

Hanover Council on Aging

Director's Report

July 24 – August 11, 2017

Tammy met with staff members to review responsibilities, newest job descriptions, and goals each person may have.

Met with Facilities Foreman, reviewed billing practices for custodial supplies as well as process for upkeep of the grounds etc.

Had conversations with DPW about gas reports for GATRA reimbursement. There has been an issue with the system that calculates cost etc. Going forward we will ask him for the cost of fuel and create a record to submit to GATRA as the driver keeps track of gallons. This will ensure we receive our reimbursements.

Met with Hanover Visiting Nurses, and have worked with Doreen on a 3 cases to date. They also visited and toured the food pantry.

Started a daily home visit for MOW recipients, Teresa is doing these visits and will continue to see other residents over time. These visits are used as check-ins for needed support or services.

Tammy will handle the more complex cases. There is one so far.

Katie and Tammy are working on programming initiatives and interesting ideas for the future. We are putting a call for requests in the newsletter this month. Slowly changing the info in the Newsletter.

The monthly newsletter also contains an email/download from website options and a link will be posted on FB page and website going forward.

Formula Grant paperwork has been completed. Emmett in Boston sent out a notice that they are not 100% sure on the amounts being awarded due to cuts in the budget and will get that info to us as soon as possible. Rumor had it that it may go to back to \$9.00 per senior as of the 2010 Federal Census, so calculations have been based on that amount. Paperwork can be submitted after the info is received.

Tammy and Nancy met with the YMCA, at Zone Wellness to formulate plans for future partnerships. Toured Zone Wellness, which is in Norwell. It is a smaller gym. Great rates and less intimidating to use. We will be offering free wellness programs and discussion in the next few months.

Tammy has been interviewed by the Mariner, Retirement Weekly, as well as a WATD spot that was held in Kingston on July 31, The podcast was posted on the Facebook page. Tammy and Colleen have met in regard to a cable show as well. All of these efforts are to increase awareness.

Flu shot clinics have been booked for September.

Teresa is reviewing the current volunteer list, and calling people to see what they are able and willing to assist with. We will be seeking volunteers and Tammy will come up with job descriptions for them. The tax workoff program will be re-presented by the center and hopefully will help get people involved.

Currently we are looking for office, kitchen help, and medical drivers. The staff is serve safe certified and will oversee the groups or we will get volunteers trained.

Tammy and the team (who are all wonderful) are working together to make the office processes run more smoothly and working on better communication and information sharing.

Tammy has reached out to OCES to see what other programming may be available; however beyond congregate meals, we are not sure there is anything, possibly some workshops.

Cook out Friday August 18th in partnership with the Police Dept and the Hanover Lions. Next up will be a Luncheon with the Fire Dept or another town Dept.

Tammy and Katie attended the Safety meeting. Collecting information on panic buttons in the building, funding would be from a grant. We are working on getting a quote from Bob Murray, Alice training from the Police Trainer, and emergency protocols written by Tammy. All information with be forwarded to Janet Tierney for submittal.