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PREFACE

Decisionmakers at each level of government constantly search for up-to-date information and developments within the expanding field of aging. Project IDEA's special issue of State-level activities provides a ready reference tool for identifying what's new, where it's happening, and who may be contacted for more information. For this reason, the Senate Special Committee on Aging is making this issue available to Members of the Senate, their staffs, Federal, State, and local government officials and others who operate programs for the elderly.

Project IDEA, a 3-year model project funded by the Administration on Aging, creates linkages between specialists in the field of aging by encouraging the sharing of ideas, enthusiasm, and experience. Under the direction of Dr. Carroll L. Estes at the University of California, San Francisco, since 1976, Project IDEA has developed and demonstrated a model for collecting and disseminating information, utilizing both telephone and mail survey methods as a means of linking decisionmakers and service providers on a national scale.

This publication is an updated (1980) version of the State-level section of Project IDEA. It contains profiles of State-level activities reflecting the views of State legislators, State Units on Aging staff, and members of the State Units on Aging advisory bodies. It is a companion to the House Select Committee on Aging's publication of profiles of activities reported from an Area Agency on Aging (local-level) perspective. The profiles in this document provide an overview of national trends in aging services, legislation, and policy. The appendixes provide additional information-sharing resources in the field of aging.

In an era when increased attention is being focused on limiting Federal spending and balancing the Federal budget, decisionmakers, administrators, and service-providers alike, are searching for innovative ways to demonstrate what can be accomplished through effective program development, equitable access to existing traditional programs, and efficient program administration. The committee hopes that the experiences shared in Project IDEA will serve as models for planners and providers of services to older Americans.

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INTRODUCTION

This is the updated and revised Directory: *Innovative Developments in Aging*, published in two complementary but independent volumes. This volume (State level) represents information shared by the State Units on Aging, their advisory bodies, legislative committees, and other State level organizations. The companion volume (Area Agencies on Aging), published by the House Select Committee on Aging, focuses on local level activities as reported by the Area Agencies on Aging and their associates. Our primary contacts have been with staff of State and Area Agencies on Aging; through their referrals we also contacted additional resource persons in their service areas.

Through telephone interviews and mail surveys with these members of the aging network in every State, we have compiled profiles of important ideas and activities across the Nation. These profiles are indexed by key words and classified, for easy physical access, by broad subject grouping. Each profile indicates when the information was last verified or updated by resource persons and how to reach these knowledgeable contacts.

Since 1976, Project IDEA has been funded by the Administration on Aging as a model project to augment the development of a nationwide communication network among decisionmakers in aging. We have collected, catalogued and disseminated some 1,000 ideas in our 3 years of operation. In addition to publishing, distributing, and updating the State and local volumes of the Directory, we have conducted custom searches of our data bases for agencies and policymakers and shared our information-gathering with others in the field.

By publishing the brief profiles of innovative activities, combined with the names of resource persons and their telephone numbers, Project IDEA aims to encourage both the exploration and generation of new or different strategies for achieving effective program and policy decisions and the sharing of valuable and innovative ideas, so that new programs and policies which have been implemented or experimented with in one locale may be developed in others with a minimum of the trial-and-error usually involved in such efforts. The definition of *innovation* for the Directory has been based on respondent self-nomination. We asked respondents to identify and describe recent programs, policies, or legislation in their areas which they believed had merit and were important to share with colleagues. With this updated issue we have utilized a Technical Review Committee to recommend inclusion or omission of each profile, based on the committee members' knowledge of what is new or exemplary in their fields of expertise.

As we approach the end of our final project year, our response from users indicates a continuing demand for the type of information-sharing facilitated by the Directory and by Project IDEA. Based on

the success of the Project IDEA models for data collection, compilation, and dissemination, it is anticipated that dissemination of information of this type will become a continuing function of the National Clearinghouse on Aging for the benefit of policymakers and service providers concerned with the needs of elders.

Project IDEA has welcomed and profited from Directory users' suggestions and criticisms over the past 3 years. We hope you will continue to provide feedback on how the Directory is most, or least, helpful for you as a professional in the field of aging. Your comments must now be directed to the Administration on Aging and the National Clearinghouse on Aging.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Many individuals and organizations have contributed to Project IDEA and to the development of this Directory. This idea of a national telephone survey to expedite the rapid collection of data on innovations in aging was originally developed at the University of California, San Francisco, by Dr. Carroll L. Estes, and funded on a pilot basis by University of California regents in 1974 and 1975. First publications were supported by the California Commission on Aging under the title, *Developments and Trends in Aging* (1975). These efforts were inspired by the initial and very informative annual reports compiled by the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging on the status of State Units on Aging.

Project IDEA has been funded as a 3-year model project under title III (section 308) of the Older Americans Act (grant No. 90-A-914). For continued support of the project we are particularly indebted to the Administration on Aging, to Commissioner Robert Benedict, and to former Commissioner Arthur Flemming. Hours of valuable counsel have been rendered by other AoA officers over the past 4 years.

Members of the Project IDEA advisory committee who provided the foundation for assessing potential users' needs and who contributed substantially to the design of the Directory are: Robert J. Ahrens, Robert Benedict, Robert Binstock, Ruth Braver, Herman Brotman, Gene Cohen, M.D., Dolores Davis, Elma Griesel, Leon Harper, Edward Howard, Rob Hudson, Margaret Kuhn, Carmela Lacayo, William C. Main, David Marlin, Raymond C. Mastalish, Larry McNickle, Mary Brugger Murphy, William Oriol, Daniel A. Quirk, Margaret Seeley, and Donald Smith.

We especially thank our respondents for sharing their enthusiasm and knowledge with us. Without the help of the executives and staff members of the State Units on Aging and the Area Agencies on Aging, legislative committees, and State advisory committees, Project IDEA would not have been possible.

We recognize the contributions of our former staff members: Elizabeth Cauhape, Daniel Chavez, Elizabeth A. Manthey, Buzz Martin, Maureen Noble, Maureen Shaw, Frances Slack, Edith Stunkel, Delia Vicerra, and Carol Jean Wisnieski. And, lastly, we thank our current staff: Louise R. Berman, Sue Churka, Nancy DeMartini, Tedi Dunn, Robert Enright, Jr., Maryrose Hendricks, Robert J. Newcomer, Ida VSW Red, Susan Leigh Star, James H. Swan, and Norton Twite.

SAMPLE PROFILE

STATE Category	KEYWORD OR PHRASE
TITLE:	Profile Format Illustrated and Explained
DESCRIPTION:	<p>An activity or development in aging is summarized here. Goal is to identify the issues, what is most important about the activity. In this section we try to answer what, why, and how.</p> <p><i>Keyword or Phrase</i> is the major descriptive heading within the subject area.</p> <p><i>State</i> identifies the location of the activity reported.</p> <p><i>Category</i> identifies whether the focus is primarily Policy, Program or Legislation; in some instances it is two of these.</p>
ACTORS/ROLES:	Organizations, agencies or groups which were, or are, involved in the development of the activity; describes the nature of their participation.
AREA SERVED:	Designates the size and geographic nature of the area served, including changes over time..
TARGET:	Includes population, goals, objectives, numbers.
STATUS:	Current status, with a brief chronological perspective; may include past and future action; may indicate the idea was not implemented.
FUNDING:	Sources and amounts, when available from respondent, arranged in decreasing order of amount.
MATERIALS:	Any items available, upon order or request, from resources listed below under <i>contact</i> , such as issue papers, legislative bills, descriptive literature.
CONTACT:	<p>Name, title, address and phone number of key person(s) and organizations who can supply additional information about this issue.</p> <p>The (code) identifies the professional capacity of the contact. <i>AAA</i> = Area Agency on Aging; <i>SUA</i> = State Unit on Aging; <i>Adv</i> = Advisory Body to the SUA; <i>Legis</i> = Legislative; <i>O</i> = Other, an associate referred by the SUA or AAA. These contacts are also listed in the appendices.</p>
VERIFIED:	The most recent date on which respondent supplied, verified, corrected, or updated the profile information.

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HOW TO USE THIS DIRECTORY

This Directory is divided into introductory materials, profiles organized within nine subjects topics, alphabetical index, and appendixes.

GENERIC TERMS

Because of the wide variation in the official names of members of the aging network, we use the following generic terms and abbreviations rather than the official titles of each agency: Area Agency on Aging (AAA), State Unit on Aging (SUA), and Advisory Body (to the SUA or AAA). Other groups, such as legislative committees, are identified by official names and subsequently referred to by their functions. Familiar abbreviations such as OAA (Older Americans Act) and CETA (Comprehensive Education and Training Act) are also used.

SECTIONS

Profiles.—These pages contain summaries of programs, policies, and legislation, and provide followup contact sources. The sample profile on the opposite page illustrates and explains the standardized format.

Subject Topics.—The profiles are divided into nine sections according to the major focus of a given activity. These nine categories, which are abbreviated in the index and at the foot of each profile, are: Administration (ADM), Advocacy (ADV), Economic Resources (EC), Education/Training (ED), Health/Mental Health (HMH), Housing/Living Arrangements (HS), Legal Issues/Services (L), Social Services (SS), and Transportation (T).

Alphabetical Subject Index.—The primary keyword or phrase as well as multiple secondary topic references—or access words—are listed for each profile; each State is listed also. The pages are numbered sequentially throughout the directory. For added reference, the pages within each section are identified by the abbreviations explained above.

Appendixes.—The contact persons cited in each profile are listed alphabetically by State and city in the appendixes. They are grouped into Resource Lists for A) State Units on Aging, B) State Legislative Contacts, C) SUA Advisory Body Contacts, and D) Additional Contacts—resource people and organizations other than the SUA's and legislative staffs.

The *Supplementary Resources Appendix* lists information-sharing organizations and/or publications with a focus on aging issues and services.

The *Legislative Tracking System Appendix* lists a key person and/or office which tracks aging-related State legislation within each of the selected States.

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NEW JERSEY
Policy

ADMINISTRATION

TITLE: State Administers Title IX Employment

DESCRIPTION: The State of New Jersey assumes all administrative costs of employing older workers through Title IX of the Older Americans Act. That is, elders working under Title IX funds are actually on the state payroll rather than that of an individual agency. Through contracts with the SUA and with the advice and consent of the AAAs, older persons are allocated work in non-profit organizations based on unemployment data of persons 65 and over in a particular jurisdiction or county. For example, elders are working in the New Jersey State Employment Service to develop an elder job bank and provide peer employment counseling.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA advocated for and has main responsibility for this new policy. Assistance also came from the Governor's Office and other units in the Department of Community Affairs.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: In reference to the administrative policy change, target is removal of one layer of bureaucracy. In reference to the Title IX program itself, target is twofold: 1) those low income older persons who are unemployed, underemployed, or difficult to employ; 2) more older worker visibility, with impact on retirement and pension practices in industry, government and private enterprise.

STATUS: Operational in New Jersey 9/74 with the financial and program planning assistance of National Council on Aging. New administrative concept of the state employee operative since 10/76, affecting approximately 80 older workers.

FUNDING: Presently \$300,000 from National Council on Aging. Expect to receive an additional \$400,000 through Title IX of Older Americans Act on 7/1/77.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ron Muzyk, Planner
New Jersey Division on Aging
P.O. Box 2768
363 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 292-3765 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

VIRGINIA
Policy

COST EFFECTIVENESS

TITLE: Direct Operation of Senior Employment Program Decreases Overhead Costs .

DESCRIPTION: The SUA has made application to be the single administrator for approximately 36 Older Americans Act (OAA) Title IX positions assigned to the Governor and the National Council on the Aging (NCOA). SUA will distribute positions (slots) to AAAs in accordance with SUA policy of local control. Single agency administration and broad distribution of slots decreases overhead costs.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated application for governor's slots through Secretary of Human Resources and Virginia Employment Commission (executive branch department on education). NCOA then added its 30 slots to governor's.

AREA SERVED: Statewide program administered by SUA.

TARGET: Provide each AAA with OAA Title V slots.

STATUS: Administration by SUA.

FUNDING: Title V of Older Americans Act (OAA); NCOA sub-contract; DOL contract; some OAA Title III support funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Don Davis
Virginia Office on Aging
830 East Main Street, Suite 950
Richmond, Virginia 23219 (804)786-7894 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

VERMONT
Program

EVALUATION

TITLE: Task Force Assesses AAA Effectiveness

DESCRIPTION: The chairperson of Advisory Body to SUA appointed a task force to study cost and performance effectiveness of the state's seven AAAs. Conducted as a consequence of questions raised by the Administration on Aging, the task force considered four organizational models and recommended changes for the most efficient model. Statistical material was supplied by SUA. On-site interviews were conducted with directors, staff, advisory council of five AAAs. The final model chosen recommends significant changes in AAA structure in the state over a three-year period, with a three person standing committee to work with SUA on implementation of recommendations.

ACTORS/ROLES: Task force appointed by advisory body conducted study. Composed of representatives of social services, state college, senior centers, Community Services Administration, National Council of Senior Citizens and State Advisory Body. AAA directors and staff interviewed. SUA supplied materials and provided technical assistance to task force. Final recommendations presented to overall advisory body and SUA.

AREA SERVED: Vermont, statewide - AAAs.

TARGET: To study cost and performance effectiveness of seven AAAs and recommend most feasible, efficient model. Emphasis on cost of services in rural areas and impact on delivery of services to Vermont's elders.

STATUS: Study completed 11/76. Submitted to advisory body and SUA 12/76. Approved by advisory body 2/77. Presently underway to reduce seven AAAs to five by 10/77.

FUNDING: No new appropriations.

MATERIALS: Vermont Office on Aging, Task Force on AAA's Majority Report. 11/1/76.

CONTACT: June Holmes, Interim Chair
Vermont Advisory Board
Montpelier Senior Center
Box 762
Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802)223-2518 (ADV)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

PENNSYLVANIA
Policy

FUNDING - POOLING SOURCES

TITLE: Integrated Funding Cuts Red Tape

DESCRIPTION: Each AAA submits a plan to SUA for funds. SUA reimburses AAA in one integrated contract. Formerly, SUA issued over 300 contracts. This is presently reduced to 49, one to each AAA in state. The SUA envisions this approach adopted in other state and federal agencies, as to basis for reliable unit cost indicators for social services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Administered by Pennsylvania SUA. Each AAA reimbursed by SUA. Governor's office provided support and technical assistance during development of policy.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania, statewide in all AAAs.

TARGET: Bolster AAA authority as community based agency under county aegis. Reduces administrative cost and paperwork on state and local levels. Model for state and federal agencies.

STATUS: Operational since 1975. Hope to add funding streams without complicating documentation. Included Titles V and IX of Older Americans Act (OAA) in 1978.

FUNDING: Integrates four funding streams: Titles III, VII, V and IX of Older Americans Act, Title XX of Social Security Act and state appropriations money.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Glen Dunbar, Chief
Bureau of Program Development
State Office for the Aging
P.O. Box 2675
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 783-1345 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ADMINISTRATION

MASSACHUSETTS
Legislation

FUNDING - ALLOCATION

TITLE: Legislation to Develop Allocation Formulas for Planning and Service Areas

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill No. 378 will require the Massachusetts SUA to establish a formula for the allocation of SUA funds, state and federal, to planning and service areas. These funds flow to existing Home Care Corporations/AAAs. The formula shall insure, to the extent possible, the equitable distribution of funds reflecting population distributions and other considerations as required by federal law or regulation. The bill may affect existing allocation patterns, particularly in those areas where funding for elder services is greater than a per capita or population formula might warrant. As with many states, Massachusetts has the problem of assuring equitable resource allocation faced with historical patterns of funding.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee has been instrumental in developing this legislation. A redraft has been submitted by SUA.

GEOGRAPHIC: Statewide.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) support regionalization of services; 2) coordinate funding available for elder services.

STATUS: Introduced in 1977.

FUNDING: Bill carries no appropriations.

MATERIALS: Senate Bill No. 378, 1977.

CONTACT: For bill:
Beth Corleo
Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee
State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133 (617) 727-7295 (LEGIS)

James J. Callahan, Secretary
Department of Elder Affairs
110 Tremont Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (617) 727-7750 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

CONNECTICUT
Program

HOME CARE

TITLE: Tracking System Counts Clients, Records Data on Home Care Services

DESCRIPTION: Client-service tracking system designed to give unduplicated counts of clients served under Titles III and VII, OAA, and that portion of Social Security Act Title XX (Home Care) controlled by the SUA. A uniform recording system will log in a centralized data-bank general statistical data about services and clients, including type of service, number served, service provider, ethnic characteristics, income level, and types of services consumed. A federal fiscal accounting system including cost analysis information is in the design stage at present.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA Data Processing Unit is currently working with the State's Data Processing Center on the new system's design and implementation.

AREA SERVED: A statewide system was implemented on October 1, 1978 after being redesigned on the basis of a one-year test period.

TARGET: Uniform statistical information on all service consumers in Titles III, VII and Home Care portion of Title XX, with potential for expansion to include other service providers wishing to participate.

STATUS: Systems have been implemented and special subsystems for Title XX have been added. The present system is under modification to contemporary software design. The SUA is also presently working on a fiscal information component to be implemented by July, 1980.

FUNDING: The original system is now being funded by the network of users and the in-house budget of SUA users. The new fiscal information component is being funded with an AoA grant. After implementation is achieved, funding will come from the network of users.

MATERIALS: Operational overview and report samples now available. In 1980, a replication manual will be distributed to all SUAs'.

CONTACT: Barry White, Data Processing Chief
Lou Goldblatt for Title XX, MIS Information

Connecticut Department on Aging
80 Washington Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-7725 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

MASSACHUSETTS
Program

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TITLE: Management Information System Develops SUA

DESCRIPTION: The SUA is developing a computerized Social Security Act (SSA) Title XX Management Information System (MIS). System specifications developed to date include the following subsystems: forecasting and planning; policy formulation and promulgation; revenue maximization; resource management and performance evaluation; operational support and services; appeals processing; privacy and confidentiality protection; vendor certification and monitoring; rate setting; eligibility determination; needs assessment and service planning; service authorization, service delivery documentation, invoicing and payment.

The SUA is responsible for administering SSA Title XX funds for elder services. Because of the potential for future coordination and integration of funds, the Title XX MIS will have the capacity to handle Older Americans Act funds at a future date.

ACTORS/ROLES: Massachusetts State Unit on Aging has had primary responsibility for coordinating the design development. Input from other state agencies with computerized or automated data systems was considered.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Institutional impact: develop a fully automated information system which can expand to incorporate non-Title XX funds and program data.

STATUS: MIS is in the initial implementation stages awaiting clearance from the state attorney general on the issue of sufficient protection from abuse for client data.

FUNDING: Funding for planning and design from state revenues. Operating costs from SUA administrative funds; Title XX of Social Security Act and state revenues.

MATERIALS: Factors Influencing the Design of the Title XX Management Information System, 1976.

CONTACT: Frank Sperlinga, Director, Administrative Services
Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs
110 Tremont Street
State Office Building
Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (617) 727-7009 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Legislation

ADVOCACY

TITLE: Permanent Joint Legislative Committee Provides Focal Point for Elders' Issues

DESCRIPTION: House Bill No. 257 introduced 2/16/77, would create a standing committee of both legislative houses to provide a focal point for legislation affecting elders. The legislation stems from a study conducted by an interim joint committee which has also introduced several other pieces of legislation affecting elders. Designed to unify the legislature's approach to reviewing and sponsoring bills through the myriad sources of law and funding.

ACTORS/ROLES: Elder groups, notably the legislative committees of American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and the New Hampshire Retired Teachers Association, strongly advocated for a permanent legislative committee, resulting in the 1975 creation of the Interim Joint Legislative Committee on Elderly Affairs by House Concurrent Resolution (HCR18). This five member interim body traveled statewide, soliciting input from elders at eight nutrition sites plus meeting with other senior groups (an estimated 600 elders). Members of the Interim Committee were also on the State Advisory Body. Also testifying: State Unit on Aging, State Department of Health and Welfare.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: To facilitate input from elders by minimizing the number of committees they - and others interested in the field of aging - must testify before.

STATUS: House Bill No. 257 introduced 2/16/77, passed the House 3/17/77 and was sent to Senate. Though officially disbanded, members of the Joint Interim Committee are functioning on ad hoc basis.

FUNDING: None required.

MATERIALS: H.B. No. 257: An act establishing a permanent legislative committee on elderly affairs, 1977. New Hampshire Legislature.

CONTACT: Rep. Myrtle B. Rogers, Chair
Interim Joint Legislative Committee on Elderly Affairs
Box 435, RFD #2
Newton, New Hampshire 03858 (603) 382-8649 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

MASSACHUSETTS
Program

ORGANIZATIONAL NETWORK

TITLE: Sub-regional Councils on Aging Are Focal Points for Elders' Services

DESCRIPTION: The Massachusetts Aging Network includes a state level Department of Elder Affairs, regional Home Care Corporations/Area Agencies on Aging, and local councils on aging. Established in state law, Chapter 40 of the general laws, Section 8B, the councils on aging are primarily city/town based governmental programs directly accountable to the local jurisdiction. They submit yearly reports to the local city and to the SUA.

ACTORS/ROLES: Councils on aging are described in the Act Establishing A Department of Elder Affairs and have had statutory mandates since 1956. Locally developed they draw participants from the city structure, local service providers and elders. Councils on aging are active participants in regional AAA/Home Care Corporations and OAA Title VII Projects.

AREA SERVED: Statewide. Currently 310 councils for the aging.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) develop local (subregional) service networks; 2) mobilize local resources, particularly for support of multi-purpose senior centers; 3) provide a city/town based focal point for aging.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: State general revenues (\$100,000 yearly for seed money); Title III, IV, VII, IX, V of the Older Americans Act; Title XX of the Social Security Act; local revenues; federal revenue sharing.

MATERIALS: Materials on Melrose Council on Aging; Melrose city ordinance establishing a council on aging.

CONTACT: For materials:
Ester S. Lyman, Chairman
Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs Advisory Board
c/o Melrose Council on Aging
City Hall
Melrose, Massachusetts 02176 (ADV)

For more general information contact:
Department of Elder Affairs
110 Tremont Street - State Office Building
Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (617) 727-7750

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Legislation

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Office and Commission on Aging Established in Mayor's Office

DESCRIPTION: Law enacted by City Council creates Office on Aging within Mayor's office and Commission on Aging. New status of SUA provides authority to issue impact statements regarding all proposed changes in city policy and programs. Newly created advisory body advises SUA, Mayor, City Council and public concerning views and needs of elders. Conducts public hearings, approves state plan and serves as advocate for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: National Council of Senior Citizens, American Association of Retired Persons, and Voluntary Organizations in Concern for Elderly provided technical assistance in drafting legislation. Mayor's office initiated first bill. City Council Committee on Human Resources and Aging drafted legislation. Departments and agencies in District government submit proposed policies, programs on aging to SUA for review and comment. Particularly affects Departments of Human Resources and Transportation.

AREA SERVED: District of Columbia.

TARGET: Change in SUA status from fourth level in city organizational structure to second. Strengthens role and function of SUA and its advisory body. Ultimately affects social services to elders in District. Raises awareness of legislative branch regarding aging issues. May increase allocation of city funds for elders.

STATUS: Operational. District of Columbia Law No. 1-24 effective 10/29/75. Sponsored by Committee on Human Resources and Aging. Introduced 5/27/75; Signed into law - 7/25/75.

FUNDING: Appropriation attached to law for positions of director of SUA and assistant to advisory body.

MATERIALS: D.C. Law No. 1-24, 1975.

CONTACT: Lee Partridge, Staff Director
City Council Committee on Human Resources and Aging
District Building - 14th & E Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004 (202) 724-8032 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

PENNSYLVANIA
Program

LONG-TERM CARE

TITLE: Planning Process Broadens Definition of Long-Term Care

DESCRIPTION: Implements a statewide planning process focusing on development of comprehensive long-term care system. Broadens definition of long-term care relating services to level of disability rather than living arrangement. Creates state-level inter-agency unit to develop state plan for long-term care, uniform assessment instruments, improve consumer access, inventory resources and services and reorganize administrative machinery within state departments.

ACTORS/ROLES: Program initiated jointly by SUA within Department of Public Welfare and Office of Planning and Development within Department of Health. Joint long-term care planning unit includes: co-directors from SUA and Office of Planning, coordinators, planners from each department. Will provide technical assistance to AAAs and health systems agencies. Long-term care committee of professionals and consumers will advise and review applications. State Offices of Mental Health, Retardation, Visually Handicapped, Vocational Rehabilitation involved in planning and providing services.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania, statewide - on state and local levels.

TARGET: Implement statewide planning process for long-term care. Facilitate utilization of services and develop unserved areas. Eliminate barriers to care and create new definition of long-term care.

STATUS: Will be implemented in spring, 1979 for three years. Idea began as result of new thrust in health planning in areas of chronic illness and disability and intent of Public Law 93-641 - National Health Planning and Resource Development Act, 1974.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title III funds, \$246,000 for one year.

MATERIALS: Long-Term Care Planning and Development Proposal, 11/76.

CONTACT: Robert Huber, Acting Commissioner
Department of Public Welfare
Office for the Aging
P.O. Box 2675
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 787-5350 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ADMINISTRATION

RHODE ISLAND
Program

DISABLED ELDERS

TITLE: Rehabilitation Network Provides Continuum of Care

DESCRIPTION: Deinstitutionalization, home health maintenance, coordinated services and program evaluation are goals of a statewide rehabilitation network planned by a consortium of policy-makers, educators and service providers in rehabilitative services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Brown University Program in Medicine initiated organization of 17 member Regional Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation consisting of representatives from State-level public agencies, private associations and the University. Over 40 additional professionals served on five task forces to study needs and make recommendations.

AREA SERVED: Statewide (planned).

TARGET: All persons with long-term disabling illnesses. Goals include development of accreditation, outreach service evaluation, monitoring system, patient bill of rights, resources directory, education program, and mechanism to resolve unmet needs.

STATUS: Task forces met from June, 1975 through May, 1976. Regional advisory committee currently working toward implementation of recommendations by drafting state rehabilitation network plan and planning educational workshops.

FUNDING: Usual health care facilities funding sources. Implementation phase will require additional funding.

MATERIALS: A Rehabilitation System for Rhode Island: Report and Recommendations of Regional Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation 3/77.

CONTACT: For Report:
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VERIFIED: 1/79

ADMINISTRATION

VIRGINIA
Policy

PLANNING

TITLE: Six Year Plan for Aging Stresses Community Services

DESCRIPTION: A precedent for long-range program planning, Virginia's six year plan for elders provides a context for annual planning with an emphasis on community rather than institutional services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Coordinated by State Unit on Aging. Involves all state and local aging resources and service providers.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Intent is to focus on community services for elders and decrease reliance on institutional ones.

STATUS: Covers three biennia: 1976-78, 1978-80, 1980-82. To be updated every 2 years.

FUNDING: Coordinates all federal and state funds for elders. No local money affected.

MATERIALS: Virginia's Direction in Aging: A Timely Matter, 2/77, 269 pages. Summary of Virginia's Direction in Aging: A Timely Matter, 22 pages, 2/77. Aging Budget of the Commonwealth of Virginia: An Extract of Budget Items Affecting the Elderly from the 1976-1978 Biennium Budget (Technical Report), 45 pages, Health Status of Elderly Virginians: 1976 (Technical Report), 31 pages, 5/76. Characteristics of Older Virginians: Selected Statistics (Technical Report), 210 pages, 6/76. The Economic Status of Older Virginians (Technical Report), 49 pages, 8/76.

CONTACT: Edwin L. Wood, Director
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Richmond, Virginia 23219 (804) 786-7894 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79

ADMINISTRATION

NORTH CAROLINA
Legislation

FUNDING - LOCAL APPROPRIATIONS

TITLE: Municipality Funding Law Allows Cities to Tax for Elders' Programs

DESCRIPTION: Legislation enacted 4/77 authorizes municipalities to undertake programs for elders over 60, and to levy taxes for such programs. This allows small towns and municipalities to contribute to programs for elders. Programs include in-home services, food services, counseling, recreation and transportation. City council may have a municipal agency carry out programs or contribute to another government agency or association. Thus, a small town can raise money to participate in county-wide programs previously limited by funding to larger cities or counties.

ACTORS/ROLES: Initiated by the Board of the Wake County Council on Aging, with cooperation from League of Municipalities, State Unit on Aging, and Legislative Committee on Aging in House.

AREA SERVED: Potentially statewide; currently Wake County.

TARGET: Any small municipality wishing to utilize policy in order to broaden participation in programs for elders.

STATUS: Enacted 4/77.

FUNDING: Local taxes potentially increased.

MATERIALS: General Statute 160-A-209 (C).

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

MICHIGAN
Legislation

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

TITLE: Legislation Makes Foster Grandparent Program Financially Possible

DESCRIPTION: Eight project sites employing up to 533 foster grandparents have been operational since 1977. Project expansion has been difficult due to insufficient funds. However, \$654,000 has been appropriated for Fiscal Year 1978 by the legislature in its recent session. The additional money is to be allocated for existing project expansion and the addition of three new projects. It is believed that \$654,000 is the largest amount appropriated by a state for this program.

The purpose of the Foster Grandparent Program is to provide a meaningful opportunity for elders, age 65 and over, to render a supportive one-to-one service to children with special or exceptional needs.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Unit on Aging (SUA) and Action Office of Detroit drafted the legislation and consulted with the project directors for their recommendations.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Expand the eight existing programs and add three new ones.

STATUS: Appropriation passed in 1977 session.

FUNDING: \$654,000 for Fiscal Year 1978 from state general revenue sharing.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

WISCONSIN
Legislation

INCOME MAINTENANCE

TITLE: Aging Service Package Addresses 5 Funding Areas

DESCRIPTION: S.B. 77, Aging Service Package, intends to provide an adequate income to elders and support services which would help high risk individuals avoid institutionalization. The package addresses five areas of funding: nutrition, senior center facilities, home health care, transportation and homestead tax credit. Bill encourages local initiative by allowing local governments to establish their own priorities in meeting community needs and use appropriations as they see fit.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Unit on Aging (SUA) provided professional and technical expertise in defining needs. Coalition of groups mobilized citizens and defined priorities. Executive Advisory Board on Aging lobbied for legislation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - on state and local levels - especially rural elder population.

TARGET: Would give elders the chance to maintain their independence by providing them with adequate income as well as services necessary for avoiding institutionalization.

STATUS: Enacted 6/77.

FUNDING: State general purpose revenue commits approximately \$3,000,000 with matching federal funds.

MATERIALS: S.B. #77 proposal outlining state budget.

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Madison, Wisconsin 53702 (608) 266-1975 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

ALABAMA
Program

TITLE VII - OLDER AMERICANS ACT

TITLE: Contract System for Nutrition Projects

DESCRIPTION: The State of Alabama, through the State Unit on Aging (SUA), awards a contract to a single vendor to prepare and deliver food to elders in compliance with Older Americans Act Title VII regulations. The contract is awarded to the lowest bidder for food provision; programs are administered by local community agencies. The local communities pay for the site managers, etc. The state provides no direct food services. Local agencies participate in selection of vendor.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA Housing and Urban Development which provides one-fourth of the sites; State Extension Service operates in every nutrition site.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, both urban and rural.

TARGET: Currently providing 8,000 meals per day to 25,000 elders; next year's projected figures are 11,000 meals per day to 33,000 elders statewide. Low income, minority and rural elders are specifically targeted, although the program is not limited to them. Impact of program is to drastically lower elders' food prices: 80% of the federal money now goes toward direct food purchase.

STATUS: Operational since 1973, expected to continue.

FUNDING: Federal and state funds; Older Americans Act Title VII funds matched on the local level. Local and state resources are used whenever possible, i.e., Office of Consumer Protection, Mental Health Department.

MATERIALS: Copy of contract between state and vendor available upon request.

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Alabama Commission on Aging
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Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (205) 832-6640 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

GEORGIA
Legislation

LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION

TITLE: Joint Legislative Committee Studies Elders' Services

DESCRIPTION: Senate Resolution 27, enacted 3/77, created the bicameral, 10 member Services for the Aged Study Committee. It will continue the work of a 1976 special senate study group examining the needs of elders. Charged with reviewing existing programs serving elders as a goal of improving comprehensive services, the committee may conduct hearings, examine budgets, and prepare legislation. Empowered for one year, the committee's final report is due January 1, 1978 to include specific recommendations for meeting the needs of elders and ways to facilitate input from the aged population.

ACTORS/ROLES: Senate Services for the Aged Study Committee, chaired by the lieutenant governor, (Senate Resolution 419, 1976) held statewide public hearings in 1976. State Unit on Aging (SUA) attended all hearings and provided technical assistance. Testimony was contributed by other units of the state Department of Human Resources and by the Joint State Legislative Committee of the National Retired Teachers' Association and the American Association of Retired Persons.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: To actively involve legislature in focusing attention on aging issues; to provide a forum for elders and their advocates.

STATUS: Committee created 3/77 to serve until 1/78. Legislature meets annually January-March.

FUNDING: No additional appropriation. Resolution calls for use of funds routinely provided for interim legislative committees.

MATERIALS: 1977 Georgia Laws Senate Resolution No. 27.

CONTACT: Bill Helgemo, Assistant Director
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

MICHIGAN
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

TITLE: Joint Special Committee on Aging

DESCRIPTION: A Joint Special Committee on Aging was first established by a joint resolution in March 1975. The committee was mandated to: 1) review the State Unit on Aging's (SUA) activities, 2) review and recommend legislation needed for elders, and 3) review all state agencies that deal with elders and aging issues. During the first two years of its existence, the ten member committee emphasized alternatives to institutionalization. The committee has been expanded to 12 members in the last legislative session and currently plans to focus on revision of probate laws and utility relief.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA and governor's office worked in coordination with a senator on the idea. Senate introduced the resolution.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Legislative Impact: Develop a focal point for legislation concerned with aging issues and also give technical assistance to individual legislators.

STATUS: Enacted since 3/75.

FUNDING: Funded by the state legislature.

MATERIALS: Report to the Michigan 78th Legislature by the Joint Special Committee on Aging.

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

TENNESSEE
Program

SENIOR CENTERS

TITLE: State Coordinates a Network of Multi-Purpose Senior Centers

DESCRIPTION: The state coordinates a network of multi-purpose senior centers at the county level. There is an attempt to use them as a focal point for all programs in the country. There must be a full-time staffperson at each center, and centers must be open a minimum of 30 hours per week, five days a week. Information and referral, activities specifically designed for men, and outreach to rural or isolated elders is mandated for each center.

ACTORS/ROLES: Lobbied for by Federation for the Aging; implemented by State Unit on Aging (SUA).

AREA SERVED: Currently operational in two-thirds of the state districts, potentially statewide.

TARGET: Now reaching 133,000 elders (including pre-retirement age persons 55-60). Total population over 60 is 623,000. Emphasis on reaching isolated elders.

STATUS: Operational since 1969.

FUNDING: Direct state appropriations as well as federal funds for federal programs like Older Americans Act Title VII which operate out of centers. Currently, the state funds are matched on the local level on 50-50 basis; 10% of the match must be in cash, the rest may be in kind.

MATERIALS:

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Nashville, Tennessee 37201 (615) 741-2056 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

FLORIDA
Legislation

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Program Office Created For Aging and Adult Services

DESCRIPTION: In 1975, the state legislature passed a bill restructuring the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services within which the State Unit on Aging (SUA) lies. Eleven district offices were established throughout the state whose responsibilities are to administer programs (award and manage grants), develop and coordinate local resources. The program office at the State Capitol is responsible for developing statewide planning standards, objectives and report materials, monitoring overall program performance and providing training and technical assistance.

ACTORS/ROLES: The legislature initiated and enacted the act.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The purpose of the reorganization is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of service delivery by decentralizing the program structure and focusing operational decision-making at the district level.

STATUS: Implemented 1976.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act monies, \$3.9 million from Social Security Act Title XX funds and state general service appropriations.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

ILLINOIS
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: State Unit on Aging Becomes Cabinet Position

DESCRIPTION: Through legislation enacted 8/73 the State Unit on Aging (SUA) was promoted to a cabinet level agency with the deputy director sitting on the governor's cabinet. This promotion to a higher level position permits the allocation of funds, once approved by the state legislature, to be distributed where needed by one coordinating agency which sets statewide priorities in the field of aging. Local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) are given funds and decision-making power to deal with community needs in rural as well as urban settings. Each AAA has its own board of directors and holds hearings on the local level to determine needs.

ACTORS/ROLES: Former state level director of public services agency organized the bureau. Executive branch of state government investigated social and economic problems of the aging and set up an advisory body to hold public hearings.

AREA SERVED: Statewide--particular concern for low income elders in rural settings.

TARGET: Local AAAs are best able to determine what areas need funding to improve quality of life and services for low income elders.

STATUS: H.B. 1405 - 78th General Assembly enacted 8/73; department became operational 11/74.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Titles III and VII, and Social Security Act Title XX combine to contribute 90% of budget; General Revenue Sharing and local voluntary contributions make up the rest.

MATERIALS: Department Publications.

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Chicago, Illinois 60611 (312) 822-9060 (ADV)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

INDIANA
Legislation

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Bill Gives State and Area Agencies on Aging Official Status in State Hierarchy

DESCRIPTION: House Enrolled Bill #1206 gives formal state status to already functioning bodies, thus creating stronger State Units and Area Agencies on Aging (SUA and AAAs); also provides mechanism for future transmission of SUA monies to AAAs.

ACTORS/ROLES: Representatives of senior groups, SUA and AAA staff, and legislators on Interim Study Committee on Aging drafted and worked for passage of bill.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Remedy lack of enabling legislation at state level.

STATUS: Passed 7/77.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: House Enrolled Bill #1206.

CONTACT: Sue Kennel, Senior Legislative Analyst
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Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 269-3735 (LEGIS)

For Bill:
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Indiana Legislative Council
State House
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

WISCONSIN
Policy

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

TITLE: Public Hearings Welcome Elder Participation

DESCRIPTION: Annual public hearings on the State Plan on Aging are held serially in nine different parts of the state over a period of one to two months. Information such as dates, times and locations is disseminated through the news media and through Area Agencies on Aging, and 72 county commissions on aging. At least one member of the advisory committee and a staff person from State Unit on Aging (SUA) are present to summarize and support the proposed plan. Consumers or local administrators may have an impact on the state plan by giving their input and recommendations for change. Consumer participation at the hearing consists of both elders and professionals in the field who expand the scope of the hearing beyond the state plan review and help to raise the consciousness of the public in general.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA organizes, plans, conducts hearings, and incorporates the results of the hearings into a document for the state advisory committee to review.

AREA SERVED: Statewide—impacting on SUA policy making.

TARGET: To demonstrate a state government both open and responsive to public health needs. To increase sensitivity of SUA to public needs and assist in program development.

STATUS: Operational since 3/75.

FUNDING: Through existing funding of Title III Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

ILLINOIS
Policy

RESEARCH

TITLE: Census Data Prepared for Area Agency on Aging Planning

DESCRIPTION: Data has been collected from the latest census tapes and categorized in a format to provide access by local AAAs. Pertinent data in this planning document is used by the state aging network, categories defined for each AAA are: numbers of elders by sex, race, location (rural or urban), marital status, telephone service, ownership and value of home, rental units and rates, education and income level, and amount of supplemental financial aid received.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Unit on Aging (SUA) initiated the research to aid in local program planning and funding allocations. University of Illinois researched, planned and developed the documents.

AREA SERVED: Statewide impact is anticipated for AAAs and Older Americans Act Title VII nutrition sites in terms of increased services and funding.

TARGET: Low income and minority elders; AAAs are targeted in planning and fiscal policies.

STATUS: Completed 2/76.

FUNDING: Approximately \$25,000 of Older Americans Act Title III funds for administrative costs.

MATERIALS: Characteristics of Older Persons in Illinois.

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Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-5773 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

ARIZONA
Legislation

INTER-GENERATIONAL PROGRAMS

TITLE: Public School Facilities Used For Elders' Programs

DESCRIPTION: House Bill 2053 overturned the Arizona law preventing public school facilities from being used for non-school activities. Elders' organizations and the SUA campaigned for the change on the grounds that public facilities paid for by taxes are community, rather than single-purpose, facilities. The intent is to extend some school programs (such as nutrition, health, education and transportation services) to elders, without disrupting service to students. The Department of Education, Board of Education members, and the SUA met in August, 1977 to identify appropriate programs, and plan ways to coordinate them with school activities.

ACTORS/ROLES: Senior organizations for the use of public schools as community facilities lobbied and conducted letter writing campaign. SUA and Area Agency on Aging staff gave written and in-person testimony supporting HB 2053.

AREA SERVED: Programs affecting 325 elders are expected to begin 10/1/77 in Maricopa and Mojave Counties. Will eventually become statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and older will benefit from nutrition, education, and health screening programs; school-age children will have opportunity to interact with elders, and benefit from contributions elders make to school programs as class aids, oral historians, etc.

STATUS: Enacted 7/1/77; SUA, representatives of Dept. of Education and members of Board of Education met to plan program, 8/77.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: HB 2053, Report of Meetings between Board of Education and SUA.

CONTACT: Robert G. Thomas, Chief
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 271-4446 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON
Program

SOCIAL SERVICES

TITLE: Elders Benefit From Increased Availability of Services

DESCRIPTION: The Washington State Senior Citizen Services Act appropriated 11.8 million dollars for maintenance of a coordinated service network designed to maximize the independence and dignity of elders. The Services Act, initiated in 1976, signified the first time the Legislature ever appropriated funds for community-based programs. It complements the OAA, and all 12 AAAs in Washington operate under it. Services funded by the Act include: information and assistance; outreach; nutrition; transportation and legal services; home repair and maintenance; health screening; volunteer services; and adult day health care. The 1979 Legislature is considering making the Act a permanent part of the law rather than a demonstration project.

ACTORS/ROLES: The House Sub-Committee on Aging drafted the enabling legislation, HB 1316. The aging network and the Senior Citizens Lobby worked for its passage.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low-income elders who are either 60 years of age and employed less than 20 hours a week, or aged 65 or over, and in need of services. 1979: Fee schedule based on ability to pay, except for nutrition, health screening and access services.

STATUS: HB 1316 enacted 3/76. Programs in operation since 10/76. 1979: SB 2237 passed Senate and in House Committees as of 3/1/79. HB 491 in House Appropriation Committee 3/1/79.

FUNDING: \$1.9 million state general service appropriation with \$3.8 million in Title III Older Americans Act funds in 1976, under HB 1316. An additional \$9.9 million in 1977 from HB 251, plus \$2.6 million carryover from funds appropriated but not spent in 1976. 1979: \$13.6 million from general fund appropriation, for biennium.

MATERIALS: Senior Citizens Services Act Information Packet: HB 1316, 1976 and HB 251, 1977. 1979: SB 2237, HB 491.

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Olympia, Washington 98504 (206)753-2502

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

KANSAS
Policy

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

TITLE: AAAs Establish Local Policy Boards

DESCRIPTION: The Kansas State Unit on Aging (SUA) requires each Area Agency on Aging (AAA) to appoint a policy board at the local level. At least 51% of the board members must be aged 60 and over.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA set up this requirement when it formed the AAA network.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders throughout state. Goal: increase elders' influence by providing for their direct impact into decisions about AAA services.

STATUS: In operation since 1974.

FUNDING: OAA, Title III funding for operations costs.

MATERIALS:

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Topeka, Kansas 66612 (913) 296-4986 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

MONTANA
Policy

FUNDING ALLOCATION

TITLE: Group Eligibility Policy for Elders in Montana

DESCRIPTION: Because over 75% of Montana's elders receive less than 90% of the state's median income, the State Unit on Aging (SUA) is able to use Social Security Act, Title XX funds, with a policy of group eligibility. This means that any elder in the state is eligible for Title XX services that otherwise would be restricted to low-income elders. For example, though Title XX monies are usually restricted to low-income people, the SUA can now use Title XX transportation and nutrition monies across the board for all elders. The age limit is 60 for elders in general, and 45 for Native Americans who, because of poverty conditions, age faster and have lower death rates.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Social and Rehabilitative Services, Title XX coordinator designed and conducted needs assessment and questionnaire; directors of the Area Agencies on Aging assisted; input was obtained on needs from elders around the state.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: State elders over 60; for Native Americans, over 45. Currently serving 5,960 elders in nutrition programs and 2,007 in transportation programs.

STATUS: In operation since 7/77.

FUNDING: Policy permits wider utilization of Social Security Act, Title XX funds in the amount of \$523,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Gary Addington, Administrative Officer
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Helena, Montana 59601 (406) 449-5650 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ADMINISTRATION

MONTANA
Legislation

FUNDING - LOCAL SOURCES

TITLE: Counties Levy Taxes for Elders' Funds

DESCRIPTION: Montana has passed a law permitting each county to levy a one mill property tax to provide funds for elders. Money thus raised is distributed directly to groups of elders within the county at the discretion of the tax commissioner, thus circumventing the red tape and expense of administering programs through county governments.

ACTORS/ROLES: Lobbied for by groups of local elders.

AREA SERVED: Statewide in a county-by-county basis.

TARGET: Elders over 55, and some younger handicapped persons.

STATUS: In operation since 1973.

FUNDING:

MATERIALS: Copy of bill.

CONTACT: Representative William Menahan
Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Safety
State Capitol
Helena, Montana (406) 563-2985 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

NEVADA
Policy

FUNDING - ALLOCATION

TITLE: Federal In-Lieu Property Taxes Fund Elders' Services

DESCRIPTION: Under the federal Payments in-lieu-of Taxes Act (10/76), states containing large tracts of government land will be reimbursed for property taxes not collected on those lands, which counties within the state would have received if the land were privately owned. The government payments (\$4.4 million in Nevada this year) become undesignated county revenue.

Nevada's SUA is proposing that a percentage of this revenue in each county, equal to the percentage of elders in that county, be devoted to elder needs. The State Unit on Aging and state senior adult leaders have drawn up funding proposals for each county which include the background, justification, and current financial picture of the proposed services for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Congressional representative from Nevada was a strong advocate for the legislation returning revenue to the state. SUA requested funds equal to the percentage of elders in the state - 10%.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - with rural counties obtaining greatest benefit relative to their low tax basis. The SUA benefits by additional funds requiring less drain on their resources.

TARGET: This source of funds has an impact on the planning policies of the SUA with each county and local senior groups and affects the potential services offered through extra money.

STATUS: Federal appropriations arrived October, 1977.

FUNDING: For 1979, \$5,000,000 was allocated for Nevada.

MATERIALS: Legislative summary, rationale and history.

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VERIFIED: 3/79.

ADMINISTRATION

NEVADA
Policy

FUNDING - LOCAL SOURCES

TITLE: Senior Center Constructed with Local Resources

DESCRIPTION: Local community agencies are encouraged to approach the SUA to obtain technical assistance in locating sources and obtaining contributions from private and public donors in their towns to help build senior centers for elders. Donations vary from construction supplies and equipment to financial assistance and labor. Upon completion, groups can apply for federal aid for programming and support services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Local senior groups approach the SUA requesting technical assistance. SUA locates community resources and establishes a commitment to provide necessary supplies or money.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - SUA involved in coordinating different agency commitments.

TARGET: The SUA helps the elder population and local communities to unite in building.

STATUS: Ongoing according to community requests.

FUNDING: Varies for each community - including state general revenue sharing matching local appropriations.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 3/79.

ADMINISTRATION

ARIZONA
Policy

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Governor's Office Aids Advisory Body

DESCRIPTION: Since 1977, the Office of the Governor has provided space for meetings of the Advisory Body to the SUA and facilitated direct communication between this Advisory Body and the legislature. The Department of Economic Security (DES) and the SUA maintain and finance the Advisory Body. (Previously, recommendations to the legislature had to be channeled through the legislative department of DES.)

The Advisory Body has independent policy units on Indian affairs, senior centers, health, education, transportation, housing, economy, legal services, media and labor. Each policy unit researches specific issues, makes reports at the regular meetings, and suggests legislation. Each Advisory Body member sits on one of the units. The Advisory Body meets on the same day that the legislative Committee on Aging and Finance holds open hearings, so members may attend both meetings and have more information and power to act as advocates for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: DES supported the move to the governor's office. SUA initiated the change.

AREA SERVED: State Capitol - Members attend from throughout the state and meet at the governor's office.

TARGET: To effect change in social and political conditions for elders; affect the legislative body of the state, and have Advisory Body attached to governor's office.

STATUS: Change took place in 3/77.

