

Champaign-Urbana Urbanized Area Human Resources Transportation Plan and Champaign-Urbana  
Age-Friendly Transportation Working Group

Notes from December 5, 2018 Meeting

Attendees: Linda Tauber-Olson, Drew Bargmann, Jeffrey Woods, Rosanna McLain, Amy Brown, Kristin Gisoni, Debbie Peterik

Update on FTA Grant Application:

Jeff inquired what the \$240,595 would be used for. Kristin commented that the funds would be used for salaries, workstations and half the rent costs.

Linda inquired if the funds were for start-up. Kristin confirmed the funds would be used for start-up costs and implementation of one-call, one-click.

Presentation of Three-Year Plan:

There were no questions or comments on this section.

Bus Buddy Program Scope:

Drew inquired if the program would require that vehicles be available.

Jeff suggested a peer group volunteers be solicited in addition to volunteers.

Amy felt that all organizations that work with seniors should partner together.

Rosanna asked who is training the volunteers to work with seniors that have generational (politeness and approach), hearing and mobility issues?

Linda commented that they screen their volunteers with a background check before sending them out with seniors so you are not sending the volunteer to seniors that are very vulnerable. Rosanna and Linda agreed that confidentiality is important.

Amy commented that there were some models out there on how to do the bus buddy program.

Liability was discussed. Jeff suggested a waiver and he could do more checking. Linda mentioned that OSF carries different types of volunteer coverage.

In the discussion on volunteer website, Rosanna suggested United Way to see what's out there.

Rosanna mentioned that they have had issues in their program with medical facilities and residential facilities wanting them to do more, i.e. trips to dialysis.

In the discussion on passes, Drew commented that he didn't think it would be a problem from MTD's standpoint. A comment was also made that seniors helping seniors have dash passes.

A central volunteer location – Miriam commented that it would not be necessary. The program she uses can be accessed anywhere. Could use conference rooms.

Linda inquired about the funding for the program, and if background checks could be a part of the funding. Amy also mentioned legal fees, and Jeff said the School of Law might be able to help.

Dash Pass Map:

Shareholders asked about general demographic and usage data that is available.

Report Card Data Collection:

Linda asked for physical copies of the survey.

Adjourned 3:35 p.m.