



SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

DS-23-108

November 14, 2023

Members

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- Officers

- ▣ Bear Jones, Chair (FY22)

- ▣ Deborah Voigt, Vice-Chair (FY22)

- Members

- ▣ Emilio Fenderson, Deborah Voigt, Barbara Henke, Bear Jones, Mary Taylor, Patricia Holland, Lee Choe, Holly Teel, Debbie Bundy, Betty Kimbrough and Rosalind Stubbs

Initiatives

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- ❑ Discussed engagement of senior population through various programs and initiatives. Continually worked with Senior Center staff on these initiatives.
- ❑ Volunteered 84 hours within the senior centers from October 2022 to September 2023.
 - ▣ Helped serve meals with lunch program
 - ▣ Grocery giveaways
 - ▣ Help promote and assist with special events
 - ▣ Bi-Monthly Cultural Lunch & Learn Events

Initiatives

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- ❑ Continue to work with Senior Center Manager to plan and initiate new programming that aligns with the center's pre-planned events and budget
- ❑ Actively assist and or volunteer for planned events and programming at the Senior Center so that members are familiar with board members
- ❑ Actively seek feedback from senior members and report them to Senior Center Manager and/or City Council Liaisons in timely manner
- ❑ Continue to communicate senior center related ideas to the Senior Center Manager and/or City Council Liaisons
- ❑ Plan and coordinate with Senior Center Manager to establish a food pantry and distribution days at the center
- ❑ Continue to support Letters Against Isolation program to connect homebound seniors to the board and other senior members

Initiatives

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- ❑ Implement a donation drive of Winter Blankets for senior members
- ❑ Partner with KFD to begin a program for distribution of Carbon Monoxide detectors for seniors
- ❑ Partner with the KPD on their winter coat drive for homebound, and homeless seniors and Killeen residents
- ❑ Help develop and implement a Toiletry Cart at the Senior Center
- ❑ Continue the process of implementing a video gaming program at senior centers

Accomplishments

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Volunteered and assisted in the planning of:

- ❑ Annual Christmas Luncheon & Gift Giveaway
- ❑ Implemented Just Because Day to recognize seniors
- ❑ Panamanian Independence Day
- ❑ Fall Festival (Halloween)
- ❑ MLK Day & Poetry Reading
- ❑ Mother's Day Luncheon
- ❑ Juneteenth
- ❑ Senior Prom
- ❑ Distinguished Birthday Club (recognizes members turning 85-90 and above)

Accomplishments (Continued)

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Volunteered and assisted in the planning of:

- ❑ National Night Out in partnership with KPD
- ❑ Annual Giving Thanks Luncheon
- ❑ Distributed senior center information to Killeen area senior apartments and living facilities
- ❑ Recognized Women's Army Corp Veteran's Association (WACVA) for their donations of monthly BINGO prizes and volunteer work for seniors in the community
- ❑ Groundbreaking Ceremony of the new Gilmore Senior Center/ Rosa Herford Community Center.
- ❑ Attended City Council Meetings
- ❑ Helped with the Downtown 4th of July Festival

Meetings

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- ❑ Hosted 10 meetings in FY 2023
 - ▣ December canceled for the holidays
- ❑ Attended Senior Townhall meetings
- ❑ Attended City Council meetings
- ❑ Attended “Coffee with Kelly” monthly meetings

Future Plans

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- ❑ Continue to actively seek feedback from senior members and report them to Senior Center Manager and/or City Council Liaisons in timely manner
- ❑ Continue to communicate senior center related ideas to the Senior Center Manager and/or City Council Liaisons
- ❑ Plan to begin cooking and serving lunch at the senior center quarterly
- ❑ Continue supporting a grocery store on the North side of Killeen
- ❑ Continue participating in the Center's Letters of Isolation program
- ❑ Continue serving our Killeen Seniors in every way possible!