FUNDING: Legislative appropriations through the governor's office for expenses.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

NEVADA
Program

MINORITY ELDERS

TITLE: Cooperative Interstate Meals Program for Native American Elders

DESCRIPTION: The elders of the Owyhee Reservation, which covers parts of Nevada and Idaho, are participating in an Older Americans Act (OAA), Title III-C nutrition program funded by both states. The Nevada SUA met with the elders, the Indian health nutritionist and other concerned professionals such as staff doctors of the only medical facility nearby. After negotiating for the site and meal delivery system the SUA of Nevada developed an agreement with the Idaho SUA to provide the services, administer the program and obtain reimbursement for the percentage of residents living in Idaho in the program.

ACTORS/ROLES: Nevada SUA investigated, negotiated, administered the program. Idaho SUA reviews statistics and reimburses Nevada for 25% of the recipients. The Shoshone-Paiute tribe sponsored the program. The Indian Health service lobbied for the program and provided technical assistance.

AREA SERVED: Interstate - border of Nevada and Idaho. Serves Native American residents of the Owyhee reservation area.

TARGET: 100 elder residents of the Owyhee reservation - Shoshone-Paiute tribe.

STATUS: In operation since 1973; since 7/76 operating in a new building jointly used for child services.

FUNDING: Nevada - \$38,938, Idaho - \$9,963 Older Americans Act, Title VII funding; Social Security Act, Title XX funds for social services, and money from Section 147 of the Rural Transportation Act.

MATERIALS: Grant narrative.

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Carson City, Nevada 89710 (702) 885-4210 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 4/79.

ADMINISTRATION

IOWA
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Services to Elders Funding Through AAAs

DESCRIPTION: In 1973 the SUA established the policy where all aging services would be funded through the local AAAs. All resources for elders go to the AAAs to develop a strong, central contact point in each local area. This policy helps to strengthen both the relationship between the SUA and the AAAs and between the AAAs and their local government. Each year the AAAs, as the sole representatives of the elders, report and request funds for programs within their boundaries from the SUA.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated, developed and implemented the plan.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - impact on the AAAs and all service providers for elders.

TARGET: The policy affects fiscal planning within the AAAs and the SUA.

STATUS: The initial decision made by the SUA in 1973 when Older Americans Act (OAA) Title III and VII funds were awarded, and continued with distribution of OAA Title IX funds in 5/77.

FUNDING: No funding as such.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

HAWAII
Policy
Program

SENIOR CENTERS

TITLE: Statewide Policy Developed on Senior Centers

DESCRIPTION: In the 1976 session, the House Committee on Youth and Elderly Affairs requested that the SUA develop guidelines for establishing senior centers throughout Hawaii. A committee of elder volunteers, SUA representatives and community leaders researched needs and recommended procedures for AAAs to develop local plans and building, staffing, and safety guidelines for the centers. Grassroots organizations work with AAAs who request funding from the SUA. The policy is consistent in involving the local community in planning programs and services for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislature requested that the SUA recommend a policy for adoption. SUA supervised the study and endorsed recommendations to legislature. Elders and community leaders conducted the study.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - especially outlying islands which are rural and have few senior centers.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Report submitted 1/77 and adopted by the legislature as policy 4/77.

FUNDING: SUA administrative funds.

MATERIALS: Report: Statewide Plan for Senior Centers 1977.

CONTACT: Representative James Aki, Chair
House Committee on Youth and Elderly Affairs
State Capitol, Room 413
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 (808) 548-6299 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

KANSAS
Legislation
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Department on Aging Established on Cabinet Level

DESCRIPTION: In July 1977, the state legislature enacted into law a bill to establish the Department of Aging as a secretary-level department. The purpose was to focus attention on evaluation and recommendation for all programs, services and facilities for elders and to separate the responsibility for elders' affairs from the welfare department. The department will develop a comprehensive plan for the aging and receive and disburse funds for aging programs. Finally the agency will educate the public about problems of senior adults through institutes, public meetings and media campaigns as well as bringing the latest aging research to the state.

ACTORS/ROLES: Grass roots organizations approached state congressman pushing for department to separate elder programs from welfare roles. Legislature prepared, studied and enacted bills; Social Rehabilitation Service supported bill.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Entire population - elders in general and future generations of elders; to increase power and responsibilities of the State Unit on Aging.

STATUS: Operational 7/1/77 - still in development stages.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title III and matching funds from state revenue sharing total approximately \$100,000.

MATERIALS: HB 2173 - Act to establish Department on Aging; summary of bill.

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Representative Jack Rodrock, Assistant Majority Leader
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Leoti, Kansas 67861 (913) 296-3898 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

KANSAS
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Joint Committee On State Policy And Administration

DESCRIPTION: Representatives from the SUA, all AAAs and all advisory bodies comprise the Joint Committee now directing the reorganization of services to elders in Kansas. Recent activities of the committee include a two-day planning session. Goals are to develop an improved state plan for the coming year, to enhance decision-making at the local level and to facilitate the SUA becoming a resource body to the rest of the state.

ACTORS/ROLES: The governor's office and SUA director fostered this effort.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Complete reorganization of all state services to elders with coordination of services at all interface points.

STATUS: Operational 11/77.

FUNDING: Title III, Title VII, and Title IVA of the Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS: Copy of minutes of Committee's first planning meeting.

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADMINISTRATION

IDAHO
Program

RESEARCH

TITLE: SUA Surveys the Long-Term Care Delivery System and the Status of Institutionalized Aged

DESCRIPTION: The SUA contracted State Administration monies to the Center for Urban Research, Boise State University, to conduct a statewide survey of residents in skilled intermediate and shelter care facilities. The SUA, in coordination with the Department of Health and Welfare and other public agencies, developed the questionnaire. The Center developed the methodology and conducted a training session for six regional ombudspersons who conducted the interviews. SUA developed the report, which provides a comprehensive description of the institutional care system and the services available to the high risk chronically ill or disabled elders in Idaho. It analyzes the public and private funding mechanisms, the providers and the regulatory requirements for long-term care. In addition, the report profiles the clients and explores their present status in relation to health, patient care setting, socialization, community-based services and their potential for independent living.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA contracted with the Center for Urban Research at Boise State University which developed the materials and trained the interviewers. Idaho Legal Aid Services, Inc. donated the services of the local ombudsmen who conducted the interviews.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The institutionalized elderly.

STATUS: Survey conducted February, 1978.

FUNDING: State Administration funds, Title III, \$5,500.

MATERIALS: Survey results available.

CONTACT: Ken Wilkes, Acting Director
Idaho Office on Aging
Statehouse
Boise, Idaho 83720 (208) 384-3833 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

ADMINISTRATION

**ARKANSAS
Program**

CONTINUUM OF CARE

TITLE:

Pilot Program Prevents Premature Institutionalization of Elders

DESCRIPTION:

The SUA is administering a statewide service management program to prevent elders from being prematurely institutionalized. The pilot program was developed from a combination of service concepts from existing programs which tie services into an appropriate continuum of care. Individual needs of elders over 60 are assessed, a case plan is developed, arrangement of services to maintain the elder in his/her home is made, and periodic reassessment insures the appropriateness of services. A service management unit in each of eight AAAs employs a total of eight unit supervisors, eight registered nurses and fifty caseworkers. Eight field coordinators provide technical assistance and evaluations, a nurse practitioner provides technical medical assistance and a program administrator has overall responsibility. Twenty to twenty-five elders are employed as personal care workers. The program has identified numerous families in emotional crises and has provided an alternative to institutionalizing the elder. Preventive as well as intervention services will be provided as the service management model matures.

ACTORS/ROLES:

SUA combined service concepts from existing programs in other states and a four-county model project. SUA researched and drafted grant proposal. Governor's Office supported funding which was approved by state legislature.

AREA SERVED:

Statewide.

TARGET:

2,200 elders over 60 per year.

STATUS:

Operational since 7/78; terminates 6/81.

FUNDING:

State General Revenue Allocation, \$6,516,000; Title IV-OAA, \$750,000; Medicaid, reimbursement.

MATERIALS:

Program description and forms.

CONTACT:

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Magnolia, Arkansas 71753 (501)234-8550 (O)

VERIFIED:

6/79.

ADMINISTRATION

**CONNECTICUT
Program
Legislation**

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TITLE: Agency Coordinates Extended Care Services to Elders

DESCRIPTION: The SUA's Lead Agency For Extended Care serves as facilitator and coordinator of the functions of various state agencies that are responsible for nursing homes and other extended care services for elders. Acting as research resource and central source of data, the agency brings together department heads and staff to consider the delivery, quality, cost, and regulation of extended care services.

By assembling information in a systematic way, the Lead Agency eliminates lack of accountability, duplication of effort and ineffective regulation. As a single agency, it is unique in being accountable for the complete extended care services spectrum. State House/Assembly Bill S.A. 78-63, which makes appropriation to the SUA for its lead agency function, accompanies this program.

ACTORS/ROLES: A subcommittee of the governor's Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) researched the nursing home industry and originated idea. The associate director of the BRC developed and implemented it and the governor issued executive order establishing the lead agency within the Department on Aging.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: It serves all recipients of extended care services, especially frail, low-income, minority, and mentally and physically impaired elders.

STATUS: In operation since June 1, 1977.

FUNDING: State General Services Appropriations, \$75,000.

MATERIALS: Blue Ribbon Committee Report "B" - Coordination of Administration; Executive Order No. 17; Bill S.A. 78-63.

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Hartford, CT 06103 (203) 549-7270 (O)

VERIFIED: 3/27/79.

ADMINISTRATION

OHIO
Legislation

INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Legislation Establishes Multi-Purpose Centers for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Amended Substitute House Bill 1084 is a result of statewide effort to establish multi-purpose centers. This effort is a direct response to Title III-Older Americans Act (OAA) amendments of 1978 which emphasize the development of multi-purpose centers, both for congregate services and home delivered care. By placing services under one roof in various centers, elders would have access to services offered by hundreds of agencies which presently are uncoordinated and lack a common referral system. By centralizing the services and referrals elders are insured better service delivery. The bill was passed by the 112th General Assembly in 1978.

ACTORS/ROLES: A representative from Kent, Ohio introduced and carried the bill through the legislation. The Association of Retired Persons mobilized support for the legislation and Ohio Commission on Aging is developing the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, urban and rural multiple-county, and all cities in Ohio.

TARGET: Serves half a million people for the next 10 years who comprise the tax paying public and general population.

STATUS: Scheduled to become operational in 1981.

FUNDING: Title III-Older Americans Act; Title V-Older Americans Act; State General Revenue Fund; Total, \$3.5 million (1979-81).

MATERIALS: Proposed regulation of the bill, no cost.

CONTACT: R-John Begala, Representative
State House
Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-8997 (Legis)

Richard Hoffman, Legislative Liaison
Ohio Commission on Aging
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Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-5500 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 5/31/79.

ADMINISTRATION

**MARYLAND
Legislation****INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION**

- TITLE:** Surplus School Buildings Converted into Senior Centers
- DESCRIPTION:** Chapter 910 of the 1978 Laws of Maryland, authorizes the creation of a State debt, the proceeds of which are to be used for State grants to local governmental agencies to convert at least three, or parts of three, surplus public school buildings into senior centers. Five facilities, located in different parts of the State, have been approved for a grant under this program. Upon completion of the conversion plans, these centers will be staffed by state and local employees to provide a full range of essential services, including health, recreation, education, nutrition, and social services. The program intends to increase accessibility of services for elders, to maximize interagency cooperation, and to efficiently use, rather than waste, community resources. Some elders will be employed and/or engaged as volunteers.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** The SUA conducted a feasibility study for converting surplus schools to multi-purpose senior centers. Based on the study's conclusions, the SUA requested a \$600,000 bond authorization. Local AAAs helped to develop local senior center facility plans and additional funding sources. (Chapter 466 of the 1979 laws of Maryland authorized an additional \$1,000,000 for the continued expansion and development of senior centers, and broadened the legislation to include other public buildings in addition to surplus school facilities).
- AREA SERVED:** Statewide.
- TARGET:** About 1,500 elders, especially physically impaired or minority, low-income elders, would benefit from this program each month.
- STATUS:** The conversion process began June 1, 1978. Funding for future renovations is contingent upon continued legislative support.
- FUNDING:** \$1,687,000 from Local General Services Appropriations; \$1,600,000 from State General Services Appropriation; \$135,000 from the Housing and Community Development Act; \$85,823 from Title V, OAA; \$47,000 from private sources.
- MATERIALS:** A paper entitled, "A Study of the Feasibility of Revising Surplus School Buildings As Multi-Purpose Senior Citizen Centers;" Chapter 910 of the 1978 Laws of Maryland, "Elderly Citizens Activities Centers Improvements Loan;" and, "Regulations for the Conversion of Surplus Public Schools into Elderly Citizen Activities Centers."
- CONTACT:** Ilene W. Rosenthal, Senior Center Program Coordinator
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- VERIFIED:** 6/79.

ADMINISTRATION.

**NEW YORK
Program****INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION**

TITLE: SUA Establishes Community Development Technical Assistance Program for Elders

DESCRIPTION: The SUA, funded by a HUD grant, coordinated with state agencies to establish an interagency technical assistance program which will aid localities to plan, develop and implement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs. The goal of the program's aging component is to increase the level of CDBG funds being used for elder-related activities. The technical assistance program will provide comprehensive services to localities that lack expertise to effectively use CDBG funds. Monies will be applied to elders' needs through senior center construction, home repair and human services, and removal of architectural barriers. The SUA program will provide information on housing-related needs of low-income elders to CDBG agencies. Local CDBG personnel with experience working in programs for elders will train other agency personnel in program development. The SUA will coordinate CDBG agencies and AAAs to pool OAA and CDBG funds, increasing the effectiveness of programs for low-income elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA identified availability of HUD monies to be applied to technical assistance program. Department of State coordinated development of funding proposal with SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Frail, low-income, minority and physically impaired elders.

STATUS: Planning began 1/78; operational since 5/79.

FUNDING: Aging Component of HUD grant, \$31,800; Title III-OAA, \$6,398.

MATERIALS:

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Albany, NY 12223 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADMINISTRATION

**INDIANA
Legislation**

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Elders Voice Issues in Mock Legislative Assembly

DESCRIPTION: Indiana AAAs select elders interested in legislation procedures to participate in the Older Hoosiers Assembly (OHA), a three-day mock legislature held each fall in the State Capitol. In pre-assembly seminars, delegates report issues affecting elders in the area they represent. These topics, discussed during the assembly, include energy, employment, taxes, education for elders, transportation and retirement opportunities. A legislative chairperson heads each of the 16 AAA delegations, and a speaker for the assembly, floor leader and committees are elected. On the second day of the Assembly, a select committee condenses the discussion topics to about 10 key issues. These take the form of resolutions, which are then submitted to the State Legislative process, and brings elder-oriented issues to the attention of the State. Former state senators and legislators lend technical assistance during the Assembly.

ACTORS/ROLES: Commission on Aging and Aged initiated idea, AAAs select elders for Assembly and provide funding.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 100 elders serve as delegates to Assembly each year. About 2,000 elders, total, participate in the Assembly, organizing seminars and doing paperwork. These volunteers are refunded for mileage and meals. All Indiana elders benefit from the recognition of elder-oriented issues by State Legislature.

STATUS: On-going since October, 1977.

FUNDING: Unspecified amount from Title III-Older Americans Act. Each AAA contributes unspecified amount from area allocation.

MATERIALS: "Recapitulations of Resolutions Passed by 1978 Older Hoosiers Assembly." Also available are copies of bills drafted pursuant to OHA action.

CONTACT: Don Finney, Legal Services Director
Indiana Commission on Aging & Aged
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Indianapolis, Indiana 46202 (317) 633-5948 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/11/79.

ADMINISTRATION

PENNSYLVANIA
Legislation

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Reorganization Creates Employment Opportunities for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Act 70 enhances the status of elders' programs through creation of a cabinet level department of aging. The law coordinates and consolidates services and programs for elders under one state agency which is solely responsible for handling certain state and federal funds for elders. The new department is required to issue annual reports on boarding and nursing homes and must review and comment on all state programs and proposed regulations affecting elders. Act 70 includes a provision for preferential hiring of elders over 50 in the SUA and of elders over 55 in AAAs. The legislation demonstrates the significance of elders' lobbying power and provides a vocal advocate for elders' concerns at the state level.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Governor's Office and Department of Public Welfare authored the bill; a state senator was its prime sponsor. A state association of elders lobbied for the bill's passage; the Governor's Council and Regional Councils on Aging supported this action.

AREA SERVED: Statewide; 49 AAAs serving all counties.

TARGET: Statewide population of adults age 60 and over.

STATUS: Legislation enacted 6/78 after being introduced 1/77; SUA Secretary appointed 1/79; programs become operational 7/79. Department will terminate 1/85 unless re-established by state legislature.

FUNDING: In millions: Title XX-SSA, \$24,067; Title VII-OAA, \$16,341; State Appropriations and Indirect Costs, \$10,278; Title III-OAA, \$9,977; Title V-OAA, \$5,322; Title IX-OAA, \$2,483; Title XX, Training, \$1,450; Title V-OAA, \$989; Title IV-A-OAA, \$493; Title III, Model Projects-OAA, \$36. Total \$71,436m; '78-'79' appropriated amounts.

MATERIALS: Descriptive literature.

CONTACT: Jane Mendlow, Research Aide
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Gorham Black, Jr., Secretary
Howard Kolus, Public Information Officer
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Harrisburg, PA 17120 (717)783-1606 (SUA)

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Pittsburg, PA 15218 (412)241-2191 (ADV)

VERIFIED: 7/79.

ADMINISTRATION

**WISCONSIN
Program
Policy**

PLANNING

TITLE: County Based Plan Encourages Elders to Participate in Local Planning

DESCRIPTION: The County Plan Concept places more responsibility for the coordination and service delivery of aging programs at the county level. The plan seeks to involve as many local elders as possible in the planning process. Older persons will have substantive responsibility for decision making about the use of OAA and state agency funds as well as determining needed advocacy efforts. Through AAAs, the intent is to streamline funding and administrative procedures to produce a simpler, more efficient and more coordinated service system for Wisconsin's elders. Over 4,000 elders will be engaged as volunteer representatives on county advisory boards, nutrition councils, statewide committees and in a host of other service capacities. The innovation is, in part, a response to the consolidation recommended in the OAA 1978 Amendments.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated and will implement program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, both rural and urban areas.

TARGET: All elders in state.

STATUS: In planning stage since January, 1978. Scheduled to become operational on January 1, 1980.

FUNDING: Title III-C-OAA, \$5,283,000; Title III-B-OAA, \$4,000,000; State General Services Appropriation, \$1,000,000; Title V-OAA, \$610,000; Local General Revenue Sharing, \$400,000; Title IV-OAA, \$20,000; other amounts (unspecified) from CETA, Domestic Volunteer Act, UMTA, and Local General Services Appropriation.

MATERIALS: A series of position and two policy papers, and other publications to be released throughout the developmental process.

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VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADMINISTRATION

DELAWARE
Program

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

TITLE: Area Level Councils Advise SUA

DESCRIPTION: Delaware, a single planning and service area, solves the problem of getting local citizen participation into state planning and funding processes via area advisory councils. In 1974, SUA requested local jurisdictions to form advisory councils to provide advice on current aging programs, needs, program requests for funds, monitoring funds and project grants. Councils function as advocates for elders' needs to all funding sources and to general public.

ACTORS/ROLES Local governments sponsor area advisory councils. Elders, local persons interested in aging services, and representatives of existing aging programs selected by local officials for membership.

AREA SERVED: Statewide; three county governments and Wilmington, Delaware's largest city.

TARGET Goal to have local governments' involvement and to insure consumer representation in state planning and funding processes.

STATUS: On-going; advisory councils now real part of local government; virtually independent of SUA which initiated councils in 1974.

FUNDING: Indirect costs for staff and administrative supports responsibility of local jurisdictions.

MATERIALS:

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Wilmington, Delaware 19805 (302) 571-3480 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEW YORK
Policy

LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

TITLE: Executive Order Enhances Advocacy Role of SUA

DESCRIPTION: Executive Order #34 directs SUA to review and report on all proposed legislation, regulations, orders and plans involved in implementation and development of state programs having significant impact on health or well-being of state's aging and which governor determines appropriate for such review. SUA views this as new share of authority and responsibility in governmental decisions, beyond its previous sphere, enhancing its advocacy role and potential.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA coordinating and establishing working relationships with eight state agencies in primary group and 20 in secondary group.

AREA SERVED: Statewide coverage.

TARGET: Goals are to advise and assist governor in developing policies addressing elders' needs and to coordinate state programs and services affecting well-being of elders.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: Title III administrative funds and State Purposes funds for staff positions in a Program Analysis Unit.

MATERIALS: Copy of Executive Order #34 of 5/76.

CONTACT: Dick Hegner, Chief of Program and Policy Analysis
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Albany, N.Y. 12223 (518) 474-3362 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ADVOCACY

PENNSYLVANIA
Program

MINORITY ELDERS

TITLE: Advisory Body Produces Bilingual Advocacy Manual

DESCRIPTION: The Advocacy Task Force of the SUA Advisory Body produces a manual in English and Spanish. The manual is designed for elders and professionals in aging. It provides guidelines and information on how to organize advocacy groups, strategies of developing advocacy and lobbying.

ACTORS/ROLES: Developed by Pennsylvania Advisory Body, Advocacy Task Force. Printed by State of Pennsylvania. Coordinated efforts with overall Advisory Body, Gray Panthers and SUA.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania statewide distribution and interstate in New York and New Jersey.

TARGET: Over 15,000 manuals distributed. Utilized to train elders in advocacy with legislators, and to raise awareness of legislators regarding constituents' needs.

STATUS: Second edition of manual in print. First distribution at State Governor's Conference 4/74. Hopes second edition reaches wider audiences.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Guide to Advocacy and Action, 2nd edition, 5/77.

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Pittsburg, Pennsylvania 15218 (412) 355-4234 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Legislation

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Legislative Coalition on Aging Forms Grassroots Network

DESCRIPTION: An informal legislative advocacy group comprised of 30-35 voluntary and service organizations; is working to establish a grassroots network of advocacy to improve the quality of life for elders and disabled persons. The coalition has effectively supported legislation on nursing homes, generic drugs, income maintenance, and strengthening the SUA. Six subcommittees on housing, taxes, transportation, home care, nursing homes, and protective services analyze and monitor proposed bills before the General Assembly.

The coalition organizes an annual spring legislative forum convened by the Connecticut Association of AAAs and attended by SUA commissioners, legislators, and 300 to 400 elders. Legislative priorities of coalition subcommittees, commissioners and legislators are explained. Coalition policy is then determined by floor vote of elder participants on an item by item basis.

ACTORS/ROLES: Three years ago, the Connecticut Society of Gerontology, American Association of Retired Persons, AAAs, and the Connecticut Council of Senior Citizens joined together in a statewide effort to provide the first legislative forum.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Improving the quality of life for elders and the disabled; priorities include housing, taxes, transportation, home care nursing homes, protective services and other areas as need for action arises.

STATUS: Began in 1974; ongoing.

FUNDING: No funding; staff comprised of volunteers and two interns from the University of Connecticut's School of Social Work; postage and printing expenses subsidized through small contributions from member organizations. May apply for funding with a private organization at the end of 1977.

CONTACT: Ruth Truex, Chairperson
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

WEST VIRGINIA
Program

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Statewide Advocacy Coalition Incorporates Grassroots Input

DESCRIPTION: The Coalition on Legislation for the Elderly, an independent statewide group, has been active in drafting, presenting and advocating for passage of legislation beneficial to elders. Priorities for legislative action by the Coalition are selected in a "bottom up planning process". County meetings, regional meetings and state meetings are held prior to the final selection of priority items. This broad representative structure assures the maximum participation of localities and elders in decisions.

ACTORS/ROLES: Included in the coalition are the Council of Senior West Virginians, the Joint Legislative Committees of the AARP-NRTA, the Citizen's Action Group, the Mountain Community Union, and the AFL-CIO Retirement Program. Additional support for the coalition comes from the State Association of AAAs, AAA Staff and Advisory Councils, the Senior Center Project Directors' Association, the State Legal Services Plan, the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, and the Information and Referral/Outreach Coordinators Association.

AREA SERVED: Statewide

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) develop a statewide advocacy network that involves elders in preparing and supporting legislation, 2) develop capacity to draft/prepare legislation and testimony on areas of concern to elders, 3) assure maximum local involvement in legislative process. Population impact: 1) coalition focuses on legislation that affects many population groups, not just the elders as an isolated group, e.g. drug price posting laws benefit all low-income and fixed income residents.

STATUS: Operational

FUNDING: Council of Senior West Virginians; SAA provides some administrative support; Coalition participants, including AAAs, provide in-kind administrative and staff support.

MATERIALS: Coalition on Legislation Annual Report.

CONTACT: Mike Harmon
Coalition on Legislation
c/o Council of Senior West Virginians
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Charleston, West Virginia 25301 (304) 342-5430 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

MAINE
Program

LOBBYING

TITLE: Statewide Citizens Lobby Supports Legislation

DESCRIPTION: A statewide citizens lobby has successfully supported legislation, as recommended after hearings conducted by the SUA Advisory Body. The annual conference on aging, attended by 1000+ elders, is also an important contributor to priorities of the citizens lobby.

ACTORS/ROLES: Maine Advisory Body provides leadership for the lobby; links and works with state and area agencies on aging, nutrition projects, elders' groups, clubs and organizations as well as with individuals concerned with the welfare of elders.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Citizens lobby formed to advocate for legislation and administrative regulations and practices to benefit state's 170,000 elders.

STATUS: On-going; currently functions effectively in dealing with legislative and regulatory issues.

FUNDING: State funds of \$50,000 annually supports Maine Advisory Body staff and expenses; additional grant monies support various projects.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Virginia Norman, Staff Director
Maine Committee on Aging (Adv.)

Trish Riley, Director
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VERIFIED: 5/79

ADVOCACY

CONNECTICUT
Program

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

TITLE: Nursing Home Ombudsmen Office Has Volunteer Patients' Advocates

DESCRIPTION: On July 1, 1977, the Nursing Home Ombudsmen's Office was established through P.A. No. 77-575. This act called for the creation of one State Ombudsperson and five Regional Ombudspersons. In addition, volunteer patients' advocates work on the local level throughout the state. Approximately 160 advocates hold responsibility for complaint facilitation, discharge planning, and implementation of the "Patient's Bill of Rights".

Training for patient's advocate consists of an initial 2-day training session with monthly follow-ups.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Ombudspersons, five Regional Ombudspersons and volunteer patients' advocates.

AREA SERVED: Statewide in scope.

TARGET: Advocacy on behalf of 30,000 institutionalized patients in approximately 440 facilities statewide.

STATUS: Operational since July, 1977. State legislation placed sole responsibility for patients' advocates and ombudspersons services in the hands of the SUA. Five Regional Ombudspersons positions were created to ensure adequate services statewide.

FUNDING: The Nursing Home Ombudsmen's Office was initially funded by a state appropriation of \$250,000. Currently, future funding levels are being discussed in the Appropriations Committee. The Ombudsmen Office also has a \$50,000 federal grant to fund the Advocacy Assistance Program. This program seeks to maximize the rights and benefits of older persons.

MATERIALS: Patient's Advocate's Manual; Ombudsmen's Manual.

CONTACT: Jacqueline Walker, Nursing Home Ombudsman
Connecticut Department on Aging
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Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-7725 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEW JERSEY
Program

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

TITLE: Nursing Home Ombudsperson Program Trains Advocates

DESCRIPTION: So that residents of health care facilities receive the same rights guaranteed to all citizens, the New Jersey State Office of the Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly has two components: 1) a patient advocacy program receives, investigates, and follows up complaints through a tollfree hotline; and 2) organized community volunteer groups interact with patients on a one-to-one basis. The program has a very strong training component, including: seminars on long-term care, myths of aging, visiting patients, patients' rights, rehabilitation, and others. Working in conjunction with the activity director, volunteers are assigned to one home and make up to a three-hour commitment per week.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Ombudsman Office works through the AAAs to recruit and train volunteers. Investigation and follow-up by the State Medicaid Division, the Department of Health's surveillance team, and the program itself; legislative assistance and support from the Nursing Home Study Commission, and the public advocate.

AREA SERVED: Advocacy portion is statewide - community volunteers are in eleven counties.

TARGET: Older persons residing in long-term care facilities. Program presently handles 200-350 complaints/inquiries per month.

STATUS: Operational from 11/75 to 5/78 as the Federally-funded New Jersey State Nursing Home Ombudsperson Program. As of 5/78, the Ombudsman Program has been incorporated into the newly-created state office of the Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly, N.J.S.A. 52:27g-1 to 16. The Office is independent of any state agency, with stronger monitoring and investigative responsibilities over nursing homes and relevant state agencies.

FUNDING: State appropriation of approximately \$300,000.

MATERIALS: Nursing Home Ombudsman Brochure; progress reports.

CONTACT: E. John Walzer, Jr., Esq., Deputy State Ombudsman
John J. Fay, State Ombudsman

State Ombudsman Office
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Trenton, New Jersey 08608 (609)292-8016 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/1979

ADVOCACY

VERMONT
Program

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

TITLE: Nursing Home Ombudsman Program Informs Patients

DESCRIPTION: Program develops new methods to educate nursing home patients concerning their rights. VISTA aides, trained in legal issues function as advocates by identifying needs and speaking on patient's behalf. This is the first program within SUA to respond to elders' problems on one-to-one basis and works through problems until resolution.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA administers program and supervises VISTA aides. AAAs provide administrative support to aides and coordinate AAA staff involvement in program. Department of Health surveys and licenses homes. Visiting Nurses Association works with after-care problems in boarding homes. Legislature is working on licensing boarding homes in state.

AREA SERVED: Vermont, statewide in 4/77. Bennington county, in southern Vermont, will be serviced in 1977.

TARGET: Institutionalized people in state. Over 11.4% are elders.

STATUS: Operational since 1976. In 4/77, three area coordinators paid by AAA supervise five VISTA aides. In 1978, hope to establish grievance committee in every nursing home and develop area task forces comprised of community volunteers.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Model Project, Title III, section 308 - \$18,000. ACTION, VISTA stipends \$21,440.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Gwen McGrath, Nursing Home Ombudsman Development Specialist
Vermont Office on Aging
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Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802) 828-3471 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

OHIO
Policy

COMMUNICATION NETWORK

TITLE: Liaison Aides Promote Awareness of Elders' Concerns

DESCRIPTION: The SUA has hired 12 coordinators, one in each PSA, and 88 liaison aides in the state. Their responsibilities are to carry information from the SUA to elders' groups in their respective counties. Information is fed back to the OCoA on needs of elder Ohioans. Aides organize letter-writing campaigns in support of legislation beneficial to elders. The network serves as an outreach arm, finding elders who need and are entitled to services, referring them to information and referral agencies for help.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated idea and set up an office and Coordinator to implement the policy. Liaison Coordinator supervises personnel within service areas, in cooperation with PSA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with impact on the legislative system.

TARGET: To transmit the priorities of elders to the SUA and organize advocacy for those issues in the legislative branch of the General Assembly. Emphasis is on advocacy as a result of increased legislative information and needs.

STATUS: Staff implementation completed. All counties are being served by Senior Awareness Network.

FUNDING: Title V - OAA; Title VI - CETA.

MATERIALS: Ohio's Heritage published by the SUA.
Action on Aging published by the SUA.

CONTACT: Richard Hoffman, Senior Citizens Liaison Officer
Howard Foster, Senior Awareness Liaison Manager

Ohio Commission on Aging
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Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-1211 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ADVOCACY

FLORIDA
Legislation

ADVOCACY-NURSING HOMES

TITLE: Ombudsperson Committees Advocate for Nursing Home Residents

DESCRIPTION: Volunteers with no vested interests in nursing homes are appointed by the governor to act as advocates for and receive complaints from nursing home residents or their representatives. One statewide and eleven district committees are formed with membership of each drawn from seven professional groups: registered nurses, home administrators, licensed pharmacists, social workers, physicians, attorneys, registered dietitians. In addition, district committees have five nursing home residents or their representatives and the state committee has two such consumer members.

ACTORS/ROLES: An advocacy group for mental retardation helped give impetus to the legislation. Once enacted, the governor's office assigned the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Services (HRS) to staff the committees and to coordinate closely with the governor's office. HRS provides staff support to both state and district committees whose members are appointed by the governor.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: There are an estimated 30,000 nursing home beds in the state. Committees are charged to assess nursing home environment, report to governor, HRS, and legislature, lobby for legislation and be involved in regulation and policy changes affecting nursing home residents. (Legislation gives committees both funding and authority of law.)

STATUS: Addendum to Chapter 400, Florida statutes, effective 1975. Broader committee membership created with 1977 legislation.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Title III Model Project \$30,608. State general service appropriation \$37,540.

MATERIALS: Posters, pamphlets, postcards for complaint procedure. While supplies last: Annual Report and Procedural Manual (60 pages).

CONTACT: Beth Sodec, Nursing Home Ombudsman Developmental Specialist
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Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (904) 488-1225 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NORTH CAROLINA
Legislation

PATIENT RIGHTS

TITLE: Patient's Bill of Rights Developed in Detail

DESCRIPTION: Bill of rights for Nursing Home patients in state is more specific and enforceable than the bill of rights under Medicare and Medicaid. Includes three enforcement provisions: 1) Licensing section provides for administrative penalty for each day of a continued violation of ten dollars per day per patient affected; 2) patient or any interested person has the right to civil action against facility; 3) community advisory committee in every home, comprised of five persons - three appointed by AAA, and two by home itself. Committee will visit homes quarterly, apprise itself of general conditions of residents and work for the interests of persons in homes by handling grievances until resolution.

ACTORS/ROLES: House Committee on Aging drafted and introduced bill. SUA will implement the community advisory committee written into the legislation. AAA will appoint individuals to serve on advisory committee. Friends of Nursing Homes in Chapel Hill were vocal supporters of bill. American Association of Retired Persons supported bill and testified in committee.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, particularly urban areas where majority of nursing homes are located.

TARGET: Affects potentially 5,000 elders in state. Provides mechanisms to resolve grievance between patients and administrators on local level. Gives a patient more control over his/her life.

STATUS: Bill ratified 7/1/77 becomes effective 1/1/78; except Section 2 which becomes effective 3/1/79.

FUNDING: No new appropriations.

MATERIALS: H.B. 1015, 7/1/77.

CONTACT: Representative Ernest B. Meeser, Chair
House Committee on Aging
Legislative Building, Room 2313
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611 (919) 733-5995 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEW MEXICO
Program

CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING

TITLE: Conference Provides Consciousness-Raising for Churches

DESCRIPTION: A Senior Citizen's Day conference was attended by Catholic and Protestant church members. Activities which grew out of the conference included workshops, planning sessions and rallies designed to stimulate an awareness of elders' needs within individual congregations. The conference was intended to aid individual congregations in the identification of their elder parishioners' needs and to set priorities for action.

ACTORS/ROLES: Conference was sponsored by New Mexico Inter-Church Agency and the Archdiocese of Santa Fe with technical assistance from SUA. Conference facilitator was the Catholic Social Service Agency of Albuquerque.

AREA SERVED: Conference held in Albuquerque with statewide attendance by church representatives. Senior awareness days were observed 1/29-1/30/77 with community rallies in Santa Fe and Albuquerque.

TARGET: Lay and clergy church representatives from Catholic and Protestant denominations.

STATUS: Senior Awareness Days were observed 1/29-1/30/77.

FUNDING: No additional funding; staff comprised of volunteers and conference space was donated.

MATERIALS: Conference program.

CONTACT: Edythe Pierson, Planner
Commission on Aging
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-5258 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

KENTUCKY
Program

GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE

TITLE: Governor's Conference Offers Mini-Courses and Workshops

DESCRIPTION: The first Governor's Conference on Aging to be held in several years is designed to meet multiple interests of attendees. Three types of workshops being presented are: 1) personal enrichment with a variety of course offerings; 2) programs and services; and 3) citizen involvement. The host university is making available its facilities and faculty who will offer mini-courses and cooperate in workshop development.

ACTORS/ROLES: Primary sponsor is State Advisory Body working through 15 AAAs to provide publicity and transportation. SUA and host university are co-sponsors.

AREA SERVED: Conference held at university with attendees from all over the state.

TARGET: Focus to encourage attendance by state's mobile, active elders; limited slots available for professionals and others, 1000-1500 expected to attend.

STATUS: First conference of its kind to be held in many years; not calling it annual because sponsors will assess future needs depending on outcome of this year's conference.

FUNDING: Shoestring budget of \$1000 to support basic costs of conference. University dormitories offer reduced rates for room/board so low income elders may attend.

MATERIALS:

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Department of Human Resources
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Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-6786 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

LOUISIANA
Program

GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE

TITLE: Governor's Conference Provides Focus for State Advocacy Efforts

DESCRIPTION: Since 1975, yearly conferences have been conducted with participation by elders from all areas of the state. Goals include: informing people about the needs of elders and creating official support to improve the life of state's elders. Single largest advocacy effort in state. Focus of conferences includes: employment, legislation, and advocacy. They culminate in ratification of a legislative package by elder participants which is introduced at the next legislative session. During 1975 and 1976 the conference was structured in two parts: workshops and seminars, and senior rally. In 1977, legislative forums were held as fore-runners of the conference. The conference itself was a gathering place for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA organized and implemented conference. Governor's office officially proclaims and convenes session. Chairpersons of conference change from year to year. Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) grant from Department of Labor partially funds conference.

AREA SERVED: Statewide conference held in Superdome in New Orleans in 1977. Conference site in 1975 and 1976 was Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge. Projected in 1978 in either Lafayette or Alexandria.

TARGET: In 1977, over 13,000 participants attended, almost double the number that participated in 1976.

STATUS: Held yearly since 1975 by proclamation of governor. In 1978, issue forums will be held in different locations throughout the state prior to conference.

FUNDING: Primary source - \$35,000 from CETA. Local contributions for entertainment, supplies not covered by CETA grant.

MATERIALS: '77 Governor's Conference on Aging is forthcoming.

CONTACT: Danna Spayde, Social Services Coordinator
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 (504) 389-2171 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

NORTH CAROLINA
Legislation

LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION

TITLE: Study Commission Makes Legislative Recommendations

DESCRIPTION: A joint legislative resolution directs a research commission to study the problems and needs of elders in state and make recommendations to the general assembly and governor. Recommendations will include problem solving through legislative action, examining national trends and programs in other states, developing programs in the state.

ACTORS/ROLES: Human Resources Department and SUA initiated idea. American Association of Retired Persons endorsed bill. AAAs also endorsed it. Legislative Research Commission will study and make recommendations to the general assembly.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Potentially all elders in the state 60 years of age and over. 14% of state's population are elders.

STATUS: Resolution effective 7/1/77.

FUNDING: State funding for subsistence and travel to legislators who sit on Legislative Research Commission.

MATERIALS: House Joint Resolution 533, 7/1/77.

CONTACT: Nathan H. Yelton, Assistant Secretary
Division on Aging
213 Hillsborough Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 (919) 733-3983 (SUA)

For the bill:
Legislative Services Office
2129 State Legislative Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602 (919) 733-7044 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ARKANSAS
Program

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

TITLE: Ombudsman Program Stresses Community Involvement

DESCRIPTION: Each of the eight AAA Area Plans for 1977 included the objective of area nursing home ombudsman programs. The programs have as their goals: 1) helping to resolve complaints between nursing home residents and administrators, 2) documenting major problems in the nursing home field, 3) monitoring the effectiveness of volunteers in improving the quality of life of nursing home residents. Community involvement is a key to the ombudsman program and several successful volunteer programs like Project Compassion are ongoing.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA coordinates the area programs. The State Association of Nursing Homes also coordinates its services with the SUA. AAAs are responsible for their local program development and implementation with technical assistance provided by SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide scope; presently ombudsman programs in four AAAs.

TARGET: Ombudsman programs will be available to all residents of the 216 nursing homes, and their relatives, friends or guardians.

STATUS: Operational since 7/75.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Title III, Model Project, Section 308 - \$18,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Erma Petty, Nursing Home Ombudsman Developmental Specialist
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72203 (501) 371-2441 (SU)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LOUISIANA
Program

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

TITLE: Ombudsperson Program Formulates Inter-Agency Agreement

DESCRIPTION: The SUA administers a nursing home ombudsperson program which is implemented on local level in each planning and service area (PSA). Through parish councils, the AAAs established task forces to recruit and train volunteers, primarily elders. Roles of volunteers who visit nursing homes are: advocacy, problem-solving and support on a local level. Volunteers respond to elders' problems on a one-to-one basis. Families of institutionalized elders are given support, counseling and information concerning the rights of patients in nursing homes.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA developed grant and administers program. Office of Medical Assistance certifies and assesses Medicaid recipients. Division of Licensing Standards certifies and licenses Medicaid and Medicare facilities. Retired Senior Volunteer Program is utilized in some areas of the state for recruitment purposes. Church Women United trained 60 ombudspersons for program. SUA has interagency agreement with ACTION. Interagency agreement is being formulated between Louisiana Health Care Association and SUA. Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, the Title XX agency, developed policy and coordination network of three state agencies (SUA, Division of Licensing and Office of Medical Assistance).

AREA SERVED: Statewide in eight PSA's in 1978.

TARGET: Institutionalized elders in state. 22,000 elders potentially affected by program.

STATUS: Three programs established by 6/77. One in early stages of development in 6/77. By 1978, eight programs will be established, one in each PSA.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Model Project, Title III, Section 308 - \$18,000.

MATERIALS: Questions and Answers About Louisiana's Nursing Home Ombudsman Program.

CONTACT: Vanessa Hughes, Nursing Home Ombudsman
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

GEORGIA
Policy

ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

TITLE: Advisory Body Restructured to Facilitate Advocacy for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Enabling legislation passed in 1977 provides for a 20-member politically-appointed Council on Aging to supersede the administration-organized SUA advisory body. In order to improve visibility of elders and their needs, Act 349 places the advisory body higher in the governmental structure as advisors to the governor, the legislature, the SUA and all other state agencies in matters relating to elders. Creation of this autonomous body reflects the legislature's long-term commitment to improving services and programs for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: The need for a more autonomous advisory body was identified during eight public hearings held statewide in 1976 by the Senate Study Committee for Services to the Aged, thereby providing the impetus for this Senate initiative - S.B. 81. The Senate Research Office staffed the committee; the SUA had staff at all the hearings.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: To provide all executive level agencies in state with information as to the needs of elders and how their respective agencies impact on elders.

STATUS: Senate Bill 81 enacted in the 1977 session of the Georgia Assembly, effective 7/77. Appointments by the governor, heads of both legislative houses and the human resources agency are in process.

FUNDING: No initial appropriation beyond the current funds of the human resources agency. Anticipate state general services appropriation in 1978 for staff and facilities.

MATERIALS: 1976 Report of the Senate Study Committee on Services for the Aged; Report of the joint 1977 Services for the Aged Study Committee expected 12/77; 1977 Georgia Laws Act 349 (S.B. 81).

CONTACT: Hank Huckaby, Director
Senate Research Office
State Capitol Room 122A
Atlanta, Georgia 30334 (404) 656-6896 (Legis.)

For materials:
Office of Legislative Counsel
State Capitol, Room 316
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

MISSOURI
Program

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Mock Legislature Advocates Elder Issues

DESCRIPTION: Each fall, 200 elders and elder advocates from around the state hold a three-day mock legislative session in the state capitol to decide which proposals affecting elders should be recommended to the legislature that session. Representatives to this "Silver-Haired Legislature" come from Missouri's senior clubs, AAAs, and planning and service districts. State Democratic and Republican leaders, including the Speaker of the House, the President Pro-Tem of the Senate, and members of five key committees (Taxation, Consumer Affairs, Health, Transportation, and Governmental and Judicial affairs) also attend the meeting. The elders choose high priority measures to promote. 1500 elders reconvene the following spring to check the progress of these bills statewide.

ACTORS/ROLES: Elder activists, advisory body members, and key legislators.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The program is designed to give state elders a voice in legislative process and teach political organization.

STATUS: In operation since 1973 - October.

FUNDING: Funded by admission fees, Older Americans Act Title III funds, Area Agency on Aging donations and contributions from charities.

MATERIALS: Brochure; "Silver-Haired Legislature (Senior Advocacy in Action)".

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Division of Special Services, Department of Social Services
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65101 (314) 751-2075 (SUA)

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Legislative Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging
528 Ford Drive
Ferguson, Missouri 63135 (314) 524-3374 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

IOWA
Program

ADVOCACY-NURSING HOMES

TITLE: Care Review Committees Advocate for Patient Rights

DESCRIPTION: Care Review Committees (CRCs) are a network of volunteers striving to enhance the quality of life of nursing home residents. They provide a community-based mechanism for handling complaints presented by residents of health care facilities throughout Iowa. The CRC, a consumer advocate for the resident, acts as a liaison between the resident, the facility administrator and the community and makes recommendations for the improvement of care and services. Any person, provided no conflict of interest exists, with an interest in health care services and the protection of dependent persons, may be appointed to serve. SUA is providing the necessary appointment, coordination, and training services for the committees.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislature appointed the commissioner of the state Department of Health to approve appointments to the CRCs. In 1976 the Commissioner of Public Health appointed the SUA's health planner as the official designee in approving appointments to the CRCs.

AREA SERVED: Statewide eventually; is currently model project located in Des Moines-Polk County area.

TARGET: Elders who are current or potential residents of health care facilities and their families; goal is to raise community consciousness regarding long-term care.

STATUS: Care Review Committees were mandated in 1971.

FUNDING: Federal model projects grant for nursing home ombudsman activities.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ron Beane, Program Administrator
Paul Vanderburgh, Health Planner
Commission on the Aging
415 Tenth Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319 (515) 281-5187 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

ARIZONA
Legislation

CONSUMER PROTECTION

TITLE: Regulation of Life Care Contract Facilities Protects Elders

DESCRIPTION: HB 2319 provides the mechanism to protect elders from losing their investment in retirement communities with life care contracts. The bill requires the developer to maintain adequate insurance and deposits on account, and to provide refunds for dissatisfied customers. It also includes provisions for unannounced inspections of facilities by the Department of Health and local consumer groups involved with health systems agencies. These inspectors write and publish a report on the quality of service provided. The bill is far-reaching in its efforts to deal with private non-profit retirement communities and licensed facilities.

ACTORS/ROLES: Department of Health, the regulatory agency responsible for licensing and certification of long-term care facilities, provided technical input regarding regulations, to the SUA which acted as advocate for residents of long-term care facilities. AAAs advocated the bill; governor's advisory committee lobbied for it.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with major emphasis in the urban area - Phoenix and Tucson.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over would benefit from new regulatory practices regarding skilled nursing facilities, board and care facilities, and life care contracts. At least 8,000 residents of licensed facilities are currently affected - potentially double that number could be affected.

STATUS: HB 2319 passed 6/77; scheduled to become effective 1/78 starting with inspections and continuing education for nursing home staff.

FUNDING: \$143,000.

MATERIALS: House Bill 2319 FY' 77 state general services appropriations. Summary of legislation.

CONTACT: Gary Anderson, Nursing Home Ombudsperson
Bureau of Aging
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Representative Diane McCarthy, Chairperson
Health Committee
House of Representatives
Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 271-3376 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

NEBRASKA
Program

LOBBYING

TITLE: United Elderly Information Network Lobby for Elder's Issues

DESCRIPTION: Directors of several elder organizations, including the American Association of Retired Persons, the SUA, the Nebraska Senior Council, Green Thumb of Nebraska, and the National Retired Teachers Association, have formed a lobby group which meets with concerned legislators once every two weeks during the legislative session to discuss issues vital to the state's elders. During the past year, they have lobbied for such issues as the generic drug bill, reduced transportation fares, homestead exemption, and state funds for homemaker services.

ACTORS/ROLES: First convened by the director of the SUA. Now involves representatives of the above-named organizations and legislators.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Affects all elders in the state through the organizational representatives.

STATUS: Began meeting in 11/76.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Newsletters from SUA.

CONTACT: Delbert Niemeier, Chairperson
Advisory Council to the Commission on Aging
640 North 48th Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68504 (402) 466-2206 (Adv.)

