

Notes of Senior Issues Volunteer Subgroup

October 5, 2015

Attendees: Laurie Ashley, Paul Corbeil, Jack Hansen, Stan Means, Tom Meeks, Les Sintay, Patrea St. John, Tiffany Tate, Tim Womack

Unable to attend: Dave Eldridge, Tanya Yachaina

Mission/Vision: To focus initial efforts on meeting seniors' needs in food, transportation and home services categories.

Suggested Approach: Develop a common website that 1) provides seniors with easy access to needed services by "taxonomy" and community, 2) allows senior volunteers to complete an application identifying their interest areas (for senior and other services, i.e. elementary school mentors, 3) allows prospective volunteers to identify local service agencies within their areas of interest, and 4) provides service agencies with a data base of prospective volunteers for consideration. (Please see attached inventory for Upstate Child Well-Being services and organizations as an example of taxonomy.)

Possible success and/or decision criteria:

1. Agreed to solution must have clear, agreed to ownership with final authority.
2. Feature functionality will be recommended by user committee.
3. This should be an integrated system with easy access.
4. Committee preference is to build on an existing, expandable application.
5. "Taxonomy" must follow industry standard.
6. Service description content responsibility of each service agency, with common format and terms, and auditable.
7. Implementation and ongoing funding responsibilities must be shared and agreed to upfront.

To-Dos:

1. Check with Richard LaPratt about follow-up visit to discuss 2-1-1 and our current direction. If interest on his part, schedule ASAP. Tiffany and Paul

-invite Anderson and Greenville United Way reps (?)

2. Draft definition of goal/vision and criteria. Paul and Tiffany
3. Check out Senior Actions websites. All
4. Solicit input on application content. Laurie
5. Continue research of websites for services and/or volunteer applications and possible matching. All

-See original list

-See also Volunteer Match, MissionNext.org, Chicago Cares, "Reno", CreateTheGood.org, AARP, VITA, Chicago Cares

6. Ensure coordination with Lt. Gov.'s office. Stan and Tim

Other key issues:

1. Discuss contact with key state and federal legislators
2. Begin outline of approach to funding issues
3. Discuss other technical and advisory resources