

Land of Sky Regional Council

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Aging and Volunteer Services

The Area Agency on Aging is a leader and catalyst in helping older adults lead more independent, vibrant lives. Part of a national network of aging agencies established by the Older Americans Act, we work to strengthen home and community care for older adults and caregivers.

<p>LeeAnne Tucker – ext. 115 Director of Aging and Volunteer Programs leeanne@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Directs the Council's Aging and Volunteer Services Programs. Develops multi-year Area Plan in cooperation with the counties. Assists counties in recommending use of Home and Community Care Block Grant funds, resource development and coordinating services. Staffs regional Aging Advisory Council, Volunteer Services Advisory Council, and Senior Tar Heel Delegate/Alternate efforts.</p>
<p>Carol McLimans – ext. 119 Family Caregiver Specialist carol@landofsky.org</p> <p>Pat Hilgendorf Caregiver Program Associate patricia.hilgendorf@gmail.com</p>	<p>Develops and implements the Area Agency on Aging's Caregiver Support Program; assess the need for expansion of existing services and initiate new ones working in partnership with local agencies. Provides information and assistance to family caregivers and helps them identify needs and access services.</p>
<p>Ruth Price – ext. 122 Lead Regional Ombudsman ruth@landofsky.org</p> <p>Julia Gibson – ext. 109 Regional Ombudsman julie@landofsky.org</p> <p>Nancy Smith-Hunnicuttt – ext. 112 Regional Ombudsman nancysh@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Advocates for residents living in nursing and adult care homes; complaint resolution, updates and publishes the <i>Long-Term Care Housing Directory</i>, provides orientation, on-going training, and technical assistance to county based nursing and adult care home committees of volunteers. Provides community education.</p>
<p>John Connell – ext. 108 Senior Community Service Employment Program Coordinator john@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Administers the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP); recruits, certifies, orients and assesses enrollees and host agencies to aid participants in finding employment. Works with low-income older adults to help them obtain suitable employment through the SCSEP. Teach job seeking skills and seeks unsubsidized employment prospects for enrollees.</p>
<p>Sherry Christenson – ext. 114 Aging Program Specialist, Contracts, Monitoring, ARMS sherry@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Provides technical assistance and support needed to service providers in order to ensure compliance with Federal and State funding regulations. Coordinates informational and training meetings for agencies that provide services to older adults. Administers HCCBG contracts and monitoring. Provides technical assistance concerning ARMS to Home and Community Care Block Grant and Family Caregiver providers in relation to data entry and client service use tracking.</p>
<p>Stephanie Stewart – ext. 117 Aging Program Specialist, Health Promotion & Disease Prevention, Senior Centers stephanie@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Coordinates health promotion and disease prevention funding and programming. Programs include (but not limited to) Living Healthy with a Chronic Condition or Diabetes, WNC Fall Prevention, Matter of Balance, and Active Aging Week. Provides technical assistance and support to Senior Centers.</p>
<p>Nancy Hogan – ext. 111 Project C.A.R.E. Family Consultant – WNC nancy@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Supportive resource for Project C.A.R.E. concerning questions or issues that may arise regarding program eligibility, appropriate options for resolving and mediating family issues, and communication with multiple respite service providers.</p>

<p>Linda Kendall Fields Aging and Disabilities Program Specialist lkfields17@gmail.com</p> <p>Rebecca Chaplin Aging and Disability Program Associate rebecca@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Coordinates the CRC Leadership Team, monthly meetings to guide CRC activities, and quarterly community educational meetings located in each of the regions four counties. Increase the knowledge between agencies and consumers/families about services in the region. Chair of the Aging Coordinating Consortium Planning Committee (ACC). Coordinates the development of the Buncombe County Aging Plan and organizes the implementation workgroups.</p>
<p>Janice Payne – ext. 107 Aging and Volunteer Services Project Assistant janice@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Assists Aging and Volunteer Services staff by providing administrative and clerical support for programs and special events, tracks and analyzes volunteer accomplishments, assists in numerous federal reports and evaluations, maintains volunteer records, assists in trainings, enters data, & coordinates newsletter mailings.</p>

The Volunteer Services Department involves, empowers, and enriches the lives of volunteers and those they serve within the community. We connect adults with the people and organizations that need them most. Become a mentor, coach, or companion to people in need, or contribute your job skills and expertise to community projects and organizations.

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<p>Stacy Friesland – ext. 132 Foster Grandparent Program Manager stacy@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Oversees management of the Foster Grandparent Program. Recruits low-income senior volunteers to assist at-risk children. Coordinates stipend pay and supervision of volunteers with public-non-profit agencies where volunteers are assigned in Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania counties. Develops on-going training and recognition for volunteers, new station placements, and promotional and public relations for the program.</p>
<p>Vicki Jennings – ext. 126 Senior Companion Program Manager vicki@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Oversees management of the Senior Companion Program. Recruits low-income senior volunteers to help adults who need assistance to remain independent. Coordinates stipend pay and supervision of volunteers with public-non-profit agencies where volunteers are assigned in Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania counties. Develops on-going training and recognition for volunteers, new station placements, and promotional and public relations for the program.</p>
<p>Ann Whisenhunt – ext. 127 Retired & Senior Volunteer Program Lead Coordinator ann@landofsky.org</p>	<p>Oversees management of the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program. Recruits and assigns volunteers age 55 and older to partnering local governments and non-profit organizations in Buncombe County, Madison County, Henderson County, and Transylvania County.</p>
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