For newsletters:
Nebraska Commission on Aging
300 South 17th Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 (402) 471-2307 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

CALIFORNIA
Program

LEGAL SERVICES

TITLE: Paralegal Services Program Trains Elder Advocates

DESCRIPTION: Program prepares paralegals and community service advocates to act as advocates for elders in disputes involving such public entitlement issues as landlord-tenant law and eligibility criteria. The National Paralegal Institute (NPI) developed materials and provides the training.

ACTORS/ROLES: California Commission on Aging, California Department of Aging, and concerned citizens worked with NPI. SUA contracts with NPI, and the Administration on Aging (AoA) funds the program, both through Older Americans Act, Title IV funds and directly from the Model Projects grant to the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: State's elders.

STATUS: In operation, 1975; 140 workers have been trained.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title IV, Model Projects and administrative monies.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dan Silva, Legal Services Developer
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

COLORADO
Program

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Advisory Body Forms Legislative Task Force

DESCRIPTION: The Colorado Commission on Aging Legislative Task Force is a coalition of representatives from about 50 organizations concerned with elders' needs. The group is composed of voting members who are over 60, and professionals who, as non-voting members, lend the group their technical expertise. During its first year, the task force concentrated on public relations and conducted a survey of its members to determine which issues the governor and state legislators should give top priority. The second year, the task force will begin to work for passage of major state legislation.

ACTORS/ROLES: Colorado Commission on Aging established and organized the task force. The task force was organized by members of the commission.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Legislative impact.

STATUS: In operation since 10/76.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dorothy Minkel, Co-Chair
Colorado Commission on Aging Legislative Task Force
1521 Humboldt #9
Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 832-6268 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

COLORADO
Program

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Elders and Legislators Meet to Discuss Issues

DESCRIPTION: The Colorado Commission on Aging (CCOA) and the Legislative Task Force are sponsoring the first Older Citizens' Day at the legislature. The goal of the program is to educate both elders and state legislators. Elders can participate in educational forums on how bills are made and the workings of the legislative process. Legislators are invited to join elders at a Title VII meal site in the Capitol basement for lunch. CCOA hopes that the program will focus legislative attention on elders and their needs by making them more visible to the legislators.

ACTORS/ROLES: CCOA initiated the idea and is doing the preliminary planning with other organizations and agencies who are concerned about the needs of older Americans. These agencies will provide volunteers at the conference.

AREA SERVED: Older Citizens' Day will be held in Denver, 2/7/78, with statewide representation.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over and state legislators.

STATUS: Conference will be held 2/7/78.

FUNDING: None, as of October 1977.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

OREGON
Program

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Coalition of Elder Advocates Plan Strategies

DESCRIPTION: The Coalition of Senior Advocates is an independent statewide lobbying group, composed of 30-35 organizations ranging from the American Association of Retired Persons to the Gray Panthers. Prior to the 1977 legislative session, the coalition, led by the Governor's Commission on Aging, drew up a proposed legislative slate and strategy plan. During the legislative session, the coalition met once a week, lobbied for key bills, and monitored the administration of those which passed. After the legislature adjourned, the group continued to watch newly established programs to insure that their administration was consistent with the legislative intent. The coalition has influenced both the legislature and the agencies who administer programs.

ACTORS/ROLES: The coalition relies on the active participation of members and supporters, groups with elder concerns.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Coalition formed to act as advocates for legislation and monitor agencies which administer programs to benefit state's 300,000 elders.

STATUS: In operation since 10/76.

FUNDING: No funding; staff support from the Council of Senior Citizens and the State Commission on Aging. Coalition participants provide volunteer support.

MATERIALS:

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

ADVOCACY

WASHINGTON
Program

LOBBYING

TITLE: Senior Citizens Lobby Coordinates Advocacy Efforts

DESCRIPTION: The Senior Citizens' Lobby, an independent statewide coalition of 35 organizations, was established 1/77 to coordinate advocacy efforts of elders. The Lobby's first year focus was political visibility among legislators. Using a volunteer effort and a statewide elders' hotline, the Lobby was successful in applying political pressure and sensitizing legislators to elders' needs. The result of the first year was the passage of 15 pieces of legislation benefiting elders. In 1978-78, the Lobby has continued to work at the state level, setting up telephone trees, holding advocacy workshops, achieving non-profit corporation status and tax-exempt IRS status. It currently is lobbying in the state legislature for property tax relief, inheritance tax reform, and a variety of other bills important to elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: A number of organizations which include local senior centers, countywide legislative committees and local chapters of statewide and federal associations concerned for the welfare of elders formed the Senior Citizens' Lobby.

AREA SERVED: Statewide focus.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) develop a coordinated advocacy network of organizations concerned with elders' needs, 2) develop political access to the legislative process to assure legislation focuses on elders' issues.

STATUS: Operational since 1/77.

FUNDING: Lobby relies on volunteer support and contributions from elder-oriented organizations and individuals.

MATERIALS: Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation and periodic newsletters.

CONTACT: Norm Schut, Chairperson
Senior Citizens Lobby
5619 Sunrise Beach Rd. N.W.
Olympia, Washington 98501 (206) 352-2885 (0)

VERIFIED: 4/79.

ADVOCACY

IDAHO
Program

LOBBYING

TITLE: Workshops Demonstrate the Washington Senior Lobby Experience

DESCRIPTION: The SUA used Title IV training money to conduct a series of regional legislative advocacy workshops for elders. The workshops presented the Washington Senior Lobby experience. Older people who received training were instrumental in formally incorporating the Idaho Senior Lobby which is a statewide coalition of elder-oriented organizations. The Senior Lobby, through donations, has funded a hotline for elders during the legislative session. The SUA is providing a weekly update on the status of legislation of interest to elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA sponsored the initial legislative advocacy workshops. Elders' organizations formed the coalition and became incorporated as the Senior Lobby. The Lobby sponsors the hotline and lobbies during the legislature. The SUA distributes a weekly legislative update to elders throughout the state.

TARGET: Elders 60+.

STATUS: Ongoing activity.

FUNDING: Title IV-a, OAA IV-a training funds - \$2,674.

MATERIALS: Training agenda and legislative advocacy materials.

CONTACT: Ken Wilkes, Acting Director
Idaho Office on Aging
Statehouse
Boise, Idaho 83720 (208) 384-3833 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

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**UTAH
Program**

ADVOCACY - NURSING HOMES

TITLE: Nursing Homes Aide Program Employs Elders

DESCRIPTION: Through Title IX funding, the SUA has coordinated a nursing home resource aide program which employs 17 elders. Each aide is assigned to visit five nursing homes for 2-3 hours weekly. Aides serve as friendly visitors, lead discussion groups, organize recreational activities for residents and recruit volunteers. They also act as advocates for residents when problems of abuse or neglect arise. The SUA supervises the aides and liaison persons at AAA level and in each nursing home provide indirect supervision. The program serves the needs of two segments of the elder population: low-income elders in need of employment and nursing home residents.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated project and applied for Title IX funds. SUA staff ombudsperson wrote grant proposal and coordinated with agencies and nursing homes throughout state. Department of Labor provided grant-writing direction and approved funds. State health care association provided support.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 400 elders per month, adult nursing home population in general, including developmentally disabled persons.

STATUS: Operational since 5/78; refunded 7/79.

FUNDING: Title V, OAA, \$49,000.

MATERIALS: Nursing home resource aide job description; descriptive literature in nursing home ombudsperson program.

CONTACT: F. Leon Povey, Director
Percy Devine III, Nursing Home Ombudsperson Staff

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Department of Social Services
150 West North Temple, Room 326
Salt Lake City, Utah 84103 (801) 533-6422 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADVOCACY

**OKLAHOMA
Program**

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

TITLE: Statewide Elders' Organization Advocates for Legislative Change

DESCRIPTION: Information from AAAs and the State Advisory Commission indicated a need for a statewide mechanism for elders to advocate for their rights at the federal, state and local levels. Grassroots elders' coalitions, with administrative and financial support from the SUA and AAAs, formed Senior Advocates which is composed of volunteer elders from the state's eleven AAAs. The objective of this body is to increase the impact and visibility of elders in legislative matters which affect their quality of life. Representatives from each AAA serve as the Coordinating Committee which selects legislative priorities in state meetings. One person from each county serves as a member of the Advisory Council. Information on pending or needed legislation is shared between the Coordinating Committee and Advisory Councils, and disseminated to elders' groups in the counties. The group sponsors a Senior Citizens Day annually in the state legislature, and conducts workshops which emphasize successful advocacy strategies for grassroots organizations.

ACTORS/ROLES: Grassroots elders' coalitions initiated actions to establish a statewide legislative advocacy body, with administrative and financial support from SUA and AAAs. The Special Unit on Aging provided leadership in chairing the group until organized.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Statewide population of elders, especially frail elders, those over 55, and the low-income population in general.

STATUS: Operational since 9/78.

FUNDING: Title III, OAA, \$500.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Roy Keen, Director
Special Unit on Aging
Department of Institutions, Social and Rehabilitative Services
PO Box 25352
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125 (405) 521-2281 (SUA)

Mrs. Benjamin S. Patrick, Secretary/Treasurer
Senior Advocates
6120 S. Hudson Place
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADVOCACY

**WASHINGTON
Program****CONFERENCES**

TITLE: Elders Attend Four Statewide Conferences on Aging

DESCRIPTION: Four statewide conferences on aging, sponsored by the Governor and the Washington State Council on Aging, were held in April and May, 1978. These one-day conferences, conducted by elders for elders, offered participants a choice of attending three of the twelve workshops conducted by instructors from four community colleges. The workshops offered a variety of self-help information. Elders were able to meet with the Governor (who gave the opening address) and other advocates of elder policies. Meals were provided for the participants.

15 volunteer elders, members of the Council on Aging, originated conference idea, planned workshops, and implemented the conference. By conducting four conferences rather than a central one, more people were given the opportunity to attend.

ACTORS/ROLES: The State Council on Aging conceived and implemented the conference, planned workshops and conference schedule, and approved all sites and menus. The State Bureau on Aging provided staff support. Four state community colleges hired instructors, arranged facilities and meals, and put on the actual conferences. The Governor's Office assisted in the planning and implementation of conferences.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Served 1,200 elders 55 years and over in 1978.

STATUS: Became operational April 1978; terminated May, 1978.

FUNDING: No information provided.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Norm Schut, Chair
State Council on Aging
5619 Sunrise Beach Rd., NW
Olympia, WA 98502 (206) 866-0245 (ADV)

VERIFIED: Latest information, 3/79.

ADVOCACY

NORTH CAROLINA
Legislation

CONSCIOUSNESS RAISING

TITLE: Advisory Committees Mandated to Advocate for Nursing Home Patients

DESCRIPTION: House bill 1015, passed in 1977 by the state legislature, mandates the establishment of a nursing home advisory committee in each county where a nursing home is located. House Bill 1547, passed in 1978, clarified the procedures for appointing committee members. The SUA is delegated to implement the committees and to train and support members. 420 persons on 75 committees advocate for rights of nursing home patients and promote community education and involvement in the nursing home systems. The innovations of an extensive network of advocates which is mandated by law will lead to improvement in service delivery for patients and strengthened input at the state level from local persons.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA, supported by Governor's office, negotiated for enactment of legislation; state nursing home monitoring agency and nursing home associations provided input and supported legislation; county commissioners' association helped to develop guidelines for advisory committee member selection; state legislative commission on aging drafted and facilitated legislation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide; impacts 75 of state's 100 counties.

TARGET: 17,000 nursing home residents per year.

STATUS: Legislation enacted 7/77 and clarified in 6/78; advisory committees operational since 3/79.

FUNDING: For 1979: State General Services Appropriation, \$42,500; Title III-OAA, \$20,000; Title IV-A, OAA, \$10,000.

MATERIALS: Guidelines for appointing advisory committees; Training Manual for committee members. Informational brochure on Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee Program.

CONTACT: Nathan H. Yelton, Assistant Secretary
Division of Aging
708 Hillsborough Street - Suite 200
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 (919) 733-3983 (SUA)

Mary Bethel, Nursing Home Ombudsperson
North Carolina Division of Aging
708 Hillsborough Street, Suite 200
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 (919) 733-3983

VERIFIED: 6/6/79.

ADVOCACY

**NEW YORK
Program**

CRIME PREVENTION

TITLE: SUA Facilitates Crime Prevention Program for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Elders are victimized disproportionately by certain types of crimes, and the fear of crime isolates many elders in their homes. To address the problem, the SUA has created a strong intergovernmental liaison with the state criminal justice services agency. A permanent staff person is responsible for training law enforcement personnel about the special needs of elders and for providing technical assistance to AAAs in developing crime prevention programs. The crime prevention program coordinator also facilitates cooperation between police and local elders' agencies and helps ensure that elders are adequately served by law enforcement services. Additionally, the SUA monitors all state criminal justice programs to ensure elders' needs are met. Human services and law enforcement agencies at the local level have identified common goals and strategies for service delivery to elders as a result of coordination at the state level.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA, Governor's Office and State Criminal Justice Services initiated and developed concept of multi-agency project. Crime prevention program coordinator works closely with the criminal justice and law enforcement communities.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low-income and minority elders, especially those living in high-crime areas; minority population in general.

STATUS: Operational since 5/77.

FUNDING: Title IV-OAA; Crime Control Act, 1973.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Lou Glasse, Director
William C. Koester, Crime Prevention Program Coordinator

New York State Office for the Aging Agency
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Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223 (518) 474-1945 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADVOCACY

**MISSOURI
Program****INFORMATION & REFERRAL**

- TITLE:** Handbook Informs Elders of Their Rights
- DESCRIPTION:** "The Senior Citizens Handbook: Laws and Programs Affecting Senior Citizens in Missouri" provides easy-to-read information on programs and benefits available to Missouri elders. The Handbook directly addresses the elder lay person, yet is sufficiently comprehensive to be used by service providers, and is aimed at helping users avoid bureaucratic red tape when applying for or using services. The Handbook is the first of its kind in Missouri and won the ABA (American Bar Association) Award of Merit. About 25 elders volunteer to explain various sections of the handbook in programs throughout Missouri.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** The Handbook is a compilation of lectures presented by the St. Louis Legal Aid Society at senior centers. The AAA and the St. Louis Metropolitan Bar funded the first Handbook, which was distributed locally in 1977. The SUA Legal Services Developer (LSD) provided funds for the revised edition of 25,000 copies, distributed statewide to AAAs and about 120 other sites in Missouri. The Young Lawyers Section Task Force on Delivery of Legal Services to the Elderly obtained funding from the Missouri Bar Association and, in conjunction with LSD, coordinates supplemental programs throughout the state.
- AREA SERVED:** Handbook is distributed throughout Missouri.
- TARGET:** Approximately 30,000 elders per year benefit from the Handbook, especially frail, low income, mentally impaired and minority elders.
- STATUS:** The first edition of the Handbook became available in 1978. A second revised edition was projected for 5/79.
- FUNDING:** Title IV-OAA, \$11,000; Missouri Bar Association, \$5,000; Title III-OAA, \$1,500.
- MATERIALS:** Copy of "The Senior Citizens Handbook: Laws and Programs Affecting Senior Citizens in Missouri."
- CONTACT:** For Handbook:
St. Louis Metropolitan Bar Association
1 Mercantile Center, Ste. 3600
St. Louis, MO 63101
- E.C. Walker, Director
Gerald J. Cohen, Esq., Legal Services Developer
Missouri Office on Aging, Department of Social Services
Broadway State Office Bldg., P.O. Box 570
Jefferson City, MO 65101 (314) 751-2075 (SUA)
- VERIFIED:** 6/79.

ADVOCACY

**KANSAS
Program****LEGISLATION**

TITLE: Legislative Liaison Informs Aging Agencies About Legislation

DESCRIPTION: A legislative liaison monitors state legislation concerning elders and sends a weekly report to the AAA and other agencies in the state. The reports describe proposed and enacted legislation pertaining to nursing homes, transportation, utilities, health care and other areas affecting elders. The report is designed to provide persons with enough information about bills and resolution to enable them to take a position and act. Those that receive the reports include the board chairman, nutrition director, legal service director, information and referral director and the members of the State Advisory Board on Aging.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA initiated the program at the request of the public and provided the funding. The Advisory Council gave permission and provided input.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Serves, indirectly, 398,000 elders per week.

STATUS: In operation from January, 1979 to May 1, 1979 when the State Legislative Session ends.

FUNDING: Title III-OAA, \$1,200 per month.

MATERIALS: Weekly legislative reports and statements of important bills, no cost.

CONTACT: Antonia Dobric, Director of Planning
Judy Gingerich, Legislative Liaison

Kansas State Department of Aging
610 West 10th Street
Topeka, KS 66612 (913) 296-4986 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADVOCACY

NORTH CAROLINA
Legislation

LEGISLATION

TITLE: Nursing Home Patients Get a Bill of Rights

DESCRIPTION: The Bill of Rights for Nursing Home Patients creates a county-by-county program with an advisory board for each county. The county advisory boards are composed of community representatives, and some persons proposed by the nursing home operators. This is an improvement over the previous structure, which consisted of a single state licensing agency that investigated nursing homes only once every six months. The Bill specifies that nursing home residents must be provided with certain basic necessities (a nutritious diet, good hygiene) and it outlines the rights of elder residents. Thus, the bill insures that nursing home residents throughout the state will receive an adequate standard of care, while providing an efficient means of dealing with complaints, thus protecting the nursing home operator.

ACTORS/ROLES: Nursing Committee Subcommittee investigated conditions of nursing homes and drew up proposal for change. House Committee on Aging adopted subcommittee's recommendations.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders in nursing homes (about 15,000 persons). About 400 elders serve as volunteer members of the advisory boards overseeing nursing homes in the state.

STATUS: On-going since March 1st, 1979.

FUNDING: \$50,000 from State General Services Appropriation.

MATERIALS: Summary of activities in aging. No cost.

CONTACT: Ernest B. Merser, Representative (919) 733-5995
 Chair House Committee on Aging
 Rachel Grey, Senator (919) 733-5881
 State Legislature

North Carolina State Legislature
 Legislative Building, Rm. 2313
 Raleigh, NC 27611 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/4/79.

ADVOCACY

WEST VIRGINIA
Legislative

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Legislative Coalition Lobbies for Elder Policies

DESCRIPTION: A statewide coalition of elders' advocates trains elders to lobby for their rights and also lobbies directly with agencies whose policies affect elders. The coalition is a cooperative effort combining the forces of elders, and other citizens, major unions, and government agencies with technical information. 300 concerned elders and younger professionals from a variety of organizations comprise the coalition.

The policies for which the coalition lobbies include Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits increases, home repairs, improved housing, expanded rural public transportation, and a more thorough regulation of the utilities industry, including basic rate reform and lifeline rates.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Council of Senior West Virginians, which shares its office with the Coalition, initiated the idea and served to organize the Coalition. Priorities are selected by groups composed of elders, such as the AARP/NRTA and Council, and research and technical advice are sought from agencies and other public interest groups.

AREA SERVED: Directly involves 300 elders but benefits all elders in the state, especially the low income.

TARGET: Statewide, rural and urban; multiple-county.

STATUS: In operation since 11/75.

FUNDING: Individual contributions, \$1,500.

MATERIALS: Coalition Legislative Program, free (contribution of \$2 requested).

CONTACT: Mike Harman, Director
Coalition on Legislation for the Elderly
1033 Quarrier Street, Room 302
Charleston, West Virginia 25301 (304) 342-5430 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/7/79.

ADVOCACY

**KENTUCKY
Program**

LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

TITLE: Elders' Commission Advises Legislature

DESCRIPTION: One-hundred volunteer elders serve on the Special Advisory Commission of Senior Citizens and develop policy recommendations for elders' issues. The Special Advisory Commission then directs its findings to the state Legislative Research Commission and its Interim Joint Committees, channeling the elders' recommendations into the legislative process. Six issue areas are handled by the elders' commission: long-term care; transportation; public utilities; tax relief; housing and supportive services. The Commission meets bi-annually to construct recommendations aimed at benefiting elders through specific legislation.

ACTORS/ROLES: The state Legislative Research Commission established and funded the Special Advisory Commission of Senior Citizens.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Overall population of elders in state.

STATUS: Operational since 8/78.

FUNDING: State Legislative Research Commission funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: William Miller, Coordinator
Special Advisory Commission of Senior Citizens
Legislative Research Commission
Capitol Building
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-8100 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

ADVOCACY

**NEW YORK
Program**

NURSING HOME OMBUDSPERSON

- TITLE:** State Serves Nursing and Adult Home Residents
- DESCRIPTION:** In coordination with the SUA, a state consumer organization developed a statewide model plan for a nursing home ombudsperson program, which was initially operative in two localities. Citizen volunteers participate as ombudspersons to act as advocates for nursing home and adult home residents, including elders. The volunteer ombudspersons educate residents, families and communities about patient rights and nursing home regulations, and interact with residents and staff to resolve problems. Unresolved complaints are referred by the ombudspersons to government agencies for remedy. About 7 elders are employed as advocates and supervisors. The program's case documentation is expected to support improvement in facilities' care through legislative and regulatory change. Noticeable improvement in residents' outlook and quality of care has resulted from the ombudsperson program.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** SUA established ombudsperson developmental specialist position, provided a uniform training program, and contracted with community council of Greater New York to design a model plan. They developed training manuals and handbooks for community organizers.
- AREA SERVED:** Limited statewide service. Program provides specially-trained ombudspersons in eleven areas. SUA accepts complaint calls/letters from all over the state.
- TARGET:** Currently serves 8,000 nursing home and adult home residents per year, including frail and low-income elders, and mentally and physically impaired adults in general. Projected to serve 125,000 residents per year.
- STATUS:** State-level planning began 1/77; first local program operational since 7/77.
- FUNDING:** Title IX-OAA, \$21,000; Title III-OAA, \$150,000; Title IV-OAA, \$30,000.
- MATERIALS:** Training manual for state nursing home patient ombudsperson program; local level operational manual; Model Plan free.
- CONTACT:** Robert L. Popper, Chairperson
Advisory Committee to New York State
Office for the Aging
240 Rosedale Avenue
White Plains, NY 10605 (914) 946-9385 (Adv)
- Karen Comeaux, State Nursing Home Ombudsman
New York State Office for the Aging
Empire State Plaza, Agency Bldg., #2
Albany, New York 12203 (518)474-8994
- VERIFIED:** 2/79.

**SOUTH DAKOTA
Program**

LEGISLATIVE COALITION

TITLE: Elders' Legislative Coalition Influences State Laws

DESCRIPTION: The Legislative Coalition on Aging began as a loose coalition of state elders' groups which coordinated legislative priorities and resources. Over the past year, the state advisory body has provided leadership of the coalition which has a 70% success rate in the passage of priority bills in the last session of the state legislature. The coalition has a membership of 2,200 elders from groups such as the state elders association and its political action arm (the "100,000 Club"), AARP, NRTA, NARFE, AAUW, League of Women Voters and senior centers. Lobbying strategies are determined by the coalition; lobbying is performed by the "100,000 Club." Volunteer elders, through the RSVP program, assist in lobbying, staffing, fundraising and local recruitment. In addition to influencing legislation of benefit to elders, the coalition emphasizes advocacy and meets bi-monthly in conjunction with the state Advisory Council on Aging.

ACTORS/ROLES: Advisory body initiated the coalition and coordinated with its own legislative committee. SUA staff and legislative committee chairperson supported its development.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Over 50,000 elders over 55 per year, including frail, minority, mentally and physically impaired elders, and especially low-income elders.

STATUS: Operational since late 1978.

FUNDING: General memberships and volunteer contributions, \$2,200.

MATERIALS: Brochure of "100,000 Club" (political action arm of state elders' association) available in limited quantity except in-state.

CONTACT: Vada Thomas, Chairperson
Legislative Consultation on Aging
Catholic Social Services
Minor Seminary Building
3200 W. 41st Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57105 (605) 224-1280 (O)

For Materials:
100,000 Club
P.O. Box 295
Pierre, SD 57501 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ADVOCACY

**OKLAHOMA
Legislation****PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

TITLE: Bill Provides Serious Punishment for Abuse of Elders

DESCRIPTION: House Bill 1097 provides for the punishment of anyone who willfully or maliciously exploits, abuses, or neglects an elder person 70 years and over.

Punishment would consist of a fine of not more than \$500 and/or one year in the county jail for the offender.

ACTORS/ROLES: The idea for the bill originated with the passage of the Protective Services Bill for the Elderly in 1977. The Legal Services & Research Division of State Legislative Council drafted the bill.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, rural single-county and city of Oklahoma.

TARGET: Potentially services 200,000 elders per year, especially those 70 years and over and without families.

STATUS: Planning began September, 1978; dormant in Oklahoma Legislature's House Committee for 1979.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Bill 1097-Protective Services for the Elderly.

CONTACT: Michael Rowten, Council Staff Member
State Legislative Council
305 State Capitol
Oklahoma City, OK 73105 (405) 521-3201 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 5/31/79.

ADVOCACY

VIRGINIA
Legislation

WOMEN

TITLE: Retirement Tax Relief Equalized for Widows

DESCRIPTION: Legislation in 1975 equalized retirement tax relief benefits for widows to be identical with that for couples or single men.

ACTORS/ROLES: This legislation was the idea of the chairperson (and only woman member) of the Commission on the Needs of Elderly Virginians. Only after her insistence did the Commission hold hearings and expand the legislation to include equalization measures.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Legislation began as equal treatment for women.

STATUS: Signed by governor, March, 1975. Discrimination against women continues to be a problem in the field of inheritance taxes.

FUNDING: State General Fund.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Mary Marshall, Chair
Legislative Study Committee on the Needs of Elderly Virginians
State Capitol
Richmond, Virginia 23219 (804) 786-6894 (Legis.)

2256 North Wakefield Street (Home)
Arlington, Virginia 22207 (703) 528-1710

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

NEW MEXICO
Program

COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT

TITLE: Community Service Employment Trains Elders

DESCRIPTION: Program employment opportunities in the aging network are offered to economically disadvantaged elders over 55. A physical examination is required of all elders who apply for employment. The majority of older persons are employed at Title VII nutrition sites; and a minority work at local AAAs. Wages are \$2.30 per hour and employees work four to six hours a day. The SUA administers the program which includes handling the payroll and application verification. Job recruitment is the responsibility of the field representatives and is based upon site needs.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA contracts with the governor's Office of Employment and Training for administration of the program. Field representatives recruit elders to fill job openings.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low income elders 55 and over.

STATUS: Operational since 7/77.

FUNDING: Title IX, Older Americans Act, \$140,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Arthur Baca, Employment Specialist
Commission on Aging
408 Gallisteo
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-5258 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

OHIO
Program

DISCOUNT PROGRAM

TITLE: Discount Card Program Includes Needs Survey

DESCRIPTION: A discount program provides financial benefits to elders 65 and over who apply for an identification card. Over 500,000 elders who have obtained discount cards were asked to fill out a voluntary survey form designed to determine needs of the elderly population in the state - results of which are analyzed and considered in state planning. Over 17,000 merchants (including chain stores and the entertainment industry) are offering discounts ranging from 2-55%. Approximately one third of the CETA eligible workers hired to work in administrative or field positions for the program are elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Governor initiated the idea. SUA researched project, recruited employees, developed plan, organized program and continues to supervise implementation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - training and placing administrative staff in AAAs.

TARGET: Elders 65 and over benefit from discounts offered; elders 55 and over obtain employment and training. Exposure through the media is drawing attention and concern of public to aging population.

STATUS: Operational since 4/76; discount on cost of utilities is being developed for the future.

FUNDING: CETA funds used for field and office staff (150 people hired); governor's discretionary funds.

MATERIALS: Brochures - describing program; educational tools aimed at merchants.

CONTACT: James Alexander, Assistant Director
Ohio Commission on Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-3253 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ECONOMIC

ARKANSAS
Program

EMPLOYMENT
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TITLE: Program Places Elder Workers in Industry

DESCRIPTION: Northwest AAA was awarded \$8000 from the National Council on Aging (NCOA) to provide job opportunities for older workers. The grant allows the Northwest AAA to hire a job specialist to design the program, seek employment slots and place elder workers in industry. Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) supplements the grant by paying \$10,000 in salary and fringe benefits for job specialist. NCOA provides technical assistance and training of the job specialist. The Northwest AAA is one of five economic development districts nationally to have received an NCOA grant.

ACTORS/ROLES: NCOA developed and administers the grant with consultation from the department of labor. Northwest Manpower Agency and AAA jointly hired federal job specialist.

AREA SERVED: Northwest AAA.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Job specialist in training, 7/77. Program will be fully operational, 9/77.

FUNDING: A total of \$18,000 awarded to the Northwest AAA: \$8,000 from National Council on the Aging (NCOA) for program development and \$10,000 from Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) for salary and benefits of the job specialist.

MATERIALS: Materials on job opportunities for older workers.

CONTACT: Lloyd Kennedy, President
Governor's Advisory Committee on Aging
P.O. Box 668
Harrison, Arkansas 72601 (501) 741-5404 (Adv.)

For materials
Fred Hartney, Project Director
P.O. Box 668
Harrison, Arkansas 72601 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

ILLINOIS
Policy

EMPLOYMENT

TITLE: New Integrated Manpower Division

DESCRIPTION: Federal funds are being channeled through the Illinois SUA to coordinate and implement the recruitment and training of elders in statewide service programs for homemakers, outreach workers, and manpower specialists. Funds for training and placement come from five areas:
 1) Older Americans Act Title IX for homemakers and health aides to help keep persons in marginal health in their own homes;
 2) Title VI Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) for outreach workers and oral history program;
 3) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant for administrative workers in water pollution and control;
 4) Governor's four percent discretionary funds to train manpower specialists for local Area Agencies on Aging (AAA);
 5) Comprehensive alternative care to prevent institutionalization; services offered through hospital.

ACTORS/ROLES: State advisory body drafted legislative proposals and developed manpower program guidelines. AAA researched needs and developed training programs.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low income, minority elders who have been unemployed at least 15 weeks.

STATUS: Interdepartmental policy created 7/77 - currently in planning stages.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act (OAA), Title III, Section 308 model project, Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA), federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), state revenue and OAA Title IX funds, governor's four percent discretionary funds.

MATERIALS: University of Illinois - Report of Age Discrimination; and addendum - Working Senior Women. Descriptive brochures of program.

CONTACT: Josephine Oblinger, Director
 Illinois Department on Aging
 2401 West Jefferson Street
 Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-4917 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

ILLINOIS
Program

EMPLOYMENT

TITLE: Environmental Employment Program Provides Jobs for Early Retired Adults

DESCRIPTION: This employment program provides subsidized part-time employment opportunities to early retired adults to address documented needs regarding water pollution and sewage control in state. Three-year grant would permit SUA to recruit elders who have experience or certification in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), thereby bringing skilled elders productively into society. The EPA would provide training for 13 elders to fill positions in its statewide regional offices.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA would recruit elders, EPA would assume training responsibility, Administration on Aging (AoA) initiated the idea.

AREA SERVED: Statewide -- EPA regional offices of water pollution and sewage control.

TARGET: Early retired elders, 55 and over with technical and professional skills.

STATUS: Verbal agreement with AoA 6/77. Implementation commences pending finalization of application on or about 9/77.

FUNDING: OAA Title III, \$100,000 per year for a three year period.

MATERIALS: Employment application form for elders.

CONTACT: Josephine Oblinger, Director
Illinois Department on Aging
2401 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-4917 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

NEW MEXICO
Legislation

EMPLOYMENT

TITLE: Employment Program for Social Security Qualification

DESCRIPTION: H.B. 2 of the 1977 session appropriated \$300,000 for an employment program for elders who need three or less quarters to qualify for social security benefits. Outreach workers will provide an employment referral service by contacting persons over 60. The outreach workers will cooperate with the SUA and the Manpower Agency to place elders in the aging network. Many of the outreach workers will be elders who need additional quarters of coverage to qualify for social security.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA developed and will administer the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over who need three or less quarters to qualify for social security.

STATUS: Legislation enacted.

FUNDING: State general service appropriation, H.B. 2, \$300,000.

MATERIALS: H.B. 2.

CONTACT: Arthur Baca, Employment Specialist
Commission on Aging
408 Gallisteo
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-5258 (SUA)

For Bill:
Legislative Council Service
Legislative Building, Room 334
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-3141

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

TEXAS
Legislation

EMPLOYMENT

TITLE: Program Employs Elders in Community Improvement Projects

DESCRIPTION: 1973 legislation mandated that the Governor's Committee on Aging contract with a public agency or private non-profit organization to employ low income persons 55 and over in a program to provide community improvement projects.

ACTORS/ROLES: Texas Farmers' Union Community Development Association Incorporated was the first agency awarded such a contract with the SUA to administer STEP.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with emphasis on rural counties.

TARGET: Low income, unemployed elders 55 and over. As of 8/76, 183 enrollees in 34 counties were working up to 20 hours per week, each with a maximum earning potential of \$1840 per year.

STATUS: Fiscal year 1975-1976 STEP enrollees completed over 60 local projects of restoration, beautification, conservation and public service.

FUNDING: \$350,000 annually with an additional 50% contributed by local communities as in-kind services.

MATERIALS: Governor's Annual Report.
Description of STEP.

CONTACT: Robert Girard, Director
Senior Texans Employment Program
Texas Farmers' Union
800 Lake Air Drive
Waco, Texas 76710 (817) 772-7233 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

MICHIGAN
Program

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Property Tax Relief Program Uses Tax Credit Forms

DESCRIPTION: Michigan's property tax relief program was designed for the general populace with additional benefits for elders. A reimbursement of up to \$1,200 on property taxes is available through the use of the income tax system by filing a tax credit form. Renters are also eligible for reimbursement. Social Security and pensions are included in elders' tax statements.

ACTORS/ROLES: Michigan Department of the Treasury administers the program. The SUA publicizes the program to elders.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: General populace with specific provisions for elders.

STATUS: Operational since 1973.

FUNDING: State general service appropriation.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Beth Ferguson, Director
Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
3500 North Logan Street
Lansing, Michigan 48913 (517) 373-8230 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MICHIGAN
Program

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: State Provides Special Assessment Relief for Elders' Homesteads

DESCRIPTION: H.B. 4047 established that the state will pay special assessments in exchange for a lien on elders' homesteads. Repayment to the state will be due on the year after the death of the property owner or when the homestead is sold or transferred to another property. Repayment can also be made in full at any time. Eligible for this deferment are elders 65 and over who have yearly incomes of no more than \$6000.

ACTORS/ROLES: Administered by the Michigan Department of the Treasury. Outreach and publicity of the program done by the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low-income elders 65 and over.

STATUS: Operational since 1976.

FUNDING: State general service appropriation.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Beth Ferguson, Director
Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
3500 North Logan Street
Lansing, Michigan 48913 (517) 373-8230 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

ALABAMA
Legislation

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Ad Valorum Tax Exemption Includes Total Exemption for Low-Income Elders

DESCRIPTION: Alabama has a total ad valorem tax exemption for persons who are over 65 and/or totally disabled with adjusted gross incomes less than \$5,000. Property size limit is 160 acres. While the tax exemption requires certification each year, some counties send cards to elders after the first year to facilitate registering. The law is unusual in that it provides a flat total exemption for low income persons; thus, an elder with a low income does not have to worry about paying any amount of taxes. The SUA feels that even a small tax can jeopardize an elder's financial situation.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislation was recommended by Alabama League of Senior Citizens, AARP chapters, and affiliates of the National Council of Senior Citizens, and by the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, with special impact for rural elders.

TARGET: Potentially, the 250,000 low-income elders who own their own homes and have less than 160 acres.

STATUS: Operational since 1973.

FUNDING: The current (1977) fiscal impact was the exempting of \$4.2 million in taxes; if everyone eligible was certified the impact is projected to be \$8.5 million.

MATERIALS: Copy of bill - Act 1000, H. 388.

CONTACT: Bob Jackson, Planner
Commission on Aging
740 Madison Ave.
Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (205) 832-6640 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

MISSISSIPPI
Legislation

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Homestead Tax Exemption Administered by Local Governments

DESCRIPTION: 1975 legislation expands the Homestead Exemption for elders by removing the \$5,000 ceiling on exemptions for portions of assessed valuation. The state reimburses local governments for lost revenues. Since 85% of state's elders are low income, legislation helps elder homeowners maintain decent living standards and prevents unnecessary loss of independent living and individual pride.

ACTORS/ROLES: Southern Mississippi AAA visited places such as nutrition sites to inform elders of proposed measure and encouraged them to contact their legislators. Advisory council to this AAA acted as a strong lobby. Governor studied issue once bill introduced and key legislators assured passage.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 65 and over with qualifying incomes.

STATUS: Passed, 1/75.

FUNDING: Local governments are reimbursed via state treasury (sales tax and other customary sources of state monies).

MATERIALS: Copy of Senate Bill No. 2566.

CONTACT: Senator William Charles Rhodes
P.O. Box 805
Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

NEW MEXICO
Legislation

TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Low Income Tax Credit Has Special Provision for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Low income individuals pay up to 25% of their income in taxes. The bill provides an income tax credit on excess taxes. Depending on income level, an individual either receives a reduction in income tax liability or a flat tax credit. The legislation contains a special provision for elders age 65 and over which increases the number of their personal exemptions.

ACTORS/ROLES: An economist at the University of New Mexico developed the proposal. The bill was drafted and sponsored by one legislator.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low Income Taxpayers.

STATUS: Enacted, 1972.

FUNDING:

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Phil Lynch, Senior Bill Drafting Clerk
Legislative Council Service
Legislative Building, Room 334
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-3141 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOUTH CAROLINA
Policy

RENT ASSISTANCE

TITLE: Resolution Urges Tax Relief for Renters

DESCRIPTION: A current advocacy effort on the part of the state advisory committee seeks to extend the same tax advantages that home owners enjoy to those elders who rent. Viewed as a vehicle for improving elders' standard of living. The committee sent a formal resolution to the Senate Housing Committee, calling for legislative action.

ACTORS/ROLES: State advisory body and SUA together developed resolution.

AREA SERVED: Potentially entire state.

TARGET: Remove discrepancy between tax situation of home owners and home renters.

STATUS: Legislation defeated in 1973 and 1976; introduction next session expected.

FUNDING: None required at present.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Paul Ross, Chairperson
Advisory Committee on Aging
Midlands Resources Development Commission
650 Knox Abott Drive
Cayce, South Carolina 29033 (803) 791-1345 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

EMPLOYMENT

IOWA
Program
Legislation

TITLE: Retired Iowa Community Employment Program (RICEP)

DESCRIPTION: Legislature has appropriated \$100,000 annually to the SUA to subcontract with the State Employment Agency, Job Service of Iowa, for an employment program for elders. Older worker specialists are hired and trained by Job Service of Iowa. Many of these specialists have themselves been subjected to mandatory retirement. The specialist approaches potential employers to develop jobs for other elders who are seeking employment and match older workers with available jobs. Jobs include working as movie extras, truck drivers, apartment and motel managers and caretakers, salespeople, park rangers and accountants.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated the idea, drafted the legislation, lobbied for passage, was appointed the grantee agency, and monitors the program. Job Service of Iowa contracted with the SUA to implement the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - with impact on the private and public sectors of the local economy.

TARGET: Unemployed elders 55 and over.

STATUS: As of 9/77, 27 older worker specialists have been developing jobs. 2,676 older persons were placed between 7/1/76 and 6/30/77.

FUNDING: \$100,000 annually from state general funds, plus \$388,000 in Older Americans Act, Title IX funds to Iowa with the SUA having responsibility.

MATERIALS: Pamphlet describing program.

CONTACT: Ron Beane, Program Administrator
Commission on the Aging
415 Tenth Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319 (515) 281-5187 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

ALASKA
Program

PENSIONS

TITLE: Longevity Bonus Provides Incentive for Elders to Remain in Alaska.

DESCRIPTION: The Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) is designed to provide an incentive for pioneer Alaskans to continue their residency in the state. The \$125/mo bonus is not awarded on the basis of need, but is given to express appreciation to those elders who helped settle the state. To prevent the Bonus from being counted as income in determining assistance payments, the state applied to the federal government for a waiver of existing regulations. The waiver was granted in accordance with Section 1115 of the Social Security Act. The ALB is intended to allow elders to continue living in their home state with dignity.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Alaska Department of Administration administers the funds and issues the payments. SUA is responsible for the budget.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 65 and over who have lived in Alaska for 25 consecutive years, who lived in the state on or prior to 1/59.

STATUS: In operation since 1/73.

FUNDING: State general service appropriation of \$10.2 million for fiscal year 1979.

MATERIALS: Alaska Longevity Bonus Impact Study, 1976.

CONTACT: M. Don Plotnick, Coordinator
Office of Aging
Pouch H01C
Juneau, Alaska 99811. (907) 586-6153 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

ALASKA
Legislation:

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Property Tax Exemption Has no Income Ceiling

DESCRIPTION: In 1972, Alaska passed a law exempting elders with incomes under \$10,000/year from paying property tax. In 1973, the law was amended to remove the income ceiling, so that now all applicants 65 and over who own and occupy their own homes are eligible for the exemption. In fiscal year '77, 2,600 of Alaska's 8000 elders received property tax exemptions, averaging \$425.00 apiece. The state's elderly property owners are expected to save a total of \$1.5 million in fiscal year '78.

ACTORS/ROLES: Original legislation drafted by a coalition of legislators who also wrote the amendment which removed the income ceiling.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 65 and over who own and occupy their homes on or before January 1st each year.

STATUS: In operation since 1972.

FUNDING: State general services appropriation, \$1.5 million for fiscal year 1978.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Senator Bill Ray
1765 Behrends Ave.
Juneau, Alaska 99811 (907) 465-4922 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

NEVADA
Legislation

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Property Tax Relief Act Grants Rebates to Elder Home-owners

DESCRIPTION: S.B. 367, passed in 1977, amends the Senior Citizen Property Tax Assistance Act of 1973 to grant a property tax credit or rebate to homeowners or renters 62 and over with annual household incomes of \$11,000 or less. The maximum allowable credit or rebate is now \$300. Nevada legislators hope the bill will help elders remain in their own homes. The legislature appropriated funds to the state general fund to reimburse counties for the tax loss resulting from credits and rebates.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Department of Taxation developed the formula for the rebate, determines eligibility, and administers the program. Local county assessors process applications and forward records to the state. State Unit on Aging worked for the increased rebate and higher income ceiling.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low income elders 62 and over.

STATUS: S.B. 367 passed 5/77.

FUNDING: State general funds of \$1,250,000 for first year; \$1,360,000 for FY 78-79.

MATERIALS: S.B. 367 - 5/77.

CONTACT: J. Ray Carlson, Planner/Evaluator
Division of Aging Services
Kinkead Building, Rm. 102
505 E. King Street
Carson City, Nevada 89710 (702) 885-4210 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MONTANA
Legislation

TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Tax Relief Legislation Includes Mobile Homes

DESCRIPTION: In 1977, Montana passed a law reducing taxes paid by elders on mobile homes. Under the new law, \$2500 is deducted from the appraised value of the home before the yearly tax (similar to a property tax) is assessed. The deduction is available to all elders over 65, and widows over 62, who are eligible for social security. However, it's not automatic; to benefit from the law, elders must file a claim for their deduction.

ACTORS/ROLES: Drafted and backed by the Chairperson of the House Taxation Committee.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 65 (in the case of widows, over 62).

STATUS: Enacted in 1977.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Copy of bill.

CONTACT: Sen. Bill Norman, Chair
Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Safety
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59601 (406) 543-6771 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

NORTH DAKOTA
Legislation

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Homestead Property Tax Credit Includes Sliding Scale Income Provisions

DESCRIPTION: A North Dakota law entitles elders 65 and over and all disabled citizens with income under \$8000/year to a 20% to 100% rebate on their property taxes. The amount of the refund is determined on a sliding scale according to income. The law also includes a provision for renters, under which 20% of the rent payment to the landlord is estimated as going to taxes. If the balance of the monthly rent exceeds 4% of the renter's total annual income, the renter may obtain a proportional rebate. A related measure, nicknamed a "circuit-breaker law", would have frozen the level of property taxes at the 65th birthday, so that elders over 65 would not have to pay inflated tax rates, but it was defeated.

ACTORS/ROLES: Drafted and lobbied for by members of the legislature.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 65, as well as disabled persons of all ages, with income of less than \$8,000.

STATUS: Approved 4/9/77, enacted July 1, 1977.

FUNDING: State funds of approximately \$1.15 million per year.

MATERIALS: Copy of bill, S.B. No. 2346.

CONTACT: Senator Hal Christensen, Chairperson
Committee on Social Services and Veterans' Affairs
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58501 (701) 852-3789 (Legis.)

Rep. Brynhild Haugland, Chairperson
Committee on Social Welfare
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58501 (701) 838-7157 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ECONOMIC

**NORTH DAKOTA
Program**

FUNDING-PRIVATE SOURCES

TITLE: Small Communities-Get Funds for Elders' Centers

DESCRIPTION: The Senior Citizen Rehabilitation Center Program gives up to \$1,000 each to selected, small communities (population 25,000 or less) in North Dakota for the renovation or construction of centers for elders. In order to receive program funding, each center must implement three new services beneficial to elders, in addition to social and recreational activities, (for example, food, transportation and homemaker services). Recipient center must remain open at least 5-1/2 days per week. Local contributors must donate at least 25% of the complete cost.

ACTORS/ROLES: Aging Services staff and outstationed State staff administer program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide. Small communities - population 25,000 or less.

TARGET: Elders.

STATUS: On-going since 1978.

FUNDING: Total of \$200,000; from Title III, Older Americans Act and other sources.

MATERIALS: Fact sheet.

CONTACT: Senator Hal Christenson
Committee on Social Welfare & Veterans Affairs
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58501 (701) 224-2075 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 2/20/79

ECONOMIC

OREGON
Legislation

HOMEMAKER SERVICES

TITLE: Project Aids Low-Income, Homebound Elders

DESCRIPTION: Project Independence provides homemaker services for low-income elders in need of home care thus enabling them to keep living in their own homes. Recipients are those elders who, though poor, do not receive welfare, and who would otherwise need nursing home care. The project helps cut government spending by reducing the number of people sent to state nursing homes.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Legislature authorized project during 1975.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Over 7,000 low income elders who risk institutionalization are helped each year.

STATUS: In operation since 1975.

FUNDING: \$2.7 million from State General Services Appropriation.

MATERIALS: Free descriptive brochure and computer data.

CONTACT: Jan Wyer, Senator
State Capitol S-306
Salem, Oregon 97310 (503) 378-8842 (Legis)

Ruth Shepherd, Director, Department of Human Resources
Office of Elderly Affairs
772 Commercial St., SE
Salem, Oregon 97310 (503) 378-5795 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/6/79.

ECONOMIC

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Legislation

INCOME MAINTENANCE

TITLE: Legislation Would Supplement Income of SSI Recipients

DESCRIPTION: Many Washington, D.C. elders will soon be receiving a supplement to their monthly Social Security Income (SSI). The District Supplement for Recipients Authorization Act would allot an additional \$15.00 to SSI recipients who are not in institutions or under foster care. The supplement is an attempt to enable elders to afford living independently, and avoid costly institutionalization.

ACTORS/ROLES: Local social workers recognized need in Spring, 1978. District Council Committee on Human Resources introduced legislation. Federal Social Security and Region III Office Administration offered technical assistance in reviewing legislation. Legal Counsel for the Elderly, a program funded by D.C. Office on Aging, Federal and private sources, also gives technical assistance.

AREA SERVED: Washington, D.C.

TARGET: Elder SSI recipients not in foster care or institutions and physically impaired adults in general. About 4,000 recipients.

STATUS: Planning began in Spring, 1978. Introduced 1/4/79. Sent to Committee, 2/14/79. Scheduled to become operational, 10/1/79.

FUNDING: \$2,500,000 - District tax revenues.

MATERIALS: Copy of the committee report which accompanies the bill.

CONTACT: D. Richard Artis, Executive Director
DC Office on Aging
1012 14th Street, Northwest
Washington, DC 20004 (202) 724-5622 (SUA)

For Materials:
Lee Partridge, Staff Director
City Council Committee on Human Resources and Aging
District Building, 14th & E Streets, Northwest
Washington, DC 20004 (202) 724-8020 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ECONOMIC

**MARYLAND
Program**

NATURAL RESOURCES

TITLE: Financial Support for Family Care of Elders

DESCRIPTION: Twenty families who provide home care for a disabled elder relative will receive financial assistance through the SUA in a one-year demonstration project. This project will determine whether informal support systems for elders can be strengthened by providing more financial assistance to families, and will examine feasibility and administrative cost. Eligibility requirements for elders will be determined by disability criteria. Financial assistance will be calculated from the IRS definition of total support for a dependent. This is the first attempt at this type of project; its feasibility may result in SUA's support of legislation for a statewide program.

