Older Adults: COVID-19 Listening Session

Resources

The past few weeks have brought significant and unprecedented changes to our lives and work. While everyone is impacted by the COVID-19 public health crisis, the impact is far greater on people from underserved communities, including older adults. Prior to COVID-19, older adults were already underserved by victim services despite experiencing higher rates of victimization. They also have access to fewer resources, which compounds the challenges they already face and the new challenges created by COVID-19.

To ensure older adults are at the center of all COVID-19 response efforts, we sought to better understand the impact this health crisis is having on survivors’ needs and better resource the crime victim services field to respond to their needs.

Through the older adults listening session some of the unique challenges facing survivors from this underserved community
surfaced. In addition, promising strategies and resources were shared. This document is a compilation of those strategies and resources.

- Adult Protective Services Technical Assistance Resource Center (APS TARC) COVID-19 website
- Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly
- Faith Trust Institute
- Federal Trade Commission Tips to Avoid Coronavirus Scams
- Justice in Aging COVID-19 Resources for Advocates Serving Older Adults
- Justice in Aging Nursing and Assisted Living During the COVID-19 Outbreak
- National Center on Elder Abuse COVID-19 website
- National Council on Aging Tools for Reaching a Remote Audience
- Office of Justice Programs Open Solicitations
- Office of Violence Against Women Open Solicitations
- Safety Net Project
- Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Consumer Fraud Alert COVID-19
- The National Consumer Voice COVID-19 website
- Tips for Advocates working with Older Survivors during COVID-19 Pandemic