



**COUNTY OF RACINE
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

Health and Human Development Committee

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Supervisor Valena Lena Coleman
Supervisor Eric Hopkins
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Human Services Board

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Supervisor Don Trottier
Rhonda Zuck, Citizen

**NOTICE OF JOINT MEETING OF THE
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

DATE: Monday, June 10, 2024
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
**PLACE: Village of Caledonia – Board Room
5043 Chester Lane
Caledonia, WI 53402**

*** THIS LOCATION IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. If you have special needs please contact the Racine County Human Services Department, 1717 Taylor Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin, (262) 638-6646 or for hearing impaired for TTY, TTD/Relay Service 711 or 1-800-947-3529. ***

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Chairman Comments -- Youth In Governance Statement
3. Public Comments
4. Approval of Minutes from the May 13, 2024 Joint Meeting of the Racine County Health and Human Development Committee & Human Services Board -- **ACTION**
5. Resolution No. 2024-XX – Resolution by the Health and Human Development Committee In Support of Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers – **ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE ONLY**
6. Report No. 2024-1 – Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Racine County Commission on Aging Board and the Aging and Disability Resource Joint Board – **INFORMATION ONLY**
7. Report No. 2024-3 Report by the County Executive Making a Reappointment to the Veterans Service Commission – **INFORMATION ONLY**
8. Report No. 2024-6 – Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Housing Authority of Racine County – **INFORMATION ONLY**
9. Substance Use Disorder & Behavioral Health Services New Building Update – Jelena Jones
10. Opioid and Overdose Update – Jelena Jones
11. Youth Development and Care Center Update – Amberlyn Yohn
12. Correspondence and Other Business

13. Next Meeting Date – July 8 Human Services Department 2025 Budget Plan Public Hearing,
Health and Human Development Committee & Human Services Board,
Ives Grove Office Complex
14. Adjournment
15. Members only proceed to Youth Development and Care Center site. This is a tour only. No official
business will be conducted.

Robert N. Miller, Chairman,
Health and Human Development Committee

NOTE: If members anticipate needing additional information, please contact Hope Otto or Human Services staff by Monday before noon.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-

RESOLUTION BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED FUNDING FOR AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTERS

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, senior hunger and isolation are pressing and urgent social issues for Wisconsin’s aging population; and

WHEREAS, the Older Americans Act (“OAA”) Nutrition Program is a federal program that supports the health and well-being of older adults through nutrition services; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the OAA Nutrition Program is three-fold: (1) reduce hunger, food insecurity, and malnutrition; (2) promote socialization; and (3) promote the health and well-being of seniors through access to nutrition and to nutrition-related disease prevention and health promotion services; and

WHEREAS, the OAA Nutrition Program is available to adults age 60 years and older, with priority going towards seniors with the greatest social or economic need – including seniors who are low-income, are a racial or ethnic minority; live in a rural community; have limited English proficiency; and/or are at risk of institutionalization; and

WHEREAS, the program’s focus on nutritious food, social visits, safety checks and connection to other community services ensures that seniors receive the support they need to live more nourished and independent lives in their homes; and

WHEREAS, home-delivered meals services provide in-home meal deliveries up to once per day to participating seniors who are frail, homebound and/or isolated, and their spouses;

WHEREAS, home-delivered meals services provide the day’s main meal for 70 percent of participants statewide, and also provide regular socialization opportunities, safety and wellness checks for participating seniors during meal delivery, and connections to other services in the community; and

WHEREAS, nearly half participants are identified to have high nutritional risk and over 1 in 4 have incomes below the federal poverty level; and

WHEREAS, one year of home delivered meals and accompanying services roughly equates to the same cost of one day in the hospital or 10 days in a nursing home; and

WHEREAS, these programs need support and fiscal backing to preserve access to these crucial services for the growing aging population of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, home-delivered meals services statewide are either experiencing waitlists or have implemented some sort of restrictions and limited services (e.g., reduced number of meals served and/or days of delivery); and

