

RAPPAHANNOCK-RAPIDAN REGION
CHSM PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
March 27, 2008

AGENDA

Attending: Ray Parks, Chris Miller, Patrick Mauney, Sallie Morgan, Harriet Parcels, Cathy Zielinski

GRANT UPDATES

New Freedom – the New Freedom Grant was submitted to DRPT. No word has been received.

NCST - No word received on the NCST grant

THA Toolkit – Patrick has completed some initial mapping of the region, showing persons by age and by census block, and number of disabled persons by census block. Copies of the maps were distributed for comment and review. The maps will be produced for individual counties for public participation workshops. It was suggested that major destinations be added and, if possible, existing transit routes.

VDA – Chris Miller reported that Aging Together has applied for a \$15,000 grant from the Department for the Aging to fund the volunteer transportation network efforts.

COMMENTS ON PART II DRAFT

Part II of the CHSM Plan, dated March 13, 2008, was reviewed. This report contains narrative on goals, strategies, and initial projects. This part of the Plan was approved by consensus by members present. Greg McGowan had sent an email, saying he had reviewed the draft. He had no suggested revisions.

DISCUSSION OF PLAN REVIEW PROCESS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
COMPONENT – SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND METHODOLOGY –

There was extended discussion about the best process for disseminating the plan and soliciting comment.

The workshops planned under the THA Toolkit grant, intended to reach persons with disabilities and associated stakeholders, were originally planned for spring. These workshops will be held in each county. There was consensus that public participation for the CHSM plan

should parallel the efforts for the Long-range Transportation Plan, and that the workshops should be re-scheduled for fall.

Community Conversations on Aging are scheduled in each of the five counties between April 24 and June 26. Chris said there would be an opportunity to present CHSM results and request input from participants at these events. There was discussion about possible techniques for generating feedback, including using graphics and maps to illustrate desired and necessary destinations.

On March 18, at Patrick's invitation, Cathy presented the CHSM Plan to a joint meeting of all three Disability Services Boards. This led into a discussion of the DSB's planning for their next triennial needs assessment and there was agreement that the THA Toolkit public participation workshops could be conducted in partnership with the DSB's to accomplish both purposes. Patrick is meeting with some of the DSB members in May to start planning for the needs assessment data collection.

Other identified review groups were discussed:

Review Groups Identified in Work Plan:

- Rural Technical Committee – this group has been receiving regular updates about CHSM, so there is no need to schedule a separate presentation.
- R-R Regional Commission – an update will be scheduled through Jeff.
- RRCSB Board – Cathy was asked to present CHSM to the RRCSB/AAA program committee on August 26.
- VRT Board or Management -
- Aging Together Core Leadership – Cathy will present at the July 17 Coordinating Council meeting.
- WIB – Cathy will contact Steve Walker or Lisa Houck and request an opportunity to present to the PD9 members of this group.
- Aging Advisory Committee – Ray will schedule a presentation to this group sometime this summer.
- Local Governing Bodies – This will be coordinated with RTC efforts.