



The RSVP Reporter

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RSVP's nationwide may be impacted in the FY15 Budget Proposal

On Tuesday, June 10th, the Senate Labor-HHS Appropriations Sub Committee objected to the FY 15 budget proposed by President Obama and his Administration to decrease the number of RSVP programs nationwide by two-thirds and fund the program via Volunteer Generation Fund. The Senate Sub Committee also opposed the proposal to defund Senior Corps and fund a reduced-hour Foster Grandparents and Senior Companion Programs into AmeriCorps. Program supporters indicate these Senate actions are a *preliminary* victory for all Senior Corps volunteers.

The next step in the legislative process is review and consideration by the U.S. House of Representatives' Labor, Health, Human Services Appropriations Sub Committee. House Sub-Committee members are:

- Jack Kingston, Georgia, Chairman
- Steve Womack, Arkansas, Vice-Chairman
- Chuck Fleischmann, Tennessee
- David Joyce, Ohio
- Andy Harris, MD, Maryland
- Martha Roby, Alabama
- Chris Stewart, Utah
- Rosa DeLauro, Connecticut, Ranking Member
- Lucille Roybal-Allard, Barbara Lee and Mike Honda - all from California

Rep. Harold Rogers, of Kentucky, is the House Labor HHS Appropriations' Full Committee Chairman.

These *are* "just the facts," as Joe Friday used to say on TV's *Dragnet*.

The Corporation for National & Community Service filed its "Justification" of the President's Proposal in March, 2014 at: http://www.nationalservice.gov/Sites/default/files/documents/CNCS_CBJ_FINAL_V5_03_12_2014.pdf

May 14, 2014; San Antonio, TX: In a Town Hall meeting, at the National Senior Corps Association Conference (NSCA); FGP, SCP and RSVP Directors severely questioned/disputed any positive effects for senior volunteerism resulting from the original FY15 Proposal's changes to Senior Corps. Over 550 "field" staff participated in this Conference and event.



Moving Forward Notes:

- Because of **you** - high quality volunteers, Louisville Metro RSVP is applying by Sept. 9 2014 for its **42nd** year of federal funding - to last through 3/31/16.
- The CNCS advises us that decisions on individual programs receiving continued (FY15) funding will be released by February, 2015.
- The Louisville Metro RSVP office is currently funded through Tuesday, March 31, 2015.



Member Benefits

2014 RSVP 4th Annual FREE Training In-Service (3 Vol. hrs. credit)

"Volunteer Roundup!"

Friday, August 15th

Home of the Innocents

- 1st Floor Gymnasium

Enter from Mellwood Ave.

Use doors to "Pool"

Park in lots or on

Mellwood and Bickell

Streets just next to entrance.



Gather at the "ole Stock Yards" site at **9:30 AM**

1st session- 10:00 am

Event Ends: 2:30 pm

FREE Lunch provided w/advance reservation

Door prizes

There will be fun, good eating and topics related to your life and volunteer career

"1st come, 1st served..." **Limited seating available!**

ACTIVE RSVP MEMBERS ADMITTED FREE!

Escorts and guests- \$12.00

Call 574-7305 by **August 9th** to save your seat!





Member Benefits

“KY Volunteer Superheroes!”

Tuesday, Sept. 16th - Thursday, Sept. 18th
Holiday Inn Hurstbourne Lane

You're *eagerly* invited to attend the **2014 KSSC Volunteer Conference** (Kentucky Senior Service Corps) gathering RSVP members from all across Kentucky! Think of the new friends you'll make!

This fun and informational conference includes: FIVE meals, SEVEN learning sessions, your “Superheroes” Dance admittance, Bingo fun *and* invitation to another optional, social event. Past attendees call this their “*volunteer mini-vacation!*”

Actual anticipated cost per volunteer:	
(of meals & conference materials)	\$160.00
KSSC /RSVP Vol. discount	- 25.00
Your conference fee	\$135.00

Do you wish to stay on-site, avoid traffic, relax w/pool and hot tub? Conference attendee rooms are discounted to **\$82 (pre-tax)** per night *with up to 4 persons* sharing the room/cost. Use “KPZ” as your reservation code for the discounted rate.

Just a few of the topics under discussion include:
Fun, Healthy Cooking Episodic Volunteers
Hats to Flatter Your Face Safe Sex & Seniors
Low Impact Tai Chi Jewelry Making
My Stress Is Bigger Than Yours! Sniffing OUT Meth!

Make your reservations NOW! Your Conference fee can be paid in partial - payments with payment in full by **August 15th**! For volunteers who still need to fund-raise on behalf of themselves, call the RSVP office for sponsorship forms to help in the “ask” of family and friends.

