

Intergenerational Programs Potpourri: Tips and Strategies to Develop Engagement **Opportunities Between** Generations



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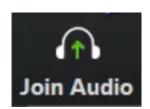
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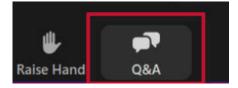
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- National effort to increase social engagement among older adults, people with disabilities and their caregivers
- Administered by USAging
- 18 Project Advisory Committee members: www.engagingolderadults.org/partnerships
- Funded by the U.S. Administration on Aging, which is part of the Administration for Community Living



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Intergenerational Program Definition

Intergenerational programs bring people of different ages together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities that promote greater understanding and respect between generations.





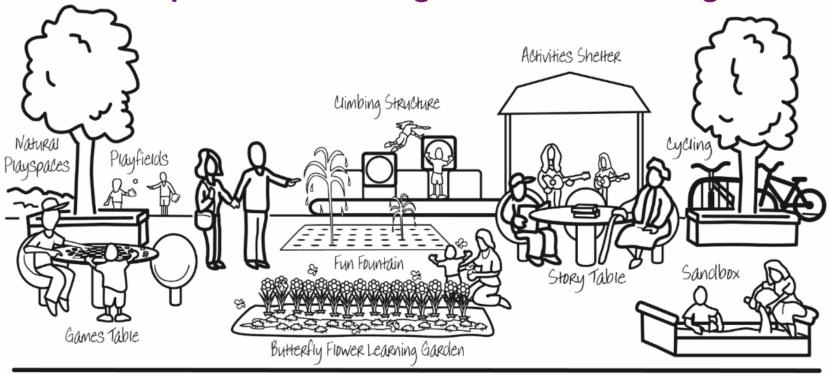
Intergenerational



Multigenerational



A park as an intergenerational setting



Matt Kaplan, Ph.D., Professor, Intergenerational Programs and Aging, Penn State University https://aese.psu.edu/outreach/intergenerational



Who Benefits from Intergenerational Programs?

Everyone.

BABIES & PRE-SCHOOL



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN



MIDDLE SCHOOL CHILDREN



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



YOUNG ADULTS & COLLEGE STUDENTS



PARENTS & ADULT CHILDREN



OLDER ADULTS



ALL AGES

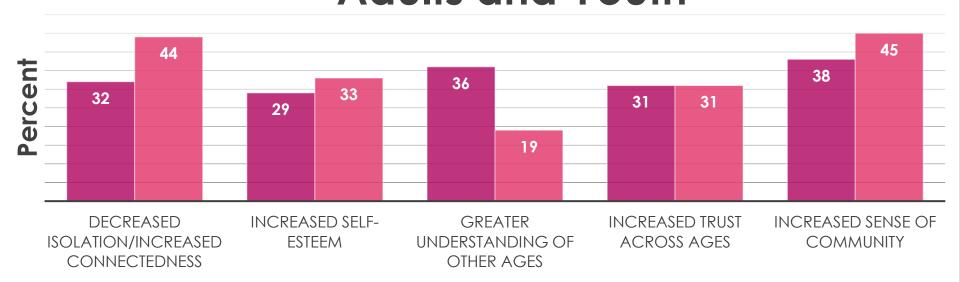


STAFF, CAREGIVERS, & NEIGHBORHOODS





Top 5 Perceived Benefits of Intergenerational Programs for Older Adults and Youth





Benefits



AN INTERGENERATIONAL LENS CAN BE APPLIED TO WIDE RANGE OF TOPICS SUCH AS:

- Academic Achievement & Enrichment
- Physical, Cognitive,
 & Mental Health
- Social Isolation & Loneliness
- Cultural Identity
- Environmental Awareness & Action
- Affordable Housing

- Job Readiness
 & Entrepreneurship
- Neighborhood Revitalization
- Addressing Structural Racism & Inequalities
- Technology Access & Use
- Caregiving
- Food insecurity
- Community Change
- Substance Use
- Ageism



