COVID-19
UPDATES & INFORMATION
4/13/20

MCOA Partners, Members & Friends Check In Call
Weekly on Tuesdays at 8:00am

Standing MCOA Member & Partner Call – every Tuesday morning at 8:00
Join Zoom Meeting (video encouraged): https://zoom.us/j/974743577
Meeting ID: 974 743 577
Password: 785205
Conference Call Line: 1-646-558-8656 passcode: 974743577#

As a reminder, please see the above Zoom meeting credentials for our standing meeting. Note, we are using password protection to address concerns with the Zoom platform. We look forward to having you join us!

In case you missed it, Senator Collins joined us for last Tuesday's MCOA Partners, Members & Friends Check In Call
Click here to view the recording

Updates, Information & Resources

Framing C19 Topic #5: Nonprofits are essential ---- especially now
The US nonprofit sector plays an unparalleled, and irreplaceable, role in our nation and the world. Our work, our expertise, and our mission-driven mindset are vital to an effective response to this moment of crisis and to all that will follow. The way we frame our call for nonprofits to be considered in emergency assistance efforts will matter tremendously. It will set the tone for our sector moving forward. It's also an important moment for us to harmonize our framing strategies; a symphony has more impact than cacophony. Here are three considerations to make sure our shared voices hit the right notes and resonate.
FEMA Supply Chain Task Force Leads Four-Pronged Approach to Securing Needed Supplies and Equipment in COVID-19 Fight

U.S. Census Bureau Adapts Operations to Increase Call Center Capacity for 2020 Census

Maine Municipal Association: Weekly Coronavirus Update

Department of Veterans Affairs Caregiver Support Program Information for Caregivers During COVID-19

ACL: Safeguard Against Disability Discrimination during COVID-19

ACL: Seed Grants Available for the Creation or Expansion of Supportive Services to Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children

National Digital Equity Center Updates

Maine Equal Justice, Fact Sheet: Federal CARES Act Provides Welcome Relief for Many People in Maine

SeniorsPlus announcing new offerings in their "online" Education Center

Staying connected without internet connection

Go ahead, touch that dial; it’s time to rediscover local radio
Upcoming Learning Opportunities

National Low Income Housing Coalition: The Disaster Housing Recovery Coalition will lead recurring national calls on Coronavirus and Homelessness/Housing every Monday at 2:30pm ET
Register for these calls By Clicking Here
Click here for additional resources and past webinar materials

AARP Maine Town Hall on Covid-19
Monday, April 13 at 2:30 PM
Click here to listen in

National Digital Equity Center Upcoming Webinars
What else would you like to learn? Most of our online classes are now offered at various times in the next month. Topics range from learning new devices, programs such as Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint and more, Using Online Games for Age 55+, Social Media platforms, Word Press, QuickBooks, Online Safety & Much More!
Click here to register for upcoming online courses

Nonprofit Finance Fund Webinar Series
Managing through Uncertainty Part 1
Thursday, April 16, 1:00 PM ET
How can nonprofit leaders organize and plan for the months ahead? Join NFF’s Jina Paik and Dominique Hugg as they discuss practical steps for moving from response and recovery into resilience, cash management and planning strategies, and budgeting in a time of uncertainty.
Click here to register

Managing through Uncertainty Part 2
Friday, April 17, 1:00 PM ET
How can nonprofit leaders organize and plan for the months ahead? Join NFF’s Jina Paik and Dominique Hugg as they present common financial strategies for managing in crisis, practical advice for completing a financial scenario plan, and best practices for communicating and reflecting on the financial impact of COVID-19.
Click here to register

Webinars: Managing volunteer programs and outreach during COVID-19

Living With COVID-19 Webinar: A Guide for Volunteer Programs
Monday, April 13, 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET
COVID-19 is an unprecedented event. No disaster or disease has ever affected volunteering to the extent that will likely occur in the next few months. In this webinar, Steve McCurley will take attendees through some preliminary discussion of the likely impact of COVID-19 on volunteers and volunteer programs and highlight some of the major issues around which grantees need to begin planning. While the focus of this webinar will be on examples for SMP, SHIP, and MIPPA all ACL grantees are welcome to join and participate.
Register for the webinar.

"Suddenly Remote" Webinar Series
MANP is offering a new, free webinar series with our partners at RoundTable Technology
designed to help everyone learn to not only adjust to remote work but thrive. Each

**Tuesday this month from 1-2pm** get 20-40 minutes of relevant content, then participate in open conversations to share ideas and ask questions:

**Schedule** (subject to change as the world changes):
- April 14: Adapting to Remote Work
- April 21: Hosting a Virtual Event
- April 28: Safeguarding Your Home Workforce

*Learn more and register today!*

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**Northern New England Response to Covid-19**

Webinar Hosted by Tri-State Learning Collaborative on Aging

**Tuesday, April 14th, 2020**

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

On Tuesday, April 14 from 12:00 to 1:30, the Tri-State Learning Collaborative on Aging will host a special Covid-19 webinar to discuss challenges and promising practices to support the health of older people in northern New England. Learn how the different shelter-in-place orders effect the work in age-friendly organizations and lifelong communities. We will also share some emerging practices developing to meet the needs in communities across northern New England. Come prepared to share your experiences and to ask questions. We will be joined by state legislators, age-friendly organizations, and State Units on Aging.

*Click here to register*

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**UMaine Health Connection Chats**

Wednesdays from 11am – 12 Noon

Beginning April 15, 2020

*Click here to read more*

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**Coping with COVID-19: Mindfulness Tools for Geriatric Providers**

**Thursday, April 16th at 12-1:30pm**

*Click here for more information and to register*

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**Social Media Tools For Lifelong Communities Webinar**

hosted by **UMaine Center on Aging**

April 30th, 9-10AM

*Click here for more information and to register*

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**Local Community Volunteer Efforts**

**Check out this initiative!**

**Scarborough Helps**
ScarboroughHelps.org is a collaboration between the Town of Scarborough, Scarborough Public Library, and Project GRACE. We are working together, with other partner agencies, to provide information about opportunities to help your neighbor and how to get help for yourself, a family member, or neighbor in Scarborough.

*Click here to read more*
link below & share within your networks to ensure that service providers of all kinds can more easily find the services older people need during this crisis. This page is updated daily as we hear from more communities - please check back often!

**MCOA Local Community Volunteer Efforts Listing**

Are you a part of a local volunteer effort in your community and do not see it listed at the webpage above? **Please let us know about it by completing the brief survey here.**

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### In Case You Missed It

**Maine Department of Labor: Updates on Unemployment**

*Click here to read the press release*

**Unemployment Insurance FAQs Regarding COVID-19**

*Click here to read more* (corrected link)

**Maine DHHS: COVID-19 Person Centered Planning (PCP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

*Click here to read more*

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