

ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Senior Solutions Advisory Council, established pursuant to the Older Americans Act, advises the agency on matters relating to older adults in our region, which includes most of Windsor and Windham counties and a few surrounding communities. As the designated Area Agency on Aging, Senior Solutions (Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont, Inc.) has served older adults since 1973.

To assist us in fulfilling our mission of promoting the well-being and dignity of older adults, Advisory Council members provide feedback on such issues as healthcare, transportation and housing needs; help identify resources and suggest ideas for improvement in services; assist with community meetings, focus groups, and other agency activities; and suggest ways that the agency can best serve older adults and caregivers.

The Advisory Council is comprised of individuals representing towns, community organizations and interests concerned with older adults. We welcome representatives from all towns in our service region.

Meetings are usually held monthly on the **last Wednesday of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 PM**. Due to current COVID restrictions, all meetings are currently held via ZOOM. In the past the Council met at the Bellows Falls Senior Center, and will likely resume in-person meetings in the future. Typically, the Executive Director and a representative of the Board of Directors attend the meetings. Other staff and interested members of the community also attend.

Meetings feature educational speakers, updates on legislative issues and agency services. Members are encouraged to share information so that staff and other members can learn more about issues impacting older adults in our communities, promising practices and unmet needs.

Advisory Council members can advocate for older adults by learning more about the issues that impact their quality of life, reporting back to their community and reviewing and commenting on policies, programs and actions that affect them.

To learn more about our Advisory Council, call our office at 802-885-2655 or email Info@SeniorSolutionsVT.org.

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