

Highlights of HAP Monthly Meeting

October 28, 2008

17 people attended the meeting:

Debbie Anderson, "free agent", d-anderson@att.net

John Barnett, AARP, ybyb1@verizon.net

Chris Chastain, Seattle Indian Health Board, chrisc@sihb.org

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Roxan Wilkins, Seattle Indian Health Board, roxanw@sihb.org

Karen Winston, Aging and Disability Services, karen.winston@seattle.gov

Linda Woodall, United Way of King County, lwoodall@uwkc.org

Next meeting: November 25, 2008, 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Location: Senior Services, Lillian Rice Center, 2208 2nd Avenue, Board Room

Introductions and Welcome

We had one new person at our October meeting. A warm welcome to **Debbie Goetz** from the Seattle Office of Emergency Management (Seattle Police Department)! We hope to see you at future meetings.

2009 HAP Program Ideas

We decided to continue the following HAP operational activities:

Meet monthly, on the 4th Tuesday of each month (except December): At these regular meetings HAP members benefit from learning about the partner organizations' activities and initiatives. Until HAP receives project-specific or grant funding, we will focus our efforts on networking, collaboration, and information exchange.

Publish the quarterly electronic HAP newsletter (HAPpenings): The next one will come out before Thanksgiving.

Maintain HAP website (www.4elders.org): In particular, encourage the HAP partner organizations to take advantage of the "evergreen" (not time-sensitive) health promotion news articles that can be found at http://www.4elders.org/tips/.

Engage a wide array of HAP partner organizations (and their representatives) in carrying out HAP's work in order to foster leadership, build on our organizations' unique strengths, support the work of the member organizations, increase the strength of our organizations' ongoing programs, and leverage additional resources.

We decided to continue consideration of the following program ideas for 2009, with the person/people in parentheses agreeing to lead project development, at lead in the interim:

Falls prevention: Form a HAP subcommittee to follow-up on our proposal to WA DOH (Sheryl

Schwartz, David Jensen, John Barnett, Karen Winston, Andrea Meewes, Debbie Anderson, and

Debbie Goetz)

Walking programs and physical activity (David Jensen)

Emergency preparedness (Debbie Goetz, Karen Lewis)

Hunger and nutrition (David Jensen)

The following project ideas are still of interest, but did not receive priority attention at this

meeting:

Affordable medication resources

Participate in health and resource fairs

Depression prevention and management

Vote and Vaccine

Promotion of elder abuse video

Oral health

HAP Partner Presentation: Seattle Indian Health Board

Roxan Wilkins and Chris Chastain presented information on the history of and services provided

by the Seattle Indian Health Board. SIHB was founded in 1970 to serve American Indians who live

in the Seattle area. They provide a wide range of health care and "wrap-around" support services

for anyone who comes to the clinic, regardless of their ability to pay or their ethnic background.

They also sponsor an Elders Program that offers weekly social and cultural activities.