

June 2018 Newsletter

Approximately one in 10 Americans aged 60 and over have experienced some form of elder abuse. Some estimates range as high as five million elders who are abused each year. It's also estimated that only one in 14 cases of abuse are reported to authorities*. (*National Council on Aging)



Abuse and neglect of elders comes in many forms and with your help, we can help prevent further elder abuse cases. If you suspect that an elder is being abused, neglected or financially exploited, call the Florida Abuse Hotline at 1-800-962-2873. Calls may be made anonymously.

Visit <u>myeldersource.org</u> or call 1-888-242-4464 for more information on elder abuse awareness.

Empower Yourself: Learn How Not to Be Scammed FREE Workshop June 14

You are invited to a community workshop about how to identify and protect yourself from scams, fraud, financial exploitation and elder abuse. In recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, ElderSource and the Jacksonville Public Library are offering a FREE workshop!

Thursday, June 14
12:30 to 2:30 pm
Jacksonville Beaches Library
600 Third Street
Neptune Beach, Florida



Guest Speakers: Justine Conley, Associate Director of Outreach and Advocacy, AARP Florida; and **Ken Amaro**, First Coast News Consumer Advocate.

Free boxed lunch provided for the first 100 to register. Please register by June 11 by calling 630-4654.

Recap: Gen Silent Screening

Presented by:











A warm thank you to everyone who attended ElderSource Institute's screening of the *Gen Silent* film on Thursday, May 10 at Mayo Clinic. Following the film was a very interactive panel discussion with guest speakers and the audience. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event possible both on-site and behind the scenes!

Photo (L-R): Andrew Austin, Mayo Clinic Florida; Justine Conley, AARP Florida; Joe Applebaum, *Gen Silent* Director/Producer; Stu Maddux, *Gen Silent* Director/Producer; Linda Levin, CEO, ElderSource; Dr. Daniel Broderick, Mayo Clinic; Gina Duncan, Equality Florida; Elaine Eberhart, Development Chair, Mayo Florida; Dr. James Banks, Radiology Fellow, Mayo Clinic.

Senator Aaron Bean Visits ElderSource --Makes Special Delivery

On behalf of the State of Florida, State Senator Aaron Bean (R-Fernandina Beach) recently, presented a check to Linda Levin, CEO of ElderSource, and ElderSource's Board of Directors to provide home delivered meals to people on the waiting list. During the 2018 Legislative Session, Senator Bean and State Representative Travis Cummings (R-Fleming Island) worked together to secure \$400,000 in state funding to support distribution of home-delivered meals to elderly residents in seven Northeast Florida counties. The



funding will be given to the Provider Agencies that provide home delivered meals. Pictured, Senator Bean (center, far right in the back) is surrounded by all ElderSource board members and flanked by CEO Linda Levin (center, far left) and Board member Dr. Sue Leger Krall (center).

Congressman Al Lawson, Jr. Recognizes Staff for Hurricane Relief Efforts



Congressman, Al Lawson Jr., recently awarded ElderSource a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition for the agency's dedicated work in helping seniors with disaster recovery from Hurricane Irma. ElderSource helped to assist 224 seniors in recovering from the aftermath of Hurricane Irma in 2017. Agency employees truly went above and beyond in making sure seniors received the assistance they needed. Seniors received help with debris removal, fence repairs, pest control, AC unit repairs, furniture replacement and much more.

Photo: (Left to Right) Phyllis Kennebrew (Customer Service Specialists II, Senior to Senior Program), Linda Levin (CEO, ElderSource) and Congressman Al Lawson Jr.

It's Hurricane Season: Prepare Before the Storm



Don't wait until the storm hits! **Start getting prepared NOW.** Hurricane season begins June 1st. Here are a few tips to get prepared:

- Make a plan and have a list of emergency contacts.
- If you have a family member or loved one that has special needs, be sure that they are registered to receive services. Click here to register.
- Stock up on water and nonperishable items, enough to last a week.
- Review or renew insurance policies (home, auto, health etc.) Know the details of your policy.
- Determine risk factors in your area (i.e. if you live in a flood zone or surrounded by trees) and know your evacuation route.

Click here for Jax Ready Information

Or the National Hurricane Center Guide

Well Done! Employee of the Month - April

Congratulations to Simone Davis, Customer Service Specialist, on being awarded April's Employee of the month! She is always willing to lend a helping hand and she proves time and time again to be a valuable asset to the ElderSource family. Keep up the great work Simone!



SHINE-ing Stars Celebrated!



SHINE Volunteer Appreciation

SHINE volunteers recently gathered at the Cummer Museum of Art and Gardens to be honored for their hard work in serving 7,316 seniors last year. Our SHINE volunteers are dedicated to helping caregivers and seniors navigate through the complex process of accessing Medicare benefits. Thank you and keep up the great team work!



10 Years of Service

Congratulations to SHINE volunteer Priscilla Davis (*pictured center in photo*) for her 10 years of service with the SHINE program. She has been a great role model to other SHINE volunteers while also being dedicated to helping seniors in the community. Priscilla is assigned to assisting clients living in Clay and Duval counties.

Attention Caregivers: An Event for You!



Caring for the Caregiver: Caring, Better Together

Date: Saturday, June 16, 2018 Time: 9 am to 3 pm

Location: Mary Singleton Senior Center 150 East First Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204

"Caring for the Caregiver" is a conference that can help you take better care of yourself and those whom you provide care for. Caregivers will leave empowered to take better care of themselves and those they love. At the conference you'll hear from community caregiving experts on educational topics important to your role as a caregiver,

Click here to register for this FREE event

Visit our website

ElderSource values all people – including but not limited to all nationalities, socio-economic backgrounds, abilities, races, genders, religious perspectives, sexual orientations and gender identities – in everything we do. We welcome the unique insights and perspectives of all persons in our quest to fulfill our mission.











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