



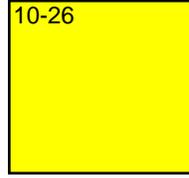
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Bill Peterson

DATE: February 23, 2010

SUBJECT: Building Healthy Communities for Active Aging Award

Just an FYI that the Martinsville-Henry County Coalition for Health and Wellness has received the Environmental Protection Agency's 2009 Building Healthy Communities For Active Aging achievement award. More information is available by going to www.epa.gov/aging.



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**SUBJECT: AoA Will Fund Regional Pension Counseling & Information Projects
and A Pension Counseling Technical Resource & Assistance Center**

The Administration on Aging (AoA) will award grants for up to six Regional Pension Counseling & Information Projects and one Pension Counseling Technical Resource & Assistance Center.

Counseling and Information Projects - The Federal government's share for each of the six Pension Counseling & Information Projects will be approximately \$200,000 per year for a project period of up to three years. The counseling projects will provide a range of services including responding to basic questions about rights and remedies under all public and private pension systems throughout the service region; operating a region-wide outreach program to ensure public and provider awareness of the Program's broad focus of assisting individuals with pension and retirement savings problems.

Eligible applicants include public or private and non-profit entities including state, local and Indian tribal governments, faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, and institutions of higher education, with a proven record of advising and representing individuals who have been denied employer or union-sponsored retirement income benefits, and which have the capacity to deliver services on a regional basis.

The application deadline for this funding opportunity is April 5, 2010.

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To access detailed information on this funding opportunity, please go to http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/Grants/Funding/docs/2010/FY10_PensionCounselingProj_2_4_10.doc

Technical Resource and Assistance Center - AoA will also fund through a cooperative agreement one Technical Resource and Assistance Center (Center). The Federal government's share will be approximately \$425,253 per year for a project period of up to three years. The Center will be structured to support the Pension Counseling and Information Program's grantees and others and to encourage coordination among the projects, State and Areas Agencies on Aging, legal services providers, and other potential providers of pension assistance by providing legal training, technical assistance, programmatic coordination, and nationwide outreach, information and referral. The award is a cooperative agreement because AoA will be involved substantially in the project. Eligible applicants include public or private and non-profit entities including state, local and Indian tribal governments, faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, and institutions of higher education, with a proven record of advising and representing individuals who have been denied employer or union-sponsored pension and retirement savings plan benefits, the capacity to provide services under the Program on a national basis, and a well-established, positive reputation in their respective professional communities.