

**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, April 19, 2016

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

**In Attendance:**

- Teresita Ascanio, Miami-Dade County, Public Housing & Community Development\*
- Laura Cantwell, AARP Florida\*
- Carmen Centeno, Miami-Dade County Library System\*
- Paulo Chaves, FIU, Herbert Wertheim college of Medicine
- Luis Collazo, Florida Assisted Living Association, Communities for a Lifetime\*
- Olga Connor, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County\*
- Kamalah Fletcher, American Red Cross\*
- Ramona Frischman, Gray Panthers of South Dade
- Shari Gantman, Health Foundation of South Florida
- Anamarie Garces, Urban Health Partnerships\*
- Amanda Groski, United Way of Miami Dade\*
- Eric Hansen, Miami-Dade County, Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces
- Maria Eugenia Hernandez, National Hispanic Council on Aging
- David Henderson, Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Susan Holtzman, Advisor, Commissioner Levine-Cava
- Marsha Jenakovich, Alliance for Aging
- Shannon Kelley, United Way of Miami-Dade
- Margie Lee, AARP Florida
- Lydia Lopez, Miami-Dade County Mayor’s Office\*
- Sue Loyzelle, Town of Cutler Bay
- Martha Pelaez, Health Foundation of South Florida
- Iveris Martinez, FIU - Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Edeline Modestin , Miami-Dade County Community Action & Human Services
- Lillian Rivera, Miami-Dade County Health Department\*
- Max Rothman, Alliance for Aging
- Isabel Rovira, Urban Health Partnerships
- David Saltman, Florida International University
- Edgar Viera, Florida International University, Department of Physical Therapy
- Noelene Westman, Gray Panthers of South Dade
- Peter Wood, Health Foundation of South Florida

*\*Participated via phone*

**Summary/Minutes:**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Item/Follow-up
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P. Wood, Co-Director of the Initiative welcomed all. I. Rovira, Program Coordinator, provided an overview of meeting and agenda.</li> </ul>	
<b>Age-Friendly Mission &amp;</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Miami-Dade Age-Friendly Initiative’s mission is to create a community for all ages, where older adults in Miami-Dade can stay active and healthy with</li> </ul>	

<b>Structure</b>	<p>dignity and enjoyment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The initiative grew from a need to address the needs of Miami-Dade’s growing older adult population. When the initiative started, there had been no ongoing effort. GIA/Pfizer presented an opportunity to HFSF to support the work and funded its initial three years. Today, we are at a turning point where lead agencies have agreed to collaborate together to continue to lead and support this effort.</li> <li>The initiative is made up of six lead partner agencies including the Alliance for Aging, AARP Florida, Health Foundation of South Florida, Miami-Dade County, United Way of Miami-Dade, Urban Health Partnerships. It also has an Advisory Committee (formerly called the Steering Committee). The efforts of the initiative are based on collective impact and policy, systems, and environmental changes.</li> </ul>	
<b>Year 3 Accomplishments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IR provided an overview of accomplishments from Year 3 that were built upon the work from years 1 and 2. A list of accomplishments can be seen in the PowerPoint slides as well as on the website by visiting <a href="http://www.agefriendlymiami.org/about">www.agefriendlymiami.org/about</a> and clicking on “Accomplishments”.</li> </ul>	
<b>Year 4 Components</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To continue our mission, we are currently working on the following:</li> <li><b>LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:</b> <u>Objective:</u> To support the Initiative by facilitating Lead Agency and Advisory Committee meetings and encouraging an informational exchange between all.</li> <li><b>ADVOCACY – AGE-FRIENDLY AMBASSADORS:</b> <u>Objective:</u> To identify key committees and boards in Miami-Dade County, which would benefit from an older adult lens. Recruit and train older adult advocates or “ambassadors” to sit on these boards. Isabel will share the list via email with the Advisory Committee to provide input.</li> <li><b>ACTION PLAN REVIEW &amp; EXPANSION:</b> <u>Objective:</u> To develop and convene workgroups to review and update action plan, as well as add an additional domain in order to assist with planning of future Age-Friendly Initiative work.</li> <li><b>PRIORITY DOMAIN WORKSHOPS:</b> <u>Objective:</u> To convene workshops in each priority area of Housing,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please provide feedback and additions on the list of key committees and boards</li> </ul>

