

AoA Older Americans Month 2008 Program Champion



Project: New Hampshire Association of Senior Centers' Project

Organization: New Hampshire Association of Senior Centers

Description

The New Hampshire Association of Senior Centers is a statewide, professional, non-profit organization dedicated to fostering the multipurpose nature of senior centers and professional development of senior center management. The New Hampshire Association of Senior Centers spearheaded the development of a website that provides information for seniors, families, providers and fellow senior centers. The intent of this website is to help individuals (both professional and consumers) learn more about senior centers across New Hampshire and what they have to offer New Hampshire's older citizens. This website was designed by a high school student who volunteers at the Ingram Senior Center.

Senior centers in New Hampshire are unique to the area they represent, and all provide an array of services including but not limited to: congregate and home delivered meals, health and wellness programs, arts and humanities, intergenerational programs, transportation, educational and volunteer opportunities, information and referral, and socialization.

Currently there are an estimated 173,000 older adults over 65 living in New Hampshire and many live in rural areas. The website provides a wealth of information for these seniors and their families. In addition, the website provides information on professional opportunities and lists other senior services. The Association is reaching out to senior centers and professional partners and encouraging them to link to the Association website. In addition, the Association encourages growth and development of senior centers in order to help older adults live independently in their community.

For more information visit the Association website at www.nhasc.org or contact Patti Drelick at 603-890-2191 or via e-mail at pdrelick@ci.salem.nh.us.