 2018

- Ms. Gendron asked for the Committee to review the November 2, 2018 minutes. No changes were made.

Commission on Aging Update

- Ms. Reggatin stated the Spring 2019 schedule for the LIFE Information for Elders seminar series has been released. She asked attendees to help distribute fliers in the community.

Partnership "Go-Around"

- Ms. Talbot, Winter Garden Senior Home Care – A free "paint a memory" class is being offered in Winter Garden on the first Wednesday of each month.
- Ms. Gendron, Alzheimer's and Dementia Resource Center – The next Savvy Caregiver class begins on February 7 and will run for six consecutive Thursdays at One Senior Place from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Ms. Austin, Representative Bruce Antone's Office, Florida House District 46 - A free college fair is being held on January 16 at Evans High School and 30 college recruiters will be present. College acceptances and scholarships may be awarded. Last year, several million dollars were awarded at the event.
- Ms. Lang, Orange County Sheriff's Office –Project Lifesaver training is scheduled for January 21. Once this training is complete, open enrollment for this program will begin.
- Ms. Solomon-Cuthbert, Ninth Judicial Circuit Court – There were 526 new guardianship cases in the Ninth Judicial Circuit in 2018.

- Ms. Wosaba, Winter Park Meditation and Mindfulness – February’s topic for the third Thursday meditation and mindfulness series at the Winter Park Library is on grief and letting go.
- Ms. Narcissa, Florida Department of Health in Orange County – The Florida Department of Health has a new early detection program for breast cancer.
- Ms. Alexander, Florida Department of Health in Orange County – January 26 is the relaunch of the Paramore Farmer’s Market at the Department of Health’s Westmoreland Campus.
- Ms. Chandler, Hannibal Square Heritage Center – Free educational and art classes are available at the center.
- Ms. Monroe, Cornerstone Hospice – Ms. Monroe stated she can provide free senior sensitivity training to agency staff or the community.
- Mr. Robinson, VITAS – Mr. Robinson has been appointed to Orange County’s Veteran’s advisory board.
- Ms. Collins, AARP Florida – Ms. Collins introduced herself as the new Associate Director for Central Florida.
- Ms. Gavaghan and Ms. Maley, FUNctional Independence Training – Registration for the next eight week falls prevention class has opened.
- Ms. Corona, University of Florida IFAS in Orange County – Staff provides free nutrition classes in the community.
- Ms. McKnight, McKnight Realty – Ms. McKnight stated she is available to give presentations on what to consider when downsizing or moving later in life.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for March 1 at 8:30 a.m. at the Pine Hills Community Center. Alexandra Mercier with the Senior Resource Alliance will be discussion the network of state subsidized elder services.
- The meeting ended at 10 a.m.

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