Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division 2017-2020 Area Agency on Aging Area Plan

Outreach to Community

89%
RACIAL, ETHNIC
OR CULTURAL
MINORITIES

474
PARTICIPANTS

68%
LIMITED ENGLISH
PROFICIENCY







Area Plan Goals

Information & Assistance (I &A) and Aging & Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)

- Decrease isolation and barriers to access.
- ADRC is recognized by the community as a valuable resource.

Nutrition Services

- Older adults will have ready access to healthy food that is affordable and supports a healthy diet.
- Be a leader in equity around food security.

Health Promotion

- Improve county-wide access to and utilization of services by racial, ethnic, cultural minority and other underserved groups of elders.
- Isolation will be reduced through social networks and important connections made during health promoting classes.

Family Caregivers

Support quality services for family caregivers.

 Promote access to family caregiver services and resources, including respite services, to meet the needs and preferences of family and informal caregivers from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Elders Rights and Legal Assistance

- Ensure that older adults and people with disabilities have access to protection against abuse, financial exploitation, and neglect, with particular attention focused on resources, access, and financial stability.
- Ensure adequate and equitable access to legal support, peer support, and advocacy for older adults.

Older Native Americans

- Increase accessibility to culturally specific services and support the needs identified by Native American Elders.
- Enhance services for urban Native American elders by promoting capacity-building in agencies that serve them.

Health System Transformation

 Improve coordination of care, enhance member engagement in care coordination, improve coordination of transitions across settings, and improve cross-system education related to older adults and adults with disabilities.

Behavioral Health

- People who need services know where to go and feel comfortable seeking out services.
- Develop a system that provides services and supports to people with multiple needs who do not fit into one system.

Veterans

 Older adults apply for and receive benefits through the federal Veterans Administration, as well as state and county resources to meet and maintain their individualized care needs.

Transportation Coordination and Resources

• Transportation coordination and resources will be readily available, easy to navigate, and distributed equitably across ADVSD service areas.