Community Listening Sessions

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This is a big year for our community programs! At the ADRC every three years we undergo a planning process to determine how best to provide the services that keep older people healthy and independent. In addition, every five years we review the transportation services available in our communities and determine how best to work with our community partners to meet transportation needs for all. This year we get to review both of these community services and develop work plans based on what YOU would like to see happen with these programs in our communities.

Over the past few months in this newsletter you may have seen surveys and read about our plan to gather information in person from you through focus group sessions. These sessions will give us a chance to meet with you face to face, tell you about our current programs/services, and learn more about what is important to YOU, our focus group. These listening sessions are open to anyone who has an interest in these programs that serve our community. We have scheduled separate listening sessions for the two focus areas. You may attend as many of these as you would like.

We need to hear from you. You and your community is very important to us and we want to make sure that we, at the ADRC, and our community partners have what we need to support you. Join us to share or just to meet us! As mentioned, we have planned separate meetings to discuss the following programs/services:

1. **Transportation Services.** Affordable and accessible transportation is a huge need for all, particularly in our rural area. These listening sessions will focus on coordination of transportation among all populations. We will take time at the end of the meeting to discuss the Aging programs as well.
2. **Aging Programs.** Many people are aware of the home delivered meals, community education and caregiver support programs, but there are many more activities being done. Please attend one of the Aging Program sessions to learn more about our programs and give ideas on how we can improve them for you. We will take time at the end of the meeting to collect feedback on Transportation services as well. **Come early and join us for lunch! Please RSVP to the Amery Meal Site at 715-268-6818 24 hours in advance if you would like to eat.**

Transportation Services	Aging Programs
April 16th, 5:00 Osceola Medical Center – Cascade Room	**April 9th, 12:00 Amery Meal Site - Congregational Church: 201 Harriman Ave N**
April 23rd, 5:00 Grantsburg Library	**April 12th, 12:00 A&H Meal Site – A&H Senior Center: 28315 Co. Rd H**
April 25th, 2:30 Frederic Village Hall	**April 16th, 12:00 Siren Meal Site – Siren Senior Center: 23943 State Rd 35**
	April 19th, 12:00 Milltown Meal Site – Milltown Community Center: 301 2nd Ave SW
	April 20th, 12:00 Grantsburg Meal Site – Grantsburg Senior Center: 118 Madison Ave W
	April 24th, 12:00 Webster Meal Site – Webster Senior Center: 7421 West Apple St.