

Virginia Department of Aging

I recently corresponded with the Virginia Department of Aging. The purpose of my communication was to get electronic information that is beneficial to our aging Lions' population.

Commissioner Nablo's Office pointed out that their mission is:

The Virginia Department for the Aging fosters the independence and well-being of older Virginians and supports their caregivers through leadership, advocacy and oversight of state and community programs, and guides the Commonwealth in preparing for an aging population.

The following is the information that I received from his office.

Mr. Chambless,

I apologize for the delay in responding to you. Commissioner Nablo had asked that I contact you to try and assist you/your organization. From your email, it sounds as if you would like to try and reach seniors in your community and also inform them about programs in their area. While we do not maintain a listing of state websites, you can access state agencies websites on the state website at

http://www.virginia.gov/cmsportal3/government_4096/state_website_list.html . Scroll down to the listing of state agencies. When you open the telephone listing for the agency, you will see a link to the agency website.

There is also the SeniorNavigator website - the most comprehensive website for seniors in

Virginia. <http://www.seniornavigator.org/vaprovider/consumer/snConsumerHome.do>. SeniorNavigator maintains a community calendar of events that may meet your needs. Please also visit our web portal Virginia EasyAccess at:

<http://www.easyaccess.virginia.gov/>.

We can add your name to our Interested Parties listing and you will be notified of meetings of boards and commissions. Please send me a reply with the address you would like us to use for the mailing.

I am attaching a listing of Area Agencies on Aging (AAA's) in Virginia. The AAA's can be contacted for services, referrals, resources.

Many of the AAA's publish a monthly or quarterly newsletter. This could be one way for your organization to reach seniors. <http://www.vda.virginia.gov/aaalist.asp>

I hope these resources will help you. Please let me know about the Interested Parties mailing list and if I can assist you further.

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