Make checks payable to:
“Louisville Metro Gov’t RSVP” and mail to:
RSVP/KSSC Conference
Attn: M. Gosling
810 Barret Avenue, 3rd Floor
Louisville KY 40204

99% of the *last* KSSC conference attendees rated it “EXCELLENT! *Don’t miss this unique opportunity!*”

RSVP is going Social... MEDIA!



Visit our page at www.facebook.com/LouisvilleMetroRSVP.

Please “Like”, “Follow”, and “Share/Invite” with friends and co-volunteers! We’d like to get *every* RSVP member who is already on Facebook connected with our page! Then, we want *you* to invite your families, your Pastor, your former boss...

But our RSVP Facebook page isn’t just about getting folks online. We want this page to be a resource for **you** to connect with your fellow Louisville and KY-wide RSVP volunteers and sites. We want to help the community understand the needs you are meeting ... and step up to meet the needs still out there!

So, if you have stories or RSVP related information you would like shared on the Facebook page, contact Michelle Nickerson at michelle.nickerson@louisvilleky.gov with the specifics, and we’ll get it up as quickly as possible!

Other Better RSVP Access: We also remodeled our RSVP website! You can access it by visiting www.louisvilleky.gov/CSR, clicking **Volunteer**, and then clicking **the RSVP link (about half way down the page)**. Some additions to the website include a live member application, downloadable documents, Newsletter archive (1982-present), and a Contact Us page where you can share information and get answers faster!



NEWSLETTERS, invitations & more! Help us get RSVP information to you more quickly, save trees, postage, AND reduce our overall “carbon footprint” by signing up for electronic RSVP contact! You’ll receive e-mails on immediate service opportunities, the quarterly newsletters, and event invites. If you have an email address, please e-mail Michelle Nickerson at michelle.nickerson@louisvilleky.gov so we can add you to our database!



Stars of March 28th RSVP Recognition Event!

We wish to thank the *fabulous* **Dawne Gee**, WAVE3 TV news celebrity, who was (as usual) a *delightful* emcee! Also, thanks to **Dick Brien**, Sullivan College and Dale Carnegie Institute, as our charming & *insightful* guest speaker! The event, hat contest, yummy food and the beautiful KY Center for African American Heritage all received great reviews from the crowd!

Town Crier “shout outs!”

This is a recurring feature of recognizing folks during the year. You never know when YOUR time will come! **Thank you for volunteering**, helping other volunteers and for staying with RSVP!



RSVP APPRECIATES YOU!!

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| Barbara Angstadt | Don Blanton |
| Maxine Carter | Ann Curtis |
| Armida Dangerfield | Patty Featherstone |
| Catherine Gilliam | E. Faye Grant |
| Doris Harper | Roma Houchin |
| James Jones | Marian Logan |
| John Mangino | Norma Maddox |
| Ida Mathis | Gladys Officer |
| Mattie Smalley | Mitzi Swatzell |

AND... the hard-working Project Warm volunteers who “wore out” their RSVP ballcaps and needed replacements! ☺

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Call the RSVP office at 574-1530



The RSVP office has short-term commitments – from one week to 2 ½ months, with 4 hours per week minimum. Call RSVP at **574-1530** so we can do your RSVP application, notify the agency and you can get involved! ☺ *(ALL volunteers with children will be subject to passing background checks.)*

Just to mention a few...

- Bates Community Development Center
- Boys & Girls Clubs- Newburg, Shawnee
- Camp Calvary
- Catholic Enrichment Center’s Camp Africa Inspire II
- Dare to Care Kids’ Cafes (in the evenings)

VOLUNTEER INSURANCE

Member Benefits

NOTICE!!

RSVP has received notice from CIMA that our federally-contracted policy (as of 7/1/14) no longer includes coverage for volunteers while traveling TO and FROM your sites. Please be extra careful. All other CIMA benefits remain the same. We most *sincerely* regret this change but have no control over the national contract for Senior Corps programs. If you need a CIMA brochure, notify the RSVP office at **574-1530** and we’ll send you one.

HAND TO HAND Recruitment Drive!

From **June 1, 2014 thru February 13, 2015**, RSVP will tracking the volunteer applications we receive more closely. EACH TIME a current RSVP volunteer’s name appears on the application we receive as the recruiter of a new RSVP volunteer, the *recruiter’s* name will be placed into a drawing. The prize for each month is guaranteed to be *at least \$25* in value!

This “hand to hand” is really nothing new. MOST of our recruits come from you - as satisfied “customers” of RSVP. And we thank you! So start talking and get entered! If you need RSVP information to share, just let us know at **574-1530**. First drawing on **June 30th**. *Watch our Facebook and your email at home, fax or email at your site for the Winner!* 🖐️🖐️🖐️🖐️🖐️

CASA Needs YOU!

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) has rejoined the RSVP family of partnering agencies. Established in 1985 for just the children in Jefferson County, CASA is now serving over 3,000 annually children from over six Kentucky counties!

