Disabilities Services Advisory Council (DSAC)

September 2024 Advisory Councils



Meeting Overview

1. Welcome

2. ADVSD leadership updates

3. Area plan update

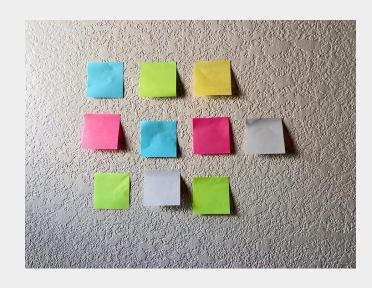
4. Commitment to sharing Area Plan Needs Assessment Survey

5. Ideate on public listening session (Activity)



Warm-up

- To activate our brains.
- Take 5 minutes to think about a time you were at a public event.
- Write down 1 idea per sticky note and describe how the event made you feel?
- For example: I felt welcomed, I felt adored, I felt safe, I felt….?
- Place sticky note on the wall. For those who need assistance, we will help place on the wall for you.



Online: Send your "I felt..." prompt through chat!



ADVSD Leadership Updates



Area Plan Update 2025-2029



What

The 2025-2029 Area Plan describes how the Multnomah County Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division will provide a comprehensive and coordinated delivery system to older adults in our community. An Area Plan is required for all Area Agencies on Aging.

The Area Plan on Aging: Needs Assessment Survey will help with getting information on service needs for the next 4 years in multnomah county.



Needs Assessment Survey



Area Plan Status Update

Area Plan Goals

April / May

July

July / August

WE ARE HERE \rightarrow

January

February

Year 1 of Strategic Area Plan on Aging

Vision

Overarching Questions

Population Prioritization

Developing Questions for needs assessment survey

Needs Assessment Survey Outreach

Report Out / Public Listening Session / Comments

Board of Commissioners

1st draft completed



Community Engagement: Internal Staff

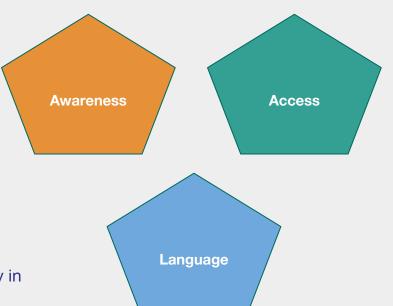
REA Seniors scheduled time w/ 8 community services programs funded by the Older Americans Act to brainstorm topics to be addressed on the upcoming Area Plan Needs Assessment survey. These meetings took place between July 22 - 30, 2024

Results

Awareness: are community members aware of available services?

Access: if aware of services, do community members have access (e.g., transportation, time, internet, additional resources)

Language: how we present and name programs matters, especially in culturally specific contexts





Community Engagement: ASAC / DSAC Results

Council Members participated in coming up with questions that identified 4 buckets for the needs assessment survey to Multnomah County wide elderly population.

Results

Access i.e. usage, easy to access or talk to someone

Awareness /Visibility i.e. are you aware of services? Enough promotion?

Capacity i.e. services meeting your needs, are there barriers, can we meet the care and safety

Gaps i.e. what are the needs of community? Are we serving LGBTQ? Do you know your rights of Older Americans Act?

Access

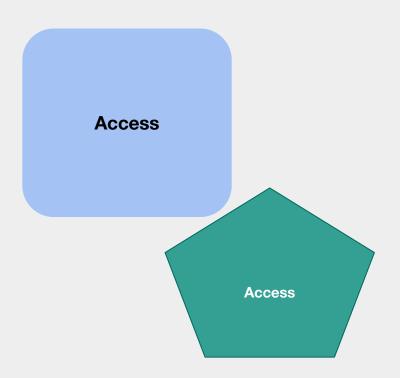
Awareness /Visibility

Capacity / Barriers

Gaps



Example 1



We would like to know more about your experiences with the following health services available in Multnomah County. Please select the boxes for each of the four statements you agree with for all the services listed below. (Select all that apply)

	I know this service exists	I know how to get this service if I need it	I currently use or have used this service	I would benefit from this service now or in the next 5 years
Classes to support healthy aging and manage chronic conditions (Tai Chi, diabetes prevention)				
Recreation activities and outings (fitness classes, games, cooking)				
Volunteering opportunities and training				
Calls or visits to make sure people are safe and well				



Example 2

Awareness / Visibility



We would like to know more about your experiences with the following information and referral services and community organizations available in Multnomah County. Please select the boxes for each of the four statements you agree with for all the services listed below. (Select all that apply)

I would

	I know this service exists	I know how to get this service if I need it	I currently use or have used this service	this service now or in the next 5 years
Someone to help me find or apply for resources and services when I need them				
Someone who provides <u>ongoing</u> <u>help</u> to find, apply, and manage my resources and services				
The Aging and Disability Resource Connection; ADRC (a call center and website to help you find resources and services for your needs)				

Please select the service providers you know about (Select all that apply):			
Asian Health & Service Center			
☐ Cascade Aids Project			
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon			
☐ El Programa Hispano Catolico			
Filipino Bayanihan Center			
☐ Friendly House / Elder Pride Services			
☐ The Community for Positive Aging (formerly Hollywood Senior Center)			
☐ Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO)			
☐ Impact NW			
☐ Meals on Wheels			
Native American Rehabilitation Association of the NW (NARA)			
☐ Native American Youth & Family Center (NAYA)			
Somali American Council of Oregon			
☐ Stone Soup PDX			
Urban League of Portland			
☐ YWCA of Greater Portland			



Community Engagement: Commitment

Background

The survey will open October 1-25, 2024. People who complete the survey online will receive a \$20 gift card. Responses are anonymous. Available in 13 languages.

ADVSD Leadership has outlined an outreach plan to reach out to Multnomah County's service providers, libraries, and health clinics

Commitment for an active role

- Please check your emails at the end of Sept for survey share instructions
- Share widely with your networks, relationships, and encourage others to take it



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Ideate / brainstorm

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1 idea per sticky note, please. Stick onto the wall. We will help you place on the wall for those who need assistance.

Cluster, theme, draw relationships among other sticky notes.

Guiding questions:

- How might the event space feel?
- Who should be involved? Should we host w/ an organization?
- Where?
- When?
- How many public listening session should we host?
- What should the agenda feel? What should be included in the agenda?
- What are your concerns/fears?

