



Montgomery County Summit on Aging

Silver Spring Civic Center

October 26, 2023

8:30am-3:30pm

Agenda

Registration, Networking, and Resource Fair

Celebrating Montgomery County's Age-Friendly Initiative and its Goal of Creating a Community for a Lifetime

- ❖ Dr. James Bridgers, Jr., Director, Department of Health and Human Services
- ❖ Short video
- ❖ Marc Elrich, County Executive
- ❖ Gabe Albornoz, Chair, Health and Human Services Committee, County Councilmember

Keynote Address

Secretary Carmel Roques, Maryland Department of Aging

Community Needs for Multi-Sector Planning

Betty Romero, Director of Multi-Sector Planning, Maryland Department of Aging

Aging is an Intergenerational Issue

Charles Short, Montgomery County Public Schools

Q&A and Yoga Break

Panel: Successes and Challenges in Creating an Age-Friendly Community for a Lifetime and Q&A

- ❖ Hank Greenberg, AARP Maryland State Director
- ❖ Steve Gurney, Founder, Positive Aging Community
- ❖ Austin Heyman, Multi-decade advocate for aging and multigenerational programs
- ❖ Isiah Leggett, Former County Executive
- ❖ Mona Negm, President, American Muslim Senior Society
- ❖ Eddie Rivas, Board Member, Village to Village Network

Lunch, Networking, and Resource Fair

Breakout Sessions:

Designing a Community for Longevity

Location: Great Hall, Level 1-Ground Floor

Moderator: Peter Flandrau, Aging and Disability Services

- ❖ **Affordable Housing:** *Somer Cross, Department of Housing and Community Affairs*
- ❖ **Home Modifications:** *Sarah Reddinger, Habitat for Humanity*
- ❖ **Property Tax Credits:** *George Luanglue, Montgomery County Dept. of Finance*
- ❖ **Design for Life:** *Gail Lucas, Department of Permitting Services*
- ❖ **Preventing Fraud:** *Patty Vitale, Office of Consumer Protection*
- ❖ **Thrive 2050:** *Khalid Afzal, Montgomery County Planning Department*
- ❖ **Pedestrian Master Plan:** *Eli Glazier, Montgomery Planning*
- ❖ **Multigenerational Parks:** *Jing-Huei Huang, Montgomery Parks*
- ❖ **Employment:** *Jodie Rasch, Jewish Council for the Aging*

Caring and Supporting Each Other

Location: Fenton Room, Level 2 – Upper Level

Moderator: Captain Jordan Satinsky, Montgomery County Police

- ❖ **The Direct Care Workforce:** *Dr. Patrice McGhee, Aging and Disability Services, and Barbara Selter, Commission on Aging*
- ❖ **Paying for Long-Term Care:** *Patricia Dorn, Maryland Insurance Administration*
- ❖ **Dementia-Friendly Communities:** *Darya Rahbar, USAging*

Staying Connected and Engaged (Interactive)

Locations: Ellsworth Room & Spring Room, Level 1- Ground level

Moderators: Kathleen Lieberman, MC Recreation, and Beth Zeidman, Age-Friendly Health & Wellness

- ❖ Multiple tables in 3 rooms feature conversations about lifelong learning, recreation, volunteering, health and wellness, transportation, technology, public communication, and meeting the needs of our diverse community.

Town Hall Listening Session

Location: Great Hall

Moderator: David Engle, Chair, Montgomery County Commission on Aging

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