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SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SCSEP)

Our Mission:

Provide job training and placement for individuals age 55 or older with limited financial resources and to provide employers with trained, motivated workers.



SCSEP Newsletter

May 2018

Caritas SCSEP Celebrates Older Americans Month

Every May, Senior Service America, Inc. (SSAI), is one of our nation's leaders in the observance of Older Americans Month (OAM). The 2018 theme, "Engage at Every Age," emphasizes that you are never too old (or young) to take part in activities that can enrich your physical, mental, and emotional well-being. It also celebrates the many ways in which older adults make a difference in our communities.



Gary A. Officer
President & CEO
SSAI

Gary A. Officer, SSAI President and CEO, said, "There's a socio-cultural bias toward a shrinking youth workforce. We choose to lead workforce development of 50+ Americans and transform the economy and

generations of future workers."

Mr. Officer will be the guest speaker at the Caritas Family Solutions SCSEP celebration of OAM on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at the newly opened Hofbräuhaus Restaurant in Belleville. Speakers will also include Belleville Mayor Mark Eckert, and other local dignitaries.



Officer continued, "Participating in activities that promote mental and physical wellness, offering your wisdom and experience to the next generation, seeking the mentorship of someone with more life experience than you—those are just a few examples of what

being engaged can mean. No matter where you are in your life, there is no better time than now to start. We hope you will join in and Engage at Every Age!"

For more information about SCSEP, contact 618-688-1180.

From the Manager's Desk

May is the month our nation celebrates Older Americans Month (OAM); which is designed to give aging a new voice—one that reflects what today's older adults have to say.

More than ever before, older Americans are working longer, trying new things, and engaging in their communities. They're taking charge, striving for wellness, focusing on independence, and advocating for themselves and others. What it means to age has changed, and OAM 2018 is a perfect opportunity to recognize and celebrate what getting older looks like today.

Let's amplify the many voices of older Americans and raise awareness of vital aging issues across the country.



Gary D. Woods
SCSEP Program
Manager

"Engage At Every Age" this May!

Senior Service of America, Inc. (SSAI) is the grantor for the Caritas SCSEP program. SSAI Workforce Development Director, Donna Satterthwaite is excited about the future for senior participants.



Donna Satterthwaite

"The month of May is Older Americans Month and SSAI is asking you to celebrate it this year in your communities in any and all the ways you can think of! This year's theme is "Engage At Every Age," and engage others about the importance of SCSEP to older workers 55+," Satterthwaite said.

Satterthwaite concluded, "SSAI will be tweeting daily this month to recognize you, and to highlight events that are happening. If you are among our social media savvy seniors, and "tweet," please be sure to use the following hash tags: #OAM18, #AgeOutLoud and #SCSEP. Follow us on Twitter at @SrSvcAmerica and @Caritas1947!

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