You do NOT have to be a lawyer, social worker or have prior medical field experience. CASA will provide you with the training and continued support you need to be effective for the child throughout their case.



One year of commitment, with court times, is required. Volunteer applicants must pass background checks and must be found emotionally ready for the tasks. This is *not* for everyone, but for the few ... it will be fulfilling beyond measure! Call the RSVP office at **574-7306** so we can discuss this as possible volunteer option for you!

GUESS WHO?



This lovely, talented RSVP volunteer is Lois (“Lulu”) Patton who sings with the Silver Notes and decorated her free RSVP ballcap! Way to go, Lulu! Thanks for volunteering and sharing the fun! *Do you wear your RSVP ballcap or jacket?* ☺

Happy Birthday!



Shirley Alvey
Barbara Bard
Rosella Battcher
Bette Blue
Jean Bowles
Ruth Bowman
Charles Brown
Gita Comer
S. Ann Curtis
Betty L. Graham
Lula Green
Bill Griffin
Roberta Harrah
Mary Henton
Barbara High
Doris Howard
Mary Ann Hubbs
Geraldine Kaestner
David Keener
Brenda Laird
Ginny Lyons
Dorothy Marshall
June McNally
Ken Miller
Stella Miller
Betty Monge
Ruth Morrow
Jean Owens
James Pitchford
Claude Powell
Michael Raley
Irma Roy
Edna Shofner
Mona Simcoe
Leon Southerling
Harold Temple
Martha Tichenor
Elsie Viergtutz
Rebecca Wathen
Emma Watkins
F. Oleta Williams
M. Ruth Wise
Mary Jane Wonder
James Woolley



JULY

Bettye Albritton
Pearline Allen
Jeanine Ashley
Chris Banks
Estelle Benner
M. Pat Brodfehr
Alfreda Cipriani
Jackie Conner
Jim Costello
Charles Crenshaw
Roger Crum
Patricia Devereux
Victor DiOrio, Jr.
Margery Driskell
Suzanne Dugan
Marlene East
Glory Erbele
Mary Lee Friedman
Geraldine Gravatte
Annaliese Griffin
Ann Haerberlin
Margaret Hamblin
Ken Hayden
Anita Hinkle
Kay Hoehler
James Jones
Virginia Kern
Nola Lillie
Norma Maddox
Margaret Martin
Ethel McGee
Betty Meneese
Fred Minch, Sr.
Patricia Moore
Charlotte Mosley
Colleen Moudry
Willie Nolen
Mary Parker
Ollie Pearson
Lois Pendleton
Ronald Pope
Laura Rice
Jean Ricketts
John Roemer
Joyce Schepers
Helen Schmitt
Martha Scott
Wanda Smith
Emogene Spear

James Stewart
Martha Stewart
Doris Taylor
Mary Jo VanVactor
Carolyn Walker
Anna Washington
Myra Jean White
Kay Wyssbrod
Margaret Young



AUGUST

Martha Bertrand
Rose Bidwell
Elizabeth Brown
Joyce Brumleve
Margaret Butler
Dorothy Byarley
Amanda Champa
Bonnie Clark
June Clausen
Clyde Coffey
Phyllis Dagenhardt
Carolyn Downs
M. Anne Downs
Gary Drehmel
Bette Dries
JoAnn Foster
Daniel Friedman
Ruth Gathright
Patrice Hayes
Jacqueline Henderson
Beverly Hoover
Gerry Hope
Susan Kendt
Alberta Kennedy
Jean Lewis
Roberta Lucian
Marvin Lyons
Barbara Markwell
Mary Rita McDevitt
Steve McGee
Erlean McKinney
Linda Oliver
Lois Patton
Mary Dolores Payne
Miriam Petersen
William Pfeister
Donald Reitz
Wayne Rudloff

Marvin Schaffner
Victoria Schamore
Betty Shook
Norma Stafford
Marion Steiner
Roland Steiner
Jo Thomas
Marion Vincent
Caroline Wesley
Bette Zeller

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**RSVP office closures:**  
**Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> and**  
**Monday, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>**  
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Member Benefits

THANK YOU Fazoli's
for honoring National Senior Corps Week with FREE dinners for all RSVP, FGP and SCP volunteers on May 21st. The food was delicious!



fast. fresh. italian.

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**RSVP Volunteer Member Handbooks-** If you haven't gotten yours, please call the RSVP office at **574-1530**.

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**Other Open Volunteer Positions at:**

- American Red Cross
  - Big Bros/Big Sisters
  - Kids' Cafes
  - Edge Outreach
  - ElderServe, Inc.
  - Friends of Ostimates Worldwide, Inc.
  - Jewish Hospital
  - Nazareth Home
- Call or email for details at **574-1530** or [Michelle.nickerson@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Michelle.nickerson@louisvilleky.gov)