(Pub. L. 89–73, title IV, §414, as added Pub. L. 106–501, title IV, §401, Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2259; amended Pub. L. 109–365, title IV, §404, Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2553.)

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109–365, \S 404(1), inserted "mental health services," after "adult day health care"

Subsec. (b)(1)(B)(i). Pub. L. 109–365, §404(2), inserted "mental health," after "public health,".

§ 3032d. Computer training

(a) Program authorized

The Assistant Secretary, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, may award grants or contracts to entities to provide computer training and enhanced Internet access for older individuals.

(b) Priority

If the Assistant Secretary awards grants under subsection (a) of this section, the Assistant Secretary shall give priority to an entity that—

- (1) will provide services to older individuals living in rural areas;
- (2) has demonstrated expertise in providing computer training to older individuals; or
- (3) has demonstrated that it has a variety of training delivery methods, including facility-based, computer-based, and Internet-based training, that may facilitate a determination of the best method of training older individuals.

(c) Special consideration

In awarding grants under this section, the Assistant Secretary shall give special consideration to applicants that have entered into a partnership with one or more private entities providing such applicants with donated information technologies including software, hardware, or training.

(d) Use of funds

An entity that receives a grant or contract under subsection (a) of this section shall use funds received under such grant or contract to provide training for older individuals that—

- (1) relates to the use of computers and related equipment, in order to improve the self-employment and employment-related technology skills of older individuals, as well as their ability to use the Internet; and
- (2) is provided at senior centers, housing facilities for older individuals, elementary schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher education.

(Pub. L. 89–73, title IV, §415, as added Pub. L. 106–501, title IV, §401, Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2260.)

§ 3032e. Technical assistance and innovation to improve transportation for older individuals

(a) In general

The Secretary may award grants or contracts to nonprofit organizations to improve transportation services for older individuals.

(b) Use of funds

(1) In general

A nonprofit organization receiving a grant or contract under subsection (a) shall use the

funds received through such grant or contract to carry out a demonstration project, or to provide technical assistance to assist local transit providers, area agencies on aging, senior centers, and local senior support groups, to encourage and facilitate coordination of Federal, State, and local transportation services and resources for older individuals. The organization may use the funds to develop and carry out an innovative transportation demonstration project to create transportation services for older individuals.

(2) Specific activities

In carrying out a demonstration project or providing technical assistance under paragraph (1) the organization may carry out activities that include—

- (A) developing innovative approaches for improving access by older individuals to transportation services, including volunteer driver programs, economically sustainable transportation programs, and programs that allow older individuals to transfer their automobiles to a provider of transportation services in exchange for the services;
- (B) preparing information on transportation options and resources for older individuals and organizations serving such individuals, and disseminating the information by establishing and operating a toll-free telephone number:
- (C) developing models and best practices for providing comprehensive integrated transportation services for older individuals, including services administered by the Secretary of Transportation, by providing ongoing technical assistance to agencies providing services under subchapter III and by assisting in coordination of public and community transportation services; and
- (D) providing special services to link older individuals to transportation services not provided under subchapter III.

(c) Economically sustainable transportation

In this section, the term "economically sustainable transportation" means demand responsive transportation for older individuals—

- (1) that may be provided through volunteers; and
- (2) that the provider will provide without receiving Federal or other public financial assistance, after a period of not more than 5 years of providing the services under this section

(Pub. L. 89–73, title IV, §416, as added Pub. L. 106–501, title IV, §401, Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2261; amended Pub. L. 109–365, title IV, §405, Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2554.)

AMENDMENTS

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