


ORDER: ACCEPT ANNUAL TRIAD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200.00

Motion was made by Brent Larson, duly seconded by Larry Gillespie, to accept annual TRIAD grant in the amount of \$1,200.00.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Brent Larson, voted yes
Supervisor Larry Gillespie, voted yes
Supervisor David Rikard, voted yes
Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes
Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Roberts, declared the motion carried, this the 8th day of September, 2020.


Mike Roberts, President
Board of Supervisors


Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNINGDPSP use
Grant No.:

SUBGRANT APPLICATION SUMMARY

1. Applicant or Agency (Name, Address, Zip, email and Telephone) Lafayette County Sheriff Joey East 711 Jackson Ave. Oxford MS 38655 602-234-1042		2. Project Director (Name, Address, Zip, email and Telephone) Arledia Bennett 107 Courthouse Square Oxford MS 38655 rasvp@oxfordms.net 662-232-2973		3. Financial Officer (Name, Title, Address, Zip, email and Telephone) Lisa Carville, County Administrator PO Box 1240 Oxford MS 38655 602-236-2717	
4. Project Title: TRIAD			5. **Action Program Number: _____		
6. Type of Application <input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation Grant Year # _____			7. Project Duration: 12 Months State date: July 1, 2020 End Date: June 30, 2021		
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Total Project Budget		1200.00			
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(Title)Arledia Bennett 9/2/2020
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PROJECT PLAN AND SUPPORTING DATA

PART I. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:

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Geographic: Land area – 631.71 square miles
Male 49.2%, Female 50.8%, 65 years and over 4,836, 71.3% white, 24.3% black, 1.2% other races
Household data: 15,301 households
According to the 2010 census, 23.5% are below the poverty level. The State average is 22.3%

With almost a quarter of our community population at or below the poverty level, the need for resources for access to programs that can be of assistance to those in need and actually helping individuals receive these services, will increase seniors ability to remain in their own homes with the same or improved quality of life for a longer period of time.

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 rare. The TRIAD volunteers 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 seniors 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 several years ago so the individuals signed up for the program receive a personal telephone call each day instead of a computer generated call. This personal call helps to aide in socializing with the elderly who live alone and helps them to feel less lonely because someone is checking on them personally each day. The Oxford Police Department dispatchers do the calling on weekends and holidays.

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. TRIAD works closely with the Lafayette County Sheriff's department to help keep individuals with Alzheimers safe by purchasing transmitter bracelets for these individuals to wear so that they can be tracked if they were to leave their homes unaccompanied.

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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.

A. OBJECTIVES:

- (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) assess needs and concerns of the elderly population
- (4) serve as an information liaison to seniors from law enforcement officials

B. PROJECTED IMPACTS:

- (1) elderly will feel safer and more secure in their homes
- (2) expanded programs for seniors
- (3) promote healthy lifestyles for seniors
- (4) elderly will age in place in their homes

TRIAD volunteers will help to develop and implement an on-going public safety program, monthly meetings (if we are able to have them in the future) 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 the past several years. TRIAD has been very helpful to the Sheriff's department in meeting the needs of individuals with Alzheimers.

Providing the drive way alarms to the most vulnerable seniors will help them feel safer in their homes.

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PART III. Project IMPLEMENTATION

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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 continues to sponsor the RUOK telephone reassurance program. With limited funding, some programs had to be scaled back or eliminated. TRIAD will purchase wireless driveway alarms for the senior population that is most vulnerable to crime in our community. They will partner with the Oxford Police dept. and the Lafayette County Sheriff's dept. to identify those that could benefit from the alarms the most. 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 will handout bags of information and safety items to seniors at the local food pantry. It is anticipated that community gatherings will not be available this year so they hope to reach the elderly through the Pantry and Meals on Wheels. 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.

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(on-going)
- (2) TRIAD will sponsor display boards as opportunities arise. (on-going)
- (3) TRIAD will purchase wireless driveway alarms and install for seniors (starting in November)

BUDGET NARRATIVE:

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TRAVEL EXPENSE:

OPERATING EXPENSE:

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The members will purchase 10 wireless driveway alarms to distribute to elderly individuals. $10 \times \$70 = \700

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Do law enforcement and seniors know what TRIAD is and what is its purpose?

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