ACTORS/ROLES: State General Assembly requested study and appropriated funds for demonstration project; SUA and Comptroller's Office conducted studies and perform planning functions.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, multiple county.

TARGET: 40 elders and their families during one-year demonstration project; elders over 65 who are frail, physically or mentally impaired.

STATUS: Initial study requested in 1977; demonstration project in planning state since 7/78; to become operational in 7/79.

FUNDING: State General Funds, \$80,000 in grants to families.

MATERIALS: One-page preliminary statement and 1977 & 1978 studies; Project description and work plan available 6/1/79.

CONTACT: Donna C. Folkemer, Long Term Care Coordinator
Office on Aging
301 W. Preston Street, Room 1004
Baltimore, Maryland 21201 (301) 383-2100 (SUA)

Ilene W. Rosenthal, Project Director
Maryland Office on Aging
301 W. Preston Street, Room 1004
Baltimore, Maryland 21201 (301) 383-2100

VERIFIED: 3/79.

ECONOMIC

TENNESSEE
Legislation

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

TITLE: Legislation to Provide Tax Relief for Elder Homeowners

DESCRIPTION: The Property Tax Relief for the Elderly, a Joint House Resolution, would offer tax relief for elder property owners. This legislation would enable elders who live on fixed incomes to retain their homes. It does not set a definite exemption figure, but compels the Legislature to periodically re-evaluate the amount according to inflation. Though the constitution provides a tax exemption of \$4,800, inflation has rendered this figure insufficient. By not establishing a definite exemption figure, the general assembly would have the responsibility of acting on the tax relief problem as it fluctuates.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Joint Legislative Committee on Aging, members of the State and House Representatives, as well as the Senate House Select Committee and the Tennessee Commission on Aging originated the legislation. The Senate House Select Committee secretary acted as staff person. The AAA and representatives of various elder groups such as National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons, and the Tennessee Federation of the Aging all provided input.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Would serve all elders in the state.

STATUS: Pending; planning begun on October, 1978, sent to committee in 1/79, scheduled to become operational around 1981 or 1982.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Committee Reports, no cost.

CONTACT: R-John Steinhauer, Representative
Senate House Select Committee
Memorial Legislative Plaza 17
Nashville, Tennessee 37219 (615) 741-3894 (Legis)

Bill Carter, State Representative
War Memorial Building
Nashville, Tennessee 37219 (615) 741-3735 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

ECONOMIC

NEW JERSEY
Program

ADULT EDUCATION/
CONTINUING EDUCATION

TITLE: Community College Offers Courses and Free Tuition for Elders

DESCRIPTION: This program incorporates a two-pronged approach to elder education: 1) Elders on campus - any person 60 or older may take any course offered by a community college on a space-available, tuition-free basis; 2) Extension courses for seniors - 65 non-credit courses are offered in 41 different sites in the community. Four staff persons recruit members and elicit opinions on course interests through frequent visits to senior clubs and organizations. Instructors are paid \$10/hr. and classes meet once a week for 1-1/2 hours and run for 9-12 weeks. A wide variety of courses are offered, including: Modern Jewish History, Physical Fitness Through Dance, Conversational Spanish, Arts and Crafts, the Metric System, Daily Living Issues, Pre-retirement Planning, and many others.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Atlantic Community College System has taken the lead role in course planning, provision, and recruitment. The AAA from the two counties have provided some funds. Community has donated sites, including churches, apartment complexes, and Older Americans Act Title VII projects.

AREA SERVED: Atlantic Community College system, operating in Atlantic and Cape May Counties.

TARGET: Responding to the education interests of all persons 60 years of age and over and disabled persons. Seniors on Campus program operative for four years, serves approximately 250 persons. Neighborhood extension courses operative three years; semester registration of over 2,000 elders. Considered an extremely successful program by the Department of Education. Leads the state in numbers of elders and low-income persons reached.

STATUS: Operational since 1974.

FUNDING: In third year of funding through Title I of the Higher Education Act. Monetary contributions come from the AAAs, and the match is derived from donated facilities and from college budget.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ruben R. Blane
Director of Programs for Senior Adults
Atlantic Community College
Mays Landing, New Jersey 08330 (609) 625-1111 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

RHODE ISLAND
Program

CONSUMER EDUCATION

TITLE: Shopping Assistance Program Educates About Special Clothing Needs of Elders

DESCRIPTION: A fair for elders in a major metropolitan department store was used as the vehicle for educating department store managers about special shopping assistance needs of elders in clothes buying.

ACTORS/ROLES: The directors association of senior citizens associations sponsored the fair with the SUA backing and staff support.

AREA SERVED: Metropolitan shopping district.

TARGET: Educate store managers and buyers about size needs and style preferences of elders; potential result could be setting up "senior corners," providing trained elder escorts and labelling clothes in large print or braille.

STATUS: Senior Fair was held on 2/14/77.

FUNDING: No cost to store to become aware of senior needs. Tag changes would cost \$.03 - \$.10 per garment. Elder escort program could be funded through senior companion program or volunteer programs funds. No state expenditures anticipated at present. SUA could provide training to store escorts and staff of "senior corners."

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Anthony T. Zompa, Program Planner
Department of Community Affairs
Division on Aging
150 Washington Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903 (401) 277-2858 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

VIRGINIA
Program

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TRAINING

TITLE: SVA Coordinates Disaster Preparedness Training for Nursing Homes

DESCRIPTION: The SUA coordinated a disaster preparedness program via contract with Virginia Office of Emergency Services. They prepared a handbook and offer training to all nursing home administrators and staff.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA nursing home ombudsperson initiated program. State Office of Emergency Services developed training materials and conducts the training. State Fire Marshall provides consultation.

AREA SERVED: Training conducted in approximately ten sites state-wide representing focal areas for institutions for the aged. All institutions invited to participate.

TARGET: 18,000 persons residing in nursing homes and homes for the aged via administrators and staff of those institutions. Each institution will prepare own unique plan.

STATUS: Formal training to be completed by summer, 1977.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Model Project, Title III, section 308 for nursing home ombudsman; State office of Emergency Services; registration fees for processing continuing education units.

MATERIALS: Disaster Preparedness Handbook for Homes for Adults, 12/76; Disaster Preparedness Handbook for Nursing Homes, 9/76.

CONTACT: Edwin L. Wood, Director
Virginia Office on Aging
830 East Main Street, Suite 950
Richmond, Virginia 23219 (804) 786-7894 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

MAINE
Program

NUTRITION EDUCATION

TITLE: Statewide Conference Addresses Problems of Nutrition Program Site Managers

DESCRIPTION: Two-day conference for all site managers of Maine's five nutrition projects in off-site, pleasant environment. Subjects of problem ownership, over-caring, how to involve elders in running their own program, efficient use of volunteers, and legitimate responsibility discussed with aid of qualified facilitator.

ACTORS/ROLES: SVA training officer in consultation with directors of nutrition projects and AAAs (which house the state's Older Americans Act Title VII projects). Requests for this type training came from nutrition project site managers themselves.

AREA SERVED: Statewide. AREA:

TARGET: Conference addressed "people problems" as experienced in day-to-day work of site managers. 52 out of possible 63 persons attended. Overall goal to give site managers sense of importance and value of work and skills for improving ways to handle their authority and responsibility.

STATUS: 1/77 first conference held; expect follow-up with possible establishment of this type meeting on regular basis.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Title IV-A grant and funds for travel from Area Agencies on Aging.

MATERIALS: Conference outline and bibliography.

CONTACT: Helen Philbrook, Director of Nutrition
Bureau of Maine's Elderly
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2561 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

RR. ISLAND
Program

RETIREMENT COUNSELING

TITLE: SUA Conducts Pre-Retirement Counselor Training Program

DESCRIPTION: Under mandate from the governor, the SUA conducted 13 three-hour pre-retirement training sessions for representatives from all state agencies to act as counselors and pre-retirement specialists to their agency staff. In addition to topical areas, training materials covered counseling techniques and issues of credibility, visibility, confidentiality and documentation.

ACTORS/ROLES: After governor mandated program, SUA designed and developed program with involvement of Division of Personnel and Retirement Board. SUA conducts the course. Training includes resource persons from state agencies and private agencies and organizations. All state departments must participate by sending representatives to be trained.

AREA SERVED: State government. Planned expansion to private industry and municipalities.

TARGET: Pre-retirees aged 55 and over.

STATUS: Operational since 1976. 1977 schedule: 4/21 to 6/23.

FUNDING: No additional state funds required. Staffing costs absorbed by SUA; publications costs provided by governor's office and personnel.

MATERIALS: Pre-retirement course packet (agendas, speakers list, student evaluation form, checklists, recommendations reports, Retirement Notes Outline.)

CONTACT: Terri Paré, Resource/Retirement Specialist
Department of Community Affairs
Division on Aging
150 Washington Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903 (401) 277-2858 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

CONNECTICUT
Program

LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION

TITLE: Intern Program gives Elders a look at Federal government

DESCRIPTION: In a program initiated five years ago by a U.S. senator, approximately 90 elders are selected each spring to spend an all expenses paid week in Washington, D.C. for an in-depth look at federal government in action. The interns meet with congresspersons to discuss issues of state and national importance, observe congressional proceedings, visit the historical and cultural highlights of Washington, and attend briefings and seminars with representatives of various government agencies. An independent committee from the states' six congressional districts chooses all participants based on current participation in activities related to aging.

ACTORS/ROLES: U.S. senator originated the idea and chairperson of state advisory body organized it on the state level. There is no state government involvement.

AREA SERVED: Statewide application process; selection committee represents the state's six congressional districts.

TARGET: Intensive exposure to the governmental process and Washington's cultural activities for those elders in Connecticut who are involved in activities related to aging.

STATUS: Program is unique in the nation and acclaimed as an unqualified success. Now in its fifth year, the selection committee was faced with the formidable task of choosing approximately 90 participants from the 800 applications received.

FUNDING: Financed by contributions from both business and labor organizations throughout the state, including: Xerox, United Auto Workers, Sperry Remington, Knights of Columbus and others.

MATERIALS: 4th Annual Report of the Senior Intern Program.

CONTACT: Mother M. Bernadette de Lourdes, Chairperson
Connecticut State Advisory Committee on Aging
St. Joseph's Manor
6448 Main Street
Trumbull, Connecticut 06611 (203) 268-6204 (ADV)

For 4th Annual Report:
U.S. Senator Lowell P. Weiker, Jr.
342 Russell Building
Washington, D.C. 20510 (LEGIS)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

MASSACHUSETTS
Program

PLANNING

TITLE: Statewide Training Network Involves Planning Agencies

DESCRIPTION: The Massachusetts SUA has developed an ongoing Educational Network for Aging. Through their Title IV-A, OAA contracting process, they are able to involve Home Care Corporations/AAAs and local service contractors directly in the planning process with state educational institutions. To facilitate this coordination, a state level Training Advisory Committee has been developed drawing its members from the aging network and educational community. The educational network utilizes Title IV-A funds as seed money, a first step to institutionalized support for aging education. The integration of IV-A planning, contracting, and service delivery through this system resulted in a strong base for future programs, including strong links between the aging network, educational institutions and local communities.

ACTORS/ROLES: A collaborative effort involving the participation of the SUA, Home Care Corporations/AAAs local service contractors and educational institutions. Leadership provided by the SUA's chief planner in education.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) develop a statewide contracting process for Title IV-A funds with clear measurable objectives; 2) expand training resources through existing educational institutions; 3) address generic skills needs; 4) develop a collaborative planning base for training.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Title IV-A funds for provision of training and training network development. In-kind participation from participating educational institutions and agencies.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dr. Diane S. Piktialis, Chief Planner, Education
Department of Elder Affairs
110 Tremont Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (617) 727-7750 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

TENNESSEE
LegislationADULT EDUCATION/
CONTINUING EDUCATION

TITLE: State Colleges and Universities Offer Free Tuition for Elders

DESCRIPTION: H.B.70, S.B.70-PUB 028 allows elders to take courses at both graduate and undergraduate levels without tuition charge at state colleges and universities. The law also includes all disabled persons regardless of age. The only restriction on the law is if a class is already filled, preference goes to paying students.

ACTORS/ROLES: Law was written in response to requests from elders across the state at state hearings. They had been able to audit courses for free since 1973 and expressed a desire to get credit for their work.

AREA SERVED: Statewide. No numbers available at present, but fiscal impact has been less than \$100,000.

TARGET: Interested elders in the state.

STATUS: Operational since 1976.

FUNDING: State colleges and universities bear cost for educating eligible students. Participants pay small service fee.

MATERIALS: Copies of H.B.70, S.B.70 - PUB 028.

CONTACT: Representative John Steinhauer
109 War Memorial Building
Nashville, Tennessee 37219 (615) 741-3894 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

GEORGIA
Legislation

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

TITLE: Tuition-Free Education for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Elders can attend any of the 33 campuses in the state university system, which includes junior colleges through graduate schools, without paying tuition and fees. Individual campuses are to implement this 1976 constitutional amendment by fall 1977, on a space available basis. Measure was a first victory for lobbying efforts on behalf of elders, precipitating a "snowball of consciousness" vis-a-vis advocacy at the state level.

ACTORS/ROLES: Initiated by the Georgia Gerontology Society, the vice chancellor of the university agreed to a tuition free program in 1975 but the state attorney general ruled this unconstitutional. The Advisory Council on Aging, AARP and NRTA lobbied extensively to get the 1976 resolution out of committee and passed. Subsequent to passage, strong advocacy by the advisory body, the Gerontology Society and AARP/NRTA was required to get the university to agree to waive entrance exams for those elders not seeking course credit.

AREA SERVED: Statewide potentially.

TARGET: Measure is seen as providing gerontological education for younger students who benefit from having elders in their classes. Elders 62 and over are eligible.

STATUS: Initially proposed in 1974 at governor's forum on aging; constitutional amendment stalled in committee in 1975; reintroduced and approved by voters in the 11/76 general election; effective fall 1977.

FUNDING: Each campus of university system must implement on a space available basis within its existing budget.

MATERIALS: 1976 Constitutional Amendment No. 23 on Free Higher Education.

CONTACT: Vita Ostrander, Vice Chairman
Georgia Steering Committee
American Association of Retired Persons/National Retired Teachers Association
37 Olde Ivy Square, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30342 (404) 261-5870 (Legis.)

For Materials:
Office of Legislative Counsel
State Capitol, Room 316
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

ALABAMA
Program

AGING CURRICULA

TITLE: State Consortium Trains Gerontologists

DESCRIPTION: Alabama has a statewide program with coordination between University of Alabama, Auburn University, the SUA, and a consortium of black educators for the training of persons in the field of gerontology. Federal monies are channeled through the SUA to programs within the two major state universities. Students in the training programs are sent into the field to work with AAAs, working on problems and providing expertise on management, nutrition, education, and meeting government requirements. Special emphasis is placed on funding for black educators interested in aging.

ACTORS/ROLES: School of Social Work, University of Alabama; Commission on Aging; Auburn University.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Identifying state resources for aging training; facilitating statewide utilization of resources.

STATUS: Operational since 1973.

FUNDING: State and federal funds.

MATERIALS: Program Description, 7/77.

CONTACT: Dr. Lorin Baumhover
School of Social Work, University of Alabama
P.O. Box 1935
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35486 (205) 348-7027 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

EDUCATION

ALABAMA
Program

AGING CURRICULA

TITLE: Center for the Study of Aging offers Gerontology Training

DESCRIPTION: Working in close conjunction with the SUA and AAAs, the center provides technical training and graduate courses to AAAs upon request and is under continuing contract with SUA to train personnel. The center offers a graduate certificate in gerontology and full semester courses four weekends during the semester for practitioners in the field. The center employs six full-time faculty and is implementing courses in gerontology in several departments of the university.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA and Administration on Aging funded; University of Alabama provides space facilities.

AREA SERVED: On campus at university; statewide through off-campus courses.

TARGET: 200 enrollees in graduate certificate program; affects students on campus through departmental courses.

STATUS: Funded since 1971; continuation expected.

FUNDING: Appropriations from SUA; university funds; federal grants to individual professors; Title IV-A, IV-C funds under Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS: Description of center and research activities to date.

CONTACT: Dr. Lorin Baumhover, Director
Center for the Study of Aging
University of Alabama
University, Alabama 35486 (205) 348-6736 (0)

VERIFIED: 5/79.

EDUCATION

TENNESSEE
Program

AGING CURRICULA

TITLE: Seminar for Elders Looks at Literature and Aging

DESCRIPTION: An in-depth survey seminar at a local senior center covers literature concerned either with aging or with elders. The program provides in-depth coverage of the material. For example, the reading and discussion has provided a historical perspective on aging, beginning with Western classics and also covering Chinese classic poetry from the T'Ang dynasty.

ACTORS/ROLES: Senior Neighbors, Inc. of Chattanooga, Tennessee sponsors the program and the center director is the discussion leader. The SUA supports the center.

AREA SERVED: ° Chattanooga.

TARGET: Interested local elders.

STATUS: Began in 1976 as an experimental program. Confirmation of program expected.

FUNDING: For center: United Fund, state, county, city and federal grants, private foundation, individual gifts, membership fees, service fees, volunteers.

MATERIALS: Program description.

CONTACT: Mason Rowe, Research Associate
Tennessee Commission on Aging
Room 102, S&P Building
306 Gay Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37402 (615) 741-2911 (SUA)

For program description;
Mary Sue Bethea, Director
Senior Neighbors of Chattanooga, Inc.
10th and Newby Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402 (615) 756-5950 (0)
or
Viston Taylor, Director
Area Agency on Aging
413 James Building, 735 Broad Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79

TENNESSEE
Program

ARTS & CRAFTS

TITLE: Senior Center Arts Program Teaches New Skills and Develops Old Ones

DESCRIPTION: Arts program both teaches new skills and improvement of traditional techniques. The quilting classes help elder women share and validate a highly developed regional art form. Other classes include basic stichery, corn shuckery, hand-made pottery, tie-dyed paper, macrame, painting, basic design, basketry, weaving, and rug-hooking. Professional teachers encourage students to build from simple original designs to more complex forms.

ACTORS/ROLES: Class sponsored by Senior Neighbors of Chattanooga, Inc., numerous classes and programs at 11 sites. Center supported by SUA.

AREA SERVED: Chattanooga and Hamilton County.

TARGET: Interested local elders.

STATUS: Ongoing with innovations since 1960.

FUNDING: Senior Neighbors is funded by the United Fund, state and city funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Mason Rowe, Research Analyst
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

KENTUCKY
Program

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

TITLE: State Advisory Body Runs Leadership Workshops

DESCRIPTION: The state advisory body conducts training workshops throughout the state for advisory bodies to AAA and Nutrition Project Councils. Focus is on advocacy role; goal is to develop expertise among members on how to be effective advocates, how to mobilize and utilize community resources, and how to strengthen relationships with local public officials.

ACTORS/ROLES: State advisory body conducts training sessions with SUA providing staff support.

AREA SERVED: Statewide in each of Kentucky's 15 area development districts (ADDs).

TARGET: Advisory bodies to AAAs and Nutrition Projects in each of Kentucky's ADDs are primary participants. Other local organizations and agencies may also attend sessions.

STATUS: On-going since 5/75.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Title IV-A funds cover travel costs; other expenses encumbered by volunteer members of state advisory body.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Fannie B. Dorsey, Chairperson
Institute for Aging
Department of Human Resources
East Main Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-6786 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

OHIO
Legislation

GERIATRIC MEDICINE

TITLE: Legislature Establishes Geriatric Medicine Offices at State Medical Schools

DESCRIPTION: H.B. 252 enacted by Ohio legislature establishes offices of geriatric medicine at seven state supported medical schools. The bill also requires the Board of Regents to conduct a feasibility study for the development of major research facilities in geriatrics and gerontology.

ACTORS/ROLES: House Aging Subcommittee introduced bill; the Dean and Provost of Northeastern University aided in the conceptualization and advocacy. State Board of Regents helped to draft the bill.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Medical profession - by incorporating geriatric curricula into state supported medical schools.

STATUS: Passed in House 4/77; passed in Senate 7/77.

FUNDING: General revenue sharing appropriated in the House Finance Committee's biannual budget. First Year - \$15,000 appropriated for feasibility study. Second Year - \$350,000 equally distributed among seven medical schools for seed money.

MATERIALS: H.B. 252, 1977 and description of bill.

CONTACT: Representative John A. Begala
State House
Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-4361 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

TEXAS
Program

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TITLE: Research Utilization Project Compiles Data on Aging Research

DESCRIPTION: The Texas Department of Public Welfare funds a comprehensive information system on aging. The project collects research abstracts and bibliographic data from many information sources. The information is computerized into a fast-retrieval system without a specific keyword, since the system reads all words in input. Project also sponsors workshops and seminars on aging which have focused on specific areas such as minority elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Research project director obtained grant and organized project and data; University of Oklahoma donated initial computer time; governor's office donated a computer analyst's time; Department of Public Welfare paid for software and keypunch.

AREA SERVED: National impact.

TARGET: Provides free service for researchers in aging, nationally or internationally. Has served researchers in 30 states and Canada.

STATUS: Operational since 1973; continuation expected.

FUNDING: Initially funded by Administration on Aging research and development grant (Title IVb) currently receiving funding from Texas Department of Public Welfare \$68,000. Funds requested for next year are 50-50 match with Department of Public Welfare and Administration on Aging for \$100,000.

MATERIALS: Research service.

CONTACT: Anne T. Kohler, Project Director
Research Utilization Project
Texas Department of Human Resources
John H. Regan Building 500-0
Austin, Texas 78701 (512) 475-6516 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

KENTUCKY
Program

AGING CURRICULA

TITLE: Title IV-A Funds Allocated on Statewide Basis

DESCRIPTION: Older Americans Act (OAA) Title IV-A funds are allocated to each of Kentucky's 15 area development districts (ADD). The ADDs negotiate via AAA directors with local post-secondary institutions for development of gerontological courses and curricula to meet training needs of workers in the OAA Title III and Title VII programs in each district. These short-term training courses are packaged; the SUA is building a library of such courses for further use.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA contracts with ADDs which solicit proposals. Post-secondary institutions in each ADD respond; one such institution in each district receives Title IV-A grant to develop courses.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Persons of any age who work full-time in paid or volunteer positions in gerontology under OAA Title III or Title VII projects. Advisory council members are included as they are considered to be giving full time in meeting their responsibilities. This applies to all types of volunteer positions in aging.

STATUS: Program initiated in FY 1977; it is to be thoroughly evaluated at end of year to determine future implications and developments.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act - Title IV-A funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Robert Rollins, Training Coordinator
Center for Aging Services
403 Wapping Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-6930 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Home Economics Classes Offered to Elders

DESCRIPTION: The SUA and the State Vocational Education Department sponsor a variety of classes in home economics for elders. The program includes courses in alteration of clothes, use of simple appliances which may be unfamiliar to elders (especially rural elders), and nutrition and simple health care, such as how to cook special meals for diabetics.

ACTORS/ROLES: Designed and taught by the SUA staff in consultation with the State Vocational Education Department.

AREA SERVED: Began in a seven-county area of North Dakota; the idea has taken hold on a local level in several other communities.

TARGET: Interested elders, especially rural and isolated elders.

STATUS: In operation since 1974 during the school year.

FUNDING: \$25,000 a year from Older Americans Act, Title III funds.

MATERIALS: Annual brochure describing program.

CONTACT: Jo Hildebrand, Staff
Aging Services
Social Services Board
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505 (701) 224-2577 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEVADA
Program

INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS

TITLE: Native American Elders Read Rituals to Children

DESCRIPTION: In the summer of 1973 the elders at a Title VII project at a Native American reservation in Washoe County, began teaching Indian dances, songs and rhythms to Native American children in the evenings at the senior center. The elders and children developed a program for performing the old dances and songs. A local elementary school applied for and received OAA, Title IV educational funds to provide travel expenses for cultural enrichment in the elementary schools. The elders accompany the children as instructors and chaperones and participate in the costume design for performances. This program is important in that elders are able to impart knowledge of the cultural heritage to the young generation.

ACTORS/ROLES: OAA, Title VII project director encouraged intergenerational teaching of almost forgotten culture. Elders initially provided site for teaching. Parents and teachers supported involvement within the school system.

AREA SERVED: Washoe County is where the program occurs but performances have been given throughout the state.

TARGET: Elementary age children have the opportunity to learn and increase appreciation of their almost forgotten Native American culture. Elders contribute valuable knowledge to perpetuate the culture.

STATUS: In operation since 7/73 as a voluntary program, but funded since 4/74 in the schools.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title IV, Federal Education Act combines with the Johnson-O'Malley Education Act to help deprived children in public schools.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ed Ely, Project Director, Title VII
Project Numago
Box 232
Nixon, Nevada 89424 (702) Nixon #1 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

ADULT EDUCATION/CONTINUING EDUCATION

TITLE: Free tuition for Elders at State-Supported Schools

DESCRIPTION: Elders can audit courses for free at all state supported schools in North Dakota. Admission to a course is based on availability of space in the class, ability, preparation and permission of the instructor. Auditors are not given course credit unless they pay for classes, but the instructor keeps a record of their attendance and grades their course work. Though the courses are not designed as training sessions, sponsors hope the program will prepare elders to volunteer for community programs.

ACTORS/ROLES: Seniors United (an elder advocacy group in the state), the National Retired Teachers' Association, the National Association of Retired Persons in the state and the staff of continuing education programs at the two state universities lobbied for the enabling regulation, which was passed by the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 60 who wish to take courses; especially aimed at training elders who wish to participate in volunteer community work. About 20-30 elders participated in 1976-77; twice that number are expected in 1977-78.

STATUS: Began in 1976-77 school year.

FUNDING: Covered in appropriation to state schools.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dr. Ben g. Gustafson
421 Princeton Street
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201 (701) 775-6195 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

EDUCATION

ARIZONA
Program

GERONTOLOGY EDUCATION

TITLE: Consortium Creates Comprehensive Gerontology Program

DESCRIPTION: The Board of Regents for the University of Arizona, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University are developing a "gerontological consortium" which will work to provide a comprehensive higher education program for and about elders. The regents and the State Unit on Aging have formed a steering committee to get the consortium started. The committee has also worked with the education unit of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Aging to make more community college courses available to elders for credit at little or no fee. The ultimate goal of the consortium is to provide low-cost education for and about elders, at levels ranging from the AA through the PhD degrees.

ACTORS/ROLES: Board of Regents recognized the need and set up the steering committee. SUA provided technical assistance and sits on the steering committee.

AREA SERVED: Impact on all service delivery sites and post-secondary schools in the state.

TARGET: Elders engaged in senior programs; staff of SUA and AAA service projects.

STATUS: University and SUA steering committee in operation, 6/77.

FUNDING: Title IV(c) application denied, 9/77. SUA plans to fund the consortium activities under Title IVA of the Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS: Background reports, Title IV(c) grant application narrative.

CONTACT: Robert G. Thomas, Chief
Bureau on Aging
1400 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 271-4446 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

NEVADA
Program

NUTRITION EDUCATION

TITLE: Cookbook Gives Recipes for USDA Surplus Foods

DESCRIPTION: The idea for a cookbook which would contain recipes for USDA surplus food was conceived by an Older Americans Act (OAA), Title VII nutritionist with the SUA. SUA intended the project to encourage Title VII sites to use cost efficient government foods to prepare tasty and nutritious meals for elders. The book also teaches directors how to use the surplus foods.

ACTORS/ROLES: An SUA nutritionist conceived the idea and, with the cook from the Carson Senior Center and a Senior Citizens' Service Employment Program worker, collected recipes and put the book together. SUA printed and disseminated the book throughout Nevada and neighboring states.

AREA SERVED: OAA, Title VII nutrition sites throughout the state. Western regional states with potential nationwide impact.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over and directors of OAA, Title VII nutrition sites - impact on meal planning and food costs.

STATUS: First printing completed 7/76. In fifth printing as of 8/77.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act: Title III - \$500, and Title IX (Senior Citizens' Service Employment Program) - \$5000. . State funds from State Unit on Aging budget - \$1000.

MATERIALS: Commodity Cookbook - \$3/copy.

CONTACT: Wally Roanhaus, Assistant Administrator
Division for Aging, Kinhead Bldg., Room 101
505 East King St.
Carson City, Nevada 89710 (702) 885-4210 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

IDAHO
Program

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

TITLE: SUA Uses Statewide Status and Needs Assessment for Planning

DESCRIPTION: The SUA received a grant to conduct a statewide door-to-door status and needs assessment of elders. Working with several public agencies, the SUA formulated questions and suggestions for the Center for Urban Research at Boise State University. The center developed the methodology and conducted training sessions for interviewers. The information obtained by the survey will be used to develop comprehensive aging programs and policies at the state and local levels.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA received the grant and was responsible for administration. The contract was awarded to the center for Urban Research at Boise State University who developed the materials and conducted the training sessions.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Survey conducted 8/77.

FUNDING: CETA--Title VI, \$150,000; Older Americans Act Title III, state administration funds, \$19,995.

MATERIALS: Survey results available, 12/77.

CONTACT: Ken Wilkes, Chief Planner
Idaho Office on Aging
506 North 5th St.
Boise, Idaho 83750 (208) 384-3833 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

NEBRASKA
Program

RETIREMENT COUNSELING.

TITLE: Pre- and Post-Retirement Training Package Can Be Used by a Variety of Groups

DESCRIPTION: The University of Nebraska at Omaha Gerontology Program has developed a package of training and preparation materials for pre- and post-retirement. The package contains slides, tapes and exercises which cover about a dozen different areas of concern, including health, income, housing, mental health and employment. Each segment was compiled by an expert in the area, and includes values clarification exercises. The package can be used by businesses, and trade unions as well as groups of elders or interested younger persons. They have also developed a package for single, widowed and divorced women preparing for the future. Each package price includes one day of training by a staff member of the Gerontology Program.

ACTORS/ROLES: The package was designed by the Gerontology Program at the University of Nebraska, Omaha, under contract to the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide. All of the community and state colleges received a package and 2 days of training. Possible national impact, depending on demand.

TARGET: General population, both pre- and post-retirement. Professionals working with elders.

STATUS: In operation since 1976.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title IVA funds \$44,662.

MATERIALS: Information brochure; package itself. "Planning and the Third Age", \$300. Includes one day of facilitator training. "Planning and The Third Age - Especially for Women", \$200. Includes one day of facilitation training.

CONTACT: For brochure:
Shirley Waskel, Pre-Retirement Coordinator
Gerontology Program, Box 688
University of Nebraska
Omaha, Nebraska 68101 (402) 554-2272 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

EDUCATION

**NORTH DAKOTA
Program**

EDUCATION/TRAINING

- TITLE:** Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine Institute Serves Rural Elders
- DESCRIPTION:** State University personnel and deans of the medical and nursing colleges, began planning for a university-affiliated Institute on Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine in 1975. The state board of higher education approved the establishment of the Institute in June, 1977. Since 75% of the state's elders over 60 reside in rural areas, the Institute will focus on research and programs to meet the needs of rural elders. Directed by a professor of medicine, the Institute will pursue research in medical, social and economic areas, and will operate educational services regarding cultural and health fields, training for professionals and para-professionals, and will administer workshops and conferences. Consulting services will be offered in all areas and elders will be employed. Although in its embryonic state, the Institute will address the special needs of rural elders in a carefully planned manner, and promises to beneficially impact elders in sparsely populated rural areas.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** University personnel initiated concept in coordination with deans of medicine and nursing colleges. SUA and Governor's Council on Human Resources provided support in all areas. Governor's Commission on Aging promoted funding.
- AREA SERVED:** To serve elders and disadvantaged adult populations in general; focus on minority elders.
- TARGET:** Statewide, with special emphasis on rural areas.
- STATUS:** Planning began 9/75; operational since 12/77.
- FUNDING:** CETA, State General Services Appropriation, and foundation grants in developmental stages. Total projection: \$500,000 per year.
- MATERIALS:**
- CONTACT:** Dr. Ben G. Gustafson, Chair
Advisory Body on Aging
421 Princeton Street
Grand Forks, ND 58201 (701) 775-6195 (Adv)
- Dr. Theodore R. Reiff
Director of the Institute
U.N.D. School of Medicine
Grand Forks, ND 58201 (701) 777-4352
- VERIFIED:** 6/79.

EDUCATION

**UTAH
Program**

INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Project Offers Pre-retirement Training To Title XX Elders

DESCRIPTION: This project is training 16 Title XX employees to conduct pre-retirement training sessions for Utah elders who are eligible for Title XX services. The goal of pre-retirement training is to help elders be better able to cope with the financial, physical, social and mental challenges of the retirement years. The project is creating a pool of trained Title XX employees who could provide training to Title XX recipients and to others on an on-going basis. About 10-15 elders are engaged as volunteer resource aides.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA coordinates over-all efforts. AIM (Action for Independent Maturity) and the Social Security Administration of the Federal Government are contributing resource materials, including a resource manual, films and other aides. The Health and Mental Health Departments for the State of Utah are also contributing resources, especially on alcohol and drug-related issues. Various community organizations and privately practicing professionals are also contributing their services.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: At least 300 elders benefit from the pre-retirement training each year.

STATUS: Began September 1, 1978; scheduled to terminate July 1, 1979, when the Title XX grant runs out. It is anticipated, however, that the 16 trainees will continue to run seminars and expand the program to include younger age groups and the general population.

FUNDING: \$10,000 from Title XX, Social Security Act; \$3,333, Matching Funds, State General Revenue Sharing; also, resource people donated in-kind services.

MATERIALS: Evaluation forms, promotional materials.

CONTACT: Robert K. Ward, Ph. D., Program Coordinator (801) 533-7013
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150 West North Temple, Rm. #326
Salt Lake City, Utah 84103 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

EDUCATION

**MISSOURI
Program**

RETIREMENT COUNSELING

TITLE: Pre-Retirement Education Training Programs for Clergy

DESCRIPTION: Training in pre-retirement education for clergy of major religious denominations has been presented through the interfaith commission on aging of the state council of churches and a university extension program. Plans are being developed for further trainings for denominational executives. The training programs are designed to assist clergy in meeting needs of pre-retirees who are preparing for later years and of already-retired elders who need post-retirement counseling. To make retirement information accessible for rural and urban residents who are out of the mainstream, it is planned that each denomination participating in the training sessions will offer the training to other urban and rural clergy in different communities. Clergy will become an additional resource to pre-retirees and elders who need support regarding retirement.

ACTORS/ROLES: Interfaith commission on aging of state council of churches initiated program. SUA provides legal information and possible funding. University faculty and extension service, Social Security, bank and RSVP personnel provide input.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Persons over 50, including low income and minority populations in general and pre-retirees.

STATUS: In planning state since 8/78; to become operational 10/79.

FUNDING: Title IV-OAA, \$2,800 - \$3,000.

MATERIALS: Training program brochure; training manuals for clergy, plus additional resource materials.

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900 Moreau Drive
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Dr. Walter Price, Executive Director
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VERIFIED: 6/79.

EDUCATION

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Program

DAY CARE

TITLE: Geriatric Day Care Program Provides Short-Term Care

DESCRIPTION: This program provides short term day care services to elders who are recovering from illnesses and cannot be alone. Services emphasize social support, independence to return to pre day care life. Referrals are made from three hospitals in area, and rotation of patients back to community is emphasized. Home health aides assist elders to remain in own homes and help them return to homes after day care.

ACTORS/ROLES: Associated Catholic Charities administers program through grant from SUA. SUA monitors, evaluates program. Urban Mass Transit Act (UMTA) provides funds for van to transport patients. Coordination with American Association of Retired Persons, Episcopal Ministry to the Elderly, Howard University Hospital and Providence Hospital. Washington Urban League, a nutrition program, provides meals to center. Center located in same building as day care center for children.

AREA SERVED: District of Columbia, citywide. Most useful to residents of north east area - residential core - city area.

TARGET: Expects to serve 60 different elders in one year. Elders who are recovering from accidents or illnesses and who cannot be alone all day. Serves 20 older people daily per week. Three months is average use of center by one person.

STATUS: Operational since 10/76. Catholic Charities submitted formal application, 8/76. Hopes Department of Human Resources will fund welfare recipients in program.

FUNDING: Catholic Charities contracts with SUA through Title III, Older Americans Act funds of \$35,600. UMTA funds utilized for van.

MATERIALS: Catholic Charities Geriatric Day Care Program, Plan for Project.

CONTACT: Lillian Jones, Program Analyst
Department of Human Resources
Office on Aging
1329 "E" Street
Washington, D.C. 20015 (202) 724-5622 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

NEW JERSEY
Program

DRUGS

TITLE: State Finances Pharmaceutical Assistance Program

DESCRIPTION: The Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged Program (S.B. 755) extends financial assistance to older persons whose level of income exceeds Medicaid defined need. For prescription drugs and insulin purchased from New Jersey pharmacists, the program provides yearly reimbursements at a rate of 80% of reasonable cost after payment of an income-based deductible. Some of the reimbursement application documentation has included 1) an itemized listing, by national drug code, of all drugs purchased within the year, 2) names and addresses of all pharmacies where drugs are purchased, 3) proof of age. Should be followed as potential model for national health policy.

ACTORS/ROLES: Lobbying and advocacy efforts of the New Jersey Independent Pharmaceutical Association, SUA, and elder organizations such as National Council of Senior Citizens and American Association of Retired Persons. The Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services administers the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Increasing the spendable income of the low income elderly who have additional burdens of chronic illness. Social Security age limitations are used.

STATUS: One of the surviving components of earlier and more comprehensive legislation on catastrophic illness, S.B. 755 was first introduced in 1974 to address the problem of certain elderly paying too large a percentage of their incomes on drugs. The bill passed 8/75 and was implemented 1/76. After the first full year of operation, the SUA and its Advisory Body are revising the initial reimbursement application.

FUNDING: Carries a state general service appropriation of \$2.5 million.

MATERIALS: Copy of legislation. Pharmaceutical Assistance Program Application/Claim instructions.

CONTACT: James Pennestri, Director
New Jersey Division on Aging
P.O. Box 2768
363 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 292-3765 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

HEALTH

RHODE ISLAND
Legislation

DRUGS

TITLE: Proposed Legislation Would Require Pharmacists to Keep Elder Drug Profiles

DESCRIPTION: The State Advisory Body proposes legislation to require pharmacists to keep drug profiles on elder customers. Profiles would provide review of person's drug purchases, facilitate monitoring drug therapies involving multiple physicians and avert purchase of duplicate or conflicting medications.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislative route: State Advisory Body proposes idea to SUA which conducts research and drafts bill. If enacted, Department of Health would implement legislation. Voluntary route: SUA and Advisory Body elicit cooperation of Rhode Island Pharmacist Association to have Drug Profiles instituted voluntarily by pharmacists.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elder drug consumers, especially those seeing more than one physician.

STATUS: Bill defeated in committee. SUA is working closely with Rhode Island Pharmacists Association which is cooperating with Advisory Body in supporting this issue. Several pharmacists have already implemented the Drug Profile System. Advisory Body expects voluntary implementation will occur without legislation.

FUNDING: Costs to be absorbed by pharmacies and Department of Health. No new appropriations anticipated.

MATERIALS: Bill #77-H 6168, printed 3/25/77.

CONTACT: Raymond D. Dumas, Chairman
Governor's Commission on Aging
362 Daggett Street
Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02861 (401) 722-8899 or
724-2111 (Adv.)

For bill write to:
State House
Providence, Rhode Island 02907

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

WEST VIRGINIA
Legislation

DRUGS

TITLE: SUA Will Help Implement Prescription Drug Price Posting

DESCRIPTION: Legislation will require pharmacies to publicly post prices for the 100 most commonly prescribed drugs, by both generic and retail names. Additional information concerning services provided by the pharmacy, home delivery of drugs, etc., will also be posted. For many smaller pharmacies these additional services help compensate the consumer for slightly higher drug prices. The new law will be implemented by the State Board of Pharmacy. They will monitor compliance with the new regulations and handle complaints. A key partner in implementing the law is the SUA; they will educate the elders about the new law and encourage active consumer input to assure compliance.

ACTORS/ROLES: The West Virginia Commission on Aging strongly supported the legislation; elder groups in the state advocated for its passage.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) reconciliation of the problem that many smaller pharmacies felt would unfairly put them at a disadvantage in competition larger retail firms; posting of "services" should compensate for price differences, 2) save money for consumers. Population impact: 1) the legislation will benefit all residents of the state, 2) of particular interest to elders and others on expensive drug maintenance programs for their health.

STATUS: Bill passed in 1976. Early implementation and problem solving phase.

FUNDING: No appropriation required.

MATERIALS: Copy of the Bill - July 1, 1976; West Virginia Code, Chapter 30, Article 5, Section 12a. FROM CONTACT:

CONTACT: Perry Pauley, Legislative Analyst
Legislative Services
Room E132
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305 (304) 348-2040 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Program

HOME HEALTH CARE

TITLE: Program Compares Home Health Care Systems

DESCRIPTION: This model program of single entry into the full spectrum of home care includes physical/psycho-social assessment, care planning, arrangement of care by existing service agencies, and follow-up. All Medicare eligible persons 60 years of age or older are eligible - no other restrictions as to type of illness, etc. are used. Clients enter program sequentially so that in microcosm, an assessment of the needs of the total elder population can be made. Utilization at this time is 1500 clients. Extensive research component being operated by University of Connecticut. Approved research design (4/76) includes 300 person "Triage" group and 150 person comparison group to compare outcomes in terms of functional status, comparative cost, and effectiveness.

ACTORS/ROLES: Presently under the jurisdiction of the SUA which played major role in conceptualization, planning, and search for funding. Strong support came from the Lieutenant Governor's office, planning assistance from Office of State Planning, and additional positive involvement from the commissioners of the major state agencies through the State Council of Human Services.

AREA SERVED: 7 towns involved - urban-rural mix taken into consideration.

TARGET: All Medicare eligible persons 60 years of age or older.

STATUS: In operation since 1974. Two year follow-up on research component will be complete 3/79. Final report due 1979. Present plan is to merge Triage and Strengthened Assistance for Independent Living (SAIL) programs in 1979. (See Social Services-4.)

FUNDING: Reimbursements from Medicare waivers (no cost to clients), research from the National Center for Health Service Research (NCHSR); operating costs from state appropriations and NCHSR.

MATERIALS: Booklet describing Triage Program.

CONTACT: Joan Quinn, Executive Director
TRIAGE
269 North Washington St.
Plainville, CT 06062 (203) 747-2761 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

WEST VIRGINIA
Program

HOME HEALTH CARE

TITLE: Project Demonstrates Alternatives to Institutionalization

DESCRIPTION: The Demonstration Home-Health Care Project funded by the SUA combines a commitment to: a) data development and long range planning for home-health care delivery, and b) the immediate development and delivery of services to frail elders. For service delivery the project relies on homemaker and home-health aides supervised by the project nurse and coordinated through the AAAs. Developed in consultation with the State Medical Association and Nurse's Association the project will: 1) demonstrate the utility of trained aides, 2) develop services to encourage discharge of elders from hospitals and long term care facilities, 3) focus on development of a geriatric assessment case management component within service network, 4) use an information and referral component to make maximum use of existing services, 5) develop an advisory committee to insure coordination, 6) develop data on gaps in services, and 7) analyze funding potential from existing sources for continuation.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA, State Medical and Nurse's Association are primary initiators. Local participants include Parkersburg Academy of Medicine, local hospital discharge planners, AAA, Department of Health Bureau of Nursing.

AREA SERVED: Three counties are covered by project.

TARGET: Elderly being discharged from hospitals; elderly capable of being discharged from nursing homes with in-home support; frail elderly at risk of institutionalization.

STATUS: Operational through June 30, 1979 with funding from SUA. State Health Department investigating continuation with its own funds.

FUNDING: SUA state funds.

MATERIALS: Region V Demonstration Project (proposal summary); Off Our Rockers (1976); Annual Report.

CONTACT: Louise Gerrard, Director
West Virginia Commission on Aging
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305 (304) 348-3317 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

HEALTH

NEW JERSEY
Legislation

MENTAL HEALTH

TITLE: Procedures for Involuntary Commitment of Mental Patients are Revised

DESCRIPTION: Based on recommendations from New Jersey's Joint Mental Health Planning Committee comprised of legislators and Mental Health professionals, S.B. 1677 (pending 2/77) was introduced to provide a guarantee against the "rushed" commitment of mental patients, many of whom are elders. An intermediate step is to be created through the establishment of county reception centers where psychologists, psychiatrists and social workers will critically evaluate within 72 hours to assess the degree of a person's illness, i.e., their ability to care for themselves and not be deemed a danger to themselves or others.

ACTORS/ROLES: Joint Mental Health Planning Committee, set up by the Commissioners of the Departments of Human Services and Health, were responsible for studying the issues and drafting the initial bill. Additional support from New Jersey Medical Society, State Department of Human Services and State Psychological Association.

AREA SERVED: Statewide impact - implementation at the county level.

TARGET: Whole population of potentially mentally ill people; but especially those in risk of involuntary commitment (approximately 3200 in this latter category). On a policy level, attempting to change the regulations of the Division of State Mental Health and Hospitals.

STATUS: Pending - out of Senate committee 2/77 as committee substitute legislation for original; approved by Senate in 4/77, 27-0 vote, pending in Assembly committee 5/77.

FUNDING: Envision three sources: federal funds through Community Mental Health, state appropriation, and county expenditure.

MATERIALS: Senate Bill 1677 (committee substitute) - 1977.
Senate Committee Statement to S-1677.

CONTACT: Michael Bruinooge, Senate Committee Aide
Legislative Services Agency
Room 128, State House
Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 292-1596 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

WEST VIRGINIA
Program

MENTAL HEALTH

TITLE: Developing Mental Health Services for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Through an SUA grant, the Region II Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) developed a "geriatric needs assessment project". The project, a response to concern over continuing inappropriate institutionalization of elders in state mental institutions, focuses on the primary documentation of need for mental health services and current levels of utilization of existing services. The center employs a part-time staff coordinator who will be reviewing the CMHC caseload and following up on 'closed-out' cases to determine who is being referred, why, nature of referral, types of services rendered, and who is not being served. According to Region II CMHC, 80% of the elderly referred for examination prior to being sent to mental hospitals are not in need of this type of care and could be better served in the community. The project will identify the needs of these elderly and help develop alternatives.

ACTORS/ROLES: Region II CMHC and SUA were prime movers; support of local agencies on advisory council is critical. The project relies extensively on a community advisory committee composed of professionals, local agencies, and potential consumers. Project grew out of earlier planning efforts in state.

AREA SERVED: 4 county catchment area.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) identify awareness of age 60 and over population of existing mental health services, 2) describe current utilization of services by this group, 3) describe their utilization of other support systems, 4) identify service gaps in and needs for geriatric mental health services.

Population impact: elders at risk of inappropriate institutionalization in state mental hospitals.

STATUS: Grant period ended 9-30-77, and CMHC is continuing and expanding the program with its own funds.

FUNDING: A demonstration project using SUA state funds.

MATERIALS:

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West Virginia Commission on Aging
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305 (304) 348-3317 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 4/79.

HEALTH

VERMONT
Legislation

PLANNING

TITLE: Bill Would Require Needs Certification for Health Care Facility Construction

DESCRIPTION: A bill before the Vermont Legislature would require a certificate of need before construction of health care facilities or development of health services. The criteria for certification are: needs listed in state health plan; need of population to be served; feasibility of less costly services; relationship to existing health systems in the areas served. Also based on availability of resources including management personnel and funds for capital and operating needs and educational needs of new facilities and services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Department of Health will administer, Secretary of Human Services will enforce. Project review committee of eight members composed of consumers and providers to review applications. Professional association and societies in health will consult.

AREA SERVED: Vermont, statewide.

TARGET: Providers of health care services, facilities such as: nursing homes, community care homes, home health agencies, out-patient physical therapy. Consumers of health services, including elders. Meet needs of consumers of health services in integrated state-wide approach with consumer input.

STATUS: Introduced 1/77. Pending until next session - 1/78.

FUNDING: Appropriation attached to bill - \$10,000 annually from general funds to state Department of Health.

MATERIALS: Bill, S.80 - 1977.