4 **WHEREAS**, increased state and federal funding is needed to ensure no senior
5 needs to wait for meals and essential safety checks; and
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7 **WHEREAS**, the program is challenged by:
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- 9 • **Federal Funding Cuts:** The Older Americans Act senior nutrition program
10 sustained an \$8 million cut at the federal level in 2024. Local funding (29% of
11 the funding in 2023) is also at risk;
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- 13 • **Expiration of COVID Support (both funding and flexibilities):** By 2025,
14 Wisconsin’s home-delivered meal program will have lost approximately \$10.5
15 million of COVID-relief accounting for over 27% of total home-delivered meal
16 expenditures in 2023;
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- 18 • **Unprecedented Levels of Need:** Demand for services has increased by 54
19 percent from 2019 to 2023;
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- 21 • **Increased Expenses driven by Inflation and a Lack of Resources:** The
22 average cost to provide a meal statewide is \$12.76/meal, a 17 percent
23 increase over 2018 costs. Over one-third (36%) of programs surveyed
24 indicated they are unable to service their entire geographic area due to lack of
25 funding, insufficient volunteers or staff, and/or inadequate equipment to safely
26 deliver meals; and
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28 **WHEREAS**, in 2023, only 17 percent of home-delivered meals services funding
29 came from the OAA; and
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31 **WHEREAS**, voluntary participant contributions are decreasing due to lack of
32 income.
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34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Racine County Board of
35 Supervisors does hereby support the following increases in the 2025-27 state biennial
36 budget to ensure access to critical services provided by the home-delivered meals
37 services program to Wisconsin’s aging population:
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- 39 • Increase the state contribution to home-delivered meals services from the
40 current level of \$396,000 to \$13.5 million.
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 - 42 ○ This increase would provide state funding for home-delivered meals
43 services equal to the state funding for congregate nutrition services.
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45 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor
46 Tony Evers, DOA Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld, DHS Secretary Kristen Johnson, the
47 Wisconsin Counties Association and all area legislators.
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3 Respectfully submitted,

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5 1st Reading _____

**HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

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7 2nd Reading _____

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9 Robert N. Miller, Chairman

10 **BOARD ACTION**

11 Adopted _____

12 For _____

13 Against _____

14 Absent _____

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16 Scott Maier, Vice-Chairman

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18 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

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20 Q.A. Shakoor, II, Secretary

21 Prepared by:
22 Corporation Counsel

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24 Ernie Rossi

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26 Eric Hopkins

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28 Valena Lena Coleman

29 **The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of
30 Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:**

31 **Approved:** _____

32 **Vetoed:** _____

33 **Date:** _____,

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36 **Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive**

May 14, 2024

REPORT NO. 2024-1

**REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE
RACINE COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD AND
THE AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE JOINT BOARD**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

A vacancy exists on the Racine County Commission on Aging Board / Aging and Disability Resource Joint Board. To fill this vacancy, I hereby appoint the following individual for a term to expire on March 31, 2027:

TERRENCE PARKER
4141 Farmington Ln
Mount Pleasant, WI 53403

Mr. Parker is a dedicated professional with a rich background in public service after retiring from the City of Racine after 22 years in the Human Resources Department. His responsibilities centered around managing health insurance and disability issues for both active and retired employees, which gives him deep insights into the challenges and needs of the groups this agency serves. After his retirement, he continues to engage with the community, currently serving as a greeter and docent at the Civil War Museum in Kenosha. This role highlights his commitment to education and public engagement, making history accessible and engaging to visitors. Throughout his career, Terrence has been an active member of prominent organizations such as the Wisconsin Public Employer Labor Relations Association and the International Public Management Association for Human Resources. These affiliations have kept him at the forefront of developments in public management and labor relations. Motivated by a recent personal experience by the ADRC, Terrence was inspired by the vital support the organization provides to the local community. His experience prompted him to contribute more actively, leading to his decision to serve on this board. Terrence believes that his extensive background in human resources will be beneficial in helping the ADRC and Commission on Aging achieve their mission and goals. His appointment would mean a commitment to enhancing the lives of the aging and disabled populations in Racine County, ensuring they receive the support and resources they need.

I ask that you confirm this appointment.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Delagrave
County Executive

May 14, 2024

REPORT NO. 2024-3

**REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAKING A
REAPPOINTMENT TO THE VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

The term of Milyn Vollmer, a member of the Veterans Service Commission, will expire on December 31, 2023. Mr. Vollmer has been an active and valuable member of the Commission and has agreed to be reappointed for an additional term to expire on December 31, 2026. I am, therefore, reappointing:

MILYN VOLLMER
4830 Conlaine Drive
Racine, WI 53402

I ask that you confirm this reappointment.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Delagrave
County Executive

May 14, 2024

REPORT NO. 2024-6

**REPORT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF RACINE COUNTY**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

A member of the Housing Authority of Racine County has resigned. To fill this vacancy, I hereby appoint:

Charity Chiappetta
1020 West Blvd
Racine, WI 53405

Charity Chiappetta is a proud lifelong resident of Racine County, where she has cultivated a deep- rooted connection to her community. As a seasoned Realtor with over 26 years of experience she has become a trusted advisor in the real estate market. She finds great joy in her career and the connections it has brought into her life. Beyond her professional endeavors, she has a long history of volunteering and serving, including past involvement with the Southside Revitalization board and her current role as Secretary for The Case Eagles Football booster club. When she isn't busy working or volunteering, she enjoys spending time with her family. Charity's commitment to her clients, family, and community shows her passion for making a difference. She is eager and committed to serving on The Housing Authority of Racine County Committee.

I ask that you confirm this appointment.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Delagrave
County Executive