Finding Examples

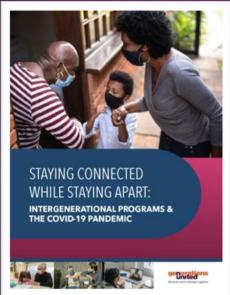
- Programs of Distinction
- Intergenerational Program Database
- Resources & Program Profiles

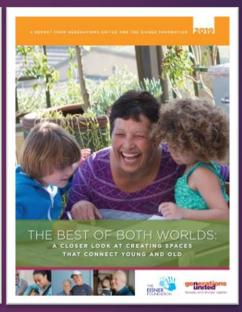




Our Resources









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Key Elements





Reinforced the Value of Connections







ReGen Storytelling virtual workshop in Detroit. https://www.gu.org/resources/profile-koreatown-storytelling-program/

In-Person, Remote, Hybrid



An older adult and child at ONEgeneration in Van Nuys, California connect through a window.

https://www.gu.org/resources/profile-koreatown-storytelling-program/

Technology



Kendra Gonzales of Teeniors program in Albuquerque coaches Linda Haverty on how to add a photo of a friend to her contacts list on her phone. *Photo: Megan Kamerick/KUNM*

https://www.npr.org/2020/01/20/796583594/youth-teaching-tech-to-seniors-fosters-generational-connections

College & University Connections



https://www.secondwavemedia.com/features/intergenerationalprogramming04072022.aspx

Outdoor Spaces



The R.H. Myers playground and courtyard at Menorah Park in Cleveland, Ohio

The Indaba Community Bandshell at St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

https://www.menorahpark.org/lifestyle/gardens-and-green-spaces https://stanncenter.org/community/indaba-band-shell/

Cultural Responsiveness







As part of the Native American Education Program at Grand Rapids Public Schools, two 8-year-olds were the official "shkaabewis" the helpers, a position of high honor for a drum feast. https://www.schoolnewsnetwork.org/2022/04/13/drum-feast-brings-grps-students-together-with-community-members/

Diverse Intergenerational Programs Survey





https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J2GDLG2

Shared Sites



Tips

- Learn from others
- Start small
- Look local
- Find the intergenerational intersection
- Be creative and persistent
- ► Have fun!





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Art At Your Own PACE

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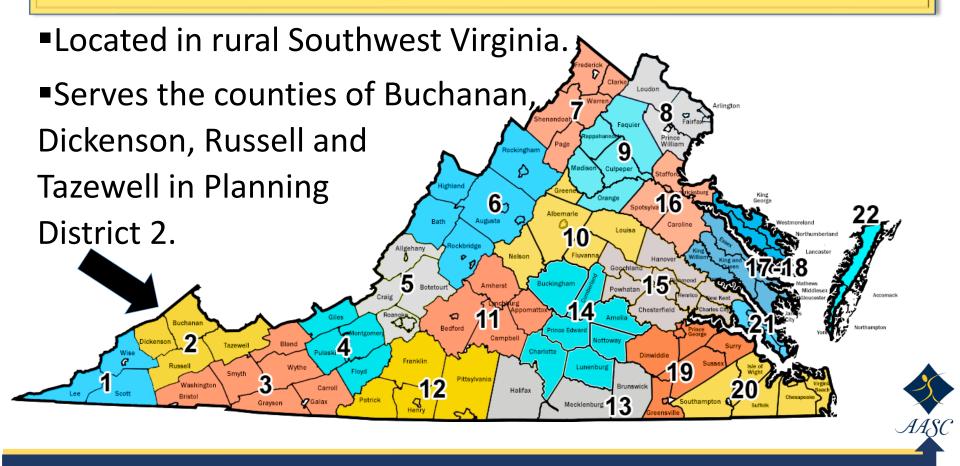


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"Art at Your Own PACE"

Began in spring 2018 with a \$5,000 grant funding from the Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Art Therapy For PACE Participants Targets participants living with Alzheimer's and dementia with creative expression. Art fosters health and communication.

Occupational
Therapy Is
Ideal

 Painting and crafting engage clients while exercising cognitive, visual and sensory skills. Demonstrated elevations in mood, social support and self-esteem.