CONTACT: Susan Baker, Legislative Draftsperson
Legislative Council Office
State House
Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802) 828-2231 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

MINNESOTA
Legislation

DENTAL SERVICES

TITLE: Pilot Program Provides Dental Care for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Chapter 305, Minnesota Laws of 1976, provides for dental care for eligible elders in 11 counties via state-paid insurance; primary goal is feasibility study which is examining possibility of extending comprehensive coverage throughout state. Initial coverage is provided for approximately 1,800 senior citizens. The study examines service delivery models and conducts cost-benefit analysis and program evaluation within two year period; the research design now being constructed. Pays 80 percent of the cost for any services received (except orthodontics) up to a maximum of \$500 in one year.

ACTORS/ROLES: Program administered by Minnesota Department of Public Welfare.

AREA SERVED: Initially, 11 of entire 87 counties.

TARGET: A cross section of eligible elders in 11-county region; 10% of recipients must be nursing home residents. Eligibility criteria set by enabling legislation are: individuals with income no higher than \$3900, \$4600 for couples; must be over age 62 and retired and ineligible for any other program, public or private, providing dental care.

STATUS: Passed 5/76; program now in planning and recruitment stage; insurance coverage begins September 1, 1977.

FUNDING: \$400,000 appropriation from state monies.

MATERIALS: Chapter 305, Minnesota Laws of 1976; Richard and Janet Yellowitz, Minnesota's Pilot Dental Care Program for Senior Citizens (mimeo).

CONTACT: Richard Portnoy, Director
Pilot Dental Program for Senior Citizens
Minnesota Board on Aging
Suite 204, Metro Square Building
Seventh & Robert Streets
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 (612) 269-2879 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

WISCONSIN
Legislation

GENERIC DRUG LAWS

TITLE: Bill Requires Posting of Generic Drug Lists

DESCRIPTION: The 1976 general assembly provided for the establishment of seven member Drug Quality Council within the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) to prepare a formulary - a listing of generic drugs equal to the trade names applied to marketed drugs. Regarded as permissive legislation, Chapter 168 allows pharmacists to substitute the generic drug for the trade name if the consumer chooses this option. Generic and trade names of drugs and their prices must be posted in the pharmacy for consumers to see.

ACTORS/ROLES: DHSS established the drug council; state clearinghouse on aging groups informed consumer at the grass roots level.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Regulatory practices affect high-volume drug users, specifically elders.

STATUS: Operational since 3/76. Formulary lists 14 drugs, will be 23 as of 9/77.

FUNDING:

MATERIALS: Assembly Bill 469, 1976, drug formulary by Wisconsin Drug Quality Council describes make up of the council, reproduces the law, explains drug selection process, includes trade name and generic substitution and price.

CONTACT: Vickie Rippie, Staff
Senate Committee on Aging
19 South Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin 53702 (608) 266-1975 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 5/79.

HEALTH

ARKANSAS
Program

HOME HEALTH CARE

TITLE: Home Care Utilizes Home Health Aides

DESCRIPTION: In-home care pilot programs provide home health care services to high risk elders and employment for low income elders as home health aides. Elders are trained by a registered nurse to perform chore services which include home maintenance, nutrition and health care. The local Employment Security Division refers elders who need in-home care to the AAA. Upon placement, home health aides work in coordination with the local Department of Health's visiting nurses. The programs are designed to be a coordinated effort between various public service agencies.

ACTORS/ROLES: AAAs administer the program's referrals from the local Employment Security Division. All 75 counties in the state are operating the programs

AREA SERVED: Potentially statewide; currently operational in two counties' of southwest Arkansas.

TARGET: Low income elders who need employment, high risk elders in need of home care services.

STATUS: Operational since 7/1/77.

FUNDING: \$183,000 from Title IX of Older American's Act.

MATERIALS: Grant proposal and Arkansas' state objectives, fiscal year 1977.

CONTACT: Bean Hudson, Training Officer
Office on Aging and Adult Services
P.O. Box 2179
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203 (501) 371-2441 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ALABAMA
Program

CONTINUUM OF CARE

TITLE: Tracking-Followup Program Helps Elders After Hospitalization

DESCRIPTION: Program assesses needs of elders after hospital discharge and provides services necessary for them to begin functioning at home. In addition to medical care, provides a range of services needed for recovery: visitor, home repair, transportation, nutrition, etc. It is proposed that each county have a coordinator and a staff of volunteers to develop a network of services for all elder patients discharged from hospitals.

ACTORS/ROLES: Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments (TARCOG) would develop and administer program; Department of Public Health would provide at-home medical personnel and consultation; Welfare Department would coordinate their services for clients in the program who are also on welfare; local Councils on Aging and local service organizations coordinate other services for those in program.

AREA SERVED: Proposed multi-county project in Northern Alabama.

TARGET: 4500-5000 elders.

STATUS: Administration on Aging (AoA) model project funding pending. Will proceed on a smaller scale with volunteers even if not funded.

FUNDING: Pending; possible use of Social Security Act Title XX funds for low-income elders.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Bob Gonia, Director
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Central Bank Building #350
Huntsville, Alabama 35801 (205) 533-3335 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

WISCONSIN
Policy

INSURANCE REGULATION

TITLE: Minimum Standards Set for Medicare Supplemental Insurance

DESCRIPTION: The State Insurance Commissioner's Office (ICO), in response to a bill currently in committee (7/77), has set minimum standards for the sale of health care policies sold as supplements to Medicare. This administrative rule would establish a standardized rating system to indicate certain criteria for health policies. It would require insurance agents to provide an outline and explanation of each type of coverage. ICO will rate policies according to the cost and level of benefits offered.

ACTORS/ROLES: Senate Committee on Aging investigated needs and introduced S.B. 23 as a catalyst for the rule. At the time the rule becomes effective, bill would be deleted.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Persons aged 62 and over qualified for Medicare.

STATUS: To become operational no sooner than 1/1/78; rule requires lead time of 120 days.

FUNDING: None - private insurance - using fee charged dollars for its administrative operations.

MATERIALS: Copy of rule - a two-page overview describing objectives and goals.

CONTACT: Vickie Rippie, Staff
Senate Committee on Aging
19 South Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin 53702 (608) 266-1875 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

ARKANSAS
Program

HEALTH MAINTENANCE

TITLE: Preventive Health Care Programs Demonstrate Cost Effectiveness

DESCRIPTION: The SUA has established two countywide preventive health care pilot programs with the aim of showing cost effectiveness while maintaining a full range of preventive services such as visiting nurses and homemaker services. The programs are also designed to show that comprehensive delivery of services to elders reduces the need for institutionalization. The programs will be conducted for a two year period.

ACTORS/ROLES: The AAAs developed the proposals and coordinated with Social Security Act Title XX contractors. The county's community action programs are the service providers.

AREA SERVED: Two rural counties within White River AAA and Western AAA.

TARGET: Elders in general with emphasis on low income and high risk elders.

STATUS: Stone County Project became operational 2/77; Crawford County proposed for 6/77.

FUNDING: Primary source: Social Security Act Title XX funds and state match. Secondary source: Older Americans Act Title III and VII funds.

MATERIALS: Preventive care pilot program summary.

CONTACT: For Program Summary:
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Office on Aging and Adult Services
P.O. Box 2179
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203 (501) 371-2441 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

TENNESSEE
Program

HEARING AND SPEECH PROGRAMS

TITLE: Mobile Hearing Screening Program Serves Rural Elders

DESCRIPTION: A hearing screening service operates from a mobile van in the rural parts of the state, including counseling and follow-up for the hard-of-hearing. Following advance publicity, the van and staff spend three days screening, counseling and referring elders who need hearing aids. The follow-up includes financial help in purchasing a hearing aid if necessary.

ACTORS/ROLES: Chattanooga Speech and Hearing Services; Chattanooga AAA, local civic groups; county committees on aging.

AREA SERVED: Currently in the ten counties served by the Chattanooga AAA; potentially, statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 60 with hearing problems.

STATUS:

FUNDING: Principally Older Americans Act Title III funds; Speech and Hearing Center funds, civic organization funds.

MATERIALS: Brochure describing program from Speech and Hearing Center, 7/77.

CONTACT: Mr. Mason Rowe, Research Analyst
Tennessee Commission on Aging
Room 102 S&P Building
306 Gay Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37402 (615) 269-5641 (SUA)

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Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402 (615) 269-5641 (O)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEBRASKA
Legislation
Program

RURAL ELDERS

TITLE: Legislation to Set Up Paramedic Training Program

DESCRIPTION: Because Nebraska is such a rural state, qualified medical doctors cannot always be available in medical emergencies. The paramedical network has a special impact on elders with problems like heart conditions. Legislative Bill Number 138, 1977, sets up training procedures and an advisory board for a statewide network of paramedics. The law prescribes the certification procedure and skills required for emergency care technicians. Training is provided through Nebraska College of Medicine.

ACTORS/ROLES: The bill was sponsored by members of the legislature. The emergency Medical Training Program, with help from the Department of Health Rescue Units and the Volunteer Firemen's Association, developed the format for the legislation and participated in hearings.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, with special importance for rural areas.

TARGET: High risk elders and people in need of emergency medical aid, where a doctor's care is not immediately available.

STATUS: Passed in 1977, program began July 1, 1977.

FUNDING: \$200,000 in funds from U.S. Department of Transportation and Health, Education and Welfare; matched by state general funds.

MATERIALS: Copies of committee proceedings.

CONTACT: Senator Richard Lewis
Committee on Public Health and Welfare
State Capitol
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 (402) 471-2805 (Legis.) 0

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

IOWA
Program

HOME HEALTH CARE

TITLE: In-Home Services Coordinated on a Statewide Basis

DESCRIPTION: Several state agencies are involved in a large scale development of home health services to maintain individuals recently discharged from hospitals who need limited nursing care at home. In-home services were shown to be the area of greatest need in the state by independent studies conducted through state agencies. The legislature appropriated \$1.6 million to the State Department of Health (DoH) as the grantee agency to distribute funds to regional or county Boards of Health.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA, Department of Health, and State Department of Social Services were independently involved in identifying the need for this service as well as supplying fragmented services. They coordinated their efforts and contracted with a private non-profit health services delivery agency to supply services.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - slight financial advantage to rural elders.

TARGET: Recently hospitalized high risk elders who are categorized as semi-dependent, able to remain in their homes with some supportive health services provided.

STATUS: In operation as of 9/77.

FUNDING: In addition to the state appropriation of \$1.6 million, there are funds from Title III of the Older Americans Act and Title XX of the Social Security Act, as well as local county and city support.

MATERIALS: Description of needs in state.
Narrative of Program.

CONTACT: Dick Woods, Administrative Division Manager
Commission on Aging
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Des Moines, Iowa 50309 (515) 281-5187 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

CALIFORNIA
Legislation

DAY CARE

TITLE: Geriatric Day Care Program Helps At-Risk Elders

DESCRIPTION: Assembly Bill 1611 (Chapter 1066) establishes an adult health day care program to eliminate premature or unnecessary institutionalization of state's elders at risk. The state advisory body, the California Commission on Aging, and fifty health and elders' organizations worked to establish the principle of health day care as a right, and advocated passage of AB 1611 at public hearings and forums throughout the state.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Health Department's Alternative Health Systems Division, the Commission on Aging, the Assembly Special Sub-Committee on Aging and the SUA, worked with many groups to establish the concept of health day care as a right.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Potentially, all elders at risk. Goal: county plan significantly shifting public policy toward health care alternatives to institutionalization.

STATUS: Governor signed into law, 10/77; next phase: planning stage.

FUNDING: One million dollars of state funds for federal match. On-going funding will be Medicaid (Title XIX).

MATERIALS: Copy of Bill: AB 1611.

CONTACT: For copy of bill:
Bill Room
California State Legislature
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814 (916) 445-5872 (Legis.)

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Alternate Health Systems Branch
California Department of Health
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Boone Robinson, Executive Secretary
California Commission on Aging
926 "J" Street
Sacramento, California 95814 (916) 322-5630 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 2/78.

HEALTH

HAWAII
Program

DAY CARE

TITLE: Day Care Center for Elders Established in Each County

DESCRIPTION: The high number of elders living with their adult children in Hawaii has made additional support services necessary for those families with no one home during the day to look after the aging parent. In many cases, the elder has health care needs the family is unable to provide, but does not need institutionalization. Day care centers fill the gap by providing activities and meals for elders, freeing the adult children to work outside the home.

ACTORS/ROLES: Local private, non-profit service agencies cooperated with local AAA to identify the eligible population and develop the centers. The local Department of Social Services, the AAAs and the SUA planned and implemented programs.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: High risk elders, low income elders.

STATUS: First center started in 1974. Each of the four counties has at least one day care center.

FUNDING: Social Security Act, Title XX funds, state appropriations - varies from county to county.

MATERIALS: List of centers and licensing regulations

CONTACT: Judith Ooka, Program Administrator
Adult Services
Department of Social Services and Housing
P.O. Box 339
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEBRASKA
Program

REHABILITATION

TITLE: Model Projects Offer Both Day Care and Rehabilitation

DESCRIPTION: Two model projects provide adult day care and rehabilitative services for elders. The programs emphasize rehabilitation where possible, and provide reality orientation programs, speech, physical and occupational therapies, exercise and recreation. An attempt is made to evaluate a person on entering the program and to chart progress over time. The programs are an alternative to institutionalization, and relief for high-risk elders' families. The Lincoln site ran out of space and has generated smaller "satellite" centers operated in Title VII nutrition sites at local churches.

ACTORS/ROLES: Planned by SUA staff; administered and implemented by staff at two professional health care centers, the Madonna Professional Care Center in Lincoln and the McAuley-Bergen Center in Omaha.

AREA SERVED: Lincoln and Omaha.

TARGET: High-risk elders over 60 and their families.

STATUS: In operation since 1975; expected to continue.

FUNDING: Started with Older Americans Act, Title III, Model Project (Sec. 308) funding, \$126,832. Model Project funds expired September, 1975. Program has been continued with county, United Way, and Social Security Act, Title XX funds, and client contributions.

MATERIALS: Brochures describing program services.

CONTACT: For brochures:
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Day Services Program
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

COLORADO
Legislation

DENTAL SERVICES

TITLE: Legislation Funds Elders' Dental Care Needs

DESCRIPTION: 1977 enabling legislation, SB 473, funded a pilot program to help improve the dental health of up to 1,200 elders. Those elders who qualify for the program will receive dentures at 20 percent of cost. Those who can't afford even this reduced fee will also be given service in cases of extreme hardship. Priority will be given to elders with the most pressing dental needs. By passing the Dental Care Act, the Colorado Legislature has recognized that for elders, dentures are not only necessary to good dental health, they are essential to adequate nutrition.

ACTORS/ROLES: A bi-partisan group of senators and representatives drafted and supported SB 473. A coalition including the Colorado Dental Association, Colorado Department of Health, and the Colorado Congress of Senior Organizations lobbied for passage.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over who are receiving old age pensions from the state.

STATUS: SB 473 enacted 7/77 with the pilot program to run from 10/1/77 through 3/31/78.

FUNDING: General state service appropriation, \$465, 270.

MATERIALS: Senate Bill 473, 1977.

CONTACT: For bill:
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Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 892-3521 (Legis.)

Senator Dennis Gallagher, Member
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VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOUTH DAKOTA
Legislation

DENTAL SERVICES

TITLE: Law Will Fund Dental Program for Institutionalized and Low-Income Elders

DESCRIPTION: The state Legislative Appropriations Committee has allocated funds to pay for dental work of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients and nursing home residents. This law recognizes that nutritional problems often result from elders' difficulties in eating. A full range of dental services is offered including bridgework and dentures.

ACTORS/ROLES: Department of Social Services studies the problem. The Legislative Appropriations Committee also assigned the Legislative Research Council to make an independent study of the problem and suggest appropriations for the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over who are recipients of SSI or residents of nursing homes.

STATUS: Legislation passed 3/77. Went into effect 7/1/77.

FUNDING: Total allotment for fiscal year '77 is \$420,000 - approximately \$150,000 from State General Revenue and remainder from federal funds. If funds are spent before end of FY '77, additional appropriations may be forthcoming in 1/78.

MATERIALS: Report from Legislative Research Council.

CONTACT: Representative Larry Anderson, Chair
Appropriations Committee
Rural Route 1
Hudson, South Dakota 57034 (605) 957-4505 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

WYOMING
Policy

BARRIERS - PHYSICAL MOBILITY

TITLE: Title V Monies and Local Funds Used to Remove Barriers for Disabled

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming's 1978 state plan says Wyoming will combine and adopt the National Council on Aging checklist for the removal of architectural barriers and the Building Survey to Develop Guides for the Handicapped developed by the Wyoming Governor's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped. This revised checklist will be used in assessing local programs. The SUA and the AAAs will encourage the use of Title V monies for renovation and repairs, in conjunction with volunteer labor and local funds, to remove architectural barriers. This year's outreach efforts will emphasize reaching not only low-income and minority elders but also disabled and isolated elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Governor's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped and the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation provides technical assistance and consulting expertise. The SUA and AAAs are developing guidelines and assessing local centers.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Disabled elders, especially those who are isolated.

STATUS: Assessments and plans for modifications to be made during 1978 fiscal year.

FUNDING: Local funding, with some Older Americans Act, Title V money; the amount depends on local projects and need.

MATERIALS: (Checklist for handicapped provisions is a publication of the National Council on Aging. Building Survey to Develop Guides for the Handicapped was developed by Wyoming's Governor's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped.)

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Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 (307) 777-7561 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

CALIFORNIA
Legislation

HEALTH SCREENING & TESTING

TITLE: Health Screening Program for Elders Provides Early Detection

DESCRIPTION: Assembly Bill 1610 establishes an adult preventive health program, similar to state services, at county and municipal levels. Public health nurses will provide consultation and early detection health screening at senior centers and Title VII nutrition sites. The program is aimed at decreasing institutionalization.

ACTORS/ROLES: Assembly Special Sub-Committee on Aging, SUA, Department of Health, and advocacy groups, including State Advisory Body, Gray Panthers, National Council of Senior Citizens, and the Legislative Council for Older Americans monitored model projects, discussed issue with key legislators and collaborated in drafting and lobbying efforts.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Enacted 10/77.

STATUS: Present and future generation of elders.

FUNDING: \$750,000 appropriation to provide municipalities and counties with nurses.

MATERIALS: Copy of bill: AB 1610.

CONTACT: For copy of bill:
Bill Room
California State Legislature
Sacramento, California 95814 (916) 445-2323

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VERIFIED: 4/79.

COLORADO
Program

PHYSICAL FITNESS

TITLE: Physical Fitness Program Prevents Heart Disease

DESCRIPTION: In 1976, the Colorado Heart Association sponsored a 10-week physical fitness program in Boulder for women, based on the theory that physical fitness is a key variable in preventing heart disease. An individual exercise program, based on a series of medical tests, was designed for each woman at the beginning of the program. Then the 15 participants met three times a week for one hour, and at the conclusion of the program they underwent the same medical tests to measure its effect on cardiac performance.

ACTORS/ROLES: Colorado Heart Association awarded a grant to a state legislator and a professor from the University of Northern Colorado to conduct the program. A doctor from the Human Performance Laboratory at the University of Colorado Medical Center assisted. The Boulder Senior Center publicized the program.

AREA SERVED: Boulder, Colorado.

TARGET: Women ranging in age from 60 to 81 with no history of cardiac problems participated in the program.

STATUS: Program ran from 10/76 to 12/76.

FUNDING: \$5,600 grant from the Colorado Health Association.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Representative Gwenne Hume, Member
House Appropriations Committee
1179 Ravenwood Road
Boulder, Colorado 80303 (303) 499-3952 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

NEVADA
Program

HEALTH MAINTENANCE

TITLE: Health Screening Made Accessible to Elders

DESCRIPTION: Two clinics for elders located in Reno and Las Vegas provide health screening services for urban elders. Physical examinations include check of blood pressure, dentistry, vision and hearing aids as well as treatment of minor ailments. Referrals are made for more extensive services when needed. Each clinic is staffed by Department of Health nurses and has three physicians, including a psychiatrist, on call. A unique feature of the program is that one day each week, the clinic is set up in a local community facility, such as a senior center or housing project, to make it easier for elders to obtain services in their own neighborhood. The clinic is open five days a week.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA approached County Health Department requesting staff and coordination. County Health Department provides nurses and outreach workers as well as facilities. Local senior centers provide facilities. Community professionals and elders contribute information and time to developing centers.

AREA SERVED: Currently urban. Development of a model for rural health screenings projected for next year. To become statewide eventually.

TARGET: Approximately 6000 urban elders 60 and over, including the handicapped, are currently benefiting from the services. A pilot project is being planned for delivery to rural elders.

STATUS: In operation since 9/76.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title III funds provide \$75,000/year for each clinic (in Reno and Las Vegas), for a three year period. Local county contributions equal \$45,000 per clinic for in-kind services.

MATERIALS: Evaluation report; data from survey of public hearings and local feeding sites regarding health needs of elders.

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VERIFIED: 4/79.

HEALTH

SOUTH DAKOTA
Program

PHYSICAL FITNESS

TITLE: Program Trains Health and Physical Fitness Instructors

DESCRIPTION: A program to train eight elementary or high school physical education instructors in the techniques of physical fitness for elders is scheduled to begin 9/77. Instructors trained by the South Dakota State University would learn geriatrics and prepare to conduct future training programs. They would teach elders and staff of senior centers about physical fitness for elders three times a week as field training to obtain an MA in physical fitness for elders. Another goal is to involve higher education and public school personnel in working with elders, thus creating an advocacy base for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA developed the training activities and coordinated curriculum development with the university which will provide the instruction. The Department of Public schools agreed to provide the physical education teachers to enroll in the program.

AREA SERVED: Initially eight instructors in different communities will serve two locations apiece, affecting 16 local communities. Eventually it would be statewide.

TARGET: Elders in general - physical education instructors. 500 elders expected to be involved in 1977.

STATUS: Expected to begin, 9/77.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act (OAA), Title IV(A), provides \$13,000 for program implementation.

MATERIALS: OAA, Title IV(A) narrative of application.

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Pierre, South Dakota (605) 224-3656 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

UTAH
Program

HEALTH SCREENING & TESTING

TITLE: Community Health Screening Provides Training and Services

DESCRIPTION: Salt Lake County is providing a free medical screening program for residents of a neighborhood containing high rise apartments with a high concentration of elders. Under the program, students from local schools of dentistry, nursing and social work (with faculty supervision) provide free tests of such things as blood pressure, heart function and vision. The program serves a dual function, providing a training center for students, and medical services for the community.

ACTORS/ROLES: Rocky Mountain Gerontology Center, University of Utah, recognized need, developed program and applied for funding. Health providers and graduate schools of social work, dentistry and nursing provide faculty supervisors and students in training. County supports program financially.

AREA SERVED: Urban high rise apartment buildings, Salt Lake County.

TARGET: Low income, high risk elders, and community in general.

STATUS: In operation since 9/76.

FUNDING: \$30,000 from county funds, in-kind services donated by the universities.

MATERIALS: Project narrative - Intermount Regional Medical Program.

CONTACT: Melvin White, Chairperson Utah State Division Advisory Council
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Salt Lade City, Utah 84112 (801) 581-8198 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

UTAH
Program

PHYSICAL FITNESS

TITLE: Weight Reduction Exercise Program

DESCRIPTION: A demonstration project in exercise and nutrition education for overweight elders has been developed by Utah State University (USU) in conjunction with the SUA. the program, designed to meet the nutritional and physical activity needs of elders, is to be presented in two Title VII nutrition sites in Davis County. The exercise program will be open to all elders wanting to participate. The weight watching aspect of the program will be limited to two groups of 25 and will include formal lectures on meal planning, and an ongoing group session conducted by a local mental health agency.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA supported and researched the exercise program for elders. Davis County AAA contacted various specialists and located USU resources to develop a series of nutrition education programs. Local health and mental health agencies developed the medical health form. Elders provided input regarding their needs and desires.

AREA SERVED: Davis County - two OAA, Title VII nutrition sites.

TARGET: Overweight elders aged 60 and over, who want to increase their physical fitness.

STATUS: Currently in planning stage, scheduled to begin 11/77, with two groups of 25 enrolled in total nutrition and weight watch program.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS: Outline of program; medical form filled out by doctor.

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Salt Lake City, Utah 84102 (801) 533-6422 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

IOWA
Legislation
Program

HOME HEALTH CARE

TITLE: Home Health Care Program

DESCRIPTION: House Bill 1589 appropriated \$1.6 million through the Department of Health directly to counties to fund public health nurses and homemaker services for elders and disabled persons. The goal of the program is to provide nursing home services for elders in their own homes as long as possible, as a means of reducing the number of institutionalized elders as well as state Medicaid costs.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Department of Health administers the program, which came about when the legislature examined rising Medicaid costs and found that in many cases elders could be more efficiently and humanely supported in their own homes. The legislation was supported by the Department of Social Services and the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: High-risk elders are especially affected, although the program is not specifically age-restricted.

STATUS: Passed in 5/77.

FUNDING: H.B. 1589 appropriates \$1.6 million in state funds for the services.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Congressman Greg Cusack, Chairperson
House Budget Committee
State House
Des Moines, Iowa 50319 (319) 281-3566 (Legis.)

For copy of bill and minutes:
Legislative Service Bureau
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

CALIFORNIA
Legislation

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

TITLE: Funding Helps Local Organizations Start Health Day Care Systems

DESCRIPTION: Assembly Bill 1612 (Chapter 1065) sets aside \$100,000 in state funds to match funds raised by local organizations to start health day care centers for elders. Aim of AB 1612 is to help local organizations with the start-up costs of health day care centers, on the assumption that once established, the centers will become self-supporting through donations and medicare reimbursement. (Companion bill to AB 1610 and AB 1611.)

ACTORS/ROLES: Assembly Special Sub-Committee on Aging studied issues; California Commission on Aging (State Advisory Body) developed advocacy strategies in concert with fifty elders' organizations; SUA also contributed to passage of bill.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Reach state's elders at risk. Long-term care system built on continuum-of-care concept is goal.

STATUS: Signed into law, 10/77. In effect since January 1978.

FUNDING: \$100,000 in state funds set aside to match local contributions; part of the 1977 Budget Act.

MATERIALS: Copy of bill: AB 1612.

CONTACT: For copy of bill:
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California State Legislature
State Capitol
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VERIFIED: 2/79.

HEALTH

MISSOURI
Program

RESEARCH

TITLE: Model Project Studies Alcohol and Drug Abuse

DESCRIPTION: Model project grant funds six month study of nature and extent of drug abuse among elders residing in and near St. Louis. Awarded to Lindell Hospital, a private facility; Washington University; and the State Department of Mental Health's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Unit. Grant provides counseling and treatment in addition to needs assessment services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Staff of State Mental Health Department and the School of Social Work at Washington University worked to secure the grant for an investigation of the problem.

AREA SERVED: Single county (metropolitan and greater St. Louis); potentially, impact on a serious national problem.

TARGET: Data acquisition documenting problem's dimensions, intended to cast light on consequences of loneliness and/or physician indifference for lives of elders and to advance knowledge of ways to prevent negative outcomes in polydrug use.

STATUS: Operational 12/77.

FUNDING: State Department of Mental Health's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Unit supplied initial six months funding. Project continuation depends on additional six months funding from SUA; request currently pending.

MATERIALS: Copy of grant proposal.

CONTACT: Ray McCarthy, Director
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St. Louis, Missouri 63108 (314) 637-3770 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HEALTH

**NORTH CAROLINA
Program**

CONFERENCES

TITLE: Citizens Make Recommendations For State Mental Health Policy

DESCRIPTION: Citizens of North Carolina came together to develop recommendations for a state policy on mental health at the Governor's Conference on Mental Health. Using the Report to the President of the President's Commission on Mental Health as a guide, conference participants chose recommendations that applied to North Carolina and decided upon creative ways to continue providing services utilizing limited resources. Sixteen task forces prepared working papers for breakout sessions held during the conference. Recommendations developed were submitted to the Governor to use as a policy framework by the Division of Mental Health/Mental Retardation. The Conference was innovative in that it allowed the participation of agencies and individuals who normally have little or no influence on public policy-making. The conference also sought the cooperation of the business sector to increase its awareness of the state's mental health concerns.

ACTORS/ROLES: State departments of: Administration, Policy Development Division; Human Resources, Mental Health/Mental Retardation; Office of the Governor; The University of North Carolina, Psychiatry Department; State Senator's office provided technical assistance staff to coordinate conference and advice on issues. In addition 80 mental health volunteer organizations and several hundred volunteers, patients and community leaders participated in the conference.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: All state residents will be affected by the choice of recommendations on mental health policy made at this conference.

STATUS: Planning began in September, 1978. Conference was held April, 1979. A task force was set up to implement recommendations.

FUNDING: \$50,000 from foundations, banks, insurance companies, other businesses and from the registration fee. \$4,000 loaned from state general services appropriation funds, repaid from private sources.

MATERIALS: A copy of the proceedings will be published.

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VERIFIED: 6/79.

HEALTH

**COLORADO
Program
Legislation**

DENTAL SERVICES

TITLE:

Community and Local Dentists Provide Elders with Dental Health Care

DESCRIPTION:

This community based dental health care program, run with a minimum of administrative work and cost, utilizes private citizens to assume part of the responsibilities of public health care. Local committees administer the program and provide outreach services to elders. The program provides dentures and denture related services such as bridge repairs and X-rays for elders who are receiving state pensions. The purpose of the program is to provide oral health to those persons whose income and resources are insufficient to meet the costs of these services, thereby enabling them to attain or retain their capabilities for independence and self-care. The state pays up to 80% of care costs with the patient/community paying the remainder.

ACTORS/ROLES:

A group of dentists and elders, the "Colorado Oral Health Task Force," introduced the project idea to the Colorado Legislative Council. The council drew up the proposal with technical help from the Colorado Health Department. The Colorado University School of Dentistry identified the problem and helped design the program. The legislature passed a bill creating the program, the Colorado Dental Care Act of 1977.

AREA SERVED:

Program is statewide, both urban and rural areas, with committees organized by planning and service areas.

TARGET:

Approximately 30,000 Old Age Pension recipients, aged 60 years or older, are eligible for the program.

STATUS:

Operational since October 1, 1977. Current legislation makes the program an ongoing one, subject to funding annually.

FUNDING:

State General Services Appropriation for fiscal year 1979-80, \$396,000.

MATERIALS:

Colorado Dental Care Act of 1977, Senate Bill (473), Free.

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6/79.

HEALTH

**MINNESOTA
Legislation**

ECONOMIC RESOURCES

- TITLE:** Pilot Program Finances Elders' Dental Care
- DESCRIPTION:** Economic inflation has forced many elders to forego the dental care they need to maintain optimal health. This pilot program is the first in the nation to provide elders whose incomes are above the medical assistance level with economic assistance for the receipt of dental care. It is testing the need for and feasibility of providing elders throughout the state with financial assistance for dental care. The program pays for 80 percent of the cost for any dental services received (except orthodontics) up to a maximum of \$500 per person each year. The study examines service delivery models, cost benefit analysis and program evaluation. Five elders will be engaged as volunteer clerical workers.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** SUA developed research design, screened and recruited participants, and contracted with insurance company. Minnesota Senior Federations and state legislators initiated the program's basic format and supports its progress and continuation.
- AREA SERVED:** An 11-county area, both urban and rural.
- TARGET:** About 1,750 low-income elders will be covered by pilot plan over a two-year period.
- STATUS:** Planning began 10/1/76. The demonstration project is lasting from 9/1/77 until 8/31/79; final report due 3/80.
- FUNDING:** \$815,000 from State General Revenue Sharing.
- MATERIALS:** Chapter 305, Laws of MN, 1976; Chapter 419, Laws of MN, 1977; Chapter 760, Laws of MN, 1978; Progress report to Minnesota State Legislature, 1979; Portnoy, R. and Yellowitz, J. -- "Minnesota's Pilot Dental Care Program for Senior Citizens" (mimeo). Additional publications are in progress.
- CONTACT:** Janet A. Yellowitz, Director
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- VERIFIED:** 2/79.

HEALTH

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Program

ECONOMIC RESOURCES

TITLE: Dental Care Brightens Elders' Smiles

DESCRIPTION: The Senior Citizens' Assembly for Bible Study has formed a corporation to make dental and prosthodontics services available to indigent elders. A person's health suffers from inadequately chewed food (resulting in poor digestion) and limited choices in food selection (resulting in malnutrition) due to missing or mis-arranged teeth. This program boosts not only the physical health of clients, but also their self-confidence by improving their abilities to eat and talk as well as their appearances.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Senior Citizens' Assembly for Bible Study applied for funds. Other agencies that provide funds and/or technical assistance to the program are: the Department of Human Resources, Howard University; AAA; the Social Rehabilitation Administration; and a local, private dentist.

AREA SERVED: Urban.

TARGET: 300 elders needing dental and prosthodontic services are helped each year.

STATUS: In operation since 8/4/77.

FUNDING: General local revenue sharing, \$47,667; Title III-OAA, \$3,000.

MATERIALS: None.

CONTACT: D. Richard Artis, Executive Director
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VERIFIED: 3/30/79.

HEALTH

**WASHINGTON
Program****EVALUATION****TITLE:**

Pre-Placement Screening Prevents Premature Institutionalization

DESCRIPTION:

To identify alternatives and prevent or delay premature institutionalization of elders who have been referred for residential care, the SUA developed a pre-placement screening program. Elders over 60 who are residing in the community and are being referred for the first time to residential care receive an in-home assessment by an information & assistance (I&A) worker in the aging network or a Community Services Office (CSO) worker. The assessment, medical information and the client's wishes are reviewed jointly by I&A and CSO staff to determine if the elder's needs can be met by community services. If the elder remains in the community, a case manager arranges and monitors the services. Pre-placement screening is the appropriate time to thoroughly assess elders' needs for community or residential services; prior to the program, a nursing care consultant was able to interview clients only after placement in a residential facility. The program coordinates two staffs to thoroughly serve a common client population and increases the awareness of elders, their families and physicians about the extensive community resources available.

ACTORS/ROLES:

SUA developed idea of pre-placement screening in an issue paper, after several projects in the state indicated the need. SUA developed data system, and with the Bureau of Community and Residential Care developed policies and trained workers.

AREA SERVED:

Statewide.

TARGET:

Elders over 60 living at home and referred to residential care. Program will be expanded to include elders discharged from hospitals.

STATUS:

Operational since 10/78.

FUNDING:

No special funds allocated. Work assumed by presently employed staff.

MATERIALS:**CONTACT:**

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Christine Parke, Program Specialist

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OB 43-G
Olympia, WA 95804 (206) 753-2502 (SUA)

VERIFIED:

Latest information, 3/79.

HEALTH

**NEW HAMPSHIRE
Program****HEALTH SCREENING AND TESTING**

TITLE: Agencies Collaborate in Organizing Health Fair

DESCRIPTION: National, regional, state and local agencies in New Hampshire are pooling efforts, resources and expertise for the first time to produce a successful Older Americans Health Fair. By cooperating with each other, the agencies eliminate inter-agency competition and duplication of effort and services. The Health Fair, scheduled for May 4th - 5th, offers free health screening for the public, with a special screening timetable for elders. The Health Fair will engage about 100 elders as volunteer guides and registration personnel.

ACTORS/ROLES: The State Council on Aging and the Concord, New Hampshire Chapter of the American Red Cross decided to schedule the Health Fair for May 4th and 5th. They coordinated with the Concord Hospital and the New Hampshire-Vermont Blue Cross who already had planned a comprehensive public health screening for those days. Every other health agency in the state also has been invited to participate in the event.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The Health Fair is open to the general public, but especially is aimed at frail or low-income elders, mentally impaired adults and the minority population. At least 1,000 elders are expected to receive health screening during the two-day fair.

STATUS: Planning began mid-January, 1979. Fair is scheduled for May 4th-5th, 1979.

FUNDING: Funded by New Hampshire-Vermont Blue Cross and the Concord New Hampshire Hospital, except for small charge for exhibitors' booths, and funding by AoA for national administration costs.

MATERIALS: None.

CONTACT: Clairia P. Monier, Director
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P.O. 786 - 14 Depot Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301 (603) 271-2751 (SUA)

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American Red Cross
167 North Main St.
Concord, New Hampshire 03301 (O) (603) 225-6697

VERIFIED: 6/11/79.

HEALTH

**DELAWARE
Program****HEARING AIDS**

TITLE: Services Available for Hearing-Impaired Elders

DESCRIPTION: In coordination with the state public health clinics, the SUA operates a program that provides audiological screening and hearing aids to elders who require them. While priority is given to low-income elders and those who suffer from advanced hearing loss, the program is open to all elders over 60. Most persons are referred from a state geriatric health screening program. Three or four elders over 55 are employed as outreach and social workers. The program provides a major health service to low-income elders through statewide organization.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA and state health department initiated program after determining results from needs assessments, and coordinated with senior centers and elders' network.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 400 Elders over age 60 per year, especially low income and physically-impaired elders.

STATUS: Operational since 10/78.

FUNDING: Title III-OAA, \$30,945; state health department funds and in-kind services, \$24,627.

MATERIALS: Brochure and description of grant objectives.

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VERIFIED: 3/79.

HEALTH

**SOUTH DAKOTA
Program****HOME CARE**

TITLE: South Dakota Seeks Alternatives to Institutionalization

DESCRIPTION: Ever since South Dakota discovered it was sending more elders, per capita, into nursing homes than any other state, it has been concentrating on providing home health care services as an alternative to institutionalization. The state is planning to offer three levels of care for elders: skilled nursing by registered nurses who may administer shots and incision dressings; intermediate nursing by health care aides who would do basic health maintenance services; and household care by homemakers who would do chores and housecleaning for elders. Elders would be among those employed as homemakers.

ACTORS/ROLES: Joint Appropriations Committee requested proposal from Health Department. Social Services Department would provide the homemakers. Health department would develop skilled and intermediate health care services for elders. County Nurses will be brought into the state-wide program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Frail elders risking institutionalization.

STATUS: In planning stage since 7/78. Scheduled to become operational 7/79.

FUNDING: Title III-OAA, \$400,000; unspecified amounts from Medicare and Medicaid.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Representative Larry Anderson, Co-Chairperson
Joint Appropriations Committee
Rural Route 1
Hudson, SD 57034 (605) 773-3625 (Legis)

VERIFIED: 6/8/79.

HEALTH

**SOUTH CAROLINA
Program**

MEDICAID

TITLE: Program Creates Liaisons Between Elders & Social Service Agencies

DESCRIPTION: The goal of a three year pilot project is to coordinate community planning and existing resources for long term health needs of chronically ill and disabled adults. Mandated by the state legislature, the project is governed by a council of five individuals representing community agencies and the governor's office.

In developing a model of assessment and service provision, the Long Term Care Policy Council (LTCP) purports to provide the basis for a state policy in long term care.

ACTORS/ROLES: LTCP designed and governs program; Legislative Advisory Committee provided technical assistance. Community Advisory groups planned the project and linkage among agencies.

AREA SERVED: Multiple-county, urban and rural.

TARGET: 2100 chronically ill or disabled adults per year; many of whom are older adults.

STATUS: Planning began November, 1977; operational July 1, 1979.

FUNDING: State General Services Appropriation; Appalachia Regional Planning Grant and Medicaid administrative funds.

MATERIALS: Project Summary and project proposal.

CONTACT: Sarah Shuptine, Director of Health & Human Service
Executive Office of Policy & Planning
Edgar A. Brown Building - Room 416
Columbia, SC 29201 (803) 758-7886 (legis)

Lillian McCreight, Project Director
Community Long Term Care Project
P.O. Box 1520
Columbia, SC 29202 (803) 758-2921 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

HEALTH

**UTAH
Program****RECREATION**

TITLE: Senior Olympics Challenge Elders To Excel

DESCRIPTION: The SUA, inspired by similar programs in other states, has organized an annual Senior Olympics in an attempt to encourage elders all over the state to engage in healthful physical activity. Winners are recognized at the annual Governor's Conference on Aging. About 50 elders are engaged statewide as coordinators and administrators for the program.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Senior Olympics Committee, composed of local retired persons who have been involved in sports, receives staff support from the SUA.

AREA SERVED: First, county competitions are held. County winners enter district competitions. District winners enter the state competition. Geographical area covered is thus statewide, including both urban and rural areas.

TARGET: About 1,000 elders, age 60 and above, compete in the Olympics each year.

STATUS: Planning began January 1, 1978. In operation since February 15, 1978.

FUNDING: \$250 per year from Title III, OAA funds.

MATERIALS: Eligibility forms available.

CONTACT: F. Leon Povey, Executive Director (801) 533-6422

Utah State Division of Aging
Dept. of Social Services
150 West North Temple, Rm. 326
Salt Lake City, UT 84103 (SUA).

VERIFIED: 3/30/79.

HEALTH

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Program

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Program Facilitates House Sharing Between Elders

DESCRIPTION: Program locates elder home owners who have available space in their homes and matches elders in need of housing. Survey of available homes and elders in need of housing conducted. Independent living shown as viable alternative to institutionalization or community care situation.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA administered program as Model Project for one year. Later referred applicants to Department of Human Resources for continued placement. Presently integrated into comprehensive social service program within South West Neighborhood House.

AREA SERVED: District of Columbia - citywide.

TARGET: As Model Project for one year - 300 elder applicants, 65 registered homeowners, 18 elders placed in homes. 200 applicants referred to Department of Human Resources upon discontinuance of program. Prevents institutionalization and links homeowners with elder renters.

STATUS: Presently administered by South West Neighborhood House in their comprehensive social service system. Started as one-year Model Project in SUA during fiscal year 1974-75.

FUNDING: South West Neighborhood House funded through contract from SUA, Older Americans Act, Title III funds. Block grant received for social services delivery system. Homeward Bound Program is one component of overall grant.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Curtiss E. Knighton, Acting Director
Department of Human Resources
Office on Aging
1012 14th St., N.W., Room 1106
Washington, D.C. 20015 (202) 724-5622 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Legislation

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: Bill Mandates Congregate Housing for Elders

DESCRIPTION: House Bill #5267 (pending) introduced in Spring 1977 requires the Commissioners of Aging and Community Affairs to design and monitor a project of congregate housing based upon their analysis of its effectiveness, cost, and feasibility. The purpose of this legislation is to respond to the need for specialized housing by providing an alternative to full-time institutional care. In addition, health and social services could be delivered in an economically feasible way while allowing necessary privacy and security as well. Through the sale of state bonds, a "Congregate Housing Fund for the Elderly" will be initiated to provide for capital grants, loans and advances to contracting housing authorities.

ACTORS/ROLES: Two representatives in the legislature were responsible for introducing and advocating this bill.

AREA SERVED: To be determined.

TARGET: Elders in Connecticut who are on fixed incomes and maintain relative independence despite modest assistance needs with significant aspects of daily living such as feeding, bathing, grooming, dressing or transferring.

STATUS: Enacted December 1977.

FUNDING: Envision a \$2 million price tag, raised through the sale of state bonds and placed in a special fund entitled "Congregate Housing Fund for the Elderly".

MATERIALS: HB 5267 - 1977.

CONTACT: Representative Joan Kemler
Connecticut House of Representatives
State Capitol
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 232-7577 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

DELAWARE
Program

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: Regulations and Licensing Legislated for Rest (Family Care) Homes

DESCRIPTION: Legislation created greatly needed licensing standards for safety, supervision, hygiene to regulate several hundred rest homes in Delaware. Homes provide permanent facilities, resident beds and personal care services for six or less persons who are normally able to manage activities of daily living. State Division of Public Health (DPH) responsible for licensing.

ACTORS/ROLES: Single legislator began project by investigations of these homes; soon had press and legislature involved. State DPH responsible for implementation and licensing; cooperates with SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, mostly in urban areas.

TARGET: 2000-3000 elders living in rest homes throughout state.

STATUS: Legislation passed in 1973; proposed new regulations (in draft form) modifying initial regs expected to be adopted soon.

FUNDING: State General Services Appropriation, part of state DPH annual operating budget.

MATERIALS: Rest (Family Care) Home Regulations.

CONTACT: Charles Hatfield, Division of Public Health
Jesse S. Cooper Building
Capitol Square
Dover, Delaware 19901 (302) 678-4731 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

MAINE
Program

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: Licensed Residential Home Emphasizes Independent Living

DESCRIPTION: Transformation of program outmoded by economic and social change (formerly Home for Aged Men) into dynamic living arrangement. Home's location, design and environment encourages active and independent living by residents with close ties to families, friends, community. Pioneer project in non-profit field.

ACTORS/ROLES: Board of Managers undertook comprehensive study of home's future role (1963). Home originally established in 1881. Assistance of advisory committee and private consultants for study. Result - hiring of architect, and project development. Board of Managers continues to guide home's policies and direction.

AREA SERVED: Primarily for residents of Greater Portland (Maine) area.

TARGET: Home serves low, marginal income persons aged 62 and over whose mental health and physical capabilities sufficient to insure independent living. Approximately 90 residents.

STATUS: On-going since major renovation of facility, 1970.

FUNDING: Owned and operated by privately endowed corporation; Older Americans Act Title III grant for supportive services to residents.

MATERIALS: Brochure and other information related to occupancy. Historical development information.

CONTACT: For brochures, contact:
J. Richard Beach, Administrator
Park Danforth
125 Danforth Street
Portland, Maine 04101 (207) 773-1786 (0)

For historical development information, contact:
Margaret M. Jones
51 Thomas Street
Portland, Maine 04101 (207) 774-4939 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MARYLAND
Program

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: Senate Bill Expands the Development of Sheltered Housing

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill No. 805, 1976, calls for the expansion of duties of the SUA to include development, certification and operation of sheltered housing for elders. Legislation reflects efforts begun in 1974 to develop alternatives to institutionalization. Sheltered housing combines independent housing with the provision of congregate meals and in-home services. The SUA developed series of training sessions for directors and staff of housing complexes to introduce them to the program, standards and guidelines for developing projects.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA assumed a major leadership role in developing program. Participation by existing housing units is expanding as program grows.

AREA SERVED: Currently 272 units of sheltered housing statewide.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) expand number of units of sheltered housing available from 272 to 1,000 by 1981; 2) provide training to housing project managers on needs of clients and potential for developing sheltered housing.

Population impact: 1) elders, 62 and over, who have temporary or periodic difficulties with activities of daily living.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: Operating subsidy from State General Fund; relies extensively on existing rent subsidy programs; coordination with services provided under Title XX of Social Security Act, and Title III of Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS: Senate Bill 805 (1976)
Summary of Sheltered Housing Governing the Administration of Sheltered Housing Programs (includes fiscal instructions and contract format)
Training Guide on Sheltered Housing for the Elderly

CONTACT: Jacob Yingling, Sheltered Housing Specialist
Maryland Office on Aging
301 West Preston Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201 (301) 383-5064 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

PENNSYLVANIA
Program

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: State Funds Domiciliary Care Program

DESCRIPTION: Provides supportive, homelike, community-based living arrangements for adults who cannot live independently. Provides special state supplement beyond Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payment. Enables SSI recipient and those with less than \$315 month income to live in certified home. State approved placement agency on local level combines income maintenance program and social services into integrated approach.

ACTORS/ROLES: Combined effort of four offices: SUA, Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Income Maintenance. Domiciliary Care Placement Agency is part of AAA. Task forces advise on Mental Health, Mental Retardation, Aging and Income Maintenance. Department of Labor and Industry enforces standards for physical requirements for home.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania, in nine planning and service areas in each region.

TARGET: Low income adults 18 years of age and over, with functional limitations, but not requiring skilled or intermediate care.

STATUS: Operational. Four pilot sites in state. Five additional sites to open in 5/77. 12 sites - total by 12/77. Task force met for over one and one-half years to develop regulations, organizational structure. In 11/75, implemented plans.

FUNDING: Funding for clients by state money from Office of Income Maintenance. Placement agencies funded through four offices listed above. Department of Health, Education and Welfare issued two year contract of \$300,000 to Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged of Boston to evaluate effectiveness and impact of program.

MATERIALS: Domiciliary Care Service Requirements, SSI Supplement for Domiciliary Care, Social Adjustment Assessment Form; Domiciliary Care: Homes and Families, Aging In Pennsylvania, June-July-August, 1976. Domiciliary Care In Pennsylvania, A New Approach, 10/15/76.

