

Missouri Master Plan on Aging: Safety & Security Subcommittee

Meeting Date: 08/18/2023

Presentation from Tim Jackson

- Discussed aging statistics in the state of Missouri
 - Majority of people live alone
 - MO has higher >60 population than national average
 - Stigma
 - Elder abuse and neglect
- Tim and his team can provide statistics support to workgroups as needed throughout the process

Presentation from Kerry Smith, MO state highway patrol uniformed crime reporting

- Report MO incident data - required by FBI
- Incidence-based data - age, sex, race, ethnicity of victims and offenders
- Property loss type, property data
- Statute for reporting
- >500 group reporting to them, and they submit to FBI
- Have public facing website: showmecrime.mo.gov
- Don't collect elder abuse data, but collect victim data and can break down by age range
- Information not based on charge codes - based on national definitions
 - Not sure if there is a place where law enforcement deals with charge codes
- It was suggested by group members to make recommendation about centralized reporting of data on these topic

Presentation from Catherina Vainnier

- Talked with OSCA help desk to get some statistics on elder abuse
- Identified a few specific charges (areas of abuse) to pull info about
- Reviewed data pulled related to elder abuse and neglect related charges
- Also showed Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys VOCA project. Data broken out by region
- Some difference in data recording between this and the FBI (from presentation from Kerry Smith)
- Questions discussed:
 - Is there a common thread about consistent reporting?
 - Should there be a push for inter-departmental communication?

Subgroup updates

- Financial exploitation and responding quickly to exploitation
 - Screening and watching for exploitation and abuse (questions, financial institutions)
 - Powers of attorney
 - Technology and AI
- Education and Awareness workgroup
 - 3 areas to focus on
 - Financial security
 - Physical safety

- Mandated reporting
- Current public safety response
 - Recommend practice tactics to improve offender accountability

Janice Thomas discussed charge of subcommittee.

By 12/8 meeting, have something in writing from working groups to review ahead of or at the meeting and send out for a comment period afterwards.