Art At Your Own PACE

Items
Purchased
With Grant
Funds

Numerous art supplies such as paints, brushes, canvases, etc.

Furnishings and aprons with clients' names

Sewing machine and embroidery machine

Cricut used to make T-shirts, banners, etc., with potential to generate revenue for the program



Dedicated Art Room





Governor's Christmas Tree Ornament



Every Christmas, each county in Virginia sends a special ornament to the governor for the Executive Mansion tree. Participants crafted an ornament to highlight our cultural heritage titled, "The Christmas Quilt."





2019 Christmas Parade Float





2021 Christmas Parade Float





Live Mural





An intergenerational "live mural" was created. Sidewalk chalk on the end of dowel rods allowed adults using wheelchairs and walkers to release creative energy. Children took center stage and relaxed in a "hammock" hanging between palm trees, and became the "body" of a butterfly and the "face" of a flower.



Participants' Artwork







Participants' Artwork











GROW – Gardens Reward Our Work





Seniors share their expertise in growing vegetables and flowers with the children, and the children enjoy seeing the fruits of their labor come to life.

GROW – Gardens Reward Our Work



Educational opportunities exist to teach children valuable lessons in not only traditional skills such as counting, but also in the commitment required in caring for the plants and reaping the rewards of that care.

In learning to grow their own food, children also learn to establish healthy eating habits.





Instructional time is not just about gardens but teaches life lessons the children will carry into adulthood and beyond – possibly to their own children and grandchildren.

A Day in the Garden





Adapting to COVID-19



Art at Your Own PACE continued operating through the COVID-19 pandemic.

The adult day center closed when the health crisis began to safeguard vulnerable seniors, but AASC staff continued to serve clients in their homes.

Activity packets were left with clients so they had fun activities to keep creativity flowing between staff visits.

For those with technology, Facetime sessions kept them engaged with different projects. For other clients, staff routinely called to check on them.



Adapting to COVID-19

COVID-19 necessitated changes in programming and staff found creative ways to engage both the older adults and the children.





One way is to have the adults paint a portion and then send the art to the children for them to paint and then back to the adults to finish.



Flying Free – Dream Travel

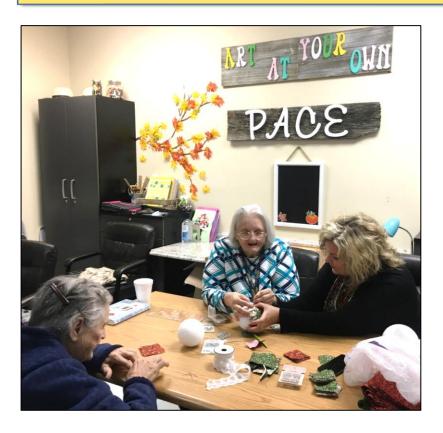


This is a new project of painting birdhouses and sending them to locations where participants would like to travel. Information is included about the "Art at Your Own PACE program," the area and the participants.





Outcomes



Original expectations for this project were far exceeded in the execution and resulting impact of "Art at Your Own PACE."

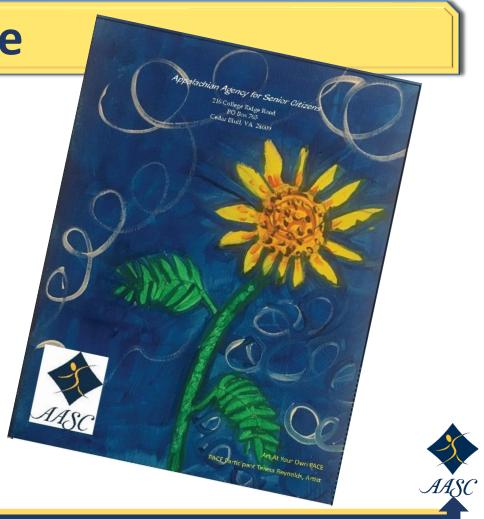
- · There's a permanent art room.
- Client improvements were demonstrated in activities of daily living, fine and gross motor skills, and cognitive skills.
- The program has helped curb depression, and most clients enjoy the fun activities — especially ones with the children.
- Many clients who didn't want to participate in activities now are eager to join in the art projects.