CONTACT: Dale Laninga, State Coordinator
Domiciliary Care Program
Pennsylvania Office for the Aging
P.O. Box 2675
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 787-1849 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

PENNSYLVANIA
Legislative

REGULATION OF INSTITUTIONS

TITLE: Legislation Proposes Team Inspection

DESCRIPTION: The emphasis on deinstitutionalization can produce housing problem for elders. This results in thousands of boarding homes opening without standards of safety or care. This legislative effort would license homes and provide social services to residents and team inspection of homes. Licensing will help improve conditions and provide suitable alternatives in housing.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislature initiated bill, with Senate leadership co-sponsors. Department of Public Welfare amended bill and assisted with Rights of Residents Section. Pennsylvania Association of Older Persons and Gray Panthers will testify at upcoming hearings. Departments of Health and Welfare, Environmental Resources and Labor will team-inspect homes. AAAs and SUA assisted in social services provision of bill.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania, statewide.

TARGET: Estimated one-quarter million elders will be affected. Emphasis on frail and handicapped. Spin off of legislation in urban areas may be tighter zoning changes in areas surrounding boarding homes.

STATUS: Formulation stage. Prefiling date 3/14/77. In past four years, two attempts made to pass similar bills. Special grand jury reports reveal present unsuitable conditions in community care homes in state. Now preparing for public hearings.

FUNDING: Authorization in bill of six million from general fund and licensing fees.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ted Hendrie, Administrative Assistant
Senate Health and Welfare, Committee on Youth and Aging
Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 783-1214 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

MAINE
Program

RURAL ELDERS

TITLE: Private Corporations Administer Rural Housing Programs

DESCRIPTION: Small housing projects - 12-40 units each - being built in very small rural communities. SUA promotes and assists private non-profit housing corporations to apply for funds from Farmers Home Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. 50-year mortgages with management responsibilities throughout mortgage term.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA housing specialist works with Farmers Home Administration, local townships and housing corporations.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with focus on small, rural towns.

TARGET: Program designed to meet housing needs of people who don't have living quarters that fit them. Three-fourths occupants are widows; some rental subsidies are available.

STATUS: On-going; since 1973, 652 apts. have been built.

FUNDING: Farmers Home Administration funds plus 2% operating capital from local governments and towns.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Waldo Gilpatrick, Housing Specialist
Bureau of Maine's Elderly
State House
Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2561 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

VERMONT
Program

PLANNING

TITLE: Program Coordinates Development of Housing Subsidy Projects

DESCRIPTION: This program employs a manager who assures utilization of federal rental subsidy funds. Assists in developing future housing projects for elders. Provides training and technical assistance to communities to strengthen local and regional capacity. Researches alternate forms of housing assistance for elders. Disseminates information about state and federal housing programs to relevant agencies.

ACTORS/ROLES: Vermont SUA administers and assesses program. Vermont Housing Finance Agency operates program through Program Manager. Seven AAAs and fourteen Regional Planning Commissions receive training and technical assistance. Housing coordination network sets policies and objectives. Consists of state agencies such as: Housing Authority, Housing Finance Agency, Agency of Human Services; and local and regional agencies such as: Regional Planning Commissions, local housing authorities, AAA's.

AREA SERVED: Vermont, statewide, rural.

TARGET: Elders in need of housing. Coordination of state, regional and local agencies dealing in housing. Develop AAA and Regional Planning Commissions' expertise in housing. Plans for housing for frail elders.

STATUS: Project period: 7/1/76-6/30/78. Conference in 11/75 defined housing need in state. Hope to continue program after 6/78 through local and regional efforts.

FUNDING: State administrative allotment funds, \$19,925.

MATERIALS: Proposal to Assist in Development of Senior Citizen Housing, 7/1/76.

CONTACT: For proposal:
Robert Stauffer, Chief of Operations
Vermont Office on Aging
81 River Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802)828-3471 (SUA)

Don Dickson, Elderly Housing Program Manager
Vermont Housing Finance Agency
135 Church Street, P.O. Box 408
Burlington, Vermont 05402 (802)864-5743 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

PENNSYLVANIA
Legislation

REGULATION OF INSTITUTION

TITLE: Agency Provides Loans to Nursing Homes to Comply With Standards

DESCRIPTION: An agency has been created as a public corporation to provide loans directly to eligible nursing homes for repair, reconstruction and rehabilitation in order to comply with state and federal life safety standards. General obligation bonds issued by state for loans. Applicants must serve reasonable ratio of medical assistance patients and meet Medicare and Medicaid standards. Must also show ability to repay loan and lack of other financing.

ACTORS/ROLES: General Assembly nursing homes and the Department of Public Welfare provided statistical information. Executive and legislative branch approached public through statewide referendum which was passed.

AREA SERVED: Pennsylvania, statewide. Loans in urban and rural areas.

TARGET: To provide low interest loans to any of the states' over 598 nursing homes. To increase number of beds. Assists over 75,000 elderly and disabled who live in nursing homes by providing improved services.

STATUS: Operational. Law enacted 7/74. Money available for loans, 5/75. Legislation initiated as result of homes non-compliance with federal regulations. After endorsement of state-wide referendum, General Assembly passed legislation.

FUNDING: As of 4/77, 70 loans approved for \$38.2 million. Appropriation of \$500,000 from General Fund attached to law for administrative costs. Statewide referendum authorized issuance up to \$100 million in tax exempt bonds to finance loans. \$25 million in bonds sold in 5/75, \$15 million in 3/77.

MATERIALS: Nursing Home Loan Agency Law - Act 207, 1974, Nursing Home Loan Agency pamphlet.

CONTACT: For law:
Gail Davis, Executive Director
House Health and Welfare Committee
Capitol Building, Room 247
Box 184, House of Representatives
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 783-8098 (legis)

For pamphlet: George Charney, Acting Director Nursing Home Loan Agency 403 South Office Building Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120 (717) 783-8523 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

MINNESOTA
Legislation

ADVOCACY - NURSING HOMES

TITLE: Office Reviews Health Facility Complaints

DESCRIPTION: Enacted legislation (Laws of Minnesota of 1976, Chapter 325) creates a new position, Director of Office of Health Facility Complaints, and empowers the director to employ an investigative staff to review complaints about a particular facility. Appropriates \$67,000 to provide aggressive advocacy function to residents of nursing homes and recipients of care facilities licensed by state.

ACTORS/ROLES: Key legislators initiated special joint House and Senate committee to study nursing home operation; SUA collaborated with them and legislative council staff in drafting process; variety of public interest groups (e.g., Minnesota Nursing Home Residents Association, Minnesota Social Services Association) lobbied to pass measure.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Designed to impact situation in which elders need advocacy. Measure drafted and passed in response to charges that the state has no legal authority to defend residents' rights.

STATUS: Office of Nursing Home Complaints located in the state Department of Health created upon enactment of bill 5/76; powers and duties of director effective upon appointment of a director 10/76.

FUNDING: Source is state treasury.

MATERIALS: Laws of Minnesota, 1976, Chapter 325.

CONTACT: Commissioner Warren Lawson, M.D.
State Department of Health
717 Delaware Street S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440 (612) 296-5460 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

TENNESSEE
Legislation

REGULATION OF INSTITUTIONS

TITLE: Minimum Regulations for Boarding Homes to be Gradually Implemented

DESCRIPTION: Legislation pending in Tennessee would establish minimum statewide standards for boarding homes. The distinctive feature of the legislation is its statewide application and the gradual implementation of regulatory standards. Rather than risk making boarders homeless (many of whom are elders) by instituting rigid across-the-board raises in standards, the bill's sponsors hope to gradually create change in the boarding homes over a reasonable period of time, and enhance the change via publicity, public education and legislative lobbying.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Governor's Advisory Council helping draft legislation; several legislators back and help prepare bill.

AREA SERVED: Potentially statewide.

TARGET: Substandard boarding homes, with spin-off educational value to nursing homes and elders living with their families. Currently, between 60,000 and 100,000 elders reside in boarding homes.

STATUS: Bill to be introduced 1978 assembly.

FUNDING: None at present.

MATERIALS: Copies of legislation, articles.

CONTACT: Edward G. High
Advisory Committee
Department of Biochemistry
Meharry Medical College
Nashville, Tennessee 37208 (615) 327-6345 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

FLORIDA
Legislation

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Home Placement Program Pays Families to Support Elders at Home

DESCRIPTION: S.B. 178 Sections 13-20 enacted in 1977 provides payments to families to keep elders in their homes. Payments range from 10% to 45% of lowest level of nursing home payments under Medicaid (\$53 to \$240) and may be used for clothing, housing and food. Medical expenses are also covered if the elder is not covered by Supplemental Security Income or other insurance.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS) reviewed and commented on draft legislation and will implement the program.

AREA SERVED: Two pilot locations in Tallahassee and Dade County with plans to expand statewide.

TARGET: Elders 65 years and over who need daily care to prevent institutionalization. 150 placements to be made in fiscal year 1977-78.

STATUS: Program effective 7/77.

FUNDING: 1977 legislation appropriated \$500,000 in new state funds.

MATERIALS: CS/SB 178 and proposal. Staff evaluations.

CONTACT: Letitia Croft,
Program Office of Aging and Adult Services
Building 2, Room 328
1323 Winewood Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (904) 488-2881 (SUA)

For S.B. 178:
Larry Carnes, Staff Director
Senate Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services
400 Senate Office Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32304 (904) 488-6348 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

OHIO
Program

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Golden Age Villages Offer Model Congregate Housing for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Eligible residents from the community as well as mental institutions who are able to function independently may make application to the model residences. These provide housing, meals, preventive health services and other social and recreational services, for which residents make separate payments. Residents have their own individual apartments and live independently. Payment for services other than housing are made in keeping with the standard applied by Metropolitan Housing, and are at a price lower than cost. The State of Ohio underwrites the difference between the actual cost and fees paid.

ACTORS/ROLES: Metropolitan Housing Authority provided federal funds for the housing units. The State of Ohio Provided funds for the community service building, the clinic and the space for the other services. The SUA operates the program and provides the subsidy funds received through its appropriation.

AREA SERVED: Two residences are located in Columbus and Toledo.

TARGET: Former residents of mental institutions (approximately 25% of the residents) and low income elders needing housing. In one complex there are 225 residents and in the other complex there are 100 residents.

STATUS: Operational since 9/67 in Toledo and 3/68 in Columbus.

FUNDING: State general revenue and rent fees.

MATERIALS: Descriptive materials of program; literature given to residents.

CONTACT: Kenneth M. Mahan, Assistant Director
Operations Division
Ohio Commission on Aging
50 W. Broad St./9th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

ILLINOIS
Program

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

TITLE: SUA Develops A Directory of Elder Housing

DESCRIPTION: The SUA has developed a directory which contains statewide information regarding housing units for elders. Indexing of the document allows access by county and by city within each county. Format provides one page for each as management office, contact person, number of units for elders, description of housing development as well as units within it, special requirements and services available.

ACTORS/ROLES: Two graduate students doing field experience with the SUA gathered the information and developed the directory. Local government agencies unable to respond to citizens' information needs requested a directory to provide data on statewide basis.

AREA SERVED: Statewide data included in the directory covers housing units throughout the state. Directory is available in all AAA offices as well as Older Americans Act Title VII nutrition sites and state housing authority offices.

TARGET: Elders in general requesting information about housing, including current state residents as well as potential future residents.

STATUS: Collection of data completed 6/77; will go to print 8/77.

FUNDING: SUA administrative funds of approximately \$3,200 for graduate students and printing.

MATERIALS: Directory of Elderly Housing Facilities in Illinois.

CONTACT: Josephine Oblinger, Director
Department of Aging
2401 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-4917 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

ILLINOIS
Legislation

NURSING HOMES

TITLE: Bill Requires Public Access to Evaluation of Nursing Homes

DESCRIPTION: Bill would provide for the State Department of Public Health (DPH) to make available to the public on request information regarding current evaluation of nursing homes, sheltered care homes or homes for the aged which it licenses. Information could be obtained by telephone or mail requests. Regulatory power of the DPH passed in 1976 giving authority to close a facility after unsatisfactory evaluation.

ACTORS/ROLES: Joint Legislative Subcommittee on Long Term Care held public hearings and drafted legislation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Consumers-residents and prospective residents of nursing homes.

STATUS: Defeated in Senate, 1977, will be reintroduced in 1978 session.

FUNDING: Uncertain.

MATERIALS: Proposed legislation, 3/77, H.B. 625.

CONTACT: Eugena Chapman, Chairperson
House Human Resources Committee
16 South Priceton Court
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005 (312) 253-7008 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MINNESOTA
Program

RESEARCH

TITLE: Study Looks At Costs of In-Home and Nursing Home Care

DESCRIPTION: The SUA is sponsoring a study which is being conducted by the School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota to compare the cost and benefit of long-term in-home and nursing home care. The study is designed to look at elder, chronically ill service clients in both settings in terms of each person's health status, personal characteristics, and the impact of care and setting on the individual's life. Included in the study are approximately 350 older persons served by seven home care agencies and 350 residents of twelve nursing homes, all in the same three counties and all with varying functional abilities. The study will look at the benefits and total cost for all services received, living expenses and the non-monetary costs of donated services.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA and the School of Public Affairs provided the impetus for the grant proposal, after earlier collaboration in studying non-institutionalized older people. Research team includes staff formerly with SUA.

AREA SERVED: Sample of approximately 700 elders in 3 counties, currently receiving in-home or nursing home care.

TARGET: Potentially, entire United States population of elders needing long-term care. Goal: get more accurate data on actual costs and outcomes of in-home care services so as to facilitate debate toward expanded federal funding for a continuum of long-term care services.

STATUS: Operational 9/75; now in second of three years.

FUNDING: Title IV (4B) Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dr. Nancy N. Anderson, Associate Professor
School of Public Affairs
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55465 (612) 373-0140 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

UTAH
Legislation

HOME REPAIR

TITLE: Emergency Housing Funds will Assist Low Income Households

DESCRIPTION: HB 57 sets aside \$2.5 million in state funds to finance emergency repairs and rent payments for low-income families in the state. The repairs section of the bill provides funding for major repairs, like rehabilitation after a fire or flood, as well as for relatively minor improvements like a new furnace or water heater. These funds are earmarked for supplies, on the assumption that the labor for these repairs will be provided as in-kind services by the community.

The emergency rental section of HB 57 provides funding for temporary shelter for displaced families who meet income requirements. Though not aimed specifically at elders, the impact of this legislation is felt primarily in the households of Utah's older citizens.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Housing Division of the State Department of Community Affairs together with local low-income housing groups recognized the need and drafted legislation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low income households - the majority of which are homes of elders.

STATUS: HB 57 enacted 4/22/77.

FUNDING: \$2.5 million from general revenue sharing fund.

MATERIALS: HB 57 - 4/22/77; Expenditure Report - Emergency Appropriation for Housing; Handbook of Rules & Regulations for the Administration of the Low Income Housing Appropriation of 1977.

CONTACT: Wyllis Dorman-Ligh
634 E. 700 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102 (801) 859-2280 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

ALASKA
Program

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

TITLE: Housing Development Program

DESCRIPTION: Housing is a key issue in Alaska because of the state's severe climate and access difficulty. In 1976, in response to efforts by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs and the SUA, Alaska passed a \$7.5 million general obligation bond for development of elders' housing. The Department of Community and Regional Affairs' Division of Community Planning began implementation of the program by conducting a study of Alaska's housing alternatives for elders, and reviewing a list of recommendations from the Senior Citizens Housing Advisory Committee. The committee recommended that the division: 1) require housing to be safe and comfortable to meet elders' needs, 2) recognize community differences by not setting statewide standards and regulations, and 3) establish local steering committees made up of elders to work jointly with housing sponsors.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Department of Community and Regional Affairs and SUA played key roles during the legislative effort with support from various elder groups.

AREA SERVED: Housing sites to be located statewide and distributed among urban centers, regional centers and small villages.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over.

STATUS: 300 units to be built statewide. 150 currently under construction and scheduled to be completed early in 1978.

FUNDING: State general obligation bond, \$7.5 million.

MATERIALS: Housing for Elderly Alaskans: Options for Administration of the Senior Citizens Housing Development Fund, May 1977.

CONTACT: For Report:
William Arterburn, Housing Program Administrator
Division of Community Planning
Department of Community and Regional Affairs
511 W. 4th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501 (907) 271-1721 (0)

Dover Kull, Member
Senior Citizens Housing Advisory Committee
Mendenhall, Apt. 1010
326 4th St.
Juneau, Alaska 99801 (907) 586-2670 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

OREGON
Legislation

RENT ASSISTANCE

TITLE: Homeowner and Rent Relief Program Increases Elders' Benefits

DESCRIPTION: A top priority in elder legislation passed in 1977 was expansion of homeowner and renter relief. HB 2040 combines Oregon's Elderly Rental Assistance Program with its General Homeowner and Renter Relief Program and increases benefits to elders under the new expanded program. The new program lowers elders' eligibility age from 65 to 58 and increases the maximum income for eligibility from \$3,000 to \$5,000. The maximum rental assistance refund is \$2,100 a year.

Combining the two major elements -- homeowner and renter relief and elder rental assistance -- results in an applicant for either of these programs having to file only one standard form reducing the amount of red tape. The State Department of Revenue is required by law to review the application and grant the largest refund the elder is eligible for under the two programs.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislation drafted by Legislative Council with support from the Housing Division and the House Committee on Aging.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elder renters age 58 and over with incomes under \$5,000.

STATUS: Passed 1977 and will take effect 1/1/78.

FUNDING: \$193 million appropriated in general funds with about one-third going to eligible elders.

MATERIALS: House Bill 2040, 1977.

CONTACT: Representative Robert Marx, Chair
House Committee on Aging
Route 1, Box 64C
Mammoth, Oregon 97361 (503) 623-2033 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

UTAH
Program

RESEARCH

TITLE: Housing Home Personnel Turnover Report Looks at Job Dissatisfactions

DESCRIPTION: Researchers from the Rocky Mountain Gerontology Center have completed a study of the reasons for the high turnover rate of long-term care facility staff. They interviewed current and former administrators, nurses, cooks, and aides from residential care facilities to discover the sources of job dissatisfaction. The resulting report contains suggestions for correcting these problems which, if followed, would directly affect the quality of care for residents.

ACTORS/ROLES: Rocky Mountain Gerontology Center, University of Utah, conducted the study. Federal Office of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) office of Long Term Care Facilities funded the study.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Residents and employees of nursing homes; policy makers in nursing home services.

STATUS: Study completed and published, 8/77.

FUNDING: HEW Office of Long Term Care Facilities paid for staff and publishing.

MATERIALS: Report: Personnel Turnover in Long Term Care Facilities - A Study of Nursing Homes in Utah.

CONTACT: Melvin White, Chairperson, Utah State Division Advisory Council
Rocky Mountain Gerontology Center, University of Utah
1056 Annex Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84112 (801) 581-8198 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

HOUSING

**VERMONT
Program
Policy**

CONGREGATE HOUSING

TITLE: SUA Calls for Innovative Housing Project Proposals

DESCRIPTION: SUA initiated guidelines to encourage AAAs to develop congregate housing demonstration projects for elders over 60. This program is important because it demonstrates a commitment by the SUA to fund and maintain innovative and experimental housing projects to best serve elders.

The projects provide residential living with supportive services. Tenants' eligibility is determined by HUD Section 8 criteria, with up to one-third of the residents in the frail or semi-independent category. Five elders are employed as project managers. The demonstration projects provide an alternative to institutionalizing elders, especially those in rural areas, and encourage developers to consciously meet the needs of the elders' community. The congregate housing units create a more efficient delivery of services and strengthen the role of senior centers.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated demonstration project, created guidelines and administers development of proposals by AAAs; state housing finance agency assisted in developing guidelines and promotes the concept with housing developers.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 100 elders over age 60 per year, including frail, low-income and physically impaired elders.

STATUS: Operational since 7/78; terminates 9/80 unless extended by state funding.

FUNDING: Titles III, V & VII-OAA.

MATERIALS: Demonstration Project Guidelines Manual.

CONTACT: Marg Whittlesey, Chair
State Advisory Council on Aging
Knight Pt. Farm
No. Hero, Vermont 05474 (802) 241-2400 (SUA)

Charles Castle, Aging Specialist
Vermont Office on Aging

VERIFIED: Latest information, 3/79.

HOUSING

**DELAWARE
Legislation****PROPERTY TAX RELIEF**

TITLE: Low-Income Homeowners Save on School Taxes

DESCRIPTION: This legislation would allow homeowners to stop paying school taxes. To qualify for exemption, a single homeowner would need an income not exceeding \$3,000 annually. A homeowner with a spouse must have an income not exceeding \$6,000 annually. The deduction also is based on assessed value of the elder's home. At this time, each county decides their own rate of deduction, ranging from \$5,000 to \$12,000. This legislation would make the deduction criteria uniform throughout Delaware. By lifting some tax burden from low-income elders, the state hopes ultimately to save revenue by keeping elders financially self-sufficient and preventing them from needing public housing and institutionalization.

ACTORS/ROLES: Delaware State Legislature introduced the program and prepared the legislation in 1978.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 65 who qualify financially for proposed school tax exemption.

STATUS: Operational since March, 1979.

FUNDING: No funding necessary.

MATERIALS: Descriptive information available through the legislative council. Copy of Bill No. 8, Chapter 14, Title 14 of the Delaware Code also available.

CONTACT: Daniel Kelly, Representative
101 Lynam Avenue Stonehurst
Wilmington, DE 19805 (302) 998-2383

Maryann Anderson, Representative
Legislative Hall
Dover, DE 19901 (302) 678-4449

VERIFIED: 2/22/79.

HOUSING

NEW YORK
Legislation

CRIME

TITLE: Harsher Sentences Mandated for Crimes Against Elders

DESCRIPTION: Crime prevention number one concern of elders in New York state. Series of hearings on issue resulted in concept as major recommendation from elder groups, clubs and organizations to combat crime problem: harsher mandatory sentences for convicted criminals whose victims are age 62 and over. One provision of bill reduces instances for plea bargaining down sentence in cases covered by this law.

ACTORS/ROLES: State legislature and elder groups lobbying for this type of legislation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, but emphasis in high crime areas.

TARGET: Elders (age 62 and over) living in high crime areas: New York city where 40% of state's 2.4 million elders live and Buffalo where 50,000 reside.

STATUS: Bill passed legislature, but vetoed by governor, August, 1977. Will be reintroduced.

FUNDING: No appropriations.

MATERIALS: Copy of pending bills on crime prevention.

CONTACT: Ron Rouse, Program Analyst
Assembly Committee on Aging
Room 831, Legislative Office Building
Albany, New York 12248 (518)472-3540 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

MAINE
Program

LEGAL SERVICES

TITLE: Maine Offers First Statewide Legal Services Program for Elders in the Nation

DESCRIPTION: All elders in state of Maine can have access to legal advice and assistance via statewide Legal Services for the Elderly program. Staffing by one full-time attorney and six elder legal assistants (paralegals). Major objectives: actual provision of service to elders; presentations with purposes to educate and inform older Maine residents of rights, responsibilities and benefits under law and to alert community to availability of legal assistance.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Unit on Aging (SUA) responding to need as identified by senior groups and consumers. Coordination and close contact with five Area Agencies on Aging, Maine State Bar Association, Maine Advisory Body, University of Maine School of Law, and other legal assistance programs.

AREA SERVED: Statewide covering both urban and rural areas.

TARGET: Over 1,000 low income elders (over 60 years of age) per year receive legal services; many other individuals and organizations benefit from education and technical assistance components of program.

STATUS: On-going since 1974.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Model Project, Title III, section 308 funds with match from SUA.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Julie S. Jones, Legal Services Developer
Legal Services for the Elderly
P.O. Box 2723
Augusta, Maine 04330 (207) 289-2561 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

VERMONT
Program

EDUCATION/TRAINING

TITLE: Legal Services Outreach Program Educates Elders

DESCRIPTION: Provides legal services, counseling and direct client representation to elders. Educates elders about legal services and functions of an attorney. Educates lawyers about needs of elders. Six VISTA lawyers work in each regional legal aid office under attorney supervision. Community outreach workers link attorneys and elders needing legal services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Administered by Vermont SUA. Coordinated with State Advisory Body, Legal Services Advisory Committee, Vermont Legal Aid, Inc., Vermont Bar Association, and AAAs. Also coordinated with Administration on Aging, ACTION and Legal Research and Services for the Elderly, Inc. on federal level.

AREA SERVED: Statewide, rural Vermont.

TARGET: Rural elders needing legal assistance and counseling. Estimated 320 counseled, 160 represented, 50 referred to private bar since inception.

STATUS: Operational since 1976. Planned transfer of program to AAAs in 1977.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act - Title III, Section 308, Model Project, \$20,000. Vermont administrative funds, \$43,000, ACTION-VISTA grant, \$13,347.

MATERIALS: Older Americans Act, Model Project, Title III, section 308 grant application - 11/2/76; VISTA Project Narrative - 4/30/76.

CONTACT: Robert Stauffer, Chief of Operations
Vermont Office on Aging
81 River Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05602 (802) 828-3471 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

WEST VIRGINIA
Program

LEGAL SERVICES

TITLE: Senior Advisor Program Gives Paralegal Aid to Elders

DESCRIPTION: The West Virginia SUA contracts with the State Department of Welfare to provide paralegal assistance to elders. The SUA then subcontracts with the four federally funded Legal Services Corporation grantees serving low-income persons in West Virginia to administer the program and provide supervision and training for 22 part-time elder advisors covering 29 counties. Responsibilities of the Senior Advisors include: 1) helping older persons apply for and receive statutory benefits; 2) helping older persons resolve housing, consumer, property, and tax matters; 3) screening applicants for referral to an attorney or to various social services; 4) working with attorney on appeals and hearing; 5) conducting community legal education.

ACTORS/ROLES: The West Virginia Department of Welfare and the West Virginia Commission on Aging are the contracting parties under Title XX. The program is administered through a cooperative effort of four federally funded Legal Services Corporation grantees, and the Council of Senior West Virginians. The senior advisors coordinate their services with and receive case supervision from the legal services program covering their county or counties. Many of the advisors are 55 or older.

AREA SERVED: 29 of the state's 55 counties are currently served.

TARGET: To expand access to legal services for both institutionalized and non-institutionalized elderly, with focus on low-income, vulnerable, or isolated older persons. Since group eligibility has been obtained for legal services to persons 60 or older under Title XX, there are no income or resource restrictions on eligibility for this service. 2,000 or more clients per year will be served.

STATUS: Operational, since 1976.

FUNDING: Social Security Act Title XX matched with SUA state funds.

MATERIAL: Off Our Rockers, Annual Report, West Virginia Commission on Aging, 1978.

CONTACT: Alice Green, Legal Services Specialist
West Virginia Commission on Aging
State Capitol
Charleston, West Virginia 25305 (304) 348-2241 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

LEGAL

OHIO
Legislation

CRIME PREVENTION

TITLE: Bill Encourages Increased Police Protection for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Pending bill would encourage cooperation and provide incentives for local law enforcement agencies to increase protection for elders in high crime areas, particularly senior centers, banks, medical centers, and shopping areas.

ACTORS/ROLES: Initiated by SUA, which researched the problem. Cooperation from Senate Subcommittee on Aging which set up hearings and took testimony.

AREA SERVED: Primarily urban - specifically where elders reside, shop and obtain medical services.

TARGET: Local law enforcement agencies are encouraged to implement programs.

STATUS: In committee 7/77.

FUNDING: None at this time.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Representative Troy Lee James, Chairperson
House Aging Subcommittee
Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 466-8043 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

LOUISIANA
Legislation

CRIME PREVENTION

TITLE: Additional Penalties May Defer Felony Against Elders

DESCRIPTION: H.B. 175 provides that any person convicted of manslaughter, simple or forcible rape, aggravated and simple assault and battery serve a minimum of five years if victim is 65 years and over. There is no benefit of parole, probation or suspension of sentence. Lack of knowledge of victim's age is not a defense. Additional penalties may deter crimes against elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Jefferson Parrish Council on Aging, Senior Citizens Voters Caucus and American Association of Retired Persons supported bill; Subcommittee on Aging drafted bill, and referred it to House Committee on Criminal Justice.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Reduce crimes perpetrated against elders 65 and over in state. State's corrections system may retain prisoners longer because of legislation.

STATUS: Proposed 4/77; signed into law 6/77.

FUNDING: No new appropriations.

MATERIALS: H.B. 175 - 4/77.

CONTACT: Peter Caldwell, Legislative Analyst
Subcommittee on Aging
Joint Legislative Committee on Health and Human Resources
P.O. Box 44261
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 (504) 389-2695 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

SOUTH CAROLINA
Legislation

REGULATION OF INSTITUTIONS

TITLE: Monetary Penalty System Established Licensure Violations in Community Care Facilities

DESCRIPTION: 1976 law established penalties of from \$50 to \$500 per violation for any state licensure violation in the operation of hospitals, nursing homes, and intermediate facilities. Fair appeal system is written into the bill; prosecution can be halted and penalties removed if compliance within 30 days.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislation developed out of collaboration among the SUA, the nursing home ombudsman, the House and Senate Joint Study Committee on Aging and key legislators. Joint study committee drafted bill after holding hearing.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Institutionalized elders. To upgrade facilities by replacing the previous enforcement mechanism of closing down a facility.

STATUS: Enacted June 1976.

FUNDING: No funds appropriated at present; enforcement out of on-going budget of Department of Health and Environmental Control.

MATERIALS: Bill: Ratification #715, 7/76.

CONTACT: Sarah Shuptrine, Administrative Assistant
South Carolina Legislative Joint Study Committee
on Aging
302 Columbia Building (803) 758-8601/
Columbia, South Carolina 29201 772-1131 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

ILLINOIS
Program

ORGANIZATIONAL NETWORK

TITLE: AAAs Coordinate Legal Services Delivery System

DESCRIPTION: The legal services delivery system for elders and the disabled has been developed on local level with AAAs coordinating legal societies who train and supervise lay advocates. Services include help with homestead tax exemption forms, wills, insurance claims, social service application, divorce, consumer fraud, and more.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA researched needs and community resources throughout the state. Administration on Aging (AoA) presented regional workshops. Local AAAs coordinated activities of legal societies engaged in training and ongoing supervision.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - especially rural areas.

TARGET: Low income, ethnic, rural and minority elders.

STATUS: Training commenced 10/76; 130 lay advocates trained as of 7/77.

FUNDING: AoA - for administrative costs; governor's 4% discretionary funds; Older Americans Act Titles III and VII for training staff.

MATERIALS: Training manual for local AAAs.

CONTACT: Mike Phelps, Project Director
Titles III and VII
Illinois Department of Aging
2401 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-5773 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

TENNESSEE
Program

EDUCATION/TRAINING

TITLE: Project Trains Elders as Paralegals

DESCRIPTION: To institute a statewide network of elder paralegals, 112 persons have been trained in a 40-hour course by the three accredited law schools in the state. 25 of these are employed as paralegals at local centers; the rest act as liaisons and information and referral persons familiar with the law in their communities. The nursing home ombudspersons have also received the paralegal training. The goal is to facilitate the provision of legal services and the protection of the law to previously unprotected clientele. Several of the paralegals "ride circuit" to rural elders to inform them of their rights and deal with legal problems. A Tennessee Public Benefits Manual has been developed and distributed to those working in the aging network.

ACTORS/ROLES: Developed by SUA.

AREA SERVED: Currently operational in four of nine development districts.

TARGET: By 1978 hope to have two-thirds of districts covered; eventually statewide.

STATUS: Operational since 3/77.

FUNDING: \$100,000 Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) grant pays for 25 elder paralegals plus paralegal coordinator; Older Americans Act Title IVA carryover grant of \$25,000 will develop and implement paralegal training program.

MATERIALS: Reprint of article on program.

CONTACT: Margaret Strome, Paralegal Coordinator
Tennessee Commission on Aging
Room 102, S&P Building
306 Gay Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37402 (615) 741-2056 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

ALABAMA
Legislation

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

TITLE: Bill Provides Protective Services for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Act Number 780 prohibits the abuse, neglect or exploitation of elder or disabled adults and provides protective services for such persons. Requires mandatory reporting by physicians and others of abuse. Exempts persons reporting such abuse from liability. Provides penalties for abuse, and for failure of doctors and other health practitioners to report abuse.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA helped draft the act.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Disabled (mentally or physically) adults.

STATUS: Enacted 5/77.

FUNDING:

MATERIALS: Copy of Act #780.

CONTACT: John Henig, Legal Services Developer
Commission on Aging
740 Madison Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (205) 832-6640 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

FLORIDA
Legislation

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

TITLE: Adult Protective Services Act Empowers Social Workers

DESCRIPTION: Committee Substitute Senate Bill 178, Section 1 through 12, authorizes a social worker from the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS), when accompanied by a law enforcement official, to forcibly enter a premise if neglect, abuse or maltreatment is suspected. If the social worker and the law enforcement official determine that it appears probable that there is danger, the elder, upon court order, may be involuntarily removed. Emergency services may be provided for up to four additional days.

ACTORS/ROLES: Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services drafted the legislation with review and comment by HRS.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: High risk elders.

STATUS: Will be enacted 10/77.

FUNDING: \$160,000 in new funds; \$40,000 in state general funds, and \$120,000 in Social Security Act Title XX funds.

MATERIALS: Copy of CS/SB 178 and staff report.

CONTACT: Marjorie Turnbull, Staff Director
Helena Sims, Legislative Analyst
House Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services
Room 426, House Office Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32304 (904) 488-8315 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

OKLAHOMA
Legislation

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

TITLE: Protective Services Law Designed to Maximize Elders' Rights

DESCRIPTION: S.B. 309 is designed to provide protective services without unduly restricting personal liberties or resorting to institutionalization. Assigns major responsibilities to Welfare Department system, giving them authority to deal with other agencies and with court system. Sets out Welfare Departments' powers in a system of regular practices instituted to address elders' rights.

ACTORS/ROLES: Oklahoma City's Coalition of Older People studied dimensions of problem with assistance from AAA #8. State Unit on Aging advocated for resulting recommendations. Resource persons from private social service agencies and law school faculties consulted with legislative council staff in drafting the bill which was coauthored by key legislators.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders age 70 and over. Goal: 1) find routes to provide protective services other than institutionalization, and 2) redefine and emphasize civil rights of elders undergoing problems of incompetency.

STATUS: Enacted 6/15/77.

FUNDING: Presume none required as protective services provided out of ongoing budgets, particularly of State Welfare Department. Law is mechanism to strengthen provider capabilities.

MATERIALS: Senate Bill 309, 1977.

CONTACT: Michael Rowten, Research Services Division
Oklahoma State Legislature
Legislative Council Staff
Room 305, State Capitol Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 (405) 521-3201 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: .1/79.

LEGAL

OREGON
Policy

INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Law Enforcement Council Agreement

DESCRIPTION: The Law Enforcement Council (LEC) and the SUA have made an agreement to develop a clear understanding of each agency's roles and responsibilities. In practice, the agreement means the two agencies will develop closer communication and clearly define their mutual and related goals to insure more efficient use of resources in providing criminal justice services for elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: LEC proposed the agreement to the SUA. LEC is the planning agency; SUA provides technical assistance.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Agreement signed 6/77.

FUNDING: Programs will be funded by LEC with state and federal discretionary funds.

MATERIALS: Cooperative agreement between the Oregon Law Enforcement Council and the SUA.

CONTACT: Don Mezirow, Evaluation Specialist
Office of Elderly Affairs
772 Commercial St., S.E.
Salem, Oregon 97310 (503) 378-4728 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

IDAHO
Legislation

INSURANCE REGULATION

TITLE: No Fault Insurance Bill Tabled in Committee

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill 1107 would have required drivers to carry \$50,000 in medical liability insurance. However, it was argued that persons who were covered by a pension plan or medicaid should qualify for a medical liability insurance waiver which would reduce the cost of their insurance premiums. This issue of double coverage stalled the bill in 1977. However, there is a movement to reintroduce an amended version of the bill.

ACTORS/ROLES: The American Insurance Association drafted and lobbied for the bill. The Idaho Advisory Council on Aging endorsed the bill providing that a waiver would be granted in cases of double coverage.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The bill was intended for the general populace; there would have been an economic impact on elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Tabled in the House Judiciary and Rules Committee.

FUNDING: None attached to the bill.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Senator John Barker, Chair
Committee on Health, Education and Welfare
Route 4, Box 422
Bulle, Idaho 83116 (208) 543-4372 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

CALIFORNIA
Legislation

RETIREMENT - MANDATORY

TITLE: Mandatory Retirement Outlawed

DESCRIPTION: Age discrimination in retirement is banned by two laws (Assembly Bill 568, Chapter 852 for the public sector and Assembly Bill 586, Chapter 851 for the private sector), which assure older employees able to demonstrate job performance competence a choice between retiring and working on. Designed for working elders who lack retirement benefits, adequate savings, and/or psychological readiness to retire.

ACTORS/ROLES: California Commission on Aging, the Senior Network, and key legislators were part of a very broad effort throughout state to work for passage of both measures.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Older workers who need to keep working because of financial problems (like lack of pension, or dependent parents who aren't getting social security or welfare), as well as those elders who simply want to keep working for their own fulfillment.

STATUS: Enacted 10/77.

FUNDING: None.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: E. Keith Ball, Chair
California Commission on Aging
2435 Felt St., #76
Santa Cruz, California 95062 (408) 475-6235 (Adv.)

For copy of bills, AB 568 and AB 586:
Bill Room
California State Legislature
State Capitol
Sacramento, California (916) 445-2323

VERIFIED: 2/79.

NEVADA
Legislation

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

TITLE: Protective Services Legislation Enables Counties to Appoint Guardians

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill 163 enables county commissioners to create an Office of Public Guardian. This office is authorized to appoint a guardian for elders when they become physically, mentally or emotionally disabled, if they have no relatives or friends to act in their behalf and lack resources to employ a private guardian. Eligible elders may petition the district court to appoint a public guardian. The public guardian must post a bond and is required to keep financial records of all cases. The ward, or any interested person, may also petition for termination of the guardian. These services may not be charged against the ward unless the court determines that she/he can afford to pay for them.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislative commission appointed a subcommittee in 1977 to study the problems of elders, especially within nursing homes in the state of Nevada. The subcommittee recommended this legislation after conducting public hearings.

AREA SERVED: All counties in the state have the option to exercise this authority within their districts.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over having difficulty managing their own affairs due to physical or mental impairment.

STATUS: Passed 4/77, effective 7/1/77.

FUNDING: County general funds.

MATERIALS: SB163 - FY '77; Summaries in Legislative Counsel Bureau: Pamphlet: Selected Significant Legislation, 1975 and 1977 editions and Bulletin, 1977: Skilled Nursing Facilities and Problems of the Aged and Aging.

CONTACT: Mary Lou Cooper, Deputy Researcher
Legislative Council Bureau
Legislative Building, Capitol Complex
Carson City, Nevada 89710 (702) 885-5637 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LEGAL

MASSACHUSETTS
Legislation

ECONOMIC RESOURCES

TITLE: Legislation Makes More Elders Eligible for Home Care

DESCRIPTION: Massachusetts has budgeted \$2,000,000 to make home care available to elders whose income is above the income eligibility limit previously set by Title XX. Formerly, if an elder's income was below \$4,800, she or he was eligible to receive free home care. An inter-agency agreement raised that threshold to \$5,200. In addition, those elders whose income falls between \$5,200 and \$6,200 may now receive home care for a sliding scale fee based on income. The legislation allows more elders to receive home care either for free or for a minimal cost. Helps to prevent unnecessary institutionalization.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Human Services Committee researched the legislation. State Legislature voted on it. SUA helped to determine actual cost and budget. Committee on Ways and Means also involved in negotiations.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Low-income elders needing home care.

STATUS: On-going since 10/78. Legislation pending will determine whether a single services program for Title XX and sliding fee clients will be operable.

FUNDING: Title XX-Social Security Act, \$2,000,000; 1979 Appropriation requires a separate sliding fee program for non-eligible elders.

MATERIALS: Copy of Amendment and other descriptive materials. Free.

CONTACT: Thomas H.D. Mahoney, Secretary of Elder Affairs
 Department of Elder Affairs
 110 Tremont Street
 Boston, Massachusetts 02108 (617) 727-7750 (Legis)

For Materials:
 Beth Capstick, Director of Research
 Human Services & Elderly Affairs Committee
 State House
 Boston, Massachusetts 02133 (617) 727-7295

VERIFIED: 6/1/79.

LEGAL

**WISCONSIN
Program****ECONOMIC RESOURCES**

TITLE: Project Explores Extra Income for Home Owning Elders

DESCRIPTION: Many elders who own their own homes have incomes too small to adequately support them. Their homes are their only assets, but in order to liberate the capital they have invested, they have to sell and move out. The Reverse Mortgage Study Project is analyzing the feasibility of converting homestead equity into supplemental income for elders. This would enable elders to extract some of the equity they have invested in their homes without giving up their homes.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA created and supports the study project.

AREA SERVED: Statewide and national.

TARGET: Elder homeowners.

STATUS: Idea first pondered late 1977. Appropriation in 1978. Planning stage officially began 1/79.

FUNDING: State General Services Appropriation, \$72,000.

MATERIALS: Project mailings, National Conference Proceedings (8/79), Booklet of Readings (10/79), Final Report (1/80).

CONTACT: Ken Scholen, Project Director
Reverse Mortgage Study Project
110 East Main, Rm. 220
Madison, Wisconsin 53702 (608) 266-8103 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/4/79.

LEGAL

**MISSISSIPPI
Program****INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION**

TITLE: Young Lawyers Advise & Refer Elders

DESCRIPTION: To address elders' needs for legal advice, especially about governmental benefit programs, the SUA has coordinated with the state bar association to implement a legal information and referral system. The program will operate initially as a demonstration project within one AAA, with members of the Young Lawyers Section of the state bar conducting referrals through a telephone unit at the state university law center. Elders will be advised by trained law students or referred to participating attorneys for casework. Research compiled during the demonstration project will help determine the expansion of the referral service to a statewide program.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA and local AAA cooperated with state bar association to outline and fund demonstration project; Young Lawyers Section of the state bar will provide legal information and referral services; members of the bar will handle cases.

AREA SERVED: AAA for duration of demonstration project.

TARGET: 33,000 elders over age 60 per year, focusing on minority, frail, physically and mentally impaired elders.

STATUS: In planning state since 3/78; to become operational 4/79; terminates 9/30/79 unless refunded.

FUNDING: Title III-OAA, \$10,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Norman Harris, Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Aging
P.O. Box 5136
Jackson, Mississippi 39216 (601) 354-6590 (SUA)

Jane Mapp, Director Aging Division, or
Lynda Eifling, Program Coordinator
Trace Regional Area Agency on Aging
P.O. Box 7
Belden, Mississippi 38826 (601) 844-4081 (AAA)

VERIFIED: 6/6/79.

LEGAL

**LOUISIANA
Program**

MEDIA

TITLE: Legal Concerns of Elders Dramatized Via TV

DESCRIPTION: Pre-recorded TV skits dramatize legal issues, problems, and day-to-day matters concerning elders. Elders are advised on how to cope with situations such as door-to-door salesmen, con games, and unlawful cut-back or termination of social security and other benefits. The skits highlight potentially dangerous or risky situations.

Many elders, especially rural elders, are not aware of the legal assistance programs available to them. Through their public service announcements, the Louisiana Center for Public Interest also allows AAA councils to notify elders about these legal services via local television stations.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Louisiana Center for the Public Interest originated project idea. The Bureau of Aging supplies video tapes for the public service announcements and the county AAAs are responsible for having tapes televised.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders in general.

STATUS: In operation since February 10, 1979; ongoing.

FUNDING: AAA model project funds.

MATERIALS: Scripts of the public service announcements.

CONTACT: O.B. Butler, Director
Joseph Donchess, Legal Services Developer

Bureau of Aging Services
P.O. Box 44282 Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 (504) 342-2754 (SUA)

Guy West
Louisiana Center for the Public Interest
700 Maison Blanche Building
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112 (504) 524-1231 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/8/79.

LEGAL

MARYLAND
Legislation

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

TITLE: Aging Network Provides Guardianship of the Person

DESCRIPTION: A law establishing an adult protective service program and a public guardianship program specifically enables the directors of the SUA and AAAs to be appointed guardian for disabled elders who have no personal contact to fill the role. This legislation provides for public guardianship services by the agency to assist in making decisions regarding the personal care and shelter needs of mentally disabled elders. Public guardianship intervention by units on aging provides further protection for disabled² elders than is permitted for disabled adults in general under the adult protective services program.

ACTORS/ROLES: State department of human resources initiated the concept and in cooperation with the SUA developed inter-agency guidelines; SUA supported legislation and amendment regarding SUA and AAAs as potential guardians; state department of health and mental hygiene performed advisory and coordinating functions.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Mentally impaired elders over 65 and mentally impaired adults in general. 75 persons per year.

STATUS: Legislation implemented 7/77.

FUNDING: State general services appropriations, \$24,000 for FY1979 and \$11,000 for FY1980.

MATERIALS: Adult Protective Services/Public Guardianship sections of state code; Inter-Agency agreement to implement legislation; SUA guidelines; SUA bibliography.

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VERIFIED: 3/79.

LEGAL

MINNESOTA
Legislation

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Welfare Appropriations Bill Would Provide In-Home Services

DESCRIPTION: The Welfare Appropriations Bill seeks to fill the gap of services for elders living at home which Title XIX-OAA (Medicaid) does not cover. It attempts to finance alternatives to institutionalization by expanding provisions to finance non-professionally qualified persons to undertake in-home health services to elders, under the supervision of a nurse.

As a solution to the restrictions of Title XIX, which funds qualified medical staff in home care, this bill would provide proficient in-home services by non-professional persons when prescribed by a physician.

State Planning Agency presented a report on the problems of in-home aid, which was presented to the legislature.

ACTORS/ROLES: The legislation was first introduced in the 1975 legislative session and in ensuing sessions. The legislative analyst's office established agencies for interim studies and obtained speakers to sponsor it. The AAA and the Department of Public Welfare contributed to the development of the studies.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Would serve elders 60 years and over, especially the mentally and physically impaired.

STATUS: Bill failed in 1979 session.

FUNDING: 1979 proposal asked for \$10,000,000 in state funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Kevin Kenney, Legislative Analyst
Minnesota State Legislative House Research Department
State Capitol, Room 17
St. Paul, MN 55105 (612) 296-5044 (Legis)

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204 Metro Square Building, 7th & Roberts
St. Paul, MN 55101 (612) 296-2770 (AAA)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

LEGAL

CONNECTICUT
Policy

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: Recommendations Made for Improving Role of Local Municipal Agents

DESCRIPTION: A state statute in effect since 1972 requires the appointment (in each of the 169 sovereign municipalities) of a municipal agent (MA) for elders who disseminate information regarding available benefits and services, application procedures, etc. Originally, the MA was town employee or volunteer. Presently, however, various implementation patterns exist, with no state agency having oversight responsibility. A new statute is to be introduced based upon the recommendations of a study committee established by the SUA to re-define and clarify the MA role. Conclusions reached: 1) that the MAs are needed to coordinate with, and supplement the Statewide (telephone) Information Line in a more personal way, especially in cases not amenable to solutions via telephone contact; 2) that towns should continue to provide resources to support MAs; 3) that the SUA be responsible for providing training for the MAs; 4) that a consultative and working relationship be established between the Statewide Information Line and the MAs; 5) that the MAs are producing valuable data of potential use to the SUAs and AAAs in their planning and needs assessment responsibilities.

ACTORS/ROLES: Those in strong support of new statute: SUA, AAAs, Legislative Coalition on Aging, and the study committee which developed the legislative recommendations.

AREA SERVED: Policy would affect MAs statewide.

TARGET: Elders in areas served and MAs.

STATUS: Statute to be introduced 4/20/77; expect passage 6/77. Envision using graduate students in social welfare to help carry out the new mandates.

FUNDING: At present, continue local town support. Future funding plans could include Title XX or Title IV-A of the Older Americans Act.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Max Doverman, Executive Assistant
Connecticut Department on Aging
90 Washington Street, Room 312
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-2480 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Program

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: State Information Line Offers Network of Telephone Services

DESCRIPTION: Through contracts with five regional service providers, and through guidelines from a statewide advisory committee of consumers and professionals, a uniform network of telephone services are offered. These include information and referral (I&R), client advocacy and follow-up, and other supportive services. Case recording forms and staff training is identical across the state. Regional service directories are being compiled with careful attention to statewide uniformity of service taxonomy, scope and definition.

