

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN)

NO. 1998-25
RESOLUTION

8-18-98
DATE

This County Board of Franklin County, Illinois, under the provisions of Public Act 82-1022, House Bill No. 579 Certified December 15, 1982, request the submission to referendum of the proposition set out below:

Place this proposition on the Ballot of the November 1998, General Election:

"Shall the Franklin County Board be authorized to levy a tax at a rate not to exceed ^{.025}~~4.5~~ percent of the equalized value of all taxable property within Franklin County for the purpose of funding Social Services for Senior Citizens in Franklin County? And these funds to be distributed to agencies providing priority services as defined by the Illinois Department on Aging. (Outreach, Information and Assistance, Meals Congregate and home delivered, Transportation, and Respite Care).

Gary Lingli
Harry Stewart
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ATTEST;

Dave Dobill
Dave Dobill, County Clerk

ABSTRACT OF VOTES
FOR QUESTIONS OF PUBLIC POLICY

We, the undersigned members of the Canvassing Board of Franklin County
(Governmental Unit)
do hereby certify that on November 3, 19 98, we canvassed the returns of an
election held on November 3, 19 98, and we do proclaim that a total of _____
voters requested and received ballots and we do further certify that the following Question of Public Policy did receive
the number of votes recorded.

USE ONLY ONE SHEET PER QUESTION

(Canvassing Board: Please include the question as it appeared on the ballot, as well as the votes in favor and against
such proposition.)

QUESTION OF PUBLIC POLICY

VOTES RECEIVED

IN FAVOR

AGAINST

7,725

6,309

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We further certify
NO

FINDING ANSWERS

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE services are available by calling the FCSS offices in West Frankfort and Staff will provide information and answer questions on resources available to seniors. Referrals will be made to other service providers in the community as necessary.

Though **OUTREACH** services, FCSS will work with seniors, their families, and health and social service personnel to develop a care plan individualized to the senior's needs. FCSS staff will serve as friends who help a senior deal with the sometimes confusing service system.

ASSISTANCE WITH GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS Such as Benefit Access, Social Security, Homestead Exemption, Guardianship and Advocacy, Medicare, mental health, income tax, food stamps, and other medical services are provided by FCSS.

LEGAL CLINIC SERVICES provided through the Southern Illinois University School of Law are made available at the West Frankfort Senior Center on a regular basis. Assistance on a full range of civil legal issues including wills, trusts, etc., are provided to seniors free of charge by attorneys and law students.

HEALTH SCREENING & HEALTH PROMOTION: Health agencies visit the senior centers on a weekly basis to screen blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol.

HOME MODIFICATIONS: A service to adapt households to meet needs of older persons with physical disabilities including purchase of assisting devices.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES FOCUSING ON SENIORS

Franklin County residents who are 60 years of age are served by programs of Franklin County Senior Services, Inc., (FCSS), a not-for-profit organization.

If you or a loved one are a 60-plus senior, FCSS works to meet your needs for information, fellowship, and friendly contact with someone who cares!

RECREATION EDUCATION/ REACHING OUT THROUGH OTHER When services are not directly available through Franklin County Senior Services, referrals are made to other programs and agencies as appropriate.

Bingo, bunko, pinocle, cards, exercise classes, are available.

Monthly menus are reproduced in local newspapers of Franklin County.

TELEPHONE REASSURANCE is provided on request to seniors isolated by geography or a lack of social contacts. Phone calls will be made at specific times each day to check on the safety and needs of an isolated senior; follow-ups will be made as appropriate.

Franklin County Senior Services focuses on Seniors! Contact the Wit and Wisdom Health and Wellness Centers in West Frankfort for more information or for assistance.

ELIGIBILITY: Franklin County residents 60 years of age or older are eligible for FCSS programs. Younger spouses of eligible residents may participate in the meals and other programs.

COST: Reasonable donations are suggested for meals, transportation and in-home respite services, but no senior will be denied service if unable to make the suggested donation.

REFERRALS: Anyone may call 937-3511 to ask about a program or refer a senior to Franklin County Senior Services. All requests for information and referrals will be treated confidentially.

Franklin County Senior Services, Inc. does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with Illinois Human Rights Act; the U.S. Civil Rights Act; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act; the Age Discrimination Act; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; and the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions. If you feel you have been discriminated against, you have the right to file a complaint. Contact the Director.

Funded wholly or partially by the Egyptian Area Agency on Aging through the Older Americans Act.

REACHING OUT

OUTREACH workers visit seniors at home in order to assess their needs and make them aware of services available through the local service system. Anyone can refer a senior and be assured a friendly, confidential visitor will make contact to see if help is needed or desired.

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS will be provided five days a week to homebound seniors who cannot visit a nutrition site, and are not able to prepare their own meals. Hot nutritious meals are delivered at noon to eligible seniors living in all towns in Franklin County. Special arrangements for frozen meals and "pick up" meals may be made by calling 937-3511.

RESPIRE CARE services allow caregivers of homebound seniors to confidently leave the care of their loved ones to trained, competent, caregiver personnel. FCCSS will recommend a trained, screened worker or elder sitter to provide health and other services to a senior at home. Fees are paid directly to the recommended respite worker.

TRANSPORTATION services are provided to Franklin County Seniors by FCCSS vans. Reservations must be made at least one day in advance for the van service, which operates from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Monday thru Friday. Regular trips are made to the meals sites each day. Reservations can be made for special trips for medical appointments, shopping, and other needs.

A \$5.00 donation for each round trip is requested for in-town transportation. A \$10.00 donation for each round trip is requested for out of town transportation. West Frankfort - 937-3511.

CAREGIVERS

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

A service to adapt households to meet needs of older persons raising grandchildren, including purchase of assisting item, such as clothing, shoes, socks, baby items, formula, diapers, ex. Services are provided to >55 Services are provided to 60+

WIT AND WISDOM HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTERS

Seniors, 60 years of age or older, or married to someone 60 or older, are eligible to enjoy meals and other activities at the Wit and Wisdom Health and Wellness Centers.

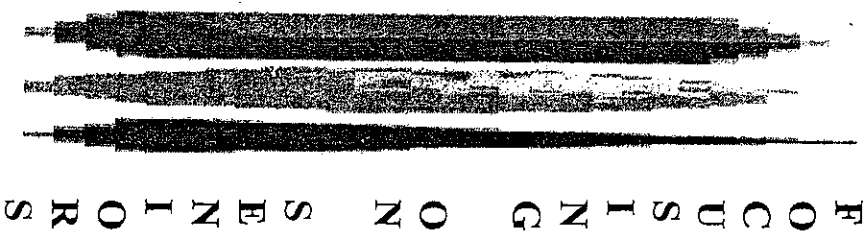
Meals are provided at noon on weekdays at the Center. Meals are planned to meet senior nutritional needs, and seniors are encouraged to eat healthful, nutritious foods at home through monthly nutrition education.

Reservations must be made by calling the Center one day in advance. Suggested donations for meals are \$4.00 per meal for seniors, and \$7.50 per meal for guests under 60 years of age.

West Frankfort Project Office
225 East Poplar
West Frankfort, IL. 62896
Hours of Service
8:30am-4:00pm weekdays
Reservations: 937-3511

NOTE: We do not provide meals for special dietary needs. We do accept Link cards.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES



F O C C U S I N G S E N I O R S



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