Another Outcome

Another outcome was the agency marketing folder that features artwork of the first-place winner of the sunflower painting art contest.

Fifteen participants completed sunflower paintings as part of the "Paint and Sip" activity, and AASC employees voted for their favorite.



Sustainability

- Enterprise program of selling artwork
- Online art gallery
- Ongoing donations







Replication

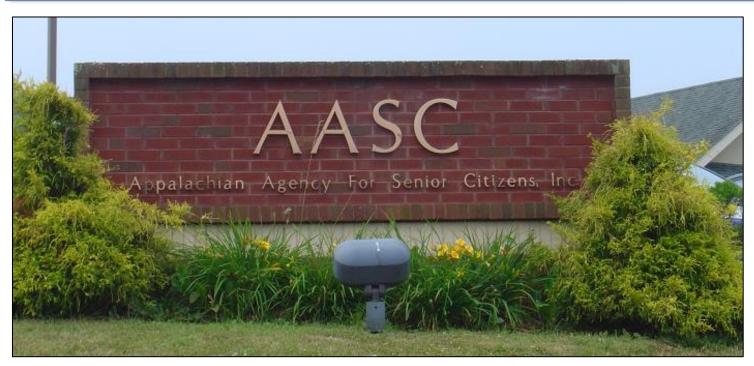


The success of "Art at Your Own PACE" is attributed to the dedication of OT staff to ensure participants were engaged in projects. Creativity of the OT assistant inspired creativity of participants.

No additional cost was incurred for personnel since the OT assistant was on staff and previously worked with PACE participants to expand their artistic abilities and showcase their unique talents.

Having a defined "Art at Your Own PACE" program with a dedicated art therapy room stocked with supplies provided more opportunities to build on what had already begun.

Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens

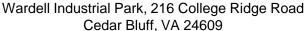


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INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAMING IN A VIRTUAL WORLD











OUR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ACADEMIC YEAR INTERNSHIP





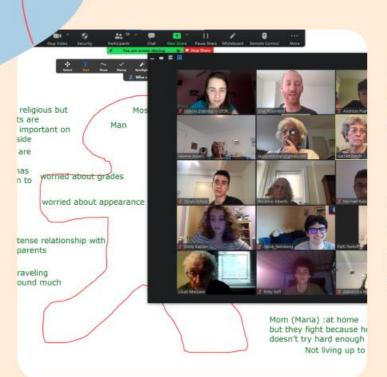


SCHOOL CLUBS



SERVICE LEARNING





IF YOU WERE TO TELL A STORY

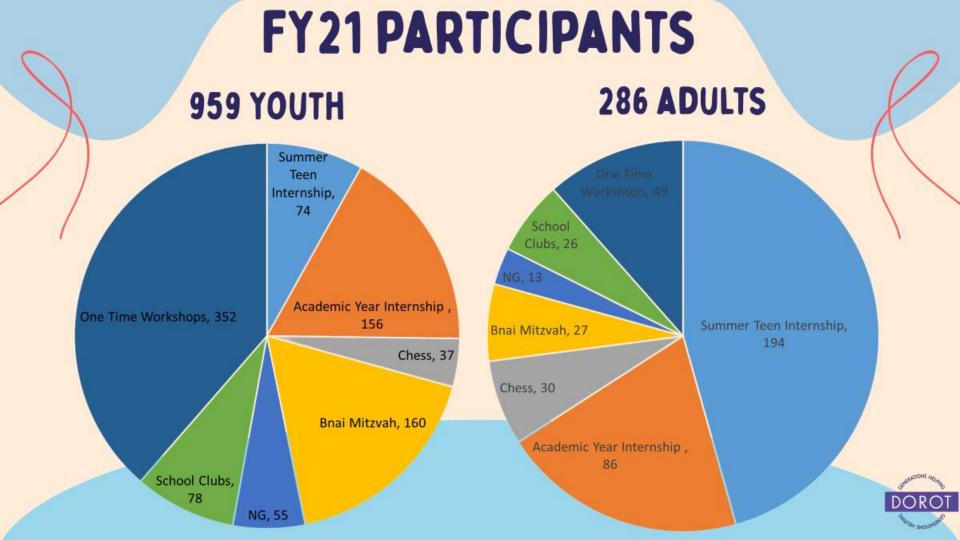
about a time that you felt most comfortable, most at ease, or most like yourself you would tell a story about the time you _____



