



NEWS RELEASE – Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc.

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AAA7 Releases Annual Report and Hosts County Commissioners at Annual Meeting

Helpful information including Agency highlights, facts, and figures were included in the Area Agency on Aging District 7's (AAA7) 2016 Annual Report that was recently presented during the Agency's Annual Meeting at The Ohio State University Endeavor Center in Piketon, Ohio. The AAA7 provides services to ten counties in Ohio including Adams, Brown, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton.

The AAA7's 2016 Annual Report, "Providing a Helping Hand for Generations to Come," highlights the variety of programs and initiatives made possible through the work of AAA7 staff, the Board of Trustees, Advisory Council, and provider organizations throughout the ten counties served by the AAA7. This year's theme highlights the 45 years of service the AAA7 has been providing and the options and resources the Agency can help individuals and their families identify in regard to long-term care and a number of other services available to older adults and those with disabilities. The programs provided through the AAA7 help older adults and those with disabilities of any age live safely and independently in their own homes through services paid for by Medicare, Medicaid, other federal and state resources, as well as private pay.

Also featured as a part of this year's Annual Meeting was a special "Town Hall" segment with County Commissioners who represent the counties in the AAA7's district. Commissioners in attendance included: Brent Saunders, Gallia County; Paul Haller, Jackson County; Blaine Beekman, Fred Foster and Tony Montgomery, Pike County; Dwight Garrett, Ross County; Cathy Coleman and Bryan Davis, Scioto County; and Tim Eberts and Jim Satory, Vinton County.

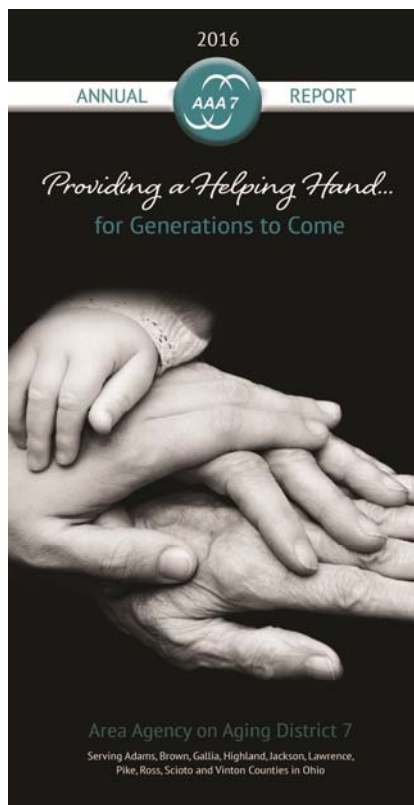
"We were so encouraged to have our local County Commissioners join us at our Annual Meeting this year to provide feedback about concerns and thoughts regarding services for seniors and disabled individuals in their own individual counties," said Pamela Matura, Executive Director, Area Agency on Aging District 7. "It is important for us to be in touch with our communities and having an open discussion with our local elected officials was extremely beneficial and worthwhile. It was a wonderful day to discuss more ways in which we can work together to help those in our communities."

The AAA7 2016 Annual Report is available to view online at the Agency's website, www.aaa7.org. At the home page, click the "About AAA7" link at the top of the menu bar, and then click "Publications". Underneath "Annual Report", click on "2016."

Your local Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. provides services on a non-discriminatory basis in ten counties in Southern Ohio including Adams, Brown, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton. These services are available to help older adults and those with disabilities live safely and independently in their own homes through services paid for by Medicare, Medicaid, other federal and state resources, as well as private pay. The AAA7's Resource Center is also available to anyone in the community looking for information or assistance with long-term care options. Available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm, the Resource Center is a valuable contact for learning more about options and what programs and services are available for assistance.

Those interested in learning more can call toll-free at 1-800-582-7277 (TTY: 711). Here, individuals can speak directly with a specially-trained Agency staff member who will assist them with information surrounding the programs and services that are available to best serve their needs. The Agency also offers an in-home assessment at no cost for those who are interested in learning more. Information is also available on www.aaa7.org, or the Agency can be contacted through e-mail at info@aaa7.org. The Agency also has a Facebook page located at www.facebook.com/AreaAgencyOnAgingDistrict7.

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Cover of the 2016 Area Agency on Aging District 7 Annual Report



The Area Agency on Aging District 7 welcomed County Commissioners from their district to share in a "Town Hall" segment at the AAA7's most recent Annual Meeting. Pictured, front row, left to right: Alice Ward, President, AAA7 Board of Directors; Commissioner Paul Haller, Jackson County; Commissioner Cathy Coleman, Scioto County; Pamela Matura, AAA7 Executive Director; Commissioner Jim Satory, Vinton County. Back row, left to right, Commissioner Bryan Davis, Scioto County; Commissioner Tim Eberts, Vinton County; Commissioner Dwight Garrett, Ross County; and Commissioner Brent Saunders, Gallia County.