The Village Movement in the Capital District

August 20, 2019

Albany Guardian Society
Neighbors of Northern Columbia County
New York State Office for the Aging
Rhinebeck at Home
Shenendehowa Neighbors Connecting
Village to Village Network
Villages

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”

Villages are geographically defined, self-governing, grassroots, volunteer-based organizations developed with the purpose of enabling people to remain living in their own homes and communities as they age.

- Villages offer an opportunity for connecting with neighbors.
New York State Aging in Place Supports & Initiatives
Greg Olsen, Acting Director
New York State Office for the Aging
Village to Village Network

Villages National Movement Update
Barbara Sullivan, National Director
Village to Village Network
Village to Village Network

VtV Network Objectives

▪ Promotes the Village model
▪ Assists new, emerging and established Villages

Member Benefits

▪ Online resources (toolkits, forums, documents...)
▪ Access to peer to peer network, mentors
▪ Discounted Village vendor services
▪ National Listserv
Village to Village Network Conference

Village to Village Network National Gathering Conference
September 18 – 20, 2019
Chicago, Illinois

“Connecting Generations”

- Village Education
- Village Planning Sessions
- National Networking
Capital Region Villages

Rhinebeck at Home
All Member Volunteer Village
Nina Lynch, President & Anne Brueckner, Vice President

Shenendehowa Neighbors Connecting
Partnerships & Linkages
Nancy Varley, President

Neighbors of Northern Columbia County
Rural Village
Karen McGraw, President
Capital Region Villages Collaborative

Capital Regions Villages Collaborative Update

Ken Harris, Executive Director

Albany Guardian Society
In Operation:
- Shenendehowa Neighbors Connecting
- Neighbors of Northern Columbia County
- Bethlehem Neighbors
- Aging in Place Glens Falls
- Rhinebeck at Home

In Development / Discussions:
- Niskayuna Neighbors
- City of Albany Village
- Guilderland Neighbors
- City of Troy Village
Events

- Village membership Events
  (In Order of Date)
  (Not Village Gatherings-Link to their Website)
- CRVC Events
- Monthly Calendar to Follow...

www.CRVillages.org
Capital Region Villages Collaborative

Capital Region Villages Collaborative Website

Resources

▪ News
  ▪ Newspaper Articles
  ▪ Information on Villages and Village Benefits
    (Example: “How To Make Friends...Wall Street Journal)
    (In Order of Relevance)
    (Scroll on Bottom...1-2-3)

▪ Publications
  ▪ By Relevance
  ▪ (Scroll on Bottom...1-2-3)

www.CRVillages.org
Capital Region Villages Collaborative

Capital Region Villages Collaborative Website:

Contact Us

- Ask Us A Question (Fillable Form)
- Subscribe to the CRVC Mailing List (Bottom of Page)

www.CRVillages.org
The Village Movement

Villages are self-governing, grassroots, membership, nonprofit organizations run by volunteers, and sometimes paid staff, that coordinate access to a variety of services and activities for seniors wanting to maintain independence in their own home. [more]

The Capital Region Villages Collaborative (CRVC)

The Capital Region Villages Collaborative is a group of individuals, agencies, organizations, and Villages interested in forming, operating, and supporting Villages in the Capital Region surrounding Albany, New York. [more]
Villages Technical Assistance Center (VTAC)

Collaboration Between:
❖ New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA)
❖ Albany Guardian Society (AGS)

▪ Two-year project;
▪ Provide direct information and assistance to develop Villages;
▪ Capital Region – expand in future;
▪ Work with regional and national Villages;
▪ Partner with Village to Village Network;
Villages Technical Assistance Center (VTAC) - Assistance With:

- how to file as a business in NYS;
- how to incorporate as a 501(c)3;
- the difference between a staffed and all-volunteer Village;
- the organizational and governance structure of a Village;
- what area to serve;
- how to develop a Village business plan;
- developing a Village initial and ongoing budget;
- what type of insurance is required;
- how to determine the services offered to members;
Villages Technical Assistance Center

Villages Technical Assistance Center (VTAC)

Assistance with:

- how to build community partnerships;
- what funding sources are available and how to apply;
- resources available to not-for-profits and Villages;
- what Village software can assist in organizing services;
- how to recruit, train, and retain volunteers;
- how to vet businesses for members; ...
Villages Technical Assistance Center

Contact for:
- Local Presentations
- Steering Committee Development
- Village Information

VTAC:

Betsy Mulvey, Program Director
betsy.mulvey@albanyguardiansociety.org
518-434-2140

Ken Harris, Executive Director
Questions?