	<p>Transportation, and Outdoor Spaces. Each workshop will provide tools and information to municipal leaders that are interested in implementing age-friendly changes in their community and will provide ideas for policy, systems, and environmental change strategies that may be implemented at the local level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AWARENESS:</b> <u>Objective:</u> Increase awareness of the initiative and build momentum toward the need for age-friendly work through the development of online materials, email blasts, and social media to reach target groups including stakeholders, elected officials, and funders. Share materials and information with lead agencies and partners in order to continue to share the work and message. Suggestion by Councilwoman Sue Loyzelle to reach out to council members as well as Mayors. One way to do this is to reach out to the Miami-Dade City &amp; County Manager Association. The managers pass along information to council members.</li> <li>• <b>CIVIC COMMITMENT:</b> <u>Objective:</u> Work to increase civic commitment to older adults through increasing the number of municipalities on board signing the Pledge and development of an Older Adults in All Policies Model Resolution. Cutler Bay recently signed on to the AARP Age-Friendly Network, Miami-Dade is also seeking to become part of the network.</li> <li>• <b>SUSTAINABILITY &amp; DEVELOPMENT:</b> <u>Objective:</u> To seek development activities to secure additional support and funding. Outline projects and write grants to expand resources and complete additional projects.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IR will reach out to the Miami-Dade City &amp; County Manager Association to request to present and provide information.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Age-Friendly Movement &amp; Partner Announcements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I. Rovira provided an overview of the idea of an Age-Friendly Movement. We want to work with everyone at this table toward our mission and toward collective impact. We have dynamic group of leaders and stakeholders in multiple sectors here at the table who are all working toward a common goal. We are all working to improve the lives of residents of Miami-Dade in different ways and we can be moving our efforts in a way that we are all going in the same direction and supporting each other's efforts. We hope you'll join us as we continue to work toward this mission.</li> <li>• In the spirit of collaboration, we'd like to hear about the projects you are working on or ways that we can assist with or help advocate or bring</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please let us know what you are working on or if we can help share information with our network.</li> </ul>

awareness to your work. Please let us know what you are working on or if we can help share information with our network.

- Marsha Jenakovich from the Alliance for Aging provided an update on Community Conversations they are planning to inform their area plan. They will be gathering information and listening to help describe the needs for older adults in Miami-Dade.
- There was a discussion on advocacy and elevating the work we are doing to bring more attention at the State level. Every year we have a legislative delegation go to Tallahassee and advocate for allocations, we should put together a group to attend and advocate along with the Dade Delegation. Need to put together materials and come up with a list of items to bring to legislators attention. In addition, need dynamic speakers and older adults to represent these needs
- M.E. Hernandez from the National Hispanic Council on Aging (NHCOA) added that that there are the same issues at the state and national levels. It took 10 years to get the Older Americans Act Reestablished. They need citizens to call and advocate and make their voices heard. The NHCOA provides training to older adults to help them learn to effectively advocate.
- Goals should be to raise awareness of the changing demographics and needs and to mobilize the community.
- Suggestion by M. Jenakovich and others to activate older adults and have them be the voices. S. Loyzelle mentioned Teen Advocacy Groups and Boards can also be impactful and can be an opportunity for intergenerational advocacy. Several municipalities have youth advocacy groups that can be involved.
- M. Lee suggested connecting the Age-Friendly Ambassadors with the legislators, and have this be one of their activities
- P. Wood added that our goal should be to both raise local and general awareness as well as legislative awareness.
- The idea of an Elder Trust has also been discussed. S. Kelley from the United Way gave an overview of the work the Older Adult Advocacy group is doing on this. L. Rivera mentioned that Rep. Kionni McGhee's platform includes the creation of an Elder Trust.
- D. Saltman added that we need to continue the work we were doing in addition to also advocating with legislature, which is a lengthy process. Need

	<p>to also focus on utilizing the systems that we do have in place in a more efficient way. He mentioned in particular mobility and transportation as seen in the recent Mobility Event hosted by the Mayor’s Elder Issues Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I. Rovira, P. Wood, and D. Henderson also discussed the Miami-Dade MPO which recently passed a resolution to partner with the initiative and work to ensure that projects are age-friendly where possible. We will be reaching out to them for next steps.</li> <li>• S. Kelley provided information on the Advocacy Group, which meets on the first Friday of the month at the United Way, it is open to anyone interested.</li> </ul>	
<b>Get Involved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You can be involved in the initiative in several ways. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Join a Workgroup</li> <li>- Share your projects, events and updates</li> <li>- Help share Age-Friendly message and information</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Please complete the Advisory Committee Membership form if you have not done so already, through this form you can also join a workgroup.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please complete the Advisory Committee Membership form if you have not done so already, <a href="https://urbanhp.wufoo.com/forms/advisory-committee-membership/">https://urbanhp.wufoo.com/forms/advisory-committee-membership/</a></li> </ul>
<b>Closing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pete, Martha, and Isabel thanked all for feedback and participation, we look forward to continuing this work!</li> <li>• VISIT US ONLINE AT:  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.AgeFriendlyMiami.org">www.AgeFriendlyMiami.org</a>  <b>Twitter:</b> <a href="http://www.Twitter.com/AgeFriendlyMIA">www.Twitter.com/AgeFriendlyMIA</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next Steering Committee Meeting will be in July 19, 2016, 11:00 am, we be in touch with more details.</li> </ul>