ACADEMIC TEEN INTERNSHIP

WINTER 22 SEMESTER - 4:30 PM 7:00 PM

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Chess	Discussion Group	Music	Art
Midrash	Yiddish	Creative	Story Circles
Russian Tech	Creative Storytelling	Conversations About Breaking Down Bias	LGBTQ+
Virtual Visits	, G	DOWII BIAS	Virtual Visit
	Virtual Visit	Brain Games	
		Virtual Visit	DOROT





OUR MODEL



- EQUAL PARTNERS
- THE CYCLE OF PRAXIS
- CONTINUED COMMITMENT





WHAT'S NEXT

- Virtual Teen Internship
- Summer Hybrid Model
- Affinity Groups





QUESTIONS?



Connecting Older Adults and Students Through Interprofessional Telecare (COAST-IT): A Model for Stakeholder Engagement and Project Implementation

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Multidisciplinary Center on Aging at Anschutz Medical Campus

- Promotes the multidisciplinary work of University of Colorado faculty and researchers focused on education/training, clinical care, research, and outreach/engagement related to aging
- Serves as a <u>centralized resource</u> for academic and community stakeholders interested in improving the health and wellbeing of older adults



COAST-IT (Connecting Older Adults and Students Through Interprofessional Telecare)

- > Social phone calls between a student and an older adult
- Helps combat isolation for older adults and hones communication skills for CU Anschutz Health Profession students
- Paired UCH Senior's Clinic patients with CU Anschutz students – 1,000+ health phone calls in 1st two weeks
- Spring '20 interest from Long-term care and assisted living communities







COAST-IT (Connecting Older Adults and Students Through Interprofessional Telecare)

- Fall '20 interest from older adults living independently in the community were interested
- Over 45 LTC, AL and 250+ independent older adults participating throughout CO (9 different states)
- Over 300 older adults & students have been paired
- Named City of Centennial Social Isolation Community Partner (beginning Fall '22)





COAST-IT (Connecting Older Adults and Students Through Interprofessional Telecare)

Criteria for Older Adult Participants:

- Older adults who have felt some mental or physical health effects from loneliness and isolation and/or would like to participate in mentoring a health professions student
- Older Adults who would enjoy interacting with a student regularly and sign a consent to agree to participate
- Older Adults who could successfully participate in regularly scheduled (up to weekly or bi-monthly) phone calls with a pharmacy, nursing, dental medicine or medical students





Older Adults who are comfortable communicating on the phone or by tablet



CLINICAL: INNOVATION HIGHLIGHT

- Why Does This Matter both for the Older Adult and Future Clinicians? (Student In-services)
- The US population is aging, we need providers in all health care specialties to work with our older patients
- Early exposure to older adults and geriatric medicine may increase the interest in students pursing geriatrics as a part of their career
- There is a strong link between a provider's communication skills and patient's adherence to medical advice – your ability to communicate with older adults is crucial for their health



CLINICAL: INNOVATION HIGHLIGHT

Program Evaluation:

- Students are given a pre & post semester survey (COCOA© 24 – Carolina Opinions of Care of Older Adults Rating Scale)
- > 19 Qualtrics questions about attitudes, feelings, and perception they personally have about aging
- > 77.75% of students reported being fairly or very confident in their ability to talking/interviewing older adults after participating in COAST-IT.

