ORDER: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE SHERIFF EAST AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN 2015-2016 TRIAD GRANT IN **THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00.**

Motion was made by Mike Pickens, duly seconded by Robert Blackmon, to approve and authorize Sheriff East and County Administrator to sign 2015-2016 TRIAD grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Mike Pickens, voted yes Supervisor Jeff Busby, voted yes Supervisor Robert Blackmon, voted yes Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Busby, declared the motion carried, this the 15th day of June, 2015.

State of Mississippi MISSISSIPPI LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ON AGING Department of Public Safety

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1. Applicant (Name, Address Zip, Telephone) Lafayette County Sheriff F.D. "Buddy" East 711 Jackson Avenue 0xford M538655 662-234-6421 City & County D Other	2. Project Director (Name, Title, Address, Telephone) Arledia Bennett 107 Courthouse Square Oxford MS 38655 662-232-2773		3. Financial Officer (Name, Address, Zip, Telephone) Joseph Johnson Lafayette County Administrat PO Box 1240 Uxford MS 38 655 662-236-2717		ato	
4. Project Title	5. **Action Program Nur			nber	***************************************	
6. Type of Application Initial Continuation of Grant No. 8. Brief Project Summary TRIAD the next year. Communi-Information on scame for TRIAD. Assisting in focus area, as well as	will of ty aw s, ser divid	Lontinue t vareness nior safe tuals wi	2 months heir cum and dis- ty letc. th Alzh	ent pr tribut is a v	nan of	
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PROJECT PLAN AND SUPPORTING DATA

Part I.

Statement of Need

The Lafayette County TRIAD strives to promote safety for seniors in the Oxford/Lafayette County community through various activities, presentations, special projects and by keeping seniors aware of crimes and frauds that can affect them.

Crimes against the elderly in Oxford and Lafayette County are very rare. The TRIAD members focus on crime prevention and work closely with the Oxford Police Department and the Lafayette County Sheriff's Department to make the community a safer and more enjoyable place for senior citizens to live in by providing many services and projects. This helps to keep the crime rate low by focusing on prevention and getting the word out to the elderly population about ways to be safe in their homes.

The RUOK program provides a daily telephone call to individuals that sign up for the program checking to make sure they are "ok.". The RUOK computer failed so the individuals have received a personal telephone call each day instead of a computer generated call. The Oxford Police Department partners with TRIAD to make the RUOK calls on weekends and holidays.

TRIAD members continue to provide lawn markers in the City to make it easier for emergency vehicles to find seniors' homes. The TRIAD volunteers are also working with the Oxford Fire Department and Lafayette County Volunteer Fire Dept. to install smoke detectors in the homes of seniors that request them. The firemen give the seniors a blinking light when they put in the smoke detectors. Dead bolt locks are also available for seniors to pickup at the RSVP office.

TRIAD volunteers work closely also with the RSVP program. RSVP provides some monetary support such as travel for the volunteers to training opportunities as well as space and equipment for all TRIAD activities and programs. This working relationship makes it possible for the TRIAD to focus on its purpose of making life better for seniors. The local newspaper runs notices of the TRIAD meetings each month and is great to write articles about TRIAD programs and activities. Public relations is very important in keeping the community informed about TRIAD.

None of the projects or programs would be possible without the grant received from MLCOA. The programs and activities TRIAD provides for seniors are most beneficial to the population but we have come to realize that they would not be possible without the grant funds. Seniors in the community have come to depend on TRIAD throughout the years to keep them informed and to provide valuable information. As the program expands and grows, new partnerships are being formed and new ideas for programs are being developed with the local law enforcement agencies. This is an exciting time for TRIAD and what it can accomplish within the community.

TRIAD works closely with the Emergency Management Director. TRIAD will assist Oxford Emergency with a grant that they received to make sure all households in the City and County are properly marked for identification by emergency responders. TRIAD will do a small fan project this year and plan for one next year with the help of Interfaith Compassion Ministries who can regulate

who receives the fans according to income and need. Check writing pens have been popular with the senior population. This prevents anyone from changing any information on a check once it has been written.

This year, TRIAD members worked closely with the Memory Makers respite program and the Sheriff's dept. to help keep individuals with Alzheimers safe and help them remain in their homes. They also partnered with the Oxford Police dept. for the "Take Back Drugs Day". This has been a very popular event the past two years and the Oxford Police Dept. and the Narcotics Bureau collected many old prescription drugs to dispose of properly.

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Part II

Objectives and Projected Impact

The Lafayette County TRIAD will strive to improve the quality of life and make Oxford and Lafayette County a safer place for seniors by implementing the following through community presentations, displays, etc.

- (1) help to reduce crimes against the elderly
- (2) provide crime prevention information and programs to seniors to help reduce the fear of crimes
- (3) expand programs for seniors
- (4) assess needs and concerns of the elderly population
- (5) serve as an information liaison to seniors from law enforcement officials
- (6) promote healthy lifestyle for seniors
- (7) assist with disaster preparation for the community

TRIAD volunteers will help to develop and implement an on-going public safety program and conduct education awareness meetings. Safety seminars, handouts, monthly meetings and the media will be utilized to help educate seniors to become better prepared to deal with fraud, crime and abuse and to feel more secure in their homes and communities. TRIAD volunteers will raise awareness in the communities by distributing materials and talking with seniors on a regular basis.

Keeping seniors aware of potential crimes and ways to prevent crimes is better than having to react after something has happened.

