CARE Mobile

Commission on Aging Presentation

December 20, 2023







Concept and Development

Long Term Care Coordinating Council

- Participated in Think Tank Covid Challenge to Address Social Isolation & proposed Friend Mobile to address social isolation
- Purpose of Friend Mobile: visit older adults and adults with disabilities who are socially isolated and provide entertainment, food, companionship, education, and more

ServiceSource submitted a proposal

 Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP) awarded grant to ServiceSource from July 2022 – June 2024

CARE Mobile Program

- CARE stands for Community Access to Resources and Engagement
 - CARE Mobile is a new pilot program. CARE Mobile is a 100% mobile program based on a public-private partnership model which provides roving on-site outdoor health and wellness programming, community engagement, and entertainment for older adults (50+) and adults with disabilities
 - Reduce technological and transportation barriers

Mission

• Reduce social isolation and strengthen social networks among older adults (50+) and adults with disabilities by improving access to community resources and engagement opportunities



CARE Mobile van



CARE Mobile Logo

CARE Mobile Services and Activities

- Services and activities focus on improving physical wellness, boosting social-emotional wellness, and encouraging social connection
 - Creative arts and crafts, expressive music and dance, Zumba, Tai-chi, yoga, vaccine clinics, nutrition education, intergenerational activities, introduction to assistive technology, community resources and information sessions, wellness checks (blood pressure, hearing, and vision screenings), Bingo, trivia, karaoke, entertainment, games, and more!
 - Community Resources (Shepherd's center, services for older adults grip cards, long-term ombudsman program grip card, ServiceSource program flyers, etc)
 - Consultations



Blood pressure screening in Chantilly & Falls Church Wellness event in Fairfax

Arts and crafts in Alexandria

Hearing screening in Fairfax

Emergency preparedness presentation

Presentation on Dementia in McLean

Implementation

Target locations

- Five high needs area according to the Fairfax County Vulnerability Index
- Annandale, Bailey's Crossroads, Falls Church, Mount Vernon, and Springfield
- Adults aged 65 and older within these zip codes on average receive fewer recommended preventive health services than those in the rest of the County
- Two moderate needs area
- Herndon and Chantilly
- Outside, weather permitting

Properties

- Independent senior housing communities
- Retirement communities
- Assisted living communities

CARE Mobile request form

• Indicate what they would like to see in their community

Data collection

• Demographic and before and after event satisfaction (includes questions on social isolation)

Partners

• Existing and new partners

Volunteers

• In person, online

Donations

• Accept boxed and packaged snacks, bottled water, arts and craft supplies, exercise mats, themed decorations

Properties/Locations

- American Legion Post (Springfield): Veterans and members of American Legion Post
- Chantilly Mews (Chantilly): Subsidized, low-rent apartment
- Coppermine Place (Herndon): Affordable independent senior housing for individuals ages 55+
- Evergreen House (Annandale): Independent senior housing community (Accepts section 8)
- Lake Anne House (Reston): Affordable independent senior housing for individuals 62+
- Lewinsville Senior Residences (McLean): Affordable senior housing for individuals 62+
- Lincolnian Senior Residences (Alexandria): Senior community for individuals 62+ (subsidized housing for low-income individuals)
- Monticello Falls Church Apartments (Falls Church): Accepts vouchers
- Morris Glen (Alexandria): Affordable senior community for individuals ages
 62 and older for low to moderate income residents
- Olley Glen (Fairfax): Affordable independent senior housing for individuals 62+
- The Fallstead (McLean): Independent senior housing for individuals 62+
- Tysons Towers Apartments (Vienna): Retirement community that offers rental assistance
- Wellness Center For Older Adults (Fairfax): Day program for older adults (50+)

Partners/Collaborations

- American Healthcare Professionals: Blood pressure screenings
- Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons: Hearing Screening
- ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia, Inc. (ECNV, Inc.): Covid vaccinations
- Northern Virginia Regional Older Adults Facility Team (RAFT): Presentation on Dementia
- Department of Emergency Management & Security (Planning and Policy Analysis Division): Presentation on emergency preparedness
- Fairfax County Department of Cable and Consumer Services Communications Policy & Regulation Division- Presentation on Internet and Broadband
- Fairfax County Health Department (Division of Community Health Development): Resources and volunteers
- Hepatis B Initiative (HBI) DC: Hepatis B screenings
- Inova Geriatric: Information medical house call services
- Exercise Catalyst: Tai-chi/fall risk prevention
- Washington Consulting Insurance Group: Medicare 101 presentation

Holiday event Highlights

Thanksgiving Dinner in Herndon

Memorial Day cookout in Alexandria



Halloween arts and crafts in Reston





Holidays crafting in Reston



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Stories and Impact

- "Very cheerful and all the people were very helpful. Thank you for your services"
- "Humor conversation and good services"
- "New to the senior community. Really enjoy all services and information. Thanks for all you do!"
- "I really appreciate this type of events and would like to see more of it!"
- "Socializing with everyone"
- "Meeting with other residence, playing games, socializing"
- "Enjoyed the event especially playing games"
- "I enjoyed Zumba"
- "I really enjoyed the bingo"
- "I enjoy all of the programs"
- "I had so much fun. I wish I could come back"
- "We love it when you guys come"
- "Fun activities. Engaged participants to pay attention. Enough activity. I like competition for fun, challenging"



Questions and Answers?



Thank you!