REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

2026 OLDER AMERICANS ACT Caregiver Support Groups and Caregiver Training/Support Services

Senior Connection Center, Inc. (SCC) is the designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for Planning and Service Area 6 (PSA 6), encompassing Hardee, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, and Polk counties, as appointed by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA). The DOEA has also designated SCC as the contracting agency responsible for coordinating and administering the Older Americans Act (OAA) Program within PSA 6.

At this time, we are seeking responses to this Request for Information (RFI) from qualified agencies interested in Caregiver Support Groups and Caregiver Training/Support Services under the OAA Program to older persons residing in PSA 6. Interested organizations are required to have the organizational capacity to provide services throughout the *entire* PSA effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Interested agencies must also have the ability to meet the necessary funding match requirements detailed in this RFI.

Responses received for this RFI will provide SCC with information concerning the availability of qualified contractors for Caregiver Support Groups and Caregiver Training/Support Services under the OAA Program in the PSA. The information received from qualified contractors will be used to determine if a full Request for Proposal (RFP) is necessary (due to interest from two or more qualified service contractors) or if a sole source or other procurement process will be used.

The services to be provided include: Caregiver Support Groups and Caregiver Training/Support.

Details for the RFI are available on the SCC website (<u>www.seniorconnectioncenter.org</u>) beginning Monday, March 10, 2025. Direct link to the RFI document can be found by clicking <u>here</u>.

Official RFI responses are due at the office of Senior Connection Center, Inc., located at 8928 Brittany Way, Tampa, Florida 33619, by 3:00 pm (SCC Clock) on April 2, 2025.