

DEPARTMENT OF AGING

June 13, 2023

Dear Community Partner,

I invite you to join other state and community leaders and me for a regional Town Hall event on the development of Pennsylvania's 10-year Master Plan for Older Adults. The Governor, in <u>Executive Order 2023-09</u>, has directed the Department of Aging, the Pennsylvania Long-Term Care Council, and other agencies under his jurisdiction to develop this plan to enhance the health, well-being, and high quality of life for older adults and adults with disabilities and to reflect the express preference of older adults to live where and how they choose with the supports they need to continue to thrive.

This event, scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 27 at 1:00 p.m. in the Rose Lehrman Arts Center at Harrisburg Area Community College**, **1 HACC Drive**, **Harrisburg**, **PA 17110** will detail our approach to develop and publish this plan.

As you know, Pennsylvania has a rapidly growing and diverse older adult population. With the age 60 and older population growing 20 times faster than any other age group in the state, a master plan is needed, now more than ever, to meet their diverse and individual needs. This Master Plan for Older Adults will be a plan for all Pennsylvanians by Pennsylvanians.

I am enthusiastic about the opportunity for the Department to follow the Governor's Executive Order to lead this project and to work together with stakeholders across the Commonwealth including you to transform the landscape for how we will all age in the future. We all have an extraordinary opportunity and responsibility to play an instrumental role in this process. I hope to see you at this session in Harrisburg and in the coming months as we work together to bring this plan to fruition.

For additional information or to RSVP your attendance, please contact secretaryofaging@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jason Kavulich Secretary

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