Protecting the senior population who have early onset of Alzheimers or who have Alzheimers and have the potential to wonder, has been a focus for this past year. TRIAD has been very helpful to Memory Makers and the Sheriff's department in meeting the needs of individuals with Alzheimers.

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Part III.

Project Implementation

The Lafayette County TRIAD has been very active in the community with a total of 36 volunteers. Their success can be attributed to really good exposure within the community through the newspaper, RSVP newsletter, activities, presentations and word of mouth.

The Lafayette County TRIAD plans many projects and activities that allow them to meet their objectives for the next grant year. Crime prevention and safety for seniors are of the utmost concern and focus by the TRIAD volunteers as well as disaster preparation being a focus for next year. TRIAD members will host community presentations to keep seniors informed of TRIAD programs and activities. These presentations focus on crime prevention

techniques, ways to be safe in your home and when out in the public as well as services that TRIAD provides that help seniors feel safer in general.

The TRIAD provides door peepholes, dead bolt locks. City lawn markers, yellow dot kits and information on disaster kits and how to stay prepared for a natural disaster to seniors in need.

TRIAD will also continue to work closely with the Sheriff's Department and Police Department to alert seniors about scams and frauds as they are occurring within the community and by internet. Reports indicate that service and community interaction increases a sense of security and crime prevention tools help make seniors less likely to be victims.

TRIAD will have a display at the 50- Health & Wellness Expo in April and at other locations where seniors will be in attendance through out the year. These displays always provide a good opportunity for volunteers to talk about TRIAD also.

TRIAD members will conduct the Quality of Life Survey within the Oxford/Lafayette community to be able to further address the needs and concerns of the elderly population. This is usually done at a community presentation.

TRIAD continues to sponsor the RUOK telephone reassurance program and the AARP Driver Safety classes. The Senior Resource Guide is available at City Hall, the Chamber of Commerce and the RSVP office.

All of these programs and activities will help TRIAD achieve their objectives for this next year and make our community a better place for seniors.

TRIAD gave out over 500 packets of information about TRIAD at health fairs and community presentations. These packets of information are a good resource for seniors as they contain information about TRIAD, the programs they sponsor and contact information that is very helpful to seniors.

(1) Recognize the TRIAD Volunteer of the Year and their name is inscribed on a plaque that hangs in the RSVP office. They are also presented a pen set for themselves and a picture is in local newspaper.

- (2) Sponsor four AARP Driver Safety classes.
- (3) Sponsor two community presentation where TRIAD volunteers talk about all of their activities and projects available.
- (4) Provide alarm bracelets for individuals with Alzheimers through the Sheriff's dept.
- (5) Take applications from seniors for smoke detectors.
- (6) TRIAD will sponsor display boards as opportunities arise.
- (7) Assist Oxford Police Dept. With "Take Back Drugs Day"
- (8) Distribute house identification signs for seniors within the City limits
- (9) Give out flashing light bulbs to seniors in the community.
- (10) TRIAD members also provide dead bolt locks, check writing pens, peep holes and the fan program for seniors to help "beat the heat" in the summer months.

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BUDGET NARRATIVE TRAVEL EXPENSE Expenses for travel to Conference in Biloxi, MS \$1,000.00 OPERATING EXPENSE TRIAD community presentations will be held in different areas of Oxford and Lafayette County to inform seniors about TRIAD and the value and benefits to their community of TRIAD. This will encourage membership growth for TRIAD. There will be two presentations. 585.00 TRIAD will elect a volunteer of the year and have their name inscribed on plaque that hangs in the office and present them with an individual plaque. 35.00 TRIAD will sponsor (4) AARP Driver Safety Classes to encourage seniors to update their driving skills and information/changes in driving rules and regulations. As sponsor of this activity. TRIAD is responsible for providing space, break refreshments and advertise and promote the driver classes. 520.00 TRIAD will provide scholarships for individuals to attend Memory Makers respite program for persons with Alzheimers. Ten to twelve individuals attend Memory Makers a day, 4 days a weeks. The cost is \$20.00 per person per day. Scholarships will be provided as follows: 75 scholarships x \$20 each = \$1500.00\$ 1,500.00 TRIAD will purchase promotional ads in the local newspaper. One for "turn in your drugs" and for general promotional information about TRIAD. 400.00 TRIAD will purchase two Project Alert LifeSaver bracelets for the Sheriff's 615.00 Dept. for individuals that can't afford to pay for the bracelets. Fan project - fans will be given to Interfaith Compassion Ministries who 345.00 regulates the need for individuals to receive the fans based on income.

TOTAL

\$ 5000.00

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EVALUATION PLAN

Evaluations will be used as a tool to determine how well TRIAD is meeting the needs of seniors throughout the Oxford and Lafayette County community and to see what aspects of their programs and activities need to be changed. Representatives from all three segments that make up the TRIAD, will each be involved in the evaluation process. The evaluation will use the TRIAD model and fundamentals to determine:

- Does the community know about TRIAD?
- Do law enforcement and seniors know what TRIAD is and what is its purpose?
- Is TRIAD represented effectively?
- Are TRIAD goals being met?
- Is there duplication of TRIAD programs in the community?
- Are the TRIAD objectives understandable?
- How can TRIAD better serve the community?

TRIAD volunteers will keep record/logs of each activity and community meeting they conduct and records will be kept of the number of participants that receive services from TRIAD volunteers. This information will help to evaluate whether or not they are meeting the community needs they have identified.