

## **Bay Path Elder Services**

### **Older Americans Act FFY 2019 Funding Priorities and Request for Proposals**

#### **Title III-B Supportive Services Title III-E Support Services for Family Caregivers**

BayPath Elder Services announces the availability of Older Americans Act funds for **Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019**. All proposed programs must address those service categories mandated by the Older Americans Act that target minority and lower-income older adults (considered at age 60+). Priority will be given to proposals which address priorities set forth under the Act, as well as the categories of need identified through the most recent Needs Assessment, and top priorities as established by the Planning & Allocation Committee.

#### **Title IIIB FUNDING PRIORITIES FFY2019**

##### ***Top priorities as established by the Planning & Allocation Committee:***

- **Transportation Programs**
  - Proposals must be for pilot projects or projects, *such as, but not limited to:*
    - Transportation for medical appointments with assistance (escort)
    - Transportation for medical appointments in Boston and Worcester area.
    - Transportation for social/recreational activities.
    - Transportation on weekends/evenings
  - The committee is also encouraging proposals that serve multiple towns.*
  
- **Programs that Reduce Loneliness/Isolation/Depression**

Proposals must be for pilot projects or projects that *expand upon currently funded programs, such as, but not limited to:*

  - Friendly visitor programs
  - Educational programs
  - Age friendly community projects
  - Culturally diverse social/recreational programs
  
- **Homemaker, repair, maintenance programs**
  - Homemaker services-housekeeping
  - Minor home repairs
  - Minor home maintenance projects

**The program categories for funding are as follows:**

**Proposed Title III-B programs** should focus on supportive services specifically for access, in-home, community, and legal services. Proposals must be for pilot projects or projects that *expand upon current programs. (exception; legal services)*

**Proposed Title III-E programs** should focus on respite care for the caregiver. Specific eligibility guidelines are as follows: Individuals of any age who are caring for individuals over age 60 OR a grandparent or relative caregiver (age 55+years) who is caring for grandchildren age 18 years or younger.

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The Area Agency on Aging is currently encouraging Letters of Intent from organizations wishing to apply for funds to support individuals 60+ within our service region. Our communities are: Ashland, Dover, Framingham, Holliston, Hopkinton, Hudson, Marlborough, Natick, Northborough, Sherborn, Southborough, Sudbury, Wayland, and Westborough. Letters of Intent are due by 5pm on Thursday, April 12, 2018 and should include a brief program description, budget estimates, estimated number of older adults or caregivers to be served, estimated service units, and community(ies) to be served.

Program funding is for a one-year grant cycle. Beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019. Last year 10 grants were allocated in amounts ranging from \$720.00-\$8,400.00. One additional grant of \$52,632.00 was made for legal services. Title IIIB requires a 15% local match, and Title IIIE programs require a 25% local match. Some programs may be funded at amounts less than requested. Allocation decisions will take into account the experience and organizational capacity of the applicant organization. Proposals which require on-going or long term funding are discouraged. For all recipients, there are grant-reporting fiscal and program monitoring requirements. Applicants unfamiliar with the Title III grant requirements should request and carefully review a copy of the Title III Grant Procedures Manual for FFY 2019.

The **deadline for a Letter of Intent is 5 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 2018.** The deadline for the completed grant application is 5 p.m. Friday, June 1, 2018. A technical assistance session for prospective applicants will be held Thursday May 10, 2018 @ 1:00pm at BayPath Elder Services, 33 Boston Post Rd West, Marlborough, MA 01752, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room.

The Title III application process follows the timeline on attached schedule. Also, see attached guidelines for the Letter of Intent.

Questions regarding the “Letter of Intent”, Grant Procedure Manual, attendance at the technical assistance session, or for further information, contact Fran Bakstran, at (508) 573-7346 or [fbakstran@baypath.org](mailto:fbakstran@baypath.org)