



MN TRIAD

Minnesota Seniors & Law Enforcement Working Together To Enhance Senior Safety

"The Right Information And Direction"

MN TRIAD Meeting

Thursday, March 22, 2018 – 1 PM

Land Services Building

322 Laurel St – Mtg Rm 2, Brainerd MN

Minutes

Kelly thanked everyone for coming and we did introductions. Kelly also thanked Crow Wing County Triad for hosting the meeting and Pauline for setting up the meeting. There were 16 in attendance from the counties of Crow Wing, Hennepin (Champlin), Aitkin, Cass, Kandiyohi, Isanti, Rock, Brown and Carlton.

Minutes: M/S/P (Craig Wadzink/Mary Bray) to approve the Minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report: M/S/P (Roger Boatman/Dan Hoffman) to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented by Treasurer Evan Verbrugge.

Information Sharing: Pauline stated we are always looking for information for the MN Triad Facebook page and newsletter, especially events (including pictures), Featured Members, Scams and Fraud, Recipes, etc. We do not currently get much current information on our website, as we do not have direct access to it. It is on the MN Sheriffs' Association website and they are really busy, so we don't want to create extra work for them. Evan is currently on the MSA Board and will talk with the MSA at their next meeting to see what our options are for getting information on there. A few counties shared information on what their programs are doing. They will be included under County Updates.

MN TRIAD Conference Updates: Crow Wing County shared information about this year's conference they are hosting. The biggest change is that it will be a 2-day conference – October 2nd and 3rd. It will start earlier on the first day, which will include the Admin. Parts - MN Triad Meeting, Best Practices and Triad 101. The second day will be all presenters on senior safety issues. Having a 2-day conference really cuts down on expenses and may make it easier for counties to host conferences in the future. Also easier for law enforcement to attend a 2 day conference instead of 3 days. They are also looking at a tiered level of registration, which would allow for a lower rate for seniors. Lodging at the same rate will still be available the second night, for those who want to stay over and leave in the morning.

National Triad Director Ed Hutchison will be attending the conference and involved in the Triad 101 session. Active Shooter will be the afternoon session on the 3rd.

Crow Wing stated that it is much easier hosting the conference this time, as they have money from the first time they hosted. Often, the hosting county ends up with some money after the conference, which can be used for future conferences and senior safety projects/programs. We talked about a debrief after the conferences and putting together a history of the conferences – cost, # of attendees, etc. Pauline will work on starting something...

We all thanked Crow Wing County Triad for thinking outside the box and planning what sounds like it will be an outstanding conference!

We are still looking for hosts for the 2019 Conference. We will continue to pursue the Metro Counties and Beltrami. Evan stated that Rock County may host the 2020 Conference if Tru Shrimp is up and running!!

File of Life: Pauline shared some background on the MN Triad File of Life packet/program. Roger, Kelly and Pauline talked about our recent discussions with uCare. MN Triad recently submitted a donation request to uCare, at their request, for \$6,000 to cover the cost of 5,000 packets per year. We talked about some options for how those packets

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would be used, including selling them at a reduced rate, dividing them up between all the counties, so counties that are not currently using them would have the opportunity to see their advantages. Tina from Crow Wing talked about their decision to discontinue use of their Magnet of Life to switch over to the MN Triad File of Life packet. Some of the advantages to our packet include that the information is in a plastic sleeve, which protects it from damage, as well as from everyone who visits your house seeing what medications you have and all your personal medical information. Ucare is impressed with the quality of the product and the time and effort we have put into meeting with emergency responders to recognize the File of Life. Roger explained how he, Kelly and Pauline have met with EMSRB (Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board) regarding the packets and they now have it as part of their training for emergency responders. Tina also mentioned wanting to stay with a program that we are working on having recognizable throughout Minnesota. Roger mentioned the importance of including the File of Life flyer with the packet. Pauline and Roger talked about other agencies we are working with, including hospitals, clinics, MN Board on Aging, AARP, etc.

Everyone was asked to think more about how to utilize the File of Life packets and we will make a decision at our October meeting. Pauline will follow up with the VA – a good suggestion for possible collaboration/funding. Pauline will also follow up with Ed of National Triad regarding other statewide File of Life programs. We have made a lot of good progress with our File of Life program. Thanks to everyone for their support!

TRIAD Program Statuses: All the counties shared information regarding their Triad programs. Some items mentioned were:

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| Having speakers and dinner 3 times a year (Aitkin) | Sheriff doing a cookout (Aitkin, Isanti) |
| Senior Safety Events (Crow Wing) | Shredding with a bank (Carlton) |
| Food drive for Food Shelf month (Isanti) | To Go Bags (Cass) |
| Garage Sales (Brown, Cass) | Pizza Ranch Fundraiser (Rock, Crow Wing) |
| Fish Fry (Cass) | Book & Bake Sale (Cass) |
| Introduce new LE officers at Triad meetings (Champlin) | Speaker Events (several) |

We talked about whether the meetings are held in one place or moved around the county. Crow Wing and Cass have the meetings in one place; the others move their meetings around.

We also talked about how to raise funds for Triad. Some ideas:

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| Thrivent (\$250 twice a year) | Walmart / Target / other retail stores |
| Salvation Army | Lions / Legions |
| Fundraising events (Sales, Pizza Ranch, Fish Fry) | Hosting a conference :) |

In talking about events, starting up a Triad and getting the word out, the following were mentioned:

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| Using the Triad Survey form | Partnering with RSVP, etc |
| Hosting an event with a speaker and a meal | Everbridge / Nixle / other broadcasting source
(Law Enforcement Mass Notification Systems) |

Information that was sent in by those counties that could not attend the meeting was also shared. A lot of good happenings around the state!

It was mentioned that it would be great to have a list of topics and potential speakers from all the Triad counties with contact information, if possible. Crow Wing will talk about doing this for the conference.

The next MN TRIAD meeting will be on October 2nd at the MN Triad Conference in Baxter.

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