 Increase from 52.15% prior to beginning of program







Stakeholder Engagement **ENGAGEMENT** STAKEHOLDER STRATEGY IDENTIFICATION **ENGAGEMENT** What is the Vision of the **PROCESS** Criteria For ID Project? and Prioritizing How will information be of Stakeholders shared? ENGAGMENT **ENGAGEMENT EVALUATION** Assess, evaluate CONNECTION and make changes to Is the continue with engagement program working? feedback by stakeholders

Engagement Strategy

▶ Vision: Older adults have been significantly impacted by loneliness and social isolation during COVID-19. At the same time, health professional students in their first 1-2 years of training have lost opportunities to have interactions with older adult patients. The team at the CU Anschutz Multidisciplinary Center on Aging hosts a social isolation outreach program where students from the CU Anschutz School of Pharmacy, College of Nursing or School of Dental Medicine and medicine programs will pair with an older adult to have weekly to bi-monthly social phone calls.

Stakeholder Identification:

- College of Nursing
- Skaggs School of Pharmacy
- School of Medicine
- School of Dental Medicine
- Multidisciplinary Center on Aging
- UCH Seniors' Clinic
- CO Assisted Living and Long-Term Care Facilities
- CO Community Organizations



College of Nursing

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS



Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS



School of Medicine

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Multidisciplinary Center on Aging

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School of Dental Medicine

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Engagement Process

- Create promotional materials explaining program and the action steps
- Provide promotional materials in a variety of deliverable formats
- Develop a promotional schedule with pertinent deadlines for stakeholders to share the information
- Develop process for receiving action items back to the MCoA (i.e. consent forms)

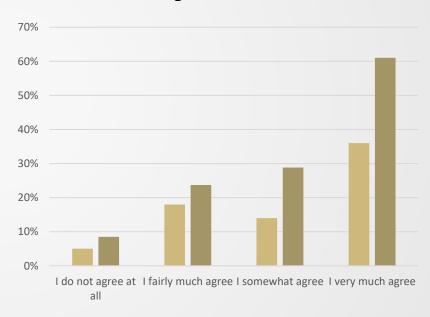
Engagement Connection

- Create timeline for regular check-in's with stakeholders if information is being received appropriately
- Identify immediately if information shared is difficult to complete i.e. formats of documents, lack of technology etc.
- Work with stakeholders to review delivery mechanisms for next round of outreach and reformat if necessary

Engagement Evaluation

- Produce program evaluation reviewing multiple assessment tools i.e. UCLA Geriatrics Attitude Scale didn't quite fit – moved to COCOA© 24 for impact and scale
- Review data collected and use that information to change direction if needed for program improvement
- Use this data for future funding sources information

Choosing a career in geriatrics would be a good decision





Lessons Learned

- Balance of students and older adult participating
- Create a longitudinal program so students have OAP's for at minimum a full academic year
- Centralize the contact point as a COAST-IT hub that has a dedicated coordinator to field questions, assist with pairing and create a continuous touch point with key stakeholders
- Funding, funding! For administrative support and coordination







Thank you! Questions?



engAGED Resources

- Newest publication: What Works: Social Engagement Innovations and Best Practices
- Other resources:
 - Social Engagement Innovations Hub
 - Toolkits and template materials
 - Videos
 - Consumer brochures
- Monthly newsletter and blog





Connect With Us!

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- Facebook: @engAGEDCenter
- Twitter: @engAGEDCenter
- info@engagingolderadults.org



Commit to Connect

- Fostering a nationwide network of champions who are committed to addressing social isolation and loneliness
 - Online discussions
 - Communities of Practice
 - Peer Networking opportunities
 - Monthly newsletter
- Funded by ACL
- USAging announced as the Coordinating Center



https://committoconnect.org/



New From Commit to Connect

- Are you interested in connecting with others who are engaged in intergenerational programming and social engagement?
- Apply to join the Intergenerational Community of Practice!
- Learn more in an Information Session on Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 2:00 PM EST
- More information: https://committoconnect.o
 rg/communities-of-practice/.





Questions and Discussion

Please submit your questions or comments through the Q&A.



Thank You!

- Please complete the survey which will be displayed in your browser after Zoom closes.
 There is also a brief 3-month survey.
- The recording will be available on www.engagingolderadults.org.
- Thank you for attending today's webinar!