

2013 Current State: Social and Civic Engagement Workgroup

Aging Well Summit June 25, 2013

MISSION



To enhance the community's efforts to help adults age 60+ constructively connect and contribute to the success and welfare of their community in order to create a sense of belonging

AREAS OF EFFORT



- Volunteerism
- Employment
- Recreation and Lifelong Learning
- Personal Connectedness through Faith-based Organizations

VOLUNTEERISM



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Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults (CASOA), 2010

Thinking back over the past 12 months, how much of a problem, if at all, has each of the following been to you?

Finding productive or meaningful activities to do: 29%
Finding meaningful volunteer work: 24%

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Elder Employment: A Waiting Game

Average Duration of Unemployment and Percent of Unemployed Persons Over 27 Weeks Under Age 55 and Older, December 2007, June 2009, May 2011, and December 2012.

	December 2007	June 2009	May 2011	December 2012
Average Duration of Unemployment		E		
Less than 55	15.9 weeks	21.4 weeks	38.9 weeks	34.3 weeks
55+	20.2 weeks	29.9 weeks	54.7 weeks	51.3 weeks
Long-term Unemployed*				
Less Than 55	16.6%	26.4%	43.9%	37.1%
55+	22.9%	38.2%	57.8%	48.7%

^{*} Long-term unemployed: 27 or more weeks

Sources: Rix, 2011; Rix 2012; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Earnings Online, January 2008, July 2009, and labor force statistics from the Current Population Survey at http://www.bls.gov/cps/tables.htm.

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RECREATION AND LIFE LONG LEARNING



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Having interesting recreational or cultural activities to attend: 36%



PERSONAL CONNECTEDNESS THROUGH FBOS



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Seniors overly lonely

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Feeling bored: 35%

Feeling lonely or isolated: 27%

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