ACTORS/ROLES: Based on a successful local model developed by the Community Council of Hartford in 1971; the newly formed statewide United Way Association advocated for and received monetary commitment to expand the program from local United Way agencies and then successfully approached the state Department of Social Services (DSS) in 1975 for funding. A 3-way letter of agreement exists between DSS, SUA, and the United Way of Connecticut that the State Information Line is the I&R system for Connecticut's elders. It is administered and coordinated by United Way of Connecticut.

AREA SERVED: Statewide program implemented regionally.

TARGET: All consumers and/or professionals - no income, age or information and requirements.

STATUS: Since 7/72, the Information Line has expanded five-fold. Annual use rate at this time is 60,000 calls while the system presently has the capacity to handle 75,000. Reuse rate is 50%, and the director estimates that individual staffpersons can handle approximately 250 cases a month.

FUNDING: 21 of the 29 local United Way agencies contribute 5/8 of 1% of their yearly campaign funds. This amount is matched 3 to 1 by DSS. Present budget is \$590,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Michael Speciale, Director
State Information Line
United Way of Connecticut
999 Asylum Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06117 (203) 278-4888 (0)

VERIFIED 1/79.

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Program

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: Statewide Information & Referral Service Network Provides 24-hour Service

DESCRIPTION: Info-Line, a generic Information & Referral Service with a toll-free number, provides direct service to residents statewide. Primarily, it acts as a 24-hour backup and coordinator for independent programs comprising the I&R statewide network. The 3000 entry Statewide Resource Index is updated daily in cooperation with local programs. The toll-free number is utilized as an intake exchange for other programs including those serving the elderly such as Ombudsmen, Senior Citizens Law Project and a special service for the deaf.

ACTORS/ROLES: State level Division of Welfare, SUA, the Social Welfare Council and Catholic Charities conceptualized the statewide systems based on their involvement in earlier Older Americans Act model projects.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: All residents of the state including elders. Service integration of statewide programs providing information and access to human services resources.

STATUS: Developed as an Older Americans Act Title III model project for three years. Info-Line has been operated since 1975 by New Hampshire Social Welfare Council, a private non-profit human services planning agency.

FUNDING: Title III of the Older Americans Act, Title XX of the Social Security Act, Vocational Rehabilitation (special educational grant), AFL-CIO membership fees and private foundation grants.

MATERIALS: State Wide Index of Service Headings (SWISH).

CONTACT: Paul Clinton, Program Director
Info-Line
20 South Main Street - P.O. Box 1255
Concord, New Hampshire 03301 (603) 228-0571 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Program

INSTITUTION - UTILIZATION

TITLE: Project Offers Comprehensive Home Care

DESCRIPTION: Home care pilot project of single entry into full spectrum of coordinated services based on client need, including physical/psycho-social assessment, care planning, arrangement of care by existing service agency, and follow-up. Strong social service and client advocacy focus. Social Security Act, Title XX income guidelines used for eligibility. Governor has recently asked for increased program funding.

ACTORS/ROLES: Top level planning from commissioners of the SUA and Human Resources.

AREA SERVED: Presently in 63 of the 169 municipalities in the state - in each of the five regions in the state, providing a nucleus upon which to build.

TARGET: High risk individuals 60 and over who are within 90 days of inappropriate institutionalization or already inappropriately institutionalized. Broad definition of purpose supports the use of professional judgments.

STATUS: Operational since September 1976. Present plan is to merge Triage (see HEALTH-5) and SAIL Programs in 1979.

FUNDING: \$675,000 from Social Security Act Title XX and \$1,600,000 state match. Funding on a fiscal year basis.

MATERIALS: Fact sheet and quarterly reports.

CONTACT: For Fact Sheet:
Karen Trespacz, Director of Home Care
Connecticut Department on Aging
90 Washington Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-7725 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MASSACHUSETTS
Program

HOME CARE

TITLE: Regionalization of Home Care Services

DESCRIPTION: The SUA developed 27 planning and service areas in 1972 for the purpose of implementing a home care program. In each region a private non-profit home care corporation, chartered in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 180 has been implemented. In most regions these home care corporations are currently the base for the development of AAA. The corporations act as funding magnates and administrative resources for local elder projects. Core services provided include transportation, homemaker-home chore services, case management, nutrition, legal assistance, emergency crisis care and information and referral.

ACTORS/ROLES: As regional bodies, the AAA/home care corporations involve a wide range of local groups on their boards and advisory bodies; these include representatives of local governmental bodies, local councils on aging, local service agencies and potential consumers.

AREA SERVED: Massachusetts is divided into regions on a statewide basis. Home care corporations have been developed in most of these regions.

TARGET: Institutional impact: 1) develop regional focal point for services and planning; 2) mobilize local resources; 3) assure local coordination of funding; 4) through sub-contracts develop a network of aging services; 5) provide comprehensive, coordinated case management services. Population impact: 1) primary target groups are the at risk and frail elders; 2) attention given to income and supplemental security income eligibles in programs funded through Title XX of the Social Security Act.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act Titles III, VII, IX, V; Social Security Act Title XX; state revenues; local revenues.

MATERIALS: Annual Report of the Department of Elder Affairs, 1976, \$1.00.

CONTACT: S. Raymond King, Assistant Secretary
Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs
110 Tremont Street
State Office Building
Boston, Massachusetts 02198 (617) 727-4092 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MARYLAND
Program

DAY CARE

TITLE: Nutrition Sites Expand Day Care Programming

DESCRIPTION: The SUA developed a model to extend the hours of existing OAA Title VII Nutrition Programs using Social Security Act (SSA) Title XX service funds. The SUA subcontracts with selected projects; expanded hours are used to develop specialized day care programming designed to meet the needs of frail elders who do not need a health maintenance program. The supplemental grant allocations are paid on a cost-per-unit of service basis to the projects. This model enables nutrition sites to be used as low cost "day care" type components. This social services model of day care complements existing medical-rehabilitation modes of day care in the state. Model encourages maximum utilization of existing services for frail and at risk elders, who do not meet official day care standards.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA with input from local communities and potential consumers assumed a major role in identifying the need for socialization day care. SUA designed and implemented SSA Title XX supplemental grant procedure.

AREA SERVED: Demonstration projects exist at two sites: Lower Eastern Shore, Prince George's County.

TARGET: Institutional impact; 1) expand access of nutrition project sites for frail elders; 2) increase day care types of programming by building on existing network. Population impact: 1) frail elders at risk of being institutionalized; 2) elders in need of daily supervision but not in need of acute medical services; 3) SSA Title XX eligibles.

STATUS: Operational.

FUNDING: \$200,000 in Social Security Act Title XX funds administered by SUA.

MATERIALS: The Outlook; Annual Report Maryland Office on Aging, Vol. 6, No. 1, 1/77.

CONTACT: Harry Walker, Deputy Director
Maryland Office on Aging
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Baltimore, Maryland 21201 (301) 383-2100 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Program

NUTRITION

TITLE: Outreach Services Refer Elders to Nutrition Programs

DESCRIPTION: Active seeking out of elders who are not eating balanced meals takes nurses aides into homes, apartment high rise complexes, nursing homes and hospitals to facilitate elders' participation in statewide nutritional programs. Van transportation is provided in rural locations (sometimes traveling 5 miles) to bring elders to congregate eating sites. Catering service (Meals on Wheels) feeds many unable to be transported. Nutrition funds are combined with housing monies in an experimental day care program which includes breakfast.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA governing board which disburses all public funds related to aging emphasizes channeling program funds to other agencies who provide their own administration costs. The federal Housing Authority, Department of Transportation and local city and county Older Americans Act (OAA) Title VII agencies are administering nutritional components in this manner.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with special emphasis on the rural isolated.

TARGET: Isolated elders, particularly those living alone; any who are not eating balanced meals regardless of financial ability to obtain them.

STATUS: Operational. Housing Authority is administering the experimental high-rise day-care-with-breakfast program in the Martin Flannigan House in Sommersworth.

FUNDING: OAA Title VII, Social Security Act Title XX.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Francis Malloy, Chair
Council on Aging
1061 South Street
Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801 (603)436-2453 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Program

RECREATION

TITLE: Crafts Program Recycles Waste Materials

DESCRIPTION: Creative use of industrial waste and low-cost, native materials by elders to produce a large range of usable items has evolved over seven years to a point of readiness for elders to run their own workshops. This Recreation for Senior Adults program features originally designed, inexpensive tools and patterns and used mobile equipment to bring professional recreation expertise and the tools to local sites. In 1976, Leisure Clinics and special statewide events were initiated.

ACTORS/ROLES: Program was begun in 1970 by State Community Recreation Office and the SUA, enlisting participation of municipal recreation directors with local input from seniors. Professional recreators' society now operates it.

AREA SERVED: Initially a travelling van visited participating towns with equipment utilized in each locally directed program. Expanded to include statewide workshops.

TARGET: Address: 1) the financial and personpower limits of municipalities in meeting recreational needs of elders; and 2) the limitations of recreation personnel in understanding and planning for elders.

STATUS: Coordinated statewide through the New Hampshire Recreation and Park Society, an organization of professional recreators; evolving into statewide resource program providing leadership and training in recreational programming for seniors.

FUNDING: Model Project and other Older Americans Act Title III funds with pooling of local (primarily in-kind) resources of participating municipalities. (New Hampshire is a single planning and service area.)

MATERIALS: Collage of Crafts, illustrated catalog of patterns and ideas can be ordered for \$2.95 plus 75¢ handling.

CONTACT: For Collage of Crafts:
Leisure Services for Seniors
New Hampshire Recreation and Park Society
Concord Community Center, 39 Green St., P.O.B. 1094
Concord, New Hampshire 03301 (603) 224-2751

For program information:
Bert D. George, Chief of Programs
New Hampshire State Council on Aging
P.O. Box 786 - 14 Depot Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301 (603) 271-2751 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

DELAWARE
Program

REHABILITATION

TITLE: Day Care Center Incorporates Sheltered Workshop Component

DESCRIPTION: Adult Day Care Center offers pilot project to provide opportunity for designated participants to become active in meaningful work experience which will lead, for some, to rehabilitation and future employment.

ACTORS/ROLES: Written agreements delineate specific roles of four major actors: SUA, state Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (VRA) and two local private organizations.

AREA SERVED: City of Wilmington, Delaware.

TARGET: Low income, disabled elders on supplemental security income who are also eligible for VRA benefits. Those determined capable of rehabilitation for future employability either in community at large or other all-day sheltered workshop.

STATUS: Initiated 1/77; on-going.

FUNDING: Combination of Social Security Act, Title XX funds, Older Americans Act Title III grant; services provided by state VRA and two private organizations.

MATERIALS: A FACT SHEET - Work Activity Program at the Wilmington Adult Day Care Program.

CONTACT: Eleanor Cain, Director
Division of Aging
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Wilmington, Delaware 19805 (302) 571-3480 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

ALABAMA
Program

LIBRARY SERVICES

TITLE: Public Library Institutes Mail-a-Book Program for Homebound

DESCRIPTION: The Birmingham Public Library operates a program for elders and severely handicapped persons. Via a toll-free number, they are mailed books free of charge upon request. All postage is paid by the program. A counselor is available to recommend books when a person calls in for information.

ACTORS/ROLES: Program operated by North Branch, Birmingham Public Library; supported by SUA financially.

AREA SERVED: Jefferson County, Alabama.

TARGET: Elders over 65 and disabled persons without access to libraries. Residents of Birmingham or Jefferson counties.

STATUS: Operative since 1975, continuation expected.

FUNDING: State funded.

MATERIALS: Catalogue of books for mailout, published in May and December.

CONTACT: Senator Eddie H. Gilmore
Box 546
Bessemer, Alabama 35020 (205) 424-1540 (Legis.)

For Catalogue:
Sandra Henderson, Librarian
North Birmingham Branch Library
3200 North 27th Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35207 (205) 254-2658 (O)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

FLORIDA
Legislation

CONTINUUM OF CARE

TITLE: Legislation Takes Multi-faceted Approach to Alternatives

DESCRIPTION: S.B. 578 - 1976 and new appropriations of 1977 have created a four-pronged approach to alternatives to institutionalization for elders: 1) multi-service senior centers provide services ranging from health maintenance to adult day care, 2) home delivered services include: health, homemaker, meal, transportation, legal, counselling and telephone reassurance services as needed, 3) family placement services allow a designated family member to give daily assistance instead of a non-relative caretaker, and 4) adult day care provides a protective physical environment with at least one meal per day. Day care may be located in nursing homes, hospitals or multipurpose centers.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislation had support of key legislators, Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, Area Agencies on Aging, Department of Community Affairs, American Association of Retired Persons, and chairperson of U.S. House Select Committee of Aging who brought a spokesperson from the Minneapolis Age and Opportunity Center, to lecture throughout the state.

AREA SERVED: Seven areas of state have been selected for demonstration programs which will be evaluated for cost effectiveness. Six of state's 11 districts are serviced.

TARGET: At least 100 high-risk elders to be served, 1977-78.

STATUS: Original legislation passed in 1974 with no funding; in 1977 passed with \$1.2 million appropriation.

FUNDING: 1977 legislation provided \$1.2 million in state funds. Funds from Social Security Act Title XX, Older Americans Act Title III, and local match were included in this appropriation.

MATERIALS: Packet on community care. Copies of S.B. 578 (Chapter 76-51) and grants. Evaluation of programs (planned).

CONTACT: For packet on community care:
Sandra Hamilton, Aging Program Specialist
Program Office on Aging and Adult Services
Building 2 Room 328
1323 Winewood Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (904) 488-2881 (SUA)

For copy of S.B. 578, and grants; program evaluation:
Larry L. Carnes, Staff Director
Senate Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services
400 Senate Office Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32304 (904) 488-6348 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

ILLINOIS
Program

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Comprehensive Alternative Care Program for the Elderly

DESCRIPTION: Demonstration projects in three counties will provide adult day care, homemaker, chore and housekeeping and health screening services to elders in imminent danger of institutionalization. A case management unit is attached to each project to ensure a comprehensive assessment of each client's needs and to ensure linkage of the client to the appropriate service.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA makes funds available to selected local social service agencies to administer the program. AAAs are consulted for program recommendations.

AREA SERVED: Madison County, Sangamon County, Cook County.

TARGET: High risk elders approaching a need for institutionalization.

STATUS: Madison County site is funded and operational. Sangamon and Cook County sites are in the planning stages.

FUNDING: Social Security Act Title XX and Illinois general revenue funds.

MATERIALS: Description of program.

CONTACT: Josephine Oblinger, Director
Illinois Department on Aging
2401 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706 (217) 782-4917 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOUTH CAROLINA
Program

BLIND/PARTIALLY SIGHTED

TITLE: SUA Helps Create Residential Program for Blind Elders

DESCRIPTION: A one week program of education and recreation including swimming and bowling classes and provision of tape recorders to keep was offered for blind elders. Cassette tapes developed by the Center for Independent Living in New York City described skills of daily living and such aids as magnetic spoons and Braille watches. Tapes were also vehicle for post-program communication among participants.

ACTORS/ROLES: Cooperative efforts of SUA and State Commission for the Blind.

AREA SERVED: Statewide; recruitment of participants via AAAs, senior centers and Commission for the Blind field offices.

TARGET: Legally and/or totally blind adults age 60 and over, especially blinded in adulthood (e.g., less apt to have had training). Goal, raise morale and enhance home maintenance strategies.

STATUS: Held 5/30 - 6/3/77.

FUNDING: SUA (with end of year Older Americans Act Title III monies) funded planning consultant, transportation for participants and/or accompanying relatives, rental of Rehabilitation Center for site, and costs of program which Commission for the Blind operated.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Mary Heriot, Director
Division of State Services
South Carolina Commission on Aging
915 Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201 (803) 758-2576 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TEXAS
Program

BLIND/PARTIALLY SIGHTED

TITLE: Program for Blind Elders Provides Rehabilitation Services

DESCRIPTION: The Texas State Commission for the Blind has developed a service delivery system for older blind individuals in Texas who may not possess skills or abilities to enable them to meet vocational rehabilitation eligibility requirements. Primary objective is to provide a rehabilitation program that will enable older blind persons to be self-sufficient and integrated into their environment through provision of rehabilitation services, including orientation and mobility training, homemaking, personal management, and Braille. Services provided emphasize skills needed to live independently (precluding residence within a private or public institution) or to reduce assistance needed within a facility.

The project staff locates, identifies, and assesses needs of blind elders with emphasis on minority groups. Information and referral services are provided to all individuals referred to the project.

ACTORS/ROLES: Commission for Blind developed program and was funded; Governor's Committee on Aging provided additional funding and advice on problems specific to elders.

AREA SERVED: Currently operating offices in 5 sites: Dallas, Harlingen, San Antonio, El Paso and Houston. As a model project, it will have statewide and possibly national policy impact.

TARGET: Blind elders over 55.

STATUS: Operational since 1974.

FUNDING: 1st year Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) grant of \$144,000 with 10% match from Commission for the Blind, plus \$40,000 grant from Governor's Committee on Aging; 2nd year, \$125,000 RSA grant with 10% match with renewal of additional \$40,000 from Governor's Committee on Aging. 3rd year, \$118,000 RSA grant with 10% matching with no additional Governor's grant.

MATERIALS: 1974 grant proposal and guidelines.

CONTACT: Robert Merz, State Supervisor of Client Services
Older Blind American Project
State Commission for the Blind
Box 12866, 401 Stokes Building
Austin, Texas 78704 (512) 475-2118 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

KENTUCKY
Program

DAY CARE

TITLE: Centers for Creative Living Focus on Health and Recreation

DESCRIPTION: Pioneer project in day care focuses on combination of health care and social stimulation as alternative to institutionalization. Initially 12 persons enrolled; another 40 interested in attending; by third month of operation, waiting list had to be established. Currently two sites are operational. NBC-TV special done on this project provides excellent information for groups wanting to start day care center.

ACTORS/ROLES: Local county health department staffs and administers centers. Junior League is a prime promoter providing money and volunteers. Local council on aging provided initial money. Department of Parks and Recreation and a local church provide space; mental health organization provides money and staffing.

AREA SERVED: Both sites are located in Lexington, Kentucky, but impact extends beyond the city. Project has been contacted by groups from nearly every state in the Union.

TARGET: "Vulnerable citizens" or those highly susceptible to institutionalization.

STATUS: On-going, became operational 5/73 when there were only seven other projects in the country.

FUNDING: Social Security Act Title XX principal source of funding. Project also qualified for time limited waivers allowing third party reimbursement under Medicaid and Medicare. Older Americans Act Title VII meals provided. Donations and local support also substantial.

MATERIALS: Article in Medical Care, Journal of American Public Health Association. Vol. 14 #8 August 1976 (Report of Program). Text on adult day care to be available through Springer Publishers, New York.

CONTACT: Larry Pickard, Director
Division of Long Term Care
330 Waller Ave.
Lexington, Kentucky 40504 (606) 278-9576 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NORTH CAROLINA
Program

DAY CARE

TITLE: Adult Day Care Centers Begun in Different Types of Sites

DESCRIPTION: Eight adult day care centers were started in areas that had facilities but no seed money for implementing programs. Each center, as part of Older American Act Title III Model Project, began in a different type of site; e.g. one in an abandoned nursing home by a private individual working with the SUA; another in Methodist church; one in a YMCA; one in a community college. After the first year, each project became self-sustaining.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA set up projects, distributed funds, in conjunction with above-named agencies on local level.

AREA SERVED: State is predominantly rural; centers were set up in larger towns.

TARGET: High-risk elders who would otherwise be institutionalized. Target is not large numbers, but significant impact on those at risk in the communities.

STATUS: Operational since 1975.

FUNDING: First funded as Older Americans Act Title III Model Projects, state grant, currently funded by local county Department of Social Services.

MATERIALS: Applications and description from each center (1975). State guidelines for program (1975).

CONTACT: Steve Friedman
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213 Hillsborough Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 (919) 733-3988 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NEW MEXICO
Legislation

FUNDING - ALLOCATION

TITLE: Community Senior Service Funding Will Establish and Expand Programs

DESCRIPTION: H.B. 2 earmarked \$600,000 for fiscal year 1977 to establish or expand existing social service programs. The funds have been budgeted and allocated by the SUA after consultation with the AAAs. Programs receiving funds include transportation, nutrition, recreation, I&R, outreach, home repair, and legal services. Potentially, 20,000 to 25,000 elders will be affected by this piece of legislation -- either by new social services or expansion of existing ones such as Older Americans Act Title III and Title VII.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA drafted the fiscal plan with consultation by the AAAs. The SUA is administrative agency responsible for the allocation of funds.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over will be the recipients for newly established programs or expanded existing ones.

STATUS: Legislation enacted 7/77.

FUNDING: State general service appropriation of \$600,000 for program development and administration.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: William Vigil, Chief Planner
Commission on Aging
408 Gillisteeo
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-5258 (SUA)

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Legislative Building, Room 334
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503 (505) 827-3141

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

TEXAS
Program

DISABLED ELDERS

TITLE: Project Informs Deaf Elders About Services

DESCRIPTION: This model service delivery system developed in two stages: 1) The State Commission for the Deaf (SCD) in conjunction with the SUA investigated the service for elders in general. 2) The second part identified the degree to which deaf elders were able to obtain services - which are negligible. Interpreters communicate the services available and help in translating legal, social security and SSI questions. The SCD also offers training programs in the AAAs to educate and sensitize personnel in aging to the specific problems of deaf elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Commission for the Deaf and SUA proposed the service project to legislature which approved the interagency contract for the project. The Governor's Committee on Aging contracted with the University of Texas to allocate federal funds to administer the program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - workshops offered to all areas for personnel to increase knowledge and sensitivity regarding hearing loss and its impact on individuals.

TARGET: Pre-lingual deaf elders: those who have been deaf since early childhood.

STATUS: Operational since 1/75 under university administration currently administered by State Commission for the Deaf.

FUNDING: \$20,000/year for administrative costs provided by State General Service Appropriations and other federal funds.

MATERIALS: History of Texas Commission for the Deaf.

CONTACT: Lennart Kopra, Professor
Department of Speech Communications
University of Texas
Austin, Texas 78712 (512) 458-7572 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

KENTUCKY
Program

HOME CARE

TITLE: Home Care Supports Elder Independence

DESCRIPTION: Demonstration project in rural Kentucky designed to assist elders to remain independent in own homes or in homes of others. Two goals: 1) Service delivery system -- located and organized human service agencies and supportive community groups around elders' needs; 2) Provide range of services directed at total spectrum of needs of elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: State umbrella agency has primary responsibility; SUA provides project monitor. SUA and Selected Area Development District (ADD) manages project via its primary vendor, a local organization. Other agencies and organizations involved in coordination effort.

AREA SERVED: Eight county ADD in rural Kentucky; one large city of 40,000 - 50,000 population. Total elder population of ADD is 36,000.

TARGET: Old-old and high risk elders (those most likely to become institutionalized). Majority of referrals are elders 70-85 years old. Estimate 3,000 to be served by Project Independence.

STATUS: 1977 is first year of the 2-year demonstration project.

FUNDING: State General Services Appropriation of \$1 million for first year; \$1.5 million for second year.

MATERIALS: Project Independence for the Elderly Synopsis.
Project Independence Proposal.

CONTACT: Jack C. Lewis, Commissioner
Bureau for Social Services
275 East Main Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-4650 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MISSISSIPPI
Program

HOME CARE

TITLE: Service Program Trains In-Home Companions

DESCRIPTION: The program recruits, trains and employs persons as companions to help elders in their homes. Services take many forms, e.g., lawn cutting, home repairs, grocery shopping, aid in personal hygiene, transportation to medical appointments. Many of the companions are themselves elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA submitted grant proposal in conjunction with governor's interest in job development. Implementation through AAA and State's 10 planning districts; over-all administration by SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders 60 and over receive services; 350 persons 40 and over are employed as companions. Designed to provide services to elders and affect economic conditions in state by job development. Intent is to hire elder/minorities.

STATUS: Operational, 6/77. SUA administers.

FUNDING: Federal grant to state through the Department of Labor: \$1,400,000 to "stimulate" the state's economy by providing jobs. Pay is \$2.35 per hour.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Norman Harris, Director
Governor's Citizens Council on Aging
P.O. Box 5136 London Station
Jackson, Mississippi 39216 (601) 354-6590 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

OHIO
Program

TITLE: Kasher Meals-on-Wheels Delivers to Homebound elders

DESCRIPTION: Kasher meals are delivered daily, one hot and one cold meal Monday through Friday, with four extra meals brought on Friday. The service is for temporary or permanently homebound elders requiring a kosher meal. Transportation provided to meal site for those able to travel.

ACTORS/ROLES: Jewish Community Center provides site and implements program. Jewish Family Services Bureau provides support services.

AREA SERVED: Urban.

TARGET: Recently hospitalized, discharged and homebound elders.

STATUS: Operational since 1970.

FUNDING: SUA provided funding through local AAA; Private foundations; Titles VII and III, Older American Act.

MATERIALS: Description of program and brochures.

CONTACT: Aaron Wiesen, Chairperson
Title III Advisory Board
120 East 4th Street
700 Formica Building
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (513) 421-4420 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

OKLAHOMA
Program

HOME DELIVERED MEALS

TITLE: Church Coalition Delivers Hot Meals

DESCRIPTION: Twenty-nine church coalition provides space, volunteers, donated food, and transportation to deliver hot meals daily to elders' homes. Each church provides one of the following: church kitchen, kitchen workers, food, containers and disposables. Outreach worker does needs assessment during home visit. Program coordinator, outreach worker, and home repair service-person comprise paid staff. Cold lunches for evening meal have been added for a specified needy group. Special diets for 50 elders with health problems are provided, funded by the Presbyterian Church Hunger Funds.

ACTORS/ROLES: Neighborhood Services Organization administers the program through Older Americans Act Title III grant provided by the Areawide Aging Agency, Inc. Match provided by United Fund and local Methodist church.

AREA SERVED: Oklahoma County. Being studied across state for wider utilization; hopefully, a model for other programs.

TARGET: Elders age 60 and over; average 78 and over. Approximately 525 recipients daily.

STATUS: Operational since 1974.

FUNDING: Title III Older Americans Act; matching local funds through United Fund and local church. All food is donated to program; donations of time, labor and the food translates into monetary savings, thus solving a major problem of such services.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Betty DeFriend, Planning Specialist
Special Unit on Aging
Post Office Box 25352
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125 (405) 521-2281 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

WISCONSIN
Program

SCHOOL LUNCHES

TITLE: School Lunch for Elders Serves Balanced Meals

DESCRIPTION: Chapter 115, State Laws of 1973, authorizes the establishment of an Elderly Nutrition Improvement Program in the public schools. Participants are required to pay up to 65¢ per meal. State appropriations provide reimbursement payments to the schools up to 20¢ a meal in excess of 65¢ per meal. Meals served meet requirements of the Older Americans Title VII menu pattern. Older adults receive well-balanced, low cost meals in an intergenerational setting consisting of school faculty, students and elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: Legislative committee introduced legislation to provide school lunches to elders. A joint agreement between SUA and State Department of Public Instruction (DPI) authorizes the DPI to negotiate agreements with specific schools to provide lunches.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 60 and over population; as of 1976, 163 public school districts have contracted to provide meals for elders at over 700 schools sites serving approximately 3,700 participants.

STATUS: 1976-77 was the third school year of operation; Chapter 115, Wisconsin Laws 1973, Elderly Nutrition Improvement Program enacted 1974.

FUNDING: 65¢ per meal paid by participant. Maximum 20¢ per meal reimbursed by state to schools.

MATERIALS: 1) Guidelines for Implementing Chapter 115, Laws of Wisconsin, Elderly Nutrition Improvement Program.
2) A joint agreement between the SUA and DPI.

CONTACT: Rebecca Wichern
Title VII Project Coordinator
Bureau of Aging
One West Wilson Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53702 (608) 266-7498 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

MICHIGAN
Program

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

TITLE: Non-Profit Organization Solicits Elder Input for Programs

DESCRIPTION: Senior Services Incorporated is a non-profit organization which offers a wide range of services to county elders. Since its founding in 1961, Senior Services has maintained the attitude of talking with elders about their needs and ideas on programs. It has become a focal point for Kalamazoo County elders and many have become advocates. Recently, elders pressured the local Health Department for better services. Elders now receive free physicals and have eye, dental, and general medical clinics at multi-service centers. Senior Services, in addition to this, also has programs which range from swimming for elders to tax aid.

ACTORS/ROLES: A professor at Western Michigan University and Kalamazoo County Committee on Aging developed the idea of a single service provider. The county Department of Social Services lent technical assistance.

AREA SERVED: Kalamazoo County.

TARGET: 22,000 elders 60 and over in county.

STATUS: Operational since 6/61 with continual addition of innovative programs.

FUNDING: \$23,000, Title V, and \$170,000, Title VII Older Americans Act; \$17,000, local appropriations; \$45,000, United Way.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Helen I. Coover, Chair
Advisory Council on Aging
1521 Royce Ave.
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001 (616) 342-6187 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NORTH CAROLINA
Program

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

TITLE: Churches Develop Network to Serve Elders

DESCRIPTION: The interdenominational North Carolina Council of Churches was funded to develop a service network to utilize more fully the capacity of churches to serve elder population. Objectives were to increase contacts with isolated elders, provide consulting service to local churches related to spiritual well-being of elders, and develop and test a model for delivering services within communities. A full time staff person was funded for one year as coordinator. Statewide meetings were held and permanent advisory bodies by denomination established.

ACTORS/ROLES: North Carolina Council of Churches, in coordination with SUA, developed and established program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Church members over 60 in denominations represented by council; indirect impact on other elders in community who participate in programs offered by churches.

STATUS: One-year funding in 1975 for paid staff and program development; currently not funded, but network still operating at denomination level.

FUNDING: Funded by SUA as Model Project for Public Information and Training.

MATERIALS: Informational brochure, 1975.

CONTACT: Steve Freidman
Office for Aging
213 Hillsborough Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 (919) 733-3983 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

LOUISIANA
Program

SCHOOL LUNCHES

TITLE: Workshop Examines School Lunches for Elders

DESCRIPTION: The use of school lunches for elders was a topic of a recent workshop involving eleven states and the Commissioner of Administration on Aging. Included different approaches, techniques for best utilization of schools. Schools are often accessible, the food cheaper with less temperature control or sanitation problems. With an increase in staff time and supplies, additional meals can be prepared for a slight additional costs. Schools in the state are utilized for Title VII nutrition programs subsidized by federal school lunch programs.

ACTORS/ROLES: School food service provides food. School Board Superintendent approves programs and controls participation. Parish food service manager publicizes program. Local Councils on Aging encourage and advocate participation.

AREA SERVED: Two programs implemented in central and southern parts of state. Additional programs encouraged to begin.

TARGET: Serves elders 60 and over with emphasis on low income and minorities. Special diets and home delivered meals are arranged.

STATUS: Operational since summer, 1975.

FUNDING: School lunch subsidy from federal funding and participation donation of 60¢ per meal. Department of Agriculture contributes commodities from 10¢ to 15¢ per meal.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ruth Patrick, Chair
Advisory Committee to Bureau of Aging Services
Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service
Knapp Hall, University Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803 (504) 388-3327 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

OREGON
Legislation

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Project Independence Provides Local In-Home Help

DESCRIPTION: Oregon Project Independence (OPI) provides local alternative services for elders who need some outside help to stay in their homes. The program, administered by the SUA, helps elders avoid institutionalization by providing housekeeping, transportation, health and homemaker services, shopping and escort services, screening, evaluation and outreach. During OPI's first biennium (1975-1977), the legislature provided \$1 million for the project. Because of its success, the 1977 legislature increased its support for OPI, appropriating \$2.7 million for its continuation and expansion (HB 2006 and HB 5024).

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA administers OPI and awards grants to AAAs who contract with local vendors to provide alternative care services.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: High risk elders 60 and over.

STATUS: Enabling legislation enacted 4/75. Program went into operation late in 1976.

FUNDING: Original appropriation of \$1 million in 1975. An additional \$2.7 million in state general funds appropriated in 1977.

MATERIALS: Oregon Project Independence Information Packet.

CONTACT: Marion Hughes, Coordinator
Dean Huntzinger, OPI Coordinator
Office of Elderly Affairs
772 Commercial St., S.E.
Salem, Oregon 97310 (503) 378-4728 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

UTAH
Program

DAY CARE/HOME CARE

TITLE: Long Term Care Program Provides Variety of Alternatives

DESCRIPTION: In 1977, a nursing home admission study showed that 40 elders per month were institutionalized for social as opposed to medical reasons. The Alternatives in Long Term Care Program coordinated by the SUA home placement. Individual assessments are conducted by teams of an aging specialist and public health nurse for each elder referred to the program. The client's physician is consulted to determine the appropriateness of alternative services such as home health care, homemaker services, home-delivered meals, home repairs, etc. Families who provide care receive assistance, and respite care services are available. Twenty elder volunteers in the friendly visitor and RSVP programs are compensated for mileage and meals, and some receive a 20 hour per week, \$1.60 per hour stipend.

ACTORS/ROLES: A 70 member task force composed of agency and private sector personnel and consumers performed a needs and services assessment, planned for the purchase of other services, and initiated the program. SUA and state elders' network, state social service department, visiting nurses service and other private providers participated on task force and contributed to study and planning phase.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: 144 elders per year.

STATUS: Planning began 3/77; operational since 7/78.

FUNDING: State funds to purchase services, \$200,000.

MATERIALS: Issue papers. No cost.

CONTACT: F. Leon Povey, Director
Utah State Division of Aging
Department of Social Services
150 West North Temple, Room 326
Salt Lake City, Utah 84103 (801) 533-6422 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 3/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

IDAHO
Program

ARTS AND CRAFTS

TITLE: Arts Festival Celebrates Elders' Heritage

DESCRIPTION: Elders have participated in an annual statewide Senior Citizens Festival of Heritage Arts since 1974. The festival is held for three days each May in conjunction with State Conference on Aging. Activities include elders' displays of arts and crafts, demonstrations of lost arts, and day trips. Over 800 elders attended the 1977 festival which was held at Ricks College in eastern Idaho. One highlight was the 5th statewide talent contest for elders 60 and over.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Advisory Council on Aging, serving as the festival steering committee, establishes the policies that apply to the festival. Council members provide advice and counsel in their respective areas.

AREA SERVED: 1977 conference held in eastern Idaho, with statewide participation.

TARGET: Elders 55 and over.

STATUS: Held annually in May.

FUNDING: Site donated by Ricks College with volunteer services from the Festival Steering Committee.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: George Anderson, Member
Advisory Council on Aging
Lava Hot Springs, Idaho 83246 (208) 776-5393 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NORTH DAKOTA
Legislation

CRIMES

TITLE: Bill Provides Reparations for Innocent Victims of Crime

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill 2157 provides financial aid and social services to victims of crimes like assault and robbery. Special services over and above hospital and strictly medical costs are provided, such as homemaker services needed after an assault. The criminal does not have to be apprehended for the victim to claim payments. Reparations may go up to \$25,000 per claim, and are handled through the State Bureau of Workmen's Compensation. The bill has special impact on elders who are often victims, and who may not have resources to deal with the aftermath of crime.

ACTORS/ROLES: Bill lobbied for by state elders; funds administered through Bureau of Workmen's Compensation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Bill applies to all victims of crime but has special impact on elders who may be more affected physically and financially by robbery and assault.

STATUS: Enacted July 1, 1977.

FUNDING: \$200,000 per year general state funds for payments to victims. No single claim may exceed \$25,000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Dan P. Kelly, Chief
Randy Bowsher, Assistant Chief
Aging Services Bureau
Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services
111 Sanders Street, P.O. Box 4210, Rm. 204
Helena, Montana 59601 (406) 449-5650 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

CONSCIOUSNESS RAISING

TITLE: Sensory Deprivation Training Sensitizes People to Experience of Disability

DESCRIPTION: The SUA has developed a program to show elders in nursing homes and the population at large what it's like to experience complete or partial loss of one of the senses. To simulate sensory deprivation, program participants wear masks, take a rigged hearing test, put on gloves and try to take out a dime, and eat specially prepared "tasteless" food. The program is intended to prepare elders in danger of sensory loss for the experience, and raise the consciousness of the general population.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA developed and implemented the program on a local level; an SUA staff member teaches the workshops. Some of the workshops are taught at local sites.

AREA SERVED: Could become statewide.

TARGET: Elders in danger of sensory loss; nursing home staff and community at large. Goal is to increase awareness of, and sensitivity to, sensory loss in elders and disabled people.

STATUS: In operation since 2/76. Expected to continue and expand.

FUNDING: None at present, except salary of SUA staff person. Equipment is furnished by nursing home.

MATERIALS: Packet of materials and bibliography.

CONTACT: Jo Hildebrand, Staff
Aging Services, Social Services Board
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505 (701) 224-2577 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

WYOMING
Program

HOMEMAKER SERVICES

TITLE: Network of Homemaker Services Emphasizes Care for Rural and Isolated Services

DESCRIPTION: The SUA and the State Department of Public Assistance and Social Services sponsor a network of homemaker services designed to help frail elders remain in their own homes as long as possible. Program homemakers provide basic personal care services like bathing, dressing and cooking for high-risk elders. All SSI recipients and elders over 65 are eligible for care. The program is especially important to rural and isolated elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA, through AAAs, supplements the State Department of Public Assistance and Social Services Homemaker Program.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders facing institutionalization, especially rural, isolated and low-income persons. Affects approximately 300 elders per year.

STATUS: In operation since 1/75.

FUNDING: Funding as needed, from \$.5 million in Social Security Act Title XX funds, and \$.6 million in state general social services appropriations.

MATERIALS: Brochure with program description. Manual of procedures for homemaker service personnel.

CONTACT: For brochure:
State Dept. of Public Assistance & Social Services
Hathaway Building
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Guy Noe, Advisory Council Chairperson
P.O. Box 560
Casper, Wyoming 82601 (307) 234-9305 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

MONTANA
Program

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: Statewide Telephone Network Acts As Information "Hotline" for Elders

DESCRIPTION: Montana has established a network of information and referral "hotlines" for elders. Older citizens call for answers to their questions about Medicaid, social security, railway retirement, nursing homes, problems of isolation and other issues. Program planners make a special effort to reach nursing home residents, and the lines are open to nursing home residents, administrators and employees. Elders, trained as referral technicians at yearly training sessions, are paid the minimum wage in SSI supplements to answer the phones for 4-20 hours a week.

ACTORS/ROLES: Developed and implemented by SUA. The individual telephone referral services are administered by the AAAs. Calls also come in through the statewide Citizen's Advocate Bureau run by the governor's office, and are transferred to the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 55 (for Native Americans, over 45).

STATUS: In operation since fiscal year 1973-74.

FUNDING: Initially funded as an Older Americans Act, Title III Model Project for \$138,000. After first year, received \$100,000 in state general funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Holly Luck, Chief
Walter H. Marshall, Administrative Officer
Aging Services Bureau
Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services
111 Sanders Street
Helena, Montana (406) 449-5650 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 2/79.

WYOMING
Program

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: WATS Line Provides 24-Hour Free Information

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming provides a 24-hour toll-free information and referral service to provide information and referral service to provide information about health, education and welfare. The service is staffed by five full-time employees from 8-5, who are on call after hours at their homes. The service has a special impact on rural and isolated elders.

ACTORS/ROLES: State Division of Public Assistance and Social Services helped in planning. Wyoming information and Referral Services, Inc. runs statewide service, receiving all incoming calls; it refers elder-related calls to SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders, especially in rural or isolated areas; generally, anyone seeking information and referral. Handles about 400 calls from and for elders per year.

STATUS: In operation since 1973.

FUNDING: Social Security Act, Title XX funds, \$40,000; budget includes \$15,000 for elders.

MATERIALS: Publicity materials and brochure.

CONTACT: James Hammer, Managing Program Consultant
Office on Aging
Division of Public Assistance and Social Service
Hathaway Building, #372
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 (307) 777-7561 (SUA)

For brochure:
Wyoming Information and Referral Service, Inc.
1780 Westland Road, Suite 2G
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001 (307) 635-4105 or
(800) 443-2744

VERIFIED: 1/79.

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE: Relocation Program Informs Elders and Families About Institutionalization

DESCRIPTION: At North Dakota's nursing home relocation workshops elders, their families and nursing home staff members get counseling and information about the potentially traumatic effect moving into a nursing home can have on elders. This pilot program eases the adjustment to nursing home life by raising the consciousness of the network of people around the new resident - the family and nursing home staff - as well as by counseling the patient.

ACTORS/ROLES: Staff of the SUA has conducted and designed the workshops in consultation with the State Department of Mental Health and the staffs of nursing homes in the state. A survey of homemakers' needs conducted by the SUA provided the idea for the project.

AREA SERVED: Pilot program currently held in four different sites in the state; potentially statewide.

TARGET: Elders facing institutionalization and their families and friends. Program has a secondary impact on people coming out of the state mental hospital, because the State Department of Mental Health has been able to utilize some of the material developed in this program.

STATUS: Began in 1/76; expected to continue.

FUNDING: \$680 grant from the Ombudsman Program provides materials. Salary of SUA staff conducting workshops is paid by SUA.

MATERIALS: Packet of relocation information. Bibliography.

CONTACT: Jo Hildebrand, Staff
Aging Services, Social Services Board
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505 (701) 224-2577 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

UTAH
Policy

OUTREACH SERVICES

TITLE: Outreach Workers Will Perform Needs Assessment

DESCRIPTION: In response to a federal mandate for more emphasis on outreach services by states, the SUA has made a needs assessment and a referral plan for isolated elders a major priority. State program planners met in 4/77 and developed a more aggressive outreach policy, which has been approved in the state plan for 1977-78. Older adults are being interviewed and hired to perform outreach services. They will gather data regarding elders' needs and establish connections with appropriate agencies to provide the needed services. The requires supportive urging for reluctant and needy elders to become more involved in utilizing the social service systems.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA initiated the plan, advertised for outreach workers, and interviewed elders for the positions. State Employment Agency met with the SUA and provided technical assistance to design the needs questionnaire. The State Manpower Agency is processing applications of potential employees.

AREA SERVED: Statewide with particular benefit for rural elders.

TARGET: To affect changes in the social and political conditions concerning isolated and minority elders.

STATUS: Meetings between SUA program planners and local agencies started in 4/77 to establish an outreach approach. Currently interviews are being conducted for older worker positions.

FUNDING: CETA - major source of funding requested, with cooperative and in-kind services provided through existing Older Americans Act, Title III, VII and IX programs.

MATERIALS: Orientation package for local agencies; job description for older workers.

CONTACT: Robert Ward, Program Coordinator
Division of Aging
345 6th Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102 (801) 533-6422 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

RECREATION

TITLE: Churches Organize Camping Programs for Elders

DESCRIPTION: A statewide camping program for elders is provided by the SUA and churches of various denominations across the state. Elders pay a minimal amount for camping programs which last up to a week. Programs may include swimming in heated pools, dancing instruction, and music. Some programs for blind elders are also provided.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA provides technical assistance, materials, and staff consultants to teach at camps. Various North Dakota churches provide camp space and transportation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Elders over 60.

STATUS: In operation since 1966, with program expansion.

FUNDING: Donations from elder participants; state council of churches of various denominations provide camp space and financial support.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: David Brunkow, Associate Director
Lakeside Christian Center
Route 1 - Box 62A
Bottineau, North Dakota 58318 (701) 263-4788 (0)

Mirt Brown, Program Director
James River Senior Center, Inc.
Box 1092
Jamestown, North Dakota 58401 (701) 252-2882 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

COLORADO
Program

OUTREACH SERVICES

TITLE: Elders Living in Hotels Receive Support Services

DESCRIPTION: Senior Support Services is an outreach program in the downtown Denver area. The objective of the program is to identify those elders who are living in downtown hotels, and offer services to those who have been overlooked. The majority of the elders are receiving old age pensions and/or SSI and are relatively isolated. Senior Support Services establishes contact with elders through a door-to-door outreach program, and develops an individual case plan which may include transportation, health care, and nutrition services.

ACTORS/ROLES: Senior Support Services, a non-profit organization, operates and administers the program.

AREA SERVED: Downtown Denver.

TARGET: Low income elders, age 60 and over.

STATUS: In operation since 7/77.

FUNDING: Older Americans Act, Title III, \$13,286, and community service grant, \$4000.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ruth Parsons or Jan Tucker
1660 Sherman
Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 861-8933 (O)

Evelyn Johnson, Program Specialist
Division of Services for the Aging
State Social Services Building
Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 892-2651 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

COLORADO
Program

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

TITLE: Elders Work to Locate and Assist Low-Income Elders

DESCRIPTION: The Program for Local Services (PLS) employs elders as full time volunteers to locate and assist isolated and low-income elders. The volunteers provide outreach, information and referral, homemaker, nutrition, transportation, winterization, oral health care, and legal services. The PLS has supplied much needed personnel to the aging network with the addition of 50 volunteers statewide. It is estimated that close to \$2,000,000 worth of direct economic benefit or in-kind services is received by clients of PLS throughout the state.

ACTORS/ROLES: The state Action office was awarded a VISTA grant. The program is centrally administered by the Colorado Congress on Senior Organizations and coordinated locally through AAAs and other service providers.

AREA SERVED: Statwide.

TARGET: Elders age 60 and over.

STATUS: In operation since 8/74.

FUNDING: A total budget of \$279,000, which includes a \$245,000 VISTA grant and \$34,000 in state matching funds.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: William N. Leuthauser, Program Supervisor
Division of Services for the Aging
State Social Services Building
Denver, Colorado 80203 (303) 892-2651 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

**NEVADA
Program**

ALTERNATIVES TO INSTITUTIONALIZATION

TITLE:

Elders Daytime Club Proves Popular

DESCRIPTION:

A daytime club for elders, established as a demonstration project, provides a realistic alternative to institutionalization, especially for frail elders who are dependent on working relatives. In coordination with the SUA, the Catholic Welfare Bureau secured funding to prepare a daytime facility and to employ staff to supervise elders' activities at the club. Support services, such as nutrition, transportation, health and recreation activities, offer a means for elder participants to associate with their peers and to maintain societal involvement. The clientele is primarily composed of ambulatory elders who need medical supervision for their ailments. Two elders are employed to assist with supervision and to monitor compliance with objectives and regulations. The program's popularity is evidenced by its current operation at capacity (13-17 clients per day) and increased referral from public agencies.

ACTORS/ROLES:

State Catholic Welfare Bureau initiated funding application and coordinated with SUA to secure federal funds. SUA provided technical assistance and project evaluations. Elders' club staff develops steady growth of project.

AREA SERVED:

Urban, single-county.

TARGET:

400 elders over age 55 per year, especially frail, low-income, minority and physically impaired elders.

STATUS:

Operational since 6/77.

FUNDING:

Title III-OAA, \$30,760; local in-kind contributions of space and equipment, \$17,116; volunteer time and contributions, \$4,120.

MATERIALS:

Project narrative.

CONTACT:

John B. McSweeney, Administrator
Division for Aging Services
505 East King Street, Room 101
Capitol Complex
Carson City, NV 89710 (702) 885-4210 (SUA)
Christine Little, Project Director
Reno Senior Daytime Club
275 East 4th Street
Reno, Nevada 89501 (702)323-1560

VERIFIED:

6/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

**CONNECTICUT
Program****INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION**

- TITLE:** Model Elder Day Care Program has Major Role in State Planning
- DESCRIPTION:** A broad coalition of health and social service agencies, including a community action agency, a project which attempts to deinstitutionalize Medicaid clients, hospital discharge planners, and the AAA, coordinated their service to implement a model day care program for elders. Services provided are: individual and family counseling, nursing, nutrition, recreation, rehabilitation and transportation to elders with a high probability of institutionalization. The state legislature implemented Special Act 78-29, which provided funding for the pilot program and calls for recommendations based on the program to be presented in September, 1979. The program's evaluation uses an eligibility tool to determine probability of institutionalization and a family status instrument to measure changes in family stress levels. A community needs assessment, distributed to over 300 groups, documented need and built a pool of clients for the program. The recommendations from this program will constitute a significant addition to the SUA's report to the state legislature on the future of adult day care.
- ACTORS/ROLES:** A coalition of health and social service agencies initiated the concept with assistance from a state legislator. SUA assisted in program design, administers funds and program evaluation. AAA developed program, provides transportation and Title IX funds. Community agency administers program and nutrition component.
- AREA SERVED:** Single-county.
- TARGET:** Elders over 60; 50 per week.
- STATUS:** Operational since 12/78.
- FUNDING:** State appropriations, \$70,000; Title III-OAA, \$21,000; Local in-kind contributions, \$10,000; Title IX-OAA, \$3,759; Title VII-OAA, \$3,294; Client contributions, \$1,000. Total: \$109,000.
- MATERIALS:** Sample request for proposals, evaluation measures. Report to General Assembly, available 9/79.
- CONTACT:** K. Mahoney, Ph.D., Senior Planning Analyst
Department on Aging
80 Washington Street, Lower Level
Hartford, CT 06115 (203) 566-7725 (SUA)
- VERIFIED:** 6/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

**DELAWARE
Program****RESPIRE CARE****TITLE:**

Short-term Respite Care Eases Strain for Caretaking Families

DESCRIPTION:

To address the problem of premature institutionalization of adults who can be cared for at home, a respite care program has been developed by a local hospital in coordination with the SUA, a local mental hospital and public health nurses. Often a family caring for a disabled or elderly relative at home becomes overwhelmed by the long term care process and institutionalizes the relative for lack of any alternatives. The respite care program provides short-term care for the disabled and for elders, providing relief for the families during crisis or vacation periods. Continued at-home care for relatives becomes more practical when emotional and physical strain on families can be relieved, and space for those requiring long-term care in state-operated facilities is more readily available.

ACTORS/ROLES:

Local hospital planned and implemented program; SUA consulted during planning phase; public health nurses assess applicants.

AREA SERVED:

Statewide.

TARGET:

Four to six persons per month; frail elders and low-income, minority and physically-impaired adult populations in general.

STATUS:

Operational since 3/79.

FUNDING:

State General Funds.

MATERIALS:**CONTACT:**

Banks Talley
Charles C. Thompson, Director, Social Service Department

Emily Bissell Hospital
3000 Newport Gap Pike
Wilmington, Delaware 19808 (302) 995-6621 (O)

VERIFIED:

6/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

**ILLINOIS
Program**

RETIREMENT-MANDATORY

TITLE: Elders Re-Enter the Work Force

DESCRIPTION: Project Re-Entry was coordinated by the South Suburban Council on Aging and SUA to address elders' special employment problems through the provision of a resource pool of elders over 55 to employers. The project, which operates on a non-profit basis, contracts with business, industry and institutions for temporary employment of elders. Employers may retain or rehire elders on a temporary basis who have reached mandatory retirement age, or hire elders from an office clerical pool to meet personnel needs during vacations, crises or peak periods. The project solicits businesses to participate, interviews and places elders and administers the billing process. Three elders over 55 are employed by the project as job developer, book-keeper and auditor. Elders who have taken early retirement or who have been forced to retire at age 65 can become re-hired, thus reducing unemployment of elders without requiring the retiree to return to work full-time.

ACTORS/ROLES: The South Suburban Council on Aging and SUA initiated the concept and serve as program coordinators. SUA provided funding.

AREA SERVED: Single-county, suburban area.

TARGET: 80 - 100 low-income elders over 55 per year, especially retirees.

STATUS: Operational since 3/77.

FUNDING: CETA, Title I, 4% Governor's Discretionary funds, \$32,166.

MATERIALS: Proposal and descriptive literature. Free.

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Illinois Department on Aging
421 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62706 (217) 785-3382 (SUA)

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South Suburban Council on Aging
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Harvey, IL 60426 (312) 333-4988 (O)

VERIFIED: 6/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

WYOMING
Program

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

TITLE: Elders Give Children Care in Foster Grandparents Program

DESCRIPTION: As foster grandparents, elders give needed personal attention to children from Head Start Programs and schools for the learning disabled, and children of migrant workers. The elders receive a stipend for seeing two children each day for two hours apiece. Their activities are unstructured so the "grandparents" can follow their own creative instincts in creating a supportive, educational experience for each child.

ACTORS/ROLES: In Laramie County, Cheyenne Community ACTION groups put together and channel funds. A locally-based policy advisory committee puts together and manages the Big Horn Basin Foster Grandparents Project in Thermopolis.

AREA SERVED: Two sites at present, in Cheyenne and Thermopolis.

TARGET: Roughly 110 elders participate at present in the two sites combined.

STATUS: In operation since 1973 in Thermopolis and 1976 in Cheyenne. Continuation expected.

FUNDING: Federal ACTION funds with 10% local matching funds required.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Bob LeGoff, Fiscal Control Officer
Division of Social Services
Department of Health and Social Services
New State Office Building, #288
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 (307) 777-7561 (SUA)

SOCIAL SERVICES

NORTH DAKOTA
Program

NURSING HOME EVALUATION

TITLE: Elders' Family and Friends Group
Educates About Nursing Homes

DESCRIPTION: Sharing for Family and Friends is a non-profit organization which sponsors seminars designed to bring local nursing home personnel together with elders and their families, so they can get to know each other better and discuss questions about nursing home care. The meetings are attended by people with relatives in nursing homes, some of whom are themselves elders facing institutionalization. At the seminars, the doctors, nurses and local nursing home personnel who make up the organization discuss preparation for institutionalization, problems and daily living situations within homes, and what different area homes have to offer. Some classes are directed at elders currently on nursing home waiting lists. Sharing for Family and Friends was started by an SUA staff member and operates in cooperation with the North Dakota SUA.

ACTCRS/ROLES: Sharing for Family and Friends of the Elderly, started by SUA staff member and cooperates with them.

AREA SERVED: Currently operating in Bismarck and Minot; eventually statewide.

TARGET: Elders in nursing homes and their families; nursing home staff.

STATUS: In operation since 1976; expected to continue.

FUNDING: Bismarck Medical Foundation funded with \$500 initially; also private donations from physicians.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Jo Hildebrand, Staff
Aging Services
Social Services Board
State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505 (701) 224-2577 (SUA)

**CALIFORNIA
Legislation****CONTINUUM OF CARE**

TITLE: State Law Establishes Multi-Purpose Projects for Frail Elders

DESCRIPTION: AB 998, Chapter 1199, the Multi-Purpose Senior Services Project, was enacted by the state legislature in 1977. The law directs the state health and welfare agency to implement model projects for comprehensive health and social services for frail elders, in an effort to provide a continuum of services in lieu of inappropriate institutionalization. Teams of community-based professionals assess the elder's situation and cooperatively devise a plan. Case Managers develop case plans and monitor follow-up services. The focus on appropriate service delivery maintains the individual's independence and promotes efficient public spending.

ACTORS/ROLES: House Speaker introduced the bill; the Subcommittee on Aging, the health and welfare agency and citizen groups supported its enactment. Multi-disciplinary professionals and elders perform project functions.

AREA SERVED: Eight local sites.

TARGET: Frail elders over 65 who are eligible for Medi-Cal.

STATUS: Legislation enacted 9/77; project will begin operation at the sites in 1/80.

FUNDING: Title III-OAA; State General Services Appropriations; Major funding requested from HEW.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Tom Porter, Principal Consultant on Aging
Special Sub-Committee on Aging
1116 Ninth Street, Suite 75
Sacramento, CA 94814 (916) 445-7272

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Multipurpose Senior Services Projects
Health and Welfare Agency
915 Capitol Mall, Room 200
Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 322-7200

VERIFIED: 6/79.

SOCIAL SERVICES

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Legislation

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

TITLE: Highway Funds Freed for Transportation Network

DESCRIPTION: Introduction of a constitutional amendment needed to broaden the use of highway funds for all modes of transportation is first step in the development and operation of a statewide network of transportation - rail, bus, air, taxi, etc. Elders and disabled will ride free; other residents will pay a normal fee.

ACTORS/ROLES: Members of the Interim Joint Legislative Committee on Elderly Affairs introduced enabling legislation. Several of these legislators also on the SUA Advisory Body which actively supports the legislation. The State Transportation Authority which administers the Highway Fund now would coordinate the development and operation of the network. Also involved: State Highway Department, Regional Office on Aging and the SUA.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Transportation needs of the state's elders and disabled as identified by elders during a 1976 statewide series of meetings with the SUA Advisory Body.

STATUS: Died in Committee.

FUNDING: A proposed surcharge of 50¢ on mandatory motor vehicle inspection fees and a \$3 increase in vehicle title transfer fees would realize an estimated \$1.5 million the first year. Some of this new revenue will be used as match for federal funds (25-75%).

MATERIALS: Constitutional Amendment Concurrent Resolution (CACR) No. 9.

CONTACT: Representative Henry Richardson, Chair
Governor's Committee for the Elderly
P.O. Box 382
Greenville, New Hampshire 03048 (603) 878-2718 (Adv.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

CONNECTICUT
Policy

LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION

TITLE: Commission Will Study Transportation Needs and Systems

DESCRIPTION: Bill #112 (pending) calls for the establishment of a 24 month study commission on transportation. Presently, separate planning and program development efforts are occurring in 15 regions and municipalities, resulting in no clear policy or coordination. The study commission would consist of 15 members, including State Commissioners of Social Services, Aging, and Transportation, a vocational rehabilitation division member, 2 elderly and 2 handicapped consumers appointed by the Governor and regional, urban and rural planners. Their duties would be: to inventory existing transportation programs both inside and outside the state; assess present policies; make recommendations and propose policies regarding the state's role and responsibility. This type of investigation will enable Connecticut to develop a clear-cut policy regarding the planning, development and financing of adequate transportation services for elders and the disabled in order to further their ability to continue living independently in their own homes and communities.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA is responsible for stimulating state government to move to define its transportation policy for elders.

AREA SERVED: Statewide policy development.

TARGET: A clear-cut policy regarding the state's role and responsibility in coordination with sub-state bodies in the planning, development and financing of adequate transportation services for elders.

STATUS: Died in Appropriations Committee.

FUNDING: Requesting \$35,000 for first year.

MATERIALS: Bill 112 - 1977.

CONTACT: Max Doverman, Executive Assistant
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90 Washington Street, Room 312
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-2480 (SUA)

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Office of Legislative Research, Room 120
State Capitol
Hartford, Connecticut 06115 (203) 566-4150 (Legis.)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

NEW JERSEY
Program

ECONOMIC RESOURCES

TITLE: Statewide Half-Fare Transportation Program

DESCRIPTION: Since 1973, New Jersey has been operating a statewide half-fare transportation program. Through reimbursement contracts, existing motorbus carriers provide intrastate transportation during off-peak hours to the disabled and all elders eligible for or receiving social security benefits. AB 3400 was spurred on by vocal senior groups in the state and the SUA. Expands the program to include travel from New Jersey to points outside the state as well as transportation by rail.

ACTORS/ROLES: Elder groups and the SUA were principal advocates. The Department of Transportation established and is implementing the program. Passes similar in appearance to a social security card are issued upon application.

AREA SERVED: Affects existing services statewide.

TARGET: The disabled and all elders eligible for or receiving social security benefits. This program has a special impact on the low income elderly, and those dependent on public transportation.

STATUS: Intrastate services began in 1973. Expanded in 1976 to include interstate coverage and rail service. The state's next undertaking will include a small proposal for coordination of a variety of transportation systems to most effectively meet the needs of elder and disabled populations.

FUNDING: Publicity is subsidized by the state of New Jersey not to exceed \$50,000. Operating expenses from a combination of state funds and those federal funds available through section 103(a) of the National Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1974.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ron Muzyk, Planner
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363 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 292-3765 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

RHODE ISLAND
Program

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

TITLE: Demand-Response Transportation System Serves Elders

DESCRIPTION: Senior Citizens Transportation, Inc. (SCT) is a statewide, demand-response, door-to-door, radio-dispatch minibus system which provides transportation at no charge to persons age 60 and over for medical appointments, nutrition and day care programs. Also serves disabled and retarded persons.

ACTORS/ROLES: Non-profit private corporation SCT, Inc. operates minibus system. SUA conceived the idea and formed corporation.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Provides 30,000 one-way passenger trips per month to 5,000-6,000 individuals.

STATUS: Operational. Development began in 1970. Coordination of Community Action Program transportation programs began in 1971.

FUNDING: State general funds, Older Americans Act Title III funds and match, Department of Transportation, city contracts, retardation agency contracts, elder companions, Social Security Act Title XX.

MATERIALS: The History of Senior Citizens Transportation in Rhode Island, 9/75.

CONTACT: Catherine Collette, Program Planner
Department of Community Affairs
Division on Aging
150 Washington Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903 (401) 277-2858 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TEXAS
Program

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Van and Transportation Program Reclaims Old Vehicles for Elders' Needs

DESCRIPTION: A three way contract between the SUA, State Department of Corrections (SCD), and the Farmers' Union Community Development Association Incorporated (Farmers' Union) has been negotiated which would provide for the SDC to renovate old vehicles used to serve aging programs. The benefits of this program would be noted in the reclamation of existing vans and automobiles for approximately one third the cost of new vehicles while providing job training and rehabilitation services to inmates of the correctional system. The limited funds available for transportation for elders can be used for the expansion of services rather than replacement of vehicles.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Rural Transportation Program determined the need and proposed the program; the SDC agreed to the use of inmates; the SUA researched the legality of contracting with State Department of Corrections. The Farmers' Union provided technical assistance.

AREA SERVED: Rural and urban transportation programs for elders throughout the state.

TARGET: The use of transportation funds to extend services rather than to replace vehicles. Aids elders by decreasing the financial burdens of the local communities.

STATUS: Proposal finalized 8/77, waiting legislative appropriations 9/77.

FUNDING: State general funds administered by SUA.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Robert Girard, Director
Senior Texans Employment Program
Texas Farmers' Union
800 Lake Air Drive
Waco, Texas 76710 (817) 772-7233 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

KENTUCKY
Policy

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

TITLE: Transportation Services Policy Centralizes Transportation Coordination

DESCRIPTION: Statewide mandate to AAAs and Nutrition Projects to use federal (Urban Mass Transportation Act, Section 16(b)(2)) funds instead of Older Americans Act (OAA) Title III and Title VII funds for purchase of vehicles and capital equipment. Goal to have policy affect other community agencies so that centralized transportation systems for meeting special needs of elders begin to replace fragmented and duplicated systems currently existing.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA issued policy which is binding on OAA Title III and Title VII projects.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Intent of policy is to get out of transportation business and turn responsibility back to proper governmental agencies -- federal and state departments of transportation.

STATUS: Policy became effective 4/77.

FUNDING: Urban Mass Transportation Act, Section 16(b) funds.

MATERIALS: 1) Copy of policy.
2) Public Transportation Improvement Program, by Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., 1/77.

CONTACT: John Cannon, Planner
Center for Aging Services
403 Wapping Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502) 564-6930 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

ALABAMA
Program

OUTREACH SERVICES

TITLE: Statewide Transportation Program Outreaches to Rural Elders

DESCRIPTION: In coordination with the AAAs, a statewide transportation network brings elders to various programs. Special outreach is made to rural elders and those who would otherwise be unable to take advantage of services. There is an emphasis on coordinating of services with transportation.

ACTORS/ROLES: AAAs develop plans, purchase vehicles; SUA reviews and coordinates plans.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: By 10/1/77, SUA hopes to cover 60 of Alabama's 67 counties with an AAA.

STATUS: Funded 6 AAAs in 1973; total of 12 funded by 10/1/77.

FUNDING: Federal and state funds with local cash match or in-kind match by purchase of vehicles. Older Americans Act Title III funds for programs with special emphasis on low-income elders.

MATERIALS: Copies of AAA transportation plans (rural and urban).

CONTACT: For rural AAA plan:
Fleetwood Hollinger
Alabama Tom Bigbee Rivers Regional Commission
P.O. Box 269
Camden, Alabama 36726 (0)

For urban AAA plan:
Joan McMillan
South Alabama Regional Planning Commission AAA
P.O. Box 1665
Mobile, Alabama 36601 (205) 433-7417 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

IOWA
Policy

FUNDING - ALLOCATION

TITLE: Transportation Funds Transferred Between Agencies

DESCRIPTION: The SUA made a policy decision to ask the State General Assembly to appropriate \$350,000 to the newly formed state Department of Transportation (SDT) to support development of a unified transportation system in rural areas. A committee for transportation planning was formed with representatives of the SUA and SDT as well as other concerned citizens. The committee is responsible for researching and establishing a strategy of coordinating the use of transportation funds from a variety of sources. The SUA felt that obtaining appropriated money for the SDT gives high priority and support to transportation, the area of highest need for rural elders in Iowa.

ACTORS/ROLES: SUA approached the legislature to recommend the transfer of funds to SDT. SDT agreed to use the funds for elders in setting transportation priorities.

AREA SERVED: Statewide - with emphasis on rural areas.

TARGET: To coordinate planning through one agency to deal with priorities of rural elders. Impact on other state agencies which serve elders.

STATUS: 7/1/77, transfer approved.

FUNDING: FY' 77 \$350,000 appropriated to SDT in addition to state appropriations.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Ron Beane, Program Administrator
Commission on Aging
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Des Moines, Iowa 50309 (515) 281-5187 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

CALIFORNIA
Program

INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

TITLE: Social Services Transportation Committee Coordinates Agencies

DESCRIPTION: The Inter-Agency Social Services Transportation Committee is made up of representatives from agencies including the State Departments of Health, Corrections, Aging, and Parks and Recreation. It coordinates numerous programs providing transportation for elders and the disabled. The committee works for fuller utilization of equipment and drivers, helps individual communities secure funding and technical assistance, and works for consolidation of costs. Specialized para-transit programs, like mini-bus service and reimbursement of volunteer drivers are now being emphasized.

ACTORS/ROLES: The SUA, Commission on Aging, Department of Rehabilitation, and the Department of Transportation ("Cal-Trans") instituted committee via provisions of the Federal Transportation Act.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Meeting transportation needs of state's elderly and disabled citizens and the needs of transportation policy makers for a coordinating mechanism.

STATUS: In operation, 1976.

FUNDING: None required; out of on-going budgets.

MATERIALS:

CONTACT: Hugh Griffin, Chair
Inter-Agency Social Services Transportation Committee
California Department of Transportation
Sacramento, California 95814 (916) 322-5480 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

KANSAS
Program

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

TITLE: Statewide Rural Transportation Identifies Problems

DESCRIPTION: The Statewide Rural Transportation Demonstration Project is a model project designed to identify problems in linking up public carriers to meet the needs of the rural population.

ACTORS/ROLES: The Kansas Department of Transportation and the SUA endorsed the Urban Mass Transit Act (UMTA) grant proposal. The Administration on Aging, the State Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services developed the program which will be established by the Regional Planning Commissions.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: Close gaps in state's public transportation services in rural areas.

STATUS: In operation since 1/77.

FUNDING: \$200,000 in Older Americans Act, Title III funds, and \$500,000 in Urban Mass Transit Authority funds.

MATERIALS: Copy of demonstration project proposal.

CONTACT: Jim McCormack, Chief of Programs
State Department on Aging
2700 West 6th Street
Topeka, Kansas 66606 (913) 296-4986 (SUA)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

MISSOURI
Program

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

TITLE: Elders Participate in State Transportation Conference

DESCRIPTION: Each fall, a 3-day transportation conference to discuss the state's transportation services for elders is convened in a state park facility. The conference is attended by about 150 elders, professionals and volunteers. The informal interaction between older citizens and representatives of many agencies maximizes grass-roots input and raises the consciousness of bureaucrats.

ACTORS/ROLES: Older Adults Transportation organization and Governor's Advisory Council on Aging members spear-headed establishment of meeting. As constituents, members of statewide senior networks urged their legislators and state and regional agency staff to develop this forum for debate of transportation needs and resources.

AREA SERVED: Statewide participation.

TARGET: Improvement of state's transportation services to elders.

STATUS: Operational 9/77.

FUNDING: The conference is funded out of the \$15 fee paid by participants. Conference costs are minimized by use of elder transportation buses, rather than commercial transportation, to bring elders to the meeting, and by use of state park facilities rather than a commercial conference site.

MATERIALS: List of discussion topics from 1977 meeting.

CONTACT: Bina Davis, Member
Governor's Transportation Commission
Route #3
Bethany, Missouri 64424 (816) 425-7555 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

MISSOURI
Program

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

TITLE: Transportation Program Stresses Individual Approach

DESCRIPTION: Senate Bill 4 (SB 4) appropriated \$470,000 to operate an individually responsive transportation program for elders and the disabled for the next three years, and made the service a permanent state program. The goal is "demand-actuated" service. For example, bus drivers adjust their schedules to meet requests from elder and disabled riders. The system is regionally managed.

ACTORS/ROLES: SB 4 was one of the bills proposed and promoted by the Silver Haired Legislature. The SUA initiated the program and the Governor's Advisory Council proposed SB 4 to provide funding to make it permanent.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: State's disabled and elder population. Goal, create system meeting individual transportation needs.

STATUS: Appropriation passed, 2/77; program expansion underway.

FUNDING: \$470,000 in state monies from general revenue which can be used to match Social Security Act, Title XX funds on a 3-1 ratio.

MATERIALS: Copy of Senate Bill 4.

CONTACT: E.C. Walker, Director
Missouri Office of Aging
Division of Special Services, Department of Social Services
Broadway State Office Building
P. O. Box 570
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101 (314) 751-2075 (SUA)

For copy of bill:
Missouri State Legislature
Capitol Building
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

NEBRASKA
Program

RURAL ELDERS

TITLE: HandiBus Program Serves Rural Elders

DESCRIPTION: In 1973, the SUA started the Senior HandiBus System, a series of specialized transportation systems for elders, focusing on the needs of older citizens in rural areas. The system was funded by Older Americans Act, Title III funds, and administered through AAAs until passage of the Nebraska Public Transportation Act (NPTA) of 1975. NPTA set aside general funds to help reimburse public agencies for operational losses incurred while providing public transportation, and designated the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) to administer these funds. The Senior HandiBus Systems established by SUA were absorbed into this program.

ACTORS/ROLES: The program was initiated by the SUA. It has since been expanded, and is now part of the NPTA program, directed by local government agencies and receiving technical assistance from the Nebraska Department of Roads.

AREA SERVED: Statewide.

TARGET: The NPTA is aimed at improving all public transportation, with recognition that its principal users are elders and the disabled of all ages.

STATUS: In operation since 1973; expect to expand to more comprehensive network.

FUNDING: \$1.5 million appropriated for NPTA in F.Y. 1978.

MATERIALS: Program information and requirements.

CONTACT: James Wiley, Assistant Director
Nebraska Commission on Aging
P.O. Box 95044
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 (SUA)

For Program Information:
Dalyce Ronnau - Assistant Planning Engineer
Nebraska Department of Roads
Planning Division
P.O. Box 94759
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 (402) 477-6012 (0)

VERIFIED: 1/79.

TRANSPORTATION

SOUTH DAKOTA
Program

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

TITLE: Transportation Task Force Integrates Funding Proposal

DESCRIPTION: The Human Resources Committee, a subgroup of the governor's cabinet, recognized the need for an inter-agency transportation task force which would review various funding mechanisms, plan for future funding, and explore and develop an integrated transportation plan for the state. The task force was made up of representatives from the state Department of Transportation (DOT), Department of Social Services (DSS), SUA, state Planning Bureau (PB) and other agencies.

The task force recommended developing a demonstration project that meets the demands of a given service area, identifies funding sources, and functions under one budget acceptable to all agencies.

ACTORS/ROLES: DOT - catalyst in convening the committee, helped draft recommendations. PB and DSS provided technical assistance and final review of recommendations. SUA provided input and review:

AREA SERVED: Initially in a demonstration site with emphasis on rural areas - eventually statewide.

TARGET: Transportation for disadvantaged residents of whom elders are a significant number.

STATUS: Report of task force submitted to governor 8/77. It will continue to promote recommendations of the report and to evaluate transportation proposals.

FUNDING: None for the task force.

MATERIALS: Interagency Coordination Report on Public Transportation in South Dakota - August, 1977.

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VERIFIED: 1/79.

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WYOMING

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APPENDICES

SUPPLEMENTARY RESOURCES

This is a partial listing of supplementary information-sharing resources in the field of aging.

Aging Services News
Aging Research and Training News
 6529 Elgin Lane
 Bethesda, MD 20034
 (301) 229-8646

Irma Schechter, Editor

Publications of Care Reports, Inc. *Aging Services News*, formerly Supportive Services, reports on current federal legislation, policy and regulation with an emphasis on funding sources. It covers health, social and housing programs which foster independent living for the aged. Twice monthly, except once in August and December, \$88.00 per year. *Aging Research and Training News* reports on federal grants and contracts, policies, guidelines, legislation, and regulation, covering a broad spectrum of federal agencies, Congress and the White House. Focuses on the availability of research and training funds. Monthly, \$58.00. Bulk rates available for both publications.

American Association of Community and Junior Colleges
 Older Americans Program
 1 Dupont Circle
 Suite 410
 Washington, DC 20036
 (202) 293-7050

Jeanne B. Aronson, Director-OAP

Older Americans Program (OAP) publishes and circulates their newsletter *UPDATE*, to disseminate a "body of knowledge" about community college programs which expand work opportunities--both paid and volunteer--for middle-aged and older persons. OAP has established a clearinghouse of bibliographic, funding, and work-related program information. National and regional meetings are sponsored by the program. Publications are being developed.

American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry
 230 N. Michigan, Rm. 2400
 Chicago, IL 60601
 (312) 263-2225

Sanford I. Finkel, M.D.

Year old organization of psychiatrists whose primary interest is in aging. Publishes newsletter four times a year; \$15 yearly subscription fee for non-members. Various position papers and bibliographies available for fee. Booklet listing AAGP's 420 members, \$3.00.

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American Health Care Association
 1200 15th Street, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20005
 (202) 833-2050

Gloria Murrow

Thirty-six publications for administration and staff development in nursing homes, plus numerous brochures for consumers including *Thinking About a Nursing Home?* (single copies free) and *Welcome to Our Nursing Homes* (25 copies for \$4.50). Write for list of publications and ordering information.

American Hospital Association
 840 North Lake Shore Drive
 Chicago, IL 60611
 (312) 280-6000

Meryl Dann

The American Hospital Association *Resource Catalog* includes publications about coordinating activity programs, and providing health care for elders. Available free from AHA. Write, Attention: Order Processing Department, Catalog No. 472M. *Hospitals*, the journal of the AHA also sometimes includes articles dealing with care and programs for elders.

American Pharmaceutical Association
 Academy of Pharmacy Practice,
 Section on Long Term Care
 2215 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20037
 (202) 628-4410

Cyrelle K. Gerson

Several publications available, including *The Right Drug to the Right Patient*, *Pharmaceutical Services in the Long Term Care Facility*, including an audio visual presentation; and a newsletter, *Pharmacy Practice* (free to APP members; nonmembers \$10.00). Publications: catalogues are available.

American Society for Geriatric Dentistry
The Arthur Elfenbaum Memorial Library of Geriatric Dentistry
Two North Riverside Plaza
Suite 1741
Chicago, IL 60606
(312) 648-9696

S.I. Neiman

The society publishes a journal on practice, teaching and training for geriatric dentistry. A manual on oral health for long term care patients is available. The Library of Geriatric Dentistry contains papers, transcripts of lectures, articles and brochures on more than two hundred, ranging from *Avoiding Endodontic Problems in Geriatric Dentistry* to *Xerostomia, Asialorrhea, Ap-tyalism (Dry Mouth)*.

Association for Humanistic Gerontology (A.H.G.)
1711 Solano Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94707
(415) 525-3128

Ken Dychtwald, Ph.D.

International professional network/association interested in promoting creative, humanistic, and innovative health-oriented approaches to programs and services for the elderly. Activities include geographical referrals, conferences, and publication of quarterly news magazines and resource catalogs, which are purchasable from the A.H.G. office.

Clearinghouse on the Handicapped
DHEW
200 Independence Ave., Room 339D
Washington, DC 20201
(202) 245-1961

Helga Roth, Chief

The Clearinghouse on the Handicapped provides information on a wide range of issues and concerns in the field of handicapping conditions and related services. Since some of the aged population are also handicapped, this resource may be of interest to professionals in the field of aging. Write for current list of available publications.

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Community Nutrition Institute-Training Center (CNI-TC)
1146 19th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 833-1730

Jane Munger Pettit

CNI-TC offers training to the Aging Network. Workshops actively involve participants in skill development & problem-solving. Areas covered include: personnel, program, and contract management; Older Americans Act implementation; working with councils; interpersonal relations; gerontology; outreach. Call or write for information. Price varies with length and number trained.

Consumer Information Catalog
Pueblo, CO 81009

Free, selected listing of more than 200 federal consumer publications on autos, housing, health, consumer protection, credit, recreation, etc. More than half the publications are free.

The Council for International Urban Liaison (UIA)
Urban Innovation Abroad
818 18th Street, N.W., Suite 840
Washington, D.C. 20006
(202) 223-1434

George G. Wynne

UIA appries local governments and Third Generation services organizations on innovative approaches in the industrialized cities of the world. Concepts are selected for their transfer potential. A \$24 subscription includes a complimentary copy of *Urban Transit Abroad*, access to resource file and report reproduction at cost.

The Council of State Governments (CSG)
Iron Works Pike
Box 11910
Lexington, KY 40578
(606) 252-2291

Arleen Johnson

CSG staff have a working knowledge of aging programs on both state and national levels. Services may include information and referral, states' legislation, model legislation and CSG aging and/or reference publications. A series of six aging publications are available, by writing or calling Rita Mullins, Order Department. No charge for publications requested by state government staff.

Data Archive for Aging and Adult Development (DAAAD)
 Center for the Study of Aging & Human Development
 Box 3003
 Duke University Medical Center
 Durham, NC 27710
 (919) 684-3204

Linda George

The Duke Data Archive for Aging and Adult Development serves as a repository for publicly available data sets relevant to the study of aging. Our services to users include: dissemination of data, technical consultation, substantive and methodological consultation and the development of related resources (e.g., measurement manuals, technical reports). Some services are free; others at cost.

Department of Transportation Library, M-49
 400 7th Street, S.W., Room 2200
 Washington, D.C. 20590
 (202) 426-1792

Reference Staff

Collection contains studies on transportation for elders. Publications are available for on-site use in the library, or for interlibrary loan to other libraries.

Department of Transportation-Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA)
 Transit Research Information Center
 2100 Second Street, S.W., Room 6412, UPM-44
 Washington, D.C. 20590
 (202) 426-9157

Winnie L. Muse and Marina Drancsak

UMTA provides assistance in meeting the transportation needs of elders and disabled persons, where existing transportation services are unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate. UMTA-funded and sponsored reports include the Transit Research Information Center (TRIC), which maintains material relating to transportation of elders and the disabled. Elder and disabled issues are usually treated together. An annual volume: "The Urban Mass Transportation Abstracts" (updated by bimonthly publications) is published. Reports are free from office. (When the supply is depleted, persons may order these Abstracts at cost from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), a repository for UMTA material.)

ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult, Career, and Vocational Education
Ohio State University
1960 Kenny Road
Columbus, OH 43210
(614) 486-3655

Dr. J. Nevin Robbins, Assistant Director for Adult Education

The clearinghouse is the document acquisition and public service arm of a national information system known as ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center). It serves the area of aging in three ways: (1) helps to build the ERIC files by acquiring, annotating, and indexing documents on the characteristics, lives, and education of adults of all ages; (2) responds by mail or telephone to requests for information on adulthood, adults as learners, and methods of educating adults; provides document references, agency referrals, and professional assistance; (3) publishes bulletins, bibliographies, and papers, including the *1978-79 Directory of Resources for the Education of Adults* which identifies approximately 200 pages of human, organizational, and material resources. Approximate cost of \$12.00.

Funding In Aging: Public, Private and Voluntary, 1979.
Adelphi University Press
Garden City, NY 11530
(516) 294-8700

Center on Aging
Adelphi University
(516) 485-6730

Lilly Cohen, Associate Director

A 308-page reference for fund seekers in the field of aging, by Lilly Cohen, Marie Oppedisano-Reich, Kathleen Gerardi. Includes descriptive information on funding and technical assistance from 127 federal programs, 56 state programs, 275 foundation sources and 65 voluntary organizations; indexed.

Gerontological Information Center
Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center
University of Southern California
University Park
Los Angeles, CA. 90007
(213) 741-5990

Jean E. Mueller

The Gerontological Information Center, consisting of the Research Library, the Dissemination Project and the AGEX (Andrus Gerontological Exchange) database offers reference services via telephone or by mail. Custom searches of AGEX as well as the publicly vended bibliographic databases are available. Andrus Center authored materials are available on a cost recovery basis. Write or call for topical bibliographies of available publications and information on computerized searches.

Gerontological Information Program (GRIP)
 Syracuse University
 School of Information Studies
 119 Euclid Avenue
 Syracuse, NY 13210
 (315) 423-4511

Stephanie Ardito-Kirkland, Project Director
 Marta L. Dosa, Project Coordinator

GRIP was jointly established at Syracuse University by the All-University Gerontology Center and the School of Information Studies. GRIP uses a three-pronged approach integrating 1) research on the information needs and uses of service providers and administrators, 2) operation and testing of a prototype information dissemination system, and 3) an educational component that brings together graduate students from various disciplines and professional schools. Overall, the program attempts to create closer links between academic research in gerontology and practitioners who work directly with elders.

Gerontology Program
 Georgia Center for Continuing Education
 Athens, GA 30602
 (404) 542-1272

Dr. Bradley C. Courtenay

Available: *New Wrinkles on Retirement*, series of 8 video-cassettes on pre-retirement. *Environments, Creativity and Aging*, compilation of proceedings of conference on relationship of environment, creativity and elders. *I Remember...I Remember*, elders on video-cassettes reading their own scripts of an early life event. *If You Don't Use It, You Lose It*, older people demonstrate the importance of movement for health. A training tape describing the process for establishing life history writing groups is also available.

Glossary of Aging Terms
 New York State Senate
 Select Committee on Problems of the Aging
 Legislative Office Building, Room 307
 Albany, New York 12247
 (518) 472-7460

The committee has published a 40-page booklet defining official and unofficial terms, acronyms and other expressions in common use among professionals in the field of aging. The glossary, entitled "Let's Keep on Good Terms with our Senior Citizens," was published in 1978. Some of the listing are relevant to New York only, but this first attempt at collecting a broad range of terms may serve as a model for other states.

Gray Panthers
3635 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104
(215) 382-6644

Edith Giese, Director

Distributes *The Network*, a bi-monthly newspaper. Acts as an inter-generational grass-roots advocacy organization for elders and against all age discrimination.

International Federation on Ageing (IFA)
1909 K Street, N.W., Room 512
Washington, D.C. 20049
(202) 872-4885

Charlotte Nusberg, Editor

IFA serves as an advocate for elders at an international level and exchanges information about world wide developments in aging of interest to the practitioner (non-medical) through its quarterly bulletin, *Ageing International*, and other publications. Subscription price - \$(U.S.)7.00 a year (calendar year) in U.S., Canada.

International Senior Citizens Association, Inc.
11753 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90025
(213) 479-8420

Marjorie Borchardt

The organization provides coordination on an international level to "safeguard the interests and needs of the senior citizens of the world." It provides communication between elders for education and cultural development, provides a forum for elder participation in world affairs, works with governments and non-profit organizations for elders' benefit throughout the world. Publishes the *International Senior Citizens News*.

KWIC/ASTRA Training & Educational Resources in Aging Information
Duke Center for the Study of Aging & Human Development
Box 3003 - Duke Medical Center
Durham, NC 27710
(919) 684-3058

Joan Walter

Keyword Indexed Collection (KWIC) and *Analysis & Selection of Training Resources in Aging (ASTRA)* comprise a service which collects, describes, evaluates, and informs persons in the aging network of training and educational materials in aging. Assistance is provided in the form of continually updated descriptive and analytic/review type publications about materials as well as individualized searches resulting from specific expressed requests, made by letter or phone.

Library of Congress
National Referral Center
Science and Technology Division
Washington, D.C. 20540
(202) 287-5670

Mr. John Feulner, Head Referral Services Section

Provides referrals to other information and referral resources. Provides computerized summaries of information resources indexed by subject. Substantial listings on age-related subjects. Free service. Prefer telephone requests for service to allow discussion and refinement of complex questions.

Long Term Care
Room 457 National Press Building
Washington, D.C. 20045
(202) 624-7555 or (202) 624-7558

Michael A. Carson

Weekly newsletter published by McGraw-Hill dealing with long term health care. Publication reports on federal legislation and regulations as well as some state activity regarding nursing homes. Also covers news of social services programs and scientific and medical information related to legislation or regulations affecting the elderly. Cost is \$153 a year.

Long Term Care Administration, *Journal of
The American College of Nursing Home Administrators*
4650 East-West Highway
Washington, D.C. 20014
(301) 652-8384

Andrea Ashmore, Asst. Managing Editor

The American College of Nursing Home Administrators is a professional society for men and women who administer facilities for long term care and facilities designed to promote, preserve, and sustain the well-being of the aged and chronically ill. Our *Journal* keeps administrators abreast of new ideas and trends in the field of long term care.

Loretto Heights College
3001 S. Federal Boulevard
Denver, CO 80236
(303) 936-8441

Virginia Fraser

Booklet: *Understanding Senility - A Layperson's Guide*. The booklet discusses causes, behaviors, care and problems with a focus on the families of those affected - order from above address; \$2.00 includes mailing.

National Adult Education Clearinghouse (NAEC)/
 National Multimedia Center for Adult Education (NMMC)
 Centers of Adult Continuing Education
 Montclair State College
 Upper Montclair, NJ 07043
 (201) 893-4353/4355

Fran M. Spinelli, Director

The Clearinghouse provides the wide dissemination of information about materials in the areas of aging, adult education, community education and continuing education. Holdings consist of nearly 20,000+ publications. Abstracts, bibliographies, searches and mail loans are available. *Education for Aging Bibliography*, 3rd Edition, \$6.00; write, attention Fran Spinelli.

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (NAAAA)
 1828 L Street, N.W., #400
 Washington D.C. 20036
 (202) 223-5010

Raymond C. Mastalish, Director

NAAAA is a private, non-profit organization with primary goals of: 1) advocating for older persons' needs at the national level; 2) promoting a reasonable national policy on aging; 3) encouraging and assisting the process of partnership and communication among the national network on aging, such as AoA, SUAs and various AAAs. Publishes a monthly newsletter, *Point of Delivery*, available to non-members for \$8.00 a year. Maintain updated list of AAAs, published by the House Select Committee on Aging.

National Association of Counties Research Foundation
 1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20006
 (202) 785-9577

Mary Brugger Murphy

Currently available, without charge, are 6 case studies on county-level services for the Aging: Transportation, Housing, Health, Crime Prevention and two Organizational studies. Also available is *Priorities*, a report on a series of 1977 conferences. By the end of 1979 materials will be available on the development of county-level comprehensive long-range plans for the aging.

National Association of State Units on Aging (NASUA)
 1828 L Street, N.W.
 Suite #400
 Washington, D.C. 20036
 (202) 466-8529

Daniel A. Quirk, Ph.D., Executive Director

A public interest organization founded in 1966, NASUA is a channel for exchange of information and experiences among its 56 members--the State Units on Aging. An updated list of SUAs is available.

National Citizens' Coalition for Nursing Home Reform
 1424 16th Street, N.W., Room 204
 Washington, D.C. 20036
 (202) 797-8227

Elma Griesel, Executive Director

Coalition of local and state groups determined to combine efforts and share resources to improve the long term care system and the quality of life for nursing home residents. Numerous reports, free or for nominal cost. *Collation*, a newsletter for advocates of nursing home reform, published every six weeks; current issues free, past issues, \$1-\$12.

National Clearinghouse on Aging (NCA)
 330 Independence Avenue, S.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20201
 (202) 245-0996

Kris Pappajohn

The NCA provides a variety of information about elders and their needs. The information center contains 2,500 statistically-oriented documents, 1,500 federally-funded research projects, AoA discretionary grant reports, periodicals and congressional reports. It is implementing the Service Center for Aging Information (SCAN), a computerized information storage and retrieval system. The statistical collections are indexed with terms from the NCA Thesaurus. NCA publishes *Aging* magazine, 8 times a year for \$5.05/year, write: Supt. of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402. Write NCA for list of other available publications and how to use SCAN.

National Clearinghouse for Mental Health Information (NCMHI)
 National Institute of Mental Health
 5600 Fishers Lane
 Rockville, MD 20852
 (301) 443-4515

The NCMHI collects and disseminates information in various areas of mental health. Included in the NCMHI data bank are 250,000 abstracts with 6,005 under "Aging." Provides literature search, bibliographies with attached abstracts on requested topics. Pamphlets/brochures on topics in the mental health field--approximately 8 published per year. List of topics and free single copies from above address, Attn: Public Inquiry, or phone (301) 443-4515. To order multiple copies, write: Supt. of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402. NCMHI services are for professionals in mental health field.

National Council for Homemaker-Home Health Aide Services, Inc.
 67 Irving Place
 New York, NY 10003
 (212) 674-4990

Mary G. Walsh

Provides national leadership in developing service patterns to meet special needs for home care. Develops and publishes various educational and training materials including *Widening Horizons - The Teaching Aspect of Homemaker Service: A Guide*. Describes how the elderly, among others, may enhance the quality of their daily lives, adapt to the limitations of age or illness and become or remain as independent as possible. Cost \$4.00.

National Council of Senior Citizens
 1511 K Street, N.W.
 Room 202
 Washington, D.C. 20005
 (202) 347-8800

William R. Hutton, Executive Director
 Betty Duskin, Director of Research

Operate legal services and research for elders through AoA grant. Have 3,800 affiliated senior citizen clubs involved in political activity at state, local, and national levels. Membership (\$3.50 for individuals) includes monthly publication *Senior Citizen News*.

National Council On The Aging
1828 L Street, NW
Washington D.C. 20036
(202) 223-6250

John B. Balkema, Librarian

The library has 9,586 books, 155 file cases of pamphlet material, and subscribes to 377 periodicals. Programs for the aging and psychosocial and economic aspects of aging are the principal subjects. The library publishes bibliographies on various aspects of aging, and the quarterly abstracting journal *Current Literature On Aging*. List of holdings available.

National Geriatrics Society
212 West Wisconsin Avenue
Centre Bldg., 3rd floor
Milwaukee, WI 53203
(414) 272-4130

Thomas J. Bergen, Executive Director

A non-profit educational and scientific society to advance techniques of care for the aged, infirm, chronically ill, handicapped and convalescent patient. Composed of professionals, organizations and institutions serving this population. Monthly publication *Aging and Leisure Living* available to non-members, \$12 a year.

National Gerontology Resource Center
NRTA/AARP
1909 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20049
(202) 872-4844

Paula M. Lovas, Librarian

Holdings of this library include some 5000 books, 300 periodicals and extensive pamphlet files relating to the field of aging. Principal subjects covered are medical care, legislation, retirement, pre-retirement planning, housing, long term care, church programs, volunteer programs, adult education and employment. Designed to serve the members of the National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons, some service is also provided free to the general public.

National Institute on Aging (NIA)
 Gerontology Research Center
 Baltimore City Hospitals
 4940 Eastern Avenue
 Baltimore, MD 21224
 (301) 396-9421

Daniel S. Rogers, Information Officer

The GRC serves as the focus for intramural research of the NIA. Major research programs emphasize clinical physiology, behavioral sciences (learning, memory, problem solving, stress and coping, psychophysiology), molecular aging, cellular aging, neurosciences. Major gerontology/geriatrics library used to compile *Current Publications in Gerontology and Geriatrics* and *Classified Bibliography*. Library open weekdays to professionals and public. Tours arranged with advance notice of several weeks. General Institute publications available free.

National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC)
 Eighth & Varnum Streets, N.E.
 The Catholic University of America
 Washington, D.C. 20064
 (202) 635-5822

Ellen Aronson, Information Specialist

NARIC's collection of documents and audiovisual materials covers all aspects of the rehabilitation of physically and/or mentally disabled individuals as well as documents relevant to professional and administrative practices and concerns in the rehabilitation field. Consists of Rehabilitation Service Administration research reports, monographs and audiovisual materials, reference books, and 150 periodical subscriptions. NARIC provides bibliographies and copies of materials in collection and will answer reference questions--when the information is available in published form. Charge for actual cost of duplicating materials.

National Technical Information Service (NTIS)
 U.S. Department of Commerce
 Springfield, VA , 22161
 (703) 557-4650

Collects and disseminates unclassified government-sponsored research and development reports from departments including the AoA and DHEW. Holds about 300 titles related to aging and elders. Search service provides up to 100 report summaries on requested topic, \$100/search, write Attn: NTISearch, or call (703) 557-4642. Catalog available. Bibliographies, abstracts available.

New England Gerontology Center
 New England Center for Continuing Education
 15 Garrison Ave.
 Durham, NH 03824
 (603) 862-1720

Lee H. Olitzky, Associate Director

The Gerontology Center focuses its activities on practitioners working with older people throughout the United States and on educational programs in a continuing education atmosphere. Informational publications, including *GeranTopics*, published nine times a year. Provides technical assistance and information searches. The Center, established in 1966 as one of ten Kellogg Centers, remains the only regional Continuing Education Center in the United States.

Older American Reports
 2430 Pennsylvania Ave., NW #G-12
 Washington D.C. 20037
 (202) 452-1600

Karen Spar, Editor

Bi-weekly newsletter on federal programs and activities affecting the elderly. \$97.00 a year.

The Older American's Handbook
 Van Nostrand Reinhold Company
 450 West 33rd Street
 New York, New York 10001

This 1977 publication by Craig and Peter Norback lists a variety of national, state and local organizations focused on elders in the areas of medical and nursing care, housing, recreation, legal services, employment, food, transportation and counseling. Introduces scope of subject, then provides contacts on state or regional level, nationwide. Paperback, \$8.95.

Older Women's League Educational Fund (OWLEF)
 3800 Harrison St.
 Oakland, CA 94611
 (415) 653-1435

Tish Sommers, President

OWLEF is dedicated to public education and consciousness raising on the combined impact of agism and sexism. It is laying the foundation for emergence of a significant advocacy organization for middle-aged and older women under the slogan: *Don't agonize, organize!* OWLEF publishes "gray papers" on public policy issues, a newsletter and "how-to" materials. Samples and resource list available on request.

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Over 55 Is Not Illegal:
A Resource Book for Active People
 Houghton Mifflin Company
 2 Park Street
 Boston, MA 02107
 (617) 725-5000, 5971

Randall Warner

This 1979 publication by Frances Tenenbaum lists opportunities especially for elders within the areas of education, employment, volunteering, political action and keeping fit. Provides names and addresses of college gerontology programs and a selection of other state and national organizations. Paperback, \$7.95; cloth \$14.95; plus 85 cents handling.

PROJECT SHARE
 P.O. Box 2309
 Rockville, MD 20852
 (301) 428-3100

Timothy Reed
 Debora Ferrara

Provides documents on innovations in human services and other relevant human service information. *Journal of Human Services Abstracts* announces recent documents; single subscription per institution free, additional \$25.00/year. Reference services, computer searches of document files, bibliographies, summaries of major documents, and monographs available.

Smithsonian Science Information Exchange (SSIE)
 1730 M Street, N.W., Room 300
 Washington, D.C. 20036
 (202) 381-4211

Behavioral Sciences: Rhoda Goldman
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The following contacts and offices have been identified as the single most comprehensive sources of information on aging-related state legislation within each state. This material was obtained through a 1979 state-by-state survey of selected state legislative committees, (1) State Units on Aging, Area Agencies on Aging, and Legislative Public Information offices. (2) Contacts were asked to describe the legislative tracking system within their states and to indicate:

1. whether *all bills*, *all aging-related bills*, or *selected aging-related bills* are tracked;
2. what materials are available;
 - a. a *list* of bills,
 - b. subject *index* of bills,
 - c. summaries or *abstracts* of bills,
 - d. *text* copies of bills; and whether
3. a *newsletter* or other publication is produced and disseminated.

The listings following each contact refers to the foregoing services as abbreviated by the words in italics. We have attempted to provide a single contact per state, selecting those who described the most complete systems. In some instances, more than one contact is necessary for maximum coverage. A few states reported no aging-related or comprehensive legislative tracking system. In others, several offices provided some services, but not all. For states which did not respond in 1979, we have included contacts who previously provided us with legislative materials in 1977.

People and services change quickly; by now some of these systems may have expanded-- or contracted. Your help in updating this list will be appreciated.

(1) Identified in National Conference of State Legislatures, *Directory of State Legislative Leaders and Committee Assignments*, Denver, Colorado, 1977.

(2) Identified in National Conference of State Legislatures, *So the People May Know: Public Information in State Legislatures*, Denver, Colorado, 1977.

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