



LWSC Council of Excellence
Committee Report – 04-9-2019

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Committee: Safety
Purpose: To ensure that Lou Walker Senior Center’s members and staff are aware and knowledgeable of the necessary steps that need to be taken during emergency and hazardous situations
Officer/Chairperson: Anna Marie Baity
Committee Members: Sherry Cooper, Joyce Harts, Bill Harris, John Overstreet, Michael Stiles
Committee Volunteers: Al Foy, Chico Hill, Carolyn Kidd, Frankie Pendergrass, Lois Williams

1. ACTIVITIES COMPLETED FOR THIS MONTH:

- **3-20-2019 Let’s Talk Session:** Safety Committee members in attendance: Joyce Harts, Sherry Cooper, John Overstreet, Al Foy, Michael Stiles, Frankie Pendergrass, and, Anna Marie Baity
- 2 new volunteers: Lois Williams and Chico Hill
- Distributed 3 safety flyers on ‘Cooking’, ‘Oxygen’, and ‘Smoking’ Safety.
- **3-27-2019 Safety Presentation by Dekalb County Police Department Officer J. K. Walker: “Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events”.** The presentation was very informative, sharing our legal rights, what to do, what can be done, and what can’t.
- Other information shared: 1. Remember a shooting is not contained 2. **Avoid** (move out of the way as quickly as possible); **Deny** (blocking the way to you, making barriers, such as: (if in an office, lock the door, turn out the lights, move against the wall, move away from windows, be quiet); **Defend** (do what you must to protect yourself, if 2 or 3 protect yourself as a team); 4. Know your surroundings, the **Points of Interests**, (exit doors, windows, stairs that lead outside, etc.). **Don’t deny** what you think you heard, check it out and prepare for the worst. **Don’t hesitate**, act quickly.

SCHEDULED SAFETY ACTIVITIES:

- Scheduled in April, "A Free Emergency Preparedness Seminar For Seniors, ARE YOU READY?" (DeKalb Emergency Management Agency and LWSC, in partnership with The Stone Mountain-Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.)

2. ACTIVITIES FOR FUTURE:

- Thunderstorm Shut-Down Procedures
- Safety Drills (fire, tornado, inclement weather, lock-down)

3. ACTION REQUIRED FOR LWSC:

- Safety Plan Deadline Date is April 8, 2019 to be completed by the newly hired technical writer. (The Safety Plan has been reviewed by Charlene Love, National Accreditation Committee, and submitted for completion.)
- Update on Ventilation (Arts and Pottery rooms)
- Front-Desk Sign-In Book for Safety Committee, Health & Wellness Committee, and committee volunteers. Sign-in will be a way for management, staff, and others to know what safety and wellness members are in the building.
- Have updated Safety and Trauma Kits.
- Prepare Color-coded Safety Posters and Safety Information for placement in classrooms and throughout the building.
- Select areas where safety vest and equipment will be located for easy access.
- Provide items necessary for LWSC Emergency Evacuation Assembly Areas (Storm Shelters and Safety Zones)
 - Battery operated radios or other methods of communication
 - Flashlights
 - Fresh Batteries
 - First Aid Kits
 - Blankets
 - Food Supplies (preferably, non-perishables)
 - Walkie Talkies for staff and safety volunteer leads

4. ACTION REQUIRED FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

5. MOTION STATED FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION/RESOLUTION/RECOMMENDATIONS:

6. CONCERNS, OPPORTUNITIES FOR CELEBRATION:

7. OTHER: