



Wider Opportunities for Women

State Partner Coalition Members

2007

Massachusetts State Partner:

Ann Hartstein, Massachusetts Association for Older Americans, Boston, Boston, MA

- Arnaa Alcon, Bridgewater State College
- Dan Bartley, Greater Boston Legal Services
- Bing Chen, UMB Gerontology Institute
- Kaysea Cole, City of Boston Elderly Affairs Commission
- Debbi Cutler, HEARTH
- Cathy Cranston, HESSCO Elder Services
- Joe Diamond, MASSCAP
- Paul Dryfoos, Dryfoos Consulting
- Ellen Feingold, Jewish Community Housing Enterprises
- Norma Simons Fitzgerald, Sharon Council on Aging
- Maureen Flynn, Boston Partnership for Older Adults
- Linda George, Boston Senior Home Care
- Judith Gonyea, Boston University School of Social Work
- Eliza Greenberg, City of Boston Elderly Affairs Commissioner
- Ann Hartstein, MA Association of Older Americans
- Bryna Lansky, Boston Elder Info
- Judy Meredith, Public Policy Institute
- Dale Mitchell, Ethos
- Jan Mutchler, UMB Gerontology Institute
- Al Norman, Mass Home Care
- Frank Porell, UMB Gerontology Institute
- Len Raymond, Homeowner Options for Massachusetts Elders
- Dorie Seavey, Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute
- Lindsay Snyder, The Women's Union
- Nancy Sullivan, Homeowner Options for Massachusetts Elders
- David Stevens, Massachusetts Councils on Aging
- Brian Souza, Boston Partnership for Older Adults
- Tillyruth Teixeira, MA Senior Action Council Co-Chair of Health Care Task Force
- Deborah Thomson, The Pass Group
- Kate Villers, Community Catalyst
- Nancy Wagman, Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center
- Elaine Werby, UMB Center for the Study of Social Policy
- Chris Wideko, AARP
- Joyce Williams, Central Boston Elder Services

California State Partner:

Susie Smith, National Economic Development & Law Center, Oakland, CA

- Gerald McIntyre, National Senior Citizens Law Center
- Jenny Erwin, Women's Bureau, US Depart. Of Labor
- Carol Watson, United Way of Bay Area
- Jim Keddy, PICO Network
- Elizabeth Sholes, CA Council of Churches
- Barbara Faulkner, Lavender Senior of Alameda County
- Patricia McGinnis, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform
- Nick DeLorenzo, National Council on Aging
- Bob Edmondson, On Lok Senior Services
- Ada Burko, Jewish Family & Children's Resources of the East Bay
- Hun Kim, Korean Community Center of the East Bay
- Peter DeFabio, Richmond Commission on Aging

- Moli Steinert, Open House
- Julie Spezia, Housing CA
- Linda Wanner, CA Catholic Conference
- Gary Passmore, Congress of CA Seniors
- Jose Padilla, CA Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
- Tim Fuller, Gray Panthers
- John Swackhammer, Gray Panthers (Central Contra Costa)
- Betty Moose, Gray Panthers (So. Alameda County)
- Art Schoeder, Gray Panthers (West Contra Costa Co)
- Janet Van Deusen, HICAP (Alameda County)
- Lennis Lyon, HICAP (Contra Costa County)
- Michele Drier, Legal Assistance for Seniors
- Betty Perry, Older Women's League (CA)
- Linda Kretz, Adult and Aging Services (Alameda Co)
- Robert Sessler, Contra Costa Area Agency on Aging
- Anni Chung, Self-Help for the Elderly
- Sandi Fitzpatrick, CA Commission on Aging
- Lora Connolly, CA Department of Aging
- Thomas Johnson, CA Dept. of Veterans Affairs
- John Yuasa, CA Association of Retired American

Illinois State Partner:

Martha Holstein, Health and Medicine Policy Research Group, Chicago, IL

- Illinois Department on Aging
- Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services
- Illinois Housing Authority
- Office of the Inspector General/Department of Children and Family Services
- Area Agencies on Aging:
- Jan Stille – western Illinois—mostly very rural but includes the quad cities straddling the IL-IA border
- Joy Paeth – southwestern Illinois – also rural but includes the very low income community of E. St. Louis
- Joyce Gallager or Alexandra Cooney –Chicago
- Case Coordination Units (provide case management services to low income participants in the Community Care Program)
- Carol Aronson –very rural, far southern Illinois
- Louise Starmann – suburban Chicago, relatively affluent area
- Jane Addams Senior Caucus (Executive Director)
- Health and Disability Advocates (Barbara Otto/Stephanie Altman)
- Citizen Action (William McNary/Julie Sampson)
- Citizens Utility Board (Marty Cohen)
- Metro Seniors in Action (Executive Director)
- Alliance of Retired Americans (Steve Pittman)
- Older Women's League (Margaret Huyck)
- League of Women Voters (Clara Fleming, Linda Bathgate)
- AARP (Frank Daigh)
- IL Citizens for Better Health Care (Jim Duffet)
- Latino Research Institute (Sylvia Puente)
- Center for Neighborhood Technology (Jackie Grimshaw)
- Work, Welfare and Families
- Center for Tax and Budget Priorities (Ralph Martire/Heather O'Donnell)
- Council for Jewish Elderly
- Access Living (Tom Wilson)
- Governor's office (Louanner Peters)
- Jan Schakowsky, US House of Representatives
- Illinois State Legislature:
- Rep. Julie Hamos
- Rep. Sara Feigenholtz
- Rep. Barbara Flynn Curry
- Rep. Beth Coulson
- Rep. Mary Flowers
- SEIU (Keith Kelleher)
- AFSME (Hank Scheff)
- Academics:
- Colleen Grogan (political science--SSA—University of Chicago)
- Sue Hughes (Health Services Research—University of Illinois, Chicago)
- Fay Lomax Cook (sociology—Northwestern University)
- Margueriten Anguileri (Heath Law Program—Loyola University)
- Foundations
- Chicago Community Trust (Ada Mary Guggenheim)
- Retirement Research Foundation (Marilyn Hennessey/Nancy Zweibel)
- Chicago Foundation for Women (Shelly Davis)
- Sara Lindholm—housing
- Arnie Kantor—nursing homes; supportive living (Medicaid waived assisted living)
- Paul Bennett—UIC/systems change research
- Anna Rappaport—economist
- Kathy Begerow—insurance
- Carmen Velasquez

- Ann Ladky—Women Employed (FESS partner)
- Mike O'Donnell—transportation but also an AAA director

- Alice Dan—professor emeritus, UIC, Center for Research on Women and Gender
- Darby Anderson – provider—Addus Health Care
- Patrice Fletcher—media—NBC affiliate, Chicago

Pennsylvania State Partner:

Jacque Patterson, Pathways PA, Holmes, PA

- Cathy Schiman, Director of Program Development -Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (**Advocacy**)
- Diane A. Menio, Executive Director - Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (**Advocacy**)
- Karen Bucks, Esq., Executive Director - SeniorLAW Center (**Legal**)
- Judith Ortiz and John McMullan - Hope IV, Chester Housing Authority
- Dr. Norma Thomas, President - Center on Ethnic and Minority Aging Inc.
- Louis G. Colbert, Director - County Office of Services for the Aging (**AAA**)
- Mary Anne Kelly, Executive Director - Southwest Pennsylvania Partnership for Aging
- Cranberry Township, PA 16066-4121
- Mary Crowther and Tom Shea - Philadelphia Corporation of Aging (**AAA**)
- Karen E. Reeve, Executive Director - Mid County Senior Services, Inc (AAA)
- Maria Brown, Wider Horizons - WHY Y

Wisconsin Affiliate State Partner:

Nora Cusack, Wisconsin Women's Network, Madison, WI

- State Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources
- Hispanic orgs
- RSVP
- County Depts of Aging
- AAUW
- Area Agencies on Aging
- United Refugees
- Coalition for Wisconsin Health
- Wisconsin Women of Color Network
- Financial planners and retirement counselors
- Interfaith Older Adult Program
- Several orgs targeting elder abuse
- Several United Ways
- Journalists
- Law School professor and other academics
- Alzheimer's Assoc
- Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
- Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE)
- Jewish Social Services
- Governor's Council on Financial Literacy
- Gray Panthers
- Unions
- Wisconsin Assisted Living Assoc
- Continuing Care Consortium
- WI Council on Developmental Disabilities
- WI Board on Aging and Long Term Care
- League of Women Voters
- OWL
- WI Council of the Blind
- Alliance for Retired Americans
- AARP-WI
- Independent Living
- Wisconsin Citizen Action
- Wisconsin Early Childhood Assoc Church Women United of Wisconsin
- rural health providers