



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – March 22, 2017 Agenda Item 1

### **Presentation**

Update from the Village of Takoma Park

### **Recommended Council Action**

Receive the presentation.

### **Context with Key Issues**

Board President, Wolfgang Mergner, will present the update.

“The Village of Takoma Park’s mission is to provide intergenerational support to seniors and persons with disabilities who wish to live actively in the Takoma Park community by:

- providing assistance, advice and neighborly support;
- facilitating access to needed service providers;
- advocating on behalf of Village members and informing them about relevant issues and policies;
- organizing and managing Village volunteers who provide services and assistance; and
- collaborating with the City of Takoma Park, Montgomery County, and other organizations.”

*From the Village website*

### **Council Priority**

Livable Community for All

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Fiscal Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Attachments and Links**

- Village of Takoma Park Review of Activities
- [www.villageoftakomapark.com](http://www.villageoftakomapark.com)

## VILLAGE OF TAKOMA PARK, Inc. Review 2017

Members: 204 Members; 78 Volunteers.

Advocate	Connect people to services by referrals
Information Sharing	(a.) <b>Senior Seminar Aging Well</b> Visitors in 2016: 466 * (b.) <b>Newsletter</b> 4 editions/year (c.) <b>Website</b> Average # of visits 1,256/month
Social Connection	(a.) Aging Well - Social Events (b.) Church Service (c.) Driving to Cultural Events
Senior Services	<b>Driving:</b> 70 rides/month, 81 riders, 38 Drivers Started October 2014, 1089 Rides since April 2015
	<b>Friendly Visitors:</b> 64/month, 19 visitors
	<b>Fix-it (Small Home Repair)</b> 22 including smoke detector.
	<b>Errand Services</b> 6 requests
	<b>Senior Stroll</b> 3 participants, 9 volunteers
Support Groups	<b>POSNA</b> (Parents of special needs Adults)
	<b>Movement Disorders</b> (Parkinson, MS)
Senior issues	<b>Political:</b> Respond to Senior Issues
Outreach	<b>Apartments:</b> Ethnic senior community
	<b>Faith Community</b>
Associates	<b>Rebuilding Together Montgomery County</b>
	<b>Design for Life Coalition</b> (2 Colleges, Habitat, 2 villages)
	<b>Ambassador Program</b> (Hospitals)
	<b>Provider Council, City of Takoma Park</b>
	<b>Jewish Council for the Aging</b> (support Village Rides)
	<b>Every Mind</b> (support for Friendly Visitors)

- **Aging Well events** have included social gatherings, music, storytelling, film at AFI, and presentations on nutrition, protection against scams and fraud, financial planning, advance directives, staying mentally and